

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 6:42 PM.
- B. Board members present: Sandy Bonifield, Carol Coawette, Maria Giaccio, Linda Luchsinger, Stefanie Meinhardt, and Sue Osborn.

II. MINUTES—Sue Osborn

MSC to approve the December 10, 2018 general minutes as published.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT—Stefanie Meinhardt

- A. Checking: \$43,932.72 as of December 31st.
- B. Money Market: \$22,288.52 as of December 31st.
- C. PayPal: \$813.56 as of December 31st.
- D. Stefanie will be putting together a budget once she has 12 months of activity to work from.

IV. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS

A. PRESIDENT—Linda Luchsinger

1. We are starting 2019 with a reduced board. If anyone is interested in stepping up to take on a board position, talk to a board member.
2. The February general meeting is a "Bring Your Dog to the Meeting Night. Activity ideas: laminating dog tags, setting up jumps, tunnels, and other fun activities. for dogs Board will work on setting at least three of these nights in 2019.

B. VICE-PRESIDENT—Sandy Bonifield

If you have suggestions for presentations for meetings, such as a vet talk, a police dog presentation or some kind of demo like freestyle, contact Sandy.

C. MEMBERSHIP—Carol Coawette

1. MSC to accept Debbie Hilton as a new member. Debbie has a four-month-old miniature Dachshund named Archie.
2. MSC to accept Jazmine Parks as a new member. Jasmine has a 5-year-old dog named Munchie.
3. MSC to accept Ben Robinson as a new member. Ben owns a 10-month-old Boxer mix named Meatloaf.

D. OFFICE—Sandy Bonifield

1. There is now a new phone and a new adding machine in the office to replace poor working, outdated units.
2. Sandy works in office on Tuesdays and one day on the weekend. Vange Leonis and Marilane Bergfelt also work in office throughout the week. Mary Ash works the office on Thursdays.

E. TRAINING

Marilane Bergfelt is taking care of printing out class handouts and continues to work on getting trainer contracts signed.

F. PUBLICITY

Rack cards are available to take to local vets.

G. BUILDING—Maria Giaccio

1. Maria reminded everyone not to park outside the entrance door. Tuesday mornings there is very little parking available in the complex so the trainers & assistants have been parking outside the entrance door to leave room for students to park. Suggestion was made for them to park further away.

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2. Sue Osborn painted two coats of protective coating on the lower part of the mural and behind the agility bracket area. Protective coating will help with dog piddle but will not protect from banging of items such as chairs and poles.

H. NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE—Sue Osborn

1. The January-February 2019 Newsletter was sent out January 4th and included info about volunteering/attending the AOCNC February 10th Winter Workshop and NVDTC's February 16th and 17th Scent Work Trial, the 2019 show calendar being available for purchase, membership renewal application being included with newsletter with an online link, 2018 service award form, photos from the Christmas Potluck and Puppy/Adolescent Classes, an article about dogs eating oranges, and brags.
2. Session 2 & 3 are online and there is now a button on the classes page that links to discount codes.

I. AOCNC—Sue Osborn, Mary Ash, Joy Wood

1. Next AOCNC quarterly meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2019 with Napa DTC hosting at NVDTC clubhouse.
2. AOCNC's Club Appreciation Lunch, hosted by Vallejo DTC, is set for March 10, 2019.
3. AOCNC will have an educational table at the Golden Gate Kennel Club January 26th and 27th. If you are attending GGKC, stop by and say hello.
4. The AOCNC Winter Workshop will be at Cow Palace on February 10, 2019. Sue passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to help at the workshop.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Annual Banquet, Donna Golemon and Mary Ash

1. Deadline for year end awards was extended to today.
2. Zio Fraedo's in Vallejo on the waterfront is being planned for place to hold banquet and would be held in a private room.
3. Banquet will be a luncheon and will be held Sunday, Feb 24th.
4. More information on menu and other details to follow.

B. Scent Work Trial, February 16th and 17th

1. Saturday will be novice entries and Sunday will be advanced entries.
2. A Scent Work Trial committee meeting will be held Monday, January 21 at 6:00pm at the clubhouse.
3. Linda Wargo is the volunteer chair. A sign-up sheet was passed around. Linda Wargo will be emailing volunteers about assignments. This is an event members can use to count as part of requirement to work one event a year in order to receive a year end award.
4. Linda Luchsinger is handling hospitality for workers and judges. Pizza will be served on Saturday and hot dogs on Sunday. She will also see to sending an email to ask members to bring salads, snacks, chips, and water (only water will be provided for drinks).

C. Variable Surface Tracking Test, March 10, 2019—Stefanie Meinhardt

1. Planning day for track laying is March 9, 2019.
2. One more driver would be nice. Contact Stefanie if you can volunteer to drive.

D. Service Award

Deadline is January 15. Forms to nominate members for the service award are online and are to go to Sandy Bonifield.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **MSC to vote** Trina Wagner in as a returning member.

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B. Solano Fairgrounds Concerns

There will be a Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday February 5 at 8:30 am in Fairfield regarding proposal to eliminate all year round event such as dog shows at the fairgrounds in Vallejo.

C. Open house

An Open House has been set for April 20th at the clubhouse. This is an event to showcase our club to the community. Volunteering to work this event is another opportunity members can use to count as part of requirement to work one event a year in order to receive a year end award.

VII. BRAGS

- A. At the Sonoma County Agility Club AKC Scent Work Trial, Linda Wargo's Hef qualified in 7 out of 8 novice searches and placed first in buried with a 5 second find.
- B. Diana Mobley's Marty received his tracking certification.

VIII. Hospitality

Pari Alavi and Debbie Hilton volunteered to bring snacks for the February 11th meeting.

IX. MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:35 PM

Respectively submitted by
Sue Osborn, Secretary