

NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

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I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. President Linda Luchsinger called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.
- B. Board members present: Sandy Bonifield, Carol Coawette, Debbie Hilton, Linda Luchsinger, Stefanie Meinhardt, Sue Osborn, and Marion Sigel.

II. MINUTES—Sue Osborn

MSC to approve the December 9, 2019 general minutes as published.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT—Stefanie Meinhardt

- A. As of December 31st:
 1. Checking: \$41,900.29
 2. Savings: \$22,323.58
 3. Paypal: \$4,726.34
- B. Profit of approximately \$2,500 in 2019.

IV. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS

- A. **PRESIDENT**—Linda Luchsinger
Linda took a few moments to remember Joy Wood who passed away on January 1st. Suggestions for a special momento made in Joy's name are welcomed.
- B. **VICE-PRESIDENT**—Sandy Bonifield
No speakers lined up at this time.
- C. **MEMBERSHIP**—Carol Coawette
Thank you to all those who have paid dues. All trainers and assistants should make sure their dues have been paid.
- D. **OFFICE**—Sandy Bonifield
Thank you to Marilane Bergfelt for all her work handling the office. If anyone is interested in working in the office, let Sandy know; she is happy to set up a date to hold a seminar to go over what is involved.
- E. **TRAINING**
 1. Classes are set through session two.
 2. Next training meeting is set for February 19th at the clubhouse.
 2. Diane Collings, conformation trainer, will be getting back to us soon to answer questions brought up at the last Board meeting. She is on board to become a member of the club.
 3. Okay received from Lixit and Ross to use Lixit parking lot for short periods of time during class sessions.
- F. **PUBLICITY**—Marion Sigel
Marion handed out rack cards to different members to take to vets. She is awarding a prize at the next meeting for any member delivering cards who comes back with the best responses from vet after asking for their brochure and asking what is special about their clinic.
- G. **BUILDING**—Debbie Hilton
 1. Debbie made up a key signoff log for keys currently checked out.
 2. A note to Ross Mini about the overhead light in training area was sent by Debbie.
 3. Rat droppings have been found in the back area of the office.

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4. Broken window on overhead door brought up, whether to replace with a graphic or see-through glass.
5. PSI is raising their fees (around \$15).

H. NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE—Sue Osborn

1. Deadline for next meeting announcement is January 20th.
2. The January February newsletter included New Year resolutions your dogs wishes for, write-up on Joy Wood, AOCNC's Winter Workshop, Canine Alzheimer's article, Santa photos, LAPS training, photos of graduates from puppy and ado classes, session 2 schedule, and brags.

I. AOCNC—Sue Osborn, Mary Ash

1. Quarterly meeting was held January 11, 2020 hosted by Napa Valley DTC at the NVDTTC clubhouse.
2. AOCNC will have an educational table at the Golden Gate Kennel Club Show at Cow Palace coming up January 25th & 26th.
3. AOCNC's annual winter workshop will be held February 9, 2020 at the Cow Palace. Linda Luchsinger, Sue Osborn, and Mary Ash will be working at the workshop.
4. A very active and well known AOCNC member, Noelle Pilat, passed away.
5. There is an opening for a third AOCNC rep. Talk to Mary Ash or Sue Osborn if interested.
6. AOCNC's club appreciation luncheon is March 8, 2020 in Pleasant Hill. AOCNC will pay for one NVDTTC member's lunch.

J. Hospitality

Donna Albini will do hospitality for the next general meeting.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Tracking Test

Due to Kaye Hall having health issues, and no time for others to work on securing a venue, the test is considered cancelled.

B. Sue McGuire Workshop

Members attending this workshop on January 12th reported the event was very informative and educational.

C. Awards Banquet

1. Banquet will be held at Filippi's.
2. Sandy will book the 23rd of February for a family style dinner.
3. The club will pick up the cost of anything above the basic charge (to be determined).
4. Linda Wargo is taking care of the year end awards.

D. Gerry Glantz Memorial Club Service Award

Deadline for nominations is January 15, 2020.

E. Scent Work Trial

1. Sunday, April 18 and Saturday, April 19, 2020.
2. Marion Sigel will be taking care of ribbons with Linda Wargo mentoring her.
3. Premium was posted today.
4. Linda Wargo is in charge of volunteers.
5. Mary Ash and Donna Golemon are taking over jobs done by Joy Wood.
6. JMD Sports may need to obtain one additional person to help out (at their expense)

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VI NEW BUSINESS

A. Club Lease

1. Expires end of May.
2. Linda Luchsinger talked to Rudd properties and asked for a 3 year lease. A triple net will be included. Linda also brought up about our utilities charge being the same for last two billings.

B. Projects Committee

Linda Luchsinger suggested coming up with different projects/activities the club can do in 2020. Christmas parade, Bark for Life, a downtown dog walk are some ideas. More ideas are welcomed. Any member, board or general, can organize this.

B. Slat Wall

Sue Osborn presented an alternate method for displaying awards and flyers, a system used by the library called a slat wall. She will obtain pricing.

C. Open House

Sandy Bonifield and Linda Luchsinger volunteered to be on committee. Sue Osborn is committee chair.

D. Bring Your Dog to the Meeting Night

March, June, and October meetings have been set for "Bring Your Dog to the Meeting Night." Debbie Hilton will come up with what the dogs will do for the first one in March. If anyone can help Debbie, let her know. Members are asked to step up to do the same thing for the June and October meetings.

E. Critter Comforters

1. A new person is needed to take over for Gwen Mckenzie.
2. Gwen received funds, as requested, from NVDTC for labels for blankets for Napa County Animal Shelter.

VI BRAGS

Carol Coawette, Linda Wargo, Mary Ash, Christy Rose, and Roxann Gracia all had brags.

VI MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:00 PM.

Respectively submitted by
Sue Osborn, Secretary