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## ON AND OFF THE CUFF

BY MIKE RICKMAN

New membership vote at October meeting, Dale Pitts, Vicki Lanig and Craig and Shawna Carter.

- I would like to thank all the club members who jump in and help with training equipment set up and tear down. Your help is appreciated and demonstrates your commitment to the club. Unfortunately I feel the need to remind some other members that no one should be excluded from helping in this area. I understand we can't all be helpers or track layers but we all have the ability to pick up a blind or help with some other items. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.
- By the time you receive this we should be back at the Softball Field for training.
- Club tracking days for the 4th quarter will be 10/16, 11/6, and 12/4.
- The Tulsa AKC Cluster will be held October 29, 30, and 31. This is the one and only fund-raiser for the club each year as we are paid to help provide stewards for the obedience rings. Gail Brown coordinates this activity and will need the help of all the club members who can participate. It is a three day event so you have several options to work this into your schedule. No experience is necessary just come with a willingness to learn. Contact Gail at 357-1717 or e-mail at mollybbel@aol.com.
- Congratulations to Karla Sanders on her July 24 marriage to Dean Calderon.
- Kevin Poteet has been called to active duty fortunately at least for the time being he will stay state side. Kevin our thoughts and prayers will be with you and Lori during this time of service.
- Eleven club members and enough family and friends to make the total 21 were in attendance at the Rickman's on July 4. It was great to have the Ziegler's out and see how much their kids had grown. Dan and Kris Kippenberger, who were also with us, announced that they have a baby coming in October. Congratulations. The



pool got a good work out, no one went away hungry, and the fireworks display was awesome as we had not only our little exhibition (we missed the Friends) but the help of about 4 sets of neighbors firing away. As always the best part of the event was the opportunity to just visit with good friends in a relaxed setting. Thanks to all who came and helped provide food. The Rickman's look forward to having the club out again next year.

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### QUARTERLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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OCTOBER 6TH  
7:30 PM  
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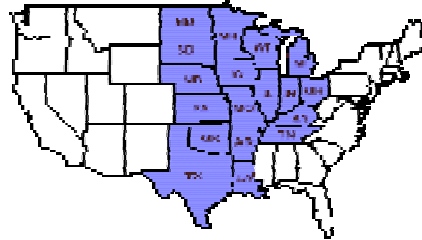
- Johann von Lowe CDX, TD, BH, SCH3, IPO3, FH, (Jo Jo), passed from this earth on July 26, 2004 at the age of 11 years and 1 month. Many things can contribute to a dog being special, where he comes from, his lineage, the people who own him, his achievements, or his personality. In my opinion Jo was special in each of these areas. Some may say that it is a biased opinion as he came from my home and was out of my first Rottweilers, but biased is not synonymous with wrong, and I believe he came from special origins. Mindy took Jo from my home at 7 weeks and if every sale of a puppy was as blessed as this one I would still be raising pups. In the hands of this special owner and trainer the young Rottie flourished as he and Mindy were virtually inseparable as he went everywhere with her including work. A quick look at the titles following his name show what he and Mindy accomplished, I will share some of the specifics. To the best of my knowledge he is the first and only club Rottweiler to achieve SCH3 and IPO3. Jo is one of only three club dogs to score 98 points in protection. At the age of 4 he was third in the 1998 MWKG Championship and followed that with a second in 1999. With his prime still ahead of him (his father competed at SCH3 at age 9 1/2) he stepped in a post hole and injured his neck to the point he wouldn't compete in protec-

tion again. This didn't however prevent him from getting his FH with a score of 94 which I understand is the highest FH score in club history. Most of all Jo was special because of who he was, a friend to all he met and family to Mindy, John, Echo, and all of us at TSC and CDS. We share in your loss but we also find peace in the many good memories Jo's life brought us.





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