



Annual Club Meeting
Thursday, August 30, 2007
Maud Williamson State Park
Hopewell, Oregon

Meeting Minutes

In attendance for the were Judi James, Ceilidh Campbell, Michele Coburn, Dan Nechemias, Lois Claus, Laurie Panther, Liz & Harv Mohrenweiser, Phyllis Dinsmore, Lorene Jones, Christian Jones, Rikki Hoffecker, Tom Levy, Beth Werner

Guests: Nicole Maxwell, David Ray, Jacque Keller-McCormick, Belle Dandy Downer

Secretary Judi James called the meeting to order.

Minutes were approved as printed. Please update your membership list for:

Al and Sandy Furbish
475 Grove St NE
Salem, OR 97301
503-585-4344 home phone/msg
503-930-0913 Sandy cell
503-930-3316 Al cell

Report of the President: Chris & Karen were unable to attend due to work commitments. Judi stood in and reviewed the board actions last week to move the club forward to achieve AKC recommendations for recognition.

Secretary's Report: No correspondence except AKC's letter described below. Thank you to Laurie Panther for standing in as secretary for the meeting.

Treasurer's report: Our treasurer was unable to attend due to work commitments.

Committee Reports

Match- We had a good first match at our new site, the Evergreen Aviation Museum. That's not to say we didn't have some things to improve upon. We had 110 dogs for an entry of 134 total. Expenses were about \$1400 compared to income of \$1400 for a net profit of \$266.

Our hosts from the museum were pleased with how things went and looking forward to next year. They were very impressed with how well everyone cleaned up after dogs and themselves.

The site appears adequate for a 6 to 800 dog show, but the standing hay and oats in the parking area was a concern. Recommendation is to move to the last weekend of August next year as a likely permanent date. The fields should be harvested by then and available for our use.

AKC Liaison As published on the club's email list, the AKC letter arrived. We did not get sanction to hold matches, but did get a very good explanation of what we need to do to get approval.

³The overwhelming majority of club's households reside within another nearby club's territory² - it should be the other way around. By AKC's count 22 of 44 households on our membership list reside in Marion County.

"Of greater importance is that the 4 officers and 2 non officer directors...do not reside in the club's area. Five actually reside in Salem and 2 others reside in Marion County, again in communities local to the Willamette Valley Kennel Club."

Your board met last week and agreed we'd continue to push to increase our membership in our assigned territory. We had several inquiries from the match and Judi sent out invites to those who inquired. We also agreed that the board for possible recommendation for approval would review applications without sponsors. We will begin actively mentoring members in the assigned territory interested in becoming officers next year.

Holiday Party Laurie described the buffet menu she received from Oak Knoll. She will contact Sandy Furbish and help her with site and menu selection.

Membership Applications

The following applications were read for the second time and were voted into membership by unanimous voice vote.

Joseph & Pepper Carrier (Polk)
1284 – 32nd Av NW
Salem, OR 97304
503 363 7001 yellowdoggie1@aol.com

Joseph & Pepper have owned and shown Labrador retrievers in hunt tests for 25 years and previously had shelties. They are active in their local hunt club. Joseph grew up in a dog family; Pepper is a Vet Tech.

They have attended 2 meetings

Sponsored by Judi James & Michele Coburn

Kaye Sawyer (Yamhill)
573 NE Osborne Ct
McMinnville OR 97128
9712371999 mystsams@macnet.com

Kaye has had Samoyeds for 13 years and is active in conformation events.

Sponsored by Christie Smith & Laurie Dunlop

Kaye has attended two meetings

Vickie Clark (Polk)
3595 Echo Drive N.W.
Salem, Oregon 97304
vickie@joydogs.org
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Vickie was one of the presenters from Joys of Living canine assistance dogs program.

Sponsored by Phyllis Dinsmore and Patti Storkel

New Business

New Board Member Judi announced that Al Furbish has resigned from the board due to health issues. He asked us to fill his unexpired term. The board has selected and Dan Nechemias has accepted the position. We all hope Al & Sandy continue to participate in club activities.

Meeting night The board asked members what night would be best for meetings and the last Wednesday evening seems to be what works for the most among those who responded. Motion was made and approved to move the September meeting to the fourth Wednesday of the month and decide at that meeting whether to continue with the new meeting night.

Spooky Paws is back! Since we didn't get AKC sanction, we agreed that this fun tradition must continue. Discussion on whether Saturday or Sunday was better and

consensus was to move to Sunday. Polk County Fairgrounds is reserved for October 21, 2007.

Dan & Lois have volunteered to chair the match. So mark the date, and volunteer to help!

Memory Walk Rikki gave an update on the Alzheimer's Memory Walk slated this year for Saturday October 6 in Salem. Hope everyone can turn out for a fun walk with our dogs and raise some money for a good cause at the same time. *Sec'y note: See details Rikki provided on our yahoo list.*

There was no unfinished business. Meeting adjourned.

Important Dates

October 21 – Sunday, Sixth annual SPOOKY PAWS, Rickreall