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#### MAY/JUNE CLUB EVENTS

Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm  
Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm  
**Sat & Sun, May 31-June 1**  
Tuesday, June 17, 6:30 pm  
Tuesday, June 17 7:30 pm

Board Meeting  
Regular Meeting  
**Annual Agility Trials**  
Board Meeting  
Regular Meeting

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**Grange Fairgrounds**  
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**May Program:** We will have several "meet the breed" presentations. We will learn about the breeds -- their characteristics, history, grooming, health issues, etc., and why the owner chose the breed. The meeting agenda will include a brief update of several business and "housekeeping" issues the board has recently undertaken as a result of input provided by our attorney.

**April Awards Banquet:** The Awards celebration went off without a hitch, or if there were any "hitches" we certainly didn't see any sign of them! Congratulations to all who completed a title last year, Bonnie Jacobs, Roberta Horner, Allie Urbanski, and Helen Smith were the four that submitted for awards, but anyone who spends time working with their dogs is to be congratulated!

**Special thanks** to the anonymous donor who contributed \$800 to the club to cover the entire cost of the recently acquired and delivered pet resuscitation units.

It is with sadness that we report the loss of the founder and first president of the NNKC:

**Dr. James S. Holt**, AKC Federal Government Relations Consultant, died suddenly April 27<sup>th</sup>. Jim was involved in the sport of dogs for over 40 years. He bred and exhibited Irish Setters and English Cocker Spaniels and finished numerous champions as well as obedience titlists. He was a founder and first president of the Nita-Nee Kennel Club of State College, PA and served as the club's first show chairman. He was a member of the National Capitol Kennel Club and the English Cocker Spaniel Club of America and served as the AKC Delegate for the English Cocker Spaniel Club from 1976 to 1991. In addition he served on the AKC Board of Directors from 1987 to 1991 prior to becoming AKC's Federal Government Relations Consultant in 1991. Jim was our friend, a dedicated dog person, a loving father, and a partner in life and dogs with Jack Ramsay. Jim also did a great deal of work behind the scenes for breeders and dogs in PA. He made numerous trips to Harrisburg for the DLAB meetings, organized phone conferences for the stake holders, and drafted letters to the legislature. Jim will be greatly missed by the dog folks of PA, and the many folks that he mentored in the sport.

**2008 Agility Trial** – Volunteers are still needed to help steward. Go to the club website, [www.nnkc.org](http://www.nnkc.org), and fill out the form to sign up to help!

**NOTE:** see the attached trophy donation forms, and catalog ad form. Make sure you note the deadlines of the end of May, or even better, bring your donations to the May meeting!