



**General Club Meeting
Thursday, September 22, 2005
Eola Inn, West Salem**

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Judi James, Lorene Jones, Karen Houle, Sue Orman, Helen Wymore, Mary Jane O'Neil, Chuck & Beth Aylworth, Angie Perry, Michele Coburn, Phyllis Dinsmore, Beth Werner, Chris Levy, Rebecca Hillyer, Liz Hughes, Georjan Bridger

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as published.

President's Report We had a good response to our mailing to Polk & Yamhill county dog fanciers. Hopefully some will also begin attending meetings. There followed a discussion of the need for adequate Polk County members (about half) to meet AKC requests. We're making good progress towards our goal.

Secretary's Report no new correspondence.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Liz reported that deposits for the Polk County Fairgrounds and Oregon State Fairgrounds, as well as trophies for both matches have been paid with more than \$3 thousand still in the bank. President Chris emailed everyone who had not yet paid dues and has had good response with only a few still needing to renew. (Sec'y note: Club policy is that those past due by 90 days will be dropped from the roll.)

Committee reports

Achievements Rebecca needs to collect the plaques and information for engraving at the October meeting. She will be putting together a flyer to the members about this.

Holiday party Rebecca will be contacted Roth's shortly for reservations. She plans to do personal invitations to all members including prospective members. Discussion of best date with Saturday 12/10 the preferred night.

Policy Karen will be updating the policy file shortly to include all the policies the committee acted upon in the past year. Karen confirmed that those who had not paid dues 90 days after year end will be dropped from membership. The new committee of will be needing in near future.

Email list – Beth says there's nothing new but encouraged members to visit the club Yahoo site to access a lot of information filed there.

Website Chris encouraged folks to take a look at the new site that is now up and running. Discussion of how Chris' server space is being shared and paid with the club.

Public Education Karen read a report for Sandy Furbish who was unable to attend. Sandy has been in touch with the Humane Society and Marion County animal control to start a dialog on how we can work together.

Historian Lorene has taken on this job for the club. Please send her photos and other memorabilia about the club.

Membership Michelle advise she mailed out two applications recently, but hasn't received them back yet. Discussion of why the applications are returned to the club secretary instead of membership chair. Advised it was so secretary to capture contact information then forward on to membership chair for further work.

Spring Match is on March 25 at the state fairgrounds. Chris is chair. Trophies have been purchased, but other work is just beginning. Judge suggestions appreciated.

Unfinished business

Spooky paws match is just around the corner. Karen advised there is a before match meeting on Thursday 10/6 at the Sizzler on Lancaster, 630 dinner, 7 meeting.

Raffle – Laurie & Beth W. are working on it. Please bring raffle items to the meeting.

Grounds – Al & Tom could use a bit more help

Potluck - Lorene & Rikki are organizing the potluck – please contact them for suggestions on what to bring.

Prizes – Liz & Rebecca report trophies purchased and ribbons ordered. There will be participant ribbons for all juniors. There will also be a costume contest.

Reminder that 'Anything Goes' is intended to be three class divisions: Veterans, Altered, Open with winners competing for Best Anything Goes.

City of Salem Leash Law & West Salem Dog Park – discussion of what's happening regarding these city programs.

New Business

Westminster Party is just around the corner! Chuck will get in touch with Northern Lights again to see what deal he can make. He believe they will want a guarantee of 20 people each night at \$20/head with most of that coming back as script toward dinner and drinks. Club made motion to allow Chuck to committee the club to that guarantee if necessary.

Meeting adjourned to an excellent presentation by Georjan Bridger on Georjan Bridger on field trials for dachshunds, bassets and beagles. Georjan is an AKC judge in both field and conformation events for short-legged hounds, as well as a club member.

More dates to remember:

October 22 – Spooky Paws match at Polk County Fairgrounds

October 29 – General Meeting and fun match debrief, location Eola Inn

November 17 – General Meeting, guest speaker Hal Engel DVM (note change of date)

December 22 – Annual Christmas Party

March 25, 2006 – Spring Match at State Fairgrounds