



General Club Meeting
Thursday March 26, 2008
Copper Creek Mercantile
Keizer Oregon

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Judi James, Michele Coburn, Liz Hughes, Lorene Jones, Christian Jones, Helen Wymore, Rikki Hoffecker, Denise Purdy, Chuck Aylworth, Sue Orman, Karen Houle, Gary Dunlop, Laurie Panther, Chris Levy, Patty Storkel, Ceilidh Campbell, Chris Carter, Al & Sandy Furbish, Tom & Chris Levy. Guests: Connie Blackham, Melody Harp, Dorian Mell, Brenna Spencer, Kristin Holen.

Following a presentation on nutrition by Steve, the Manager of Copper Creek Mercantile,

President Chris Levy called the meeting to order about 8.

President's report Thank you for the great turnout and to Sandi & Rikki for the delicious, homemade goodies for everyone.

Minutes were approved as published.

Secretary's report No correspondence except information from Marion County Animal Control that is discussed in new business.

Since our policy is to review officers attendance periodically, secretary will advise when the reason for absence is known: Dan Nechemias (out of town), Terri Pope (ill).

Liz Hughes has a new email address. Please change your address books to:

norwindgoldens@gmail.com

Treasurer's report Liz provided an income and expense statement for the last two months. We had expenses of \$109 for administrative expenses, \$60 for Marion County 4-H, and have an ending balance of almost \$6 k.

Committee Reports

Policy Committee Karen Houle reported the policy committee's recommendation to amend the constitution to split the office of secretary into two positions. The changes necessary to the constitution will be provided in an addendum to these minutes. There is some urgency to complete the change in time for the nominating committee to find a candidate for the changed positions.

The proposed changes will be mailed to all members in good standing before the next meeting. The membership will vote on the proposed revisions at the April meeting in accordance with the current constitutional requirements.

See unfinished business for proposed changes to the club's Policy file.

AKC Liaison AKC has acknowledged receipt of our new request for accreditation. AKC expects our request to go before the staff committee in late April.

Email list Chuck reports it's going fine. Michele mentioned that she's getting two of everything from yahoo.

Holiday party Sandi reported she's waiting for Roth's to get back to us on dates and possible menus.

July Match Dan and Christie were both unable to attend, but send the following report:

Match date is Saturday, July 26, 2008 on the grounds of the Evergreen Aviation Museum, McMinnville, Oregon.

Suggestions for judges are needed. Be sure to update the Red Book with those you'd like to see judge for us at matches or shows. We are also reaching out to specialty clubs to join us at this lovely site for a match of their own before our match. Specialty coordinator is Judi.

We have the contract for the site and Judi is reviewing; our corporate membership at the flight leader level is being processed.

Public Education Sandi has been in touch with Marion County Dog Control who invite us to tour their new facility and also has needs for volunteers. Consensus was to hold the May meeting at the new facility.

Membership Applications

First reading of the following applications:

Dorian Mell

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Falls City, OR 97344 (Polk)
503 787 8050
dorianmell@gmail.com

sponsors: Patty Storkel, Ceilidh Campbell

Brenna Spencer

1144 Bentley St E, PO Box 525
Monmouth, OR 97361 (Polk)
503 560 1429
dobesign@hotmail.com

Sponsors: Ceilidh Campbell, Judi James

Dorian has owned Irish Wolfhounds for 35 years, and 1 Xolo. She's active with Paws 4 Love and lure coursing. She's a very busy printer and also makes award ribbons.

Dorian has attended two meetings and helped at our match.

Brenna, and sidekick Tungsten, her service dog, have been active in conformation, agility, obedience, tracking (working, not sport), K-9 forensics, assistance dogs, and SAR. Brenna has Dobermans and previously was active with the Doberman club in So. California

She is a sign language interpreter and a videographer.

Brenna has attended two meetings

By unanimous voice vote, the following application was accepted:

Mary Strom & Tim Bernard

PO Box 1110 10280 NE Abbey Rd
Carlton, Oregon 97111

Sponsors: Chris & Tom Levy

They are retired but active in several other area clubs. Own Leonbergers, Parson Russell' terriers Border Terriers, and whippets

Mary is an AKC judge; Tim does great photography

They helped at our match and have attended a meeting.

Unfinished Business

New Policies The policy committee recommends the following policy changes. The membership adopted them by unanimous voice vote.

6.1 There shall be no limit to the number of terms an officer may serve.

6.1.A. Attendance policy for officers:

Officers need to attend a minimum of 75% of general meetings and board meetings. The Board will review the absences and may recommend further action.

Duties: There shall be a copy of the current written minutes available at each meeting. There shall be a current written treasurer's report present at each meeting.

6.4 Criteria for nomination:

6.4A The nominating committee will review attendance and contributions to the club of their selection of nominees for offices and board positions.

Nominees need a minimum of one year of membership in the Club.

New policy:

Awards: Annual awards for member's dog achievements will be presented at the annual meeting.

A. Achievement plaques, purchased by the members, will be imprinted by the Club for presentation at the annual meeting.

B. Members are responsible for informing the Club of their achievements.

New Business

Red Book Karen started the 'Red Book' around again. It will circulate at each meeting so members can add their suggestions for licensed or match judges for show chairs to consider for open slates.

Trophies A local show vendor, *Haute Dogge*, has expressed interest in donating the best in show trophy at our first licensed show.

Alzheimers Walk Rikki said a new team leader for the Memory Walk is needed. She does not have time to take the lead this year due to other events in her life.

Marion County Dog Fest is September 20 at Chemeketa Community College. Consensus was to purchase a spot to offer public information again. Sandi will take the lead in organizing the event.

Important Dates

April 24 General meeting at Murphy's Grill in Dallas. Special guest will be Brenna Spencer and Tungsten the big red service dog has attended our last two meetings. Brenna and Tungsten will talk about how dogs serve humans in unique ways.

May 29 General meeting and tour of the Marion County Animal Control's New Shelter

July 26 – Summer Match, Evergreen Aviation Museum, McMinnville