

Silver Falls Kennel Club. Inc. Salem, Oregon

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General Meeting Minutes
Thursday, October 28, 2004, Chemeketa Community College, Salem

Special Presentation: Salem & Keizer Police Canine Program officers. Officer Smith and Officer Fletcher with his canine partner Cicco, a black german shepherd originally from Czech republic. We had a great presentation on how canine police officers aid their human partners in keeping our community safe. At the conclusion of the presentation, Silver Falls KC presented a \$250 check to help in the purchase of the next canine for the unit.

In attendance: Liz Hughes, Rebecca Hillyer, Alice Watt, Mary Jane O'Neil, Rikki Hoffecker, Lorene Jones, Laurie Panther, Al & Sandy Furbish, Tom & Chris Levy, Judi James. Guest: Phyllis Dinsmore

President's Report We have received a negative response from WVKC (see secretary report). Your board met last week and began drafting a letter to AKC addressing issues raised by that letter.

Secretary's Report A motion was made and seconded to dispense with the reading of the minutes and adopt the minutes as published. Two pieces of correspondence have been received. The first, a request by the Oregon Dog Judges Association to donate to the January seminars. The second, was a response to our request to WVKC to share territory. At the President's request, the letter was read to the group and is reprinted below:

From Willamette Valley Kennel Club, dated September 20, 2004: "As to your request in your letter of June 9, 2004, this is to inform you that by a unanimous vote at our general meeting, the members of Willamette Valley Kennel Club stated that we will neither now, nor in the future, cede any of our present territory to Silver Falls Kennel Club or any other club.

This is our final word and we expect that you will not again present yourselves without invitation at any of our meetings, nor harass any individual members of our club. Should you do so, we will have no alternative but to bring changes against you with A.K.C."

Chris reviewed the concept letter to AKC which clarifies stated we had been invited to the meeting by the one WVKC member who resides in Salem, that's the only way we would have known about it; the meeting took place as scheduled, and we were not asked to leave. We have no idea what they mean by 'harassing'.

Treasurer's Report We still have about \$3500 in the treasury.

Committee Reports

Achievements Rebecca described the possible award plaques for the club to recognize member achievements. These would be memory boards. Discussion of criteria to obtain a memory board or other awards. Decision was to use certificates only for this year to get the ball rolling. Alice moved that we authorize Rebecca to commit to using the plaques from Salem Trophy in the future. Motion seconded by Al and passed by unanimous voice vote.

AKC Liasion Still working on our achievements letter to AKC.

<u>Holiday Paws Match</u> New chair Mary Jane is looking for judges and volunteers. Several members came forward to help including Laurie P. as raffle coordinator; Liz for trophies; and Chris as secretary. Flyers were out at Vancouver and will go out at Albany. Email listing will also be done. Mary Jane plans to take flyers to local veterinary offices too.

Spring Match No report. Chairman is now Alice.

Policy No report - they will meet next week.

<u>Public Education</u> Sandy is now set up to receive club email inquiries from the website. Discussion of how she should respond. Alice did recently receive a call from the breeder ad in the directory, so folks are finding out we're here.

Membership

The following application was read for the second time and approved by unanimous voice vote.

Angie Perry 301 Croisan Creek Rd S Salem, OR 97302 Angie owns a malamute who competes in Agility and conformation. They were regulars in our summer

classes.

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Phyllis Dinsmore stated she would like to submit an application. Secretary will forward one when reprinted.

Unfinished business

<u>Marion County SAR program</u> Board recommends the membership make a donation to the Marion County SAR dog program of \$100. Tom made the motion and Alice seconded it. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote. Al will obtain the correct address for Liz to send the check.

<u>Alzheimer's Walk</u> Rikki read letter from the organization thanking us for our participation. We had eight walkers and more than \$600 in donations. The walk drew more than 500 participants in all and raised more than \$37,000.

New business Discussion of insurance options to explore when our insurance comes up for renewal.

Next Meetings

November 18 (early due to holiday) will be Patty Storkel representing Paws for Love, talking about Pet Therapy dogs and programs in the area. Location: Chalet on Market, Salem

<u>December 11</u> Holiday party at Roth's Conference Center, West Salem.

There being no further business, the **meeting adjourned** about 930