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**CIKC INC. NEWSLETTER**

## Feb 2017

## Champaign Illinois Kennel Club, Inc.

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## Newsletter……….……..…...……..Colleen Woodcock

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**Legislative Liaison**…………..………..Cynthia Nichols

#### Newsletter

Please send all information for the newsletter to Colleen Woodcock at ashlandkennel55@gmail.com by the end of each month.

##### Membership

Prospective new members must attend two meetings (program meeting count as a regular meeting) before a membership application can be turned in. After it is submitted the application will be read by the board two times before voting on membership. Contact Sylvia Lofrano at: sylvial@wirelessdatanet.net for more information.

Legislative Liaison

Cynthia Nichols, Legislative liaison CIKC, Secretary, IFDCO cdnichols@consolidated.net

Club Calendar 2016-2017

October: Working Meeting

November: No Meeting

December: No Regular meeting (member’s Christmas gathering)

January: No membership meeting, Board to meet at a set date and time

February: No Reg. Meeting

March: Regular Business Meeting (Show) Health Day on March 25th

April: Regular Business Meeting (Show)

April 27, 28, 29, and 30, 2016 Progress City Cluster Shows with CIKC on the 27th & 29th.

May: Regular Meeting (Show reports)

June: Program Meeting

July: Social Event (member’s picnic at Monticello)

August: Regular Business Meeting

September: Annual Meeting (Election of Officers, ***no guests***)

September Barn Hunt

**No CIKC February Meeting**

There will be no meeting in February.

As of now, there has not been a restaurant found were we can gather for the viewing of the **Westminster Kennel Club Show Mon Feb 13th and 14th**. If anyone knows of a reasonably quiet restaurant that will accommodate us with large screen TVs with **“guaranteed sound”** in the Champaign area, please email Colleen at ashlandkennel55@gmail.com with all the contact info. If a place is found, info will be sent on the email group.

**CANINE HEALTH DAY**

Mark your calendars for this year’s Canine Health Day! It is scheduled for **March 25th.**

We will also offer **BAER Hearing Tests with Dr. Hague** this year!!!

***THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO GET ALL YOUR DOGS IN FOR***

***THEIR HEALTH NEEDS AND CERTIFICATIONS!***

Winter Conformation Classes have begun!

\*Held in the DTCCU Climate Controlled Training Building\*

(we meet in ring 1 on the North end near the kitchen)

The Winter Conformation classes for the Champaign Illinois Kennel Club began on **Wed. Jan 25th, 2017 at 7:00pm** at the Dog Training Club of Champaign-Urbana, 2210 West Ford Harris Road, Urbana, IL 61802 located ¼ mile East of the Ford Harris Road and Route 45 (approx. 3 miles N. of I 74) (we meet in ring 1 on the North end near the kitchen)

The first two classes will be ring practice for those who want to work their dogs in a show ring setting.

**The 6-week winter session will begin Feb 8th**

We request that you **please** **email and sign up** if you plan to attend so we know how many to expect.

If we have **enough beginners** who wish to sign up to learn how to handle their dog in a conformation ring, we will adjust class times to accommodate them, please **send your request** along with your name, email, and info of your breed.

**Again, everyone intending to come to CIKC classes in February, please email Colleen Woodcock at** **ashlandkennel55@gmail.com**and **let me know that you plan to attend.**

Please Note- Understand that weather changes in a moment’s notice. **Use your discretion if weather is a question.** We will do our best to announce

closings on the CIKC website: <http://champaignillinoiskc.com>,

on Facebook: Champaign Illinois Kennel Club – CIKC, DTCCU on Twitter

(If the Dog Training Club Classes are canceled…we are not holding classes either)

There will be paperwork to fill out and a list of rules for use

of this facility will be handed out to each new participant.

If you are new to our class or have not been for a while, please bring an **updated copy**

of your dog's **vaccination record**

including proof of rabies with you **to be kept in our files**.

Dress comfortably with good “running” shoes. You may want to bring water for your dog also.

For enrollment & information Contact**:**

**Colleen Woodcock** ashlandkennel55@gmail.com

**Please Remember:**

**\*All participants and their guests are expected to follow the guidelines set forth by both clubs at all times while on the grounds. Please pick up your copy of the rules at the ringside table when filling out your class card.**

**\*It is required that all participants pick up after their dogs. Use only the areas marked for**

**this purpose. Equipment is available on the grounds along with a proper outside disposal area. If clean up is needed inside the building, please dispose of all solid waste outside in the disposal area.**

**\*Remember that humane treatment of your dogs is imperative at all times, but especially while on club grounds.**

**\*Bitches in season are not allowed to participate. Please contact the class coordinator if you are unable to attend due to your female coming in season. Beginning handlers are encouraged to come and watch.**

**\*Also remember that Handicapped Parking areas are only for those with the correct parking passes properly displayed.**



**Legislative Report**

The Illinois General Assembly resumes meeting next week.  The IFDCO is closely monitoring any legislation related to canine health/ownership that may be percolating in committees.  Meanwhile, both the IFDCO and the AKC predict that a lot more action will emerge in local communities.

It is important that we monitor what proposals related to animals may be introduced at city and county meetings.   I am seeking volunteers to help monitor what is being introduced in east central Illinois.  Please volunteer to monitor your city council or county board.  It may be easy to track what is going on by regularly checking the agendas and reading minutes.

Please contact me at cdnichols@consolidated.net to volunteer for this important project.  I will be happy to answer additional questions.

Cynthia Nichols
CIKC legislative liaison and Secretary, IFDCO

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***…There were no brags turned in this month.***