

Silver Falls Kennel Club
General Meeting
October 24, 2002
Chalet Restaurant, Salem, Oregon

In Attendance Judi James, Liz Hughes, Rebecca Hillyer, Gwen Mulheron, Theresa Kaminski, Gary & Rikki Hoffecker, Alice Watt, Tom & Chris Levy, Chris Carter, Laura Lenci, Chuck & Beth Aylworth, Helen Wymore, Don and Jean Cook, Michele Coburn, Amy Thompson.

President's Report Chris briefly chatted about her trip to England.

Secretary's Report Motion to adopt minutes of the September meeting as published was made and adopted by voice vote. There was no other correspondence.

Treasurer's Report Liz reported income of \$35 in dues and tile sales; expenses of \$16.08 for historian supplies, \$300 to Polk County Fairgrounds (\$100 fee, \$200 refundable deposit), and \$76.90 to Alice Watt to register domain name for 1 year and rent server space for 2 years. Liz noted we need to work on getting our balance back up to \$1,000 to avoid bank charges.

Committee Reports

Membership Helen has received no new applications

Breeder Referral. No report.

Website. Alice advised she has set up a website and it is still 'propagating' but should be viewable in the very near future. Registering the domain name and reserving server space for one year came to \$76.90 which Alice put on her bank card until the club can reimburse her. The domain name is: www.silverfallskc.org. Once it is available Alice would like to put up the club goals, a membership roster, ongoing events info, minutes, and constitution. Input from others on what should, shouldn't be there very much needed.

Holiday Match. Judi has flyers out for our first 'Holiday Paws'. We were able to rent the new building at Polk County Fairgrounds in Rickreall for \$100 for the day. It's unheated, but we'll look into renting a space heater. Helpers and ideas for judges needed. Curt & Karla Curtis have volunteered to judge rally obedience and will bring necessary equipment; Gwen & Chris volunteered to take entries, Helen is coordinating judges and needs ideas for some fun folk to help in that department. More volunteers are needed to help with the potluck, raffle, steward, set-up and take-down, clean-up of grounds (we had to post a \$200 deposit).

Historian Theresa described the album and related supplies she's obtained and her vision for the club scrapbook. If anyone has pictures from our match to offer, please bring to the next meeting, or mail to Theresa.

AKC liaison no report.

Unfinished Business

Training classes Bob Hughes forwarded his report to Judi. At present our best prospects are using the Linn County Fairgrounds on Tuesday, cost unknown at

present; or using Everything Pawsible at a cost of \$50 per hour. There was discussion of other possible sites and Chris Carter described her success using the Four Corners grade school for classes. It is outdoors under good shelter and only \$16/hour. Chris' classes are on Tuesdays 630-730; we can use the hour after her for conformation. Consensus to start classes here for November/December while Bob continues looking into other sites. Helen will contact the Community Service Coordinator, Melia West, and make necessary arrangements. Classes will be \$5/handler from 730-830 hopefully beginning November 5. Judi volunteered to be the initial class leader since she has no dogs needing work; but will be unable to help in 2003. Helen will coordinate class instructors on a rotating basis when Judi is unavailable. Motion made and seconded; carried by voice vote to start classes as described above and try to get flyers out at the WVKC show next weekend to invite the public.

Some other possible sites members suggested:

- A horse arena in Sublimity that Ed Clarkson (Dog Gone Good) is using for classes. It's not heated, but has good footing and is enclosed. (Gwen M)
- Dr. Brotherton just purchased Polk Veterinary Hospital in Dallas which has an arena attached and it's available. (Chris C)
- There's a Square Dance Hall in Keizer and a Lions Club which have been used in the past, perhaps we could use them again. (Tom L/Rebecca H)
- There's also a VFW hall near Grant School (Judi).
- The Deaf School has also been used in the distant past; perhaps it can be again (Judi & Chris)
- Pet Village by the Airport operated by Ray Reed

Judi will pass the info on to Bob Hughes for follow-up.

(Sec'y note: classes will run 11/5-12/17 at Four Corners Elementary. See Flyer)

Constitution Chris and Judi will finish the final draft and post it to the website when ready.

Meeting Programs Discussion of the Westminster Party in February and location needs. Gwen volunteered her home if no other space is found. If you know of a good sports bar we could invade, or other venue with a large TV and cable access, let Gwen know.

Logo Helen apologized for our not getting together with the graphic artist, but it will get done shortly.

New Business

Next Meeting Our next meeting will include a presentation by Patti Strand on animal related legislation that NAIA will be pushing in 2003. Patti is past president of NAIA, the National Animal Interest Alliance, an advocacy group for hobby and commercial breeders and animal husbandmen of non-agricultural animals. Patti is also a member of the Board of the American Kennel Club and longtime dog fancier and judge. *(Sec'y note: meeting will be at Chalet on Market St)*

There being no further business, meeting adjourned for a presentation by Alice Watt on how an idea becomes law and by Judi James on how the process happens in Oregon. For all the details on Oregon's legislative goings on go to www.oregon.gov