

Silver Falls Kennel Club. Inc. Salem, Oregon

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General Meeting Thursday, April 22, 2004 The Chalet Restaurant, Salem

In attendance: Judi James, Chris & Tom Levy, Rikki Hoffecker, Helen Wymore, Karen Houle, Liz Hughes, Chuck & Beth Aylworth, Gwen Mulheron, Rebecca Hillyer, Alice Watt, Jim Brown. Guests: Al & Sandy Furbish, Lorene Jones, Mary & Jim Miller, Michael & Pamela Korcek, Sue Orman, Sharon McGraw, Christie Smith

President report Chris summarized the recent board meeting and visit with Willamette Valley KC. We may be getting some equipment from WVKC if Linn County KC decides they don't want it. Once again, we had a successful match and many new recruits for the club including several who showed up and helped at the match – THANK YOU!

Secretary report Minutes of the last meeting were approved with the correction that this evenings meeting should have read 4/22, not 4/29.

Treasurer report Match income was \$2,399, expenses \$2,087 for net income of \$312. All bills associated with the match are paid and our balance after depositing match income is over \$4,700.

Committee Reports

Achievements Rebecca is still trying to get her committee together for a chat.

AKC Liaison No report beyond our recent visit with WVKC and their agreement to consider a proposal for sharing territory.

<u>Breeder Referral</u> Alice reports the new directory with our advertisement in it has come out. Discussion of putting an add in the local newspaper occasionally. Alice will research cost.

<u>Christmas Party</u> Rebecca confirmed we will have one, site and date still to be determined.

Email list Beth reports nothing new.

<u>Holiday Paws</u> Discussion of appropriate date since Christmas and New Years are on Saturday this year. Consensus was to do it on January 8, 2005. Alice will book the Polk County Fairgrounds.

<u>Spring Match</u> Congratulations to Judi for a job well done. We really had a lot of newcomers and dog lovers turn out for the match. We were listed in the SJ calendar for 4/10 as well as 3/27 and the number of calls from people wanting to come on that second date was also very high. Salem is ready for a hometown club!

Agreed we do need to clarify the rules for the 'anything goes' competition and send the rules to judges and post in their books so all rings operation in the same way. Judi has volunteered to chair the match in 2005, but would like an assistant to start 'learning the ropes'. If interested, let Judi or Chris know. Tentative date, subject to fairgrounds availability is Saturday, April 6, 2005. That will be the corresponding date on the AKC calendar and should not conflict with any other area club.

<u>Policy</u> No report. Karen did note the committee should meet again to review policies and perhaps add to the list. If you have a topic for the policy committee to consider, let Karen know. Discussion of whether members working at the match in club shirts could also go into the ring as a competitor in their shirts. Discussion of the need for a 'benefits committee' and guidelines for who and how the club should make donations.

Membership Helen has no new applications, but does have blanks available. Discussion of whether working at a match counts toward the two meeting requirement for membership. Consensus is that it should. Secretary will mail applications to those who are eligible for membership at this time and did not receive them at the meeting. (Sec'y note: applications given or mailed to Sue Orman, Sharon McGraw, Elizabeth Mohrenweiser, the Korceks, the Furbishes, Christie Smith, Cynthia Klein, Lorene Jones)

<u>Website</u> Match photos will be posted shortly. If you have some to contribute, let Alice know.

Nominating committee The Board will name the nominating committee before the May meeting. If you would like to serve or if you would like to apply for an elective office or board position, let Chris or a board member know.

Unfinished business

<u>Donation to police dog</u> Discussion of Salem PD's acquisition of a new police dog and the cost of same. Board recommended and the membership approved a motion to donate \$250 to Salem PD for the dog. We will 'pass the hat' at the May Meeting for those members and guests who may wish to add to the donation. Rebecca is in contact with the dog officer to invite him to our June meeting to talk about the program and accept our donation. (Secretary note: check with SJ about coverage).

New business

<u>Alzheimer's Walk</u> Rikki will again coordinate our team for the walk this fall. No information has come out on it yet, but it will likely be the first weekend of October again.

<u>Zone enforcement issues</u> Discussion of one member's notice from city regarding dog activities in a residential area. The Eugene club has been in touch with us as well – several of their members have been cited in a similar way. In Eugene, they are working to find a reasonable compromise definition of hobby breeder vs. kennel. Perhaps it is

something we can pursue in our own area. Discussion of need for club to be promoting dog friendly attitude in Salem and Marion County.

<u>Summer classes</u> Judi and Gary Dunlop are organizing some summer classes for the club. They are tentatively scheduled to begin in June on Wednesday evenings. Likely location will be Cascade Gateway Park just off Hwy 22 & I-5. We will offer conformation handling and rally obedience – both as a basic obedience course and run-through of courses.

Next meetings

May 27, 2004 our guest will be Lucille Allen of the Polk County Dog Advisory Board. The Board meets to hear dog control complaints and advise dog control and the commission. It is a grand idea that may work in our area.

<u>June 24, 2004</u> Potluck at a member's home. We hope to have the Salem Police Department dog officer join us.

There being no further business, the **meeting adjourned** for <u>TRIVIA NIGHT!</u> For those of you who weren't able to stay, you missed a grand time! Thanks to Chris for organizing it. We have lots of extra questions for the next time we want to play trivia. We had four teams that mixed old and new members and guests: Dog Gone Good, Fluffy Puppies, Wild Ones, and Pooch Pals. Dog Gone Good won by a wet nose. <u>Best poser of the night</u>: What's the highest number of Best in Shows won at AKC events by one dog? You'll have to wait for next trivia night to find out.