

Silver Falls Kennel Club
General meeting November 20, 2003
Kwan's, Salem, Oregon

In attendance: Judi James, Rikki Hoffecker, Mary O'Neil, Michele Coburn, Kaesi Cook, Rebecca Hillyer, Liz Hughes, Gwen Mulheron, Theresa Kaminski, Don & Jean Cook, Laurie Panther, Karen Houle, Chuck & Beth Aylworth, Helen Wymore, Gary Dunlop, Tom & Chris Levy. Guests: Melody Polston, Elizabeth Mohrenweisen, Jon & Vickie Clarke, Cynthia Klein. Ray Calkins, DVM

President Levy called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published.

Treasurer report We have about \$3,000 in the bank and almost everyone has renewed. We do have one household, Don & Jean Cook, who renewed twice. At their direction, the extra dues were refunded.

Secretary report No correspondence. Welcome to those visiting for the first time.

Committee Reports

Achievements Rebecca reported they haven't met yet but will get together before the January meeting to do so. Committee is challenged to propose awards, time period, budget for recognizing member achievements.

E-Mail list Files within our yahoo space have been reorganized and are hopefully easier to locate minutes and other club records.

Holiday Paws fun match We're getting close but hope to have a final match meeting in early December. Laurie Panther volunteered to organize the raffle. Members were asked to bring a raffle prize to help fill the table.

AKC Liaison Discussion of changes within other area club and how to approach them to gain cooperation.

Spring match Discussion of moving the date to March 27 to avoid conflict with two other shows in the our expanded area (Lewiston, Idaho & Sacramento). We will be sharing the fairgrounds on that date with a landscape show, but that may end up to our advantage with more spectators. Some things 'in the works' include a double elimination tournament competition instead of a sweepstakes, a breeder service clinic, and attracting more vendors from the local area. There will be a meeting for those interested after the first of the year. Consensus was to move the date of the match to Saturday, March 27, at the state fairgrounds.

Historian Theresa advises she needs photos from our events. Secretary was directed to put out a request for members to check their files and send photos they may have to Theresa.

Unfinished business

Holiday Party Rebecca reported her findings regarding Roths Conference Center. Membership agreed to hold a holiday party on Friday December 12. Dinner will be mushroom-stuffed chicken and all the trimmings. Holiday gift exchange, \$10 limit, will

be held. Secretary will put together an announcement with Rebecca. Members need to advise by December 10 if they will attend so food can be planned.

T-shirts/Sweatshirts Several more orders were turned in at the meeting. Shirts will be ready by the holiday party. Those who haven't paid need to do so.

Memory Walk Rikki has obtained permission to reprint the photo taken. Judi will pass it along to Dog Nose News for inclusion in a future column.

Non-profit status. No report.

Westminster party Mary O'Neil has reserved the Ram pub again. Mary will work with Chris Levy to put together a flyer to announce the party at our December match and the January Rose Classic.

Membership Applications none pending, but several new faces this evening. Welcome!

New Business

Conformation classes No luck yet on our classes, but Everything Pawsible is offering classes on Tuesday night; Linn County KC is offering classes on Mondays at the Albany fairgrounds.

Community outreach Gwen reported a recent appeal in the newspaper to replace an area law enforcement dog. Discussion of how we can help in that effort. Gwen will gather more information and we can decide after the December match if a donation should be made and possibly presented at the March Match.

Next Meeting will also our holiday party.

Meeting adjourned about 730 for an open discussion with Ray Calkins, DVM, a fellow dog breeder and veterinarian with particular emphasis on breeding dogs and the complications that can arise.