

NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
April 9, 2018

I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Following a presentation by Donna Golemon on AKC Trick Titles, President Linda Luchsinger called meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.
- B. Board members present: Marilane Bergfelt, Sandy Bonifield, Carol Coawette, Linda Luchsinger, Sue Osborn, and Joy Wood. Board members absent: Tandi Blonigen, Maria Giaccio, and Stefanie Meinhardt.

II. MINUTES—M/S/C to accept minutes from the March 12, 2018 general meeting with one correction: Under brags, item X, change Michelle to Rochelle.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT, Stefanie Meinhardt - Absent

- A. Checking: \$27,851.08
- B. Money Market: \$22,261.57
- C. Request for \$25 refund from Kyla Smay for upfront money sent to AKC for tracking test. Judge from Novato didn't charge anything. Kaye Hall may have some minimal expenses to turn in for reimbursement.

IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT, Linda Luchsinger

No report.

V. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT, Sandy Bonifield

No report.

VI. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS

- A. **MEMBERSHIP** – Tonight's guests were invited to join the club.
- B. **OFFICE**, Sandy Bonifield
 - 1. Phone calls are being taken – Sandy needs to poll current office staff to find out who can work next session.
 - 2. Sandy asked members to volunteer to work in office. She will train. Office workers only need to put in an hour a week.
- C. **TRAINING**, Marilane Bergfelt
 - 1. Next session starts in a week.
 - 2. Canine Fitness is not filling.
 - 3. Session 4 will be finalized and posted on website.
- D. **PUBLICITY**, Tandi Blonigen – Absent
Posters for special classes were made and handed out, some students and members took some posters and put them up around town.
- E. **BUILDING**, Maria Giaccio – Absent
There was a flood in the bathroom caused by next-door neighbor's sink overflowing, which they handled.
- F. **WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER**, Sue Osborn
Deadline is April 20th for the May-June newsletter. Deadline is May 20th for the June meeting announcement.
- G. **TRACKING TEST**, Linda Wargo
 - 1. Committee held a final meeting for this year's tracking test. The Yountville Veteran's Home has been contacted about using their grounds for 2019. No word from Veteran's Home yet.
 - 2. A committee will need to be formed for 2019. Linda Wargo announced she is not going to be chair. Secretary for 2018 is leaving the state thus a new secretary will also need to be found.
- H. **AOCNC**, Sue Osborn, Mary Ash
 - 1. The AOCNC Summer Workshop will be held July 29th at Cal State Hayward. NVDTCC has volunteered to host the beginning novice ring. Sue passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers.
 - 2. The AOCNC Seminar for Scent Work will be held September 23rd. Decision to be made what levels will be covered. There will be two working dogs allowed from each club and auditing openings. If there is a lot of interest from members a draw will be held, most likely in August.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Online Registration:** Sue and Donna are working with Dog Biz Pro software and are looking at session 4 to have online registration in place using Paypal for payment.

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- B. **Novice AKC Trick Title Event:** This event will take place after the May 14th general meeting. Before tonight's meeting, Donna put on a very nice demo showing the many tricks that can be done to earn a trick title from AKC.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Bark for Life Raffle Donation:** NVDTC donated a class certificate donation to Bark for Life for their raffle last year. MSC to donate a class certificate to them again this year.
- B. **Mural Funding Approval:** MSC for up to \$500 for materials for painting a mural on the west wall at the clubhouse. Sue Osborn showed revised artwork to accommodate the weave poles mounting and will display upcoming artwork for mural at clubhouse. Sue DeMille and De Brilz will also be working on the mural with Sue Osborn. Linda Luchsinger will follow up with scaffolding.
- C. **AKC Nose Work Trial:**
 - 1. Joy Wood presented information to general about nose work and how AKC has jumped on board to start nose work trials.
 - 2. Joy, Mary Ash and Donna Golemon of JMD Dog Sports presented board with a proposal to hold a NVDTC nose work trial and have received approval from board to file an application with AKC for NVDTC to hold nose work trials. This application is now waiting on AKC's approval.
 - 3. MSC to approve NVDTC to move forward on holding an AKC nose work trial in conjunction with JMD Dog Sports once AKC approves submitted application. Joy and Mary will be part of AKC's required 5-member committee. Linda Luchsinger and Linda Wargo volunteered to be on this committee.
- D. **Pizza Party:** The June 11, 2018 general meeting will also be a pizza party.

X. NEW MEMBERS

- A. MSC to accept new member Bobbie Lee. Bobbie has an 8-year-old Basset Hound.
- B. MSC to accept new members George and Elizabeth Flora. They have three dogs, ages 13 years, 9 years, and a 13 week-old Red Merle Aussie.

XI. BRAGS

- A. Linda Luchsinger's Teddy received his final Championship points with a 4-point major at the Washington State Cocker Spaniel Specialty in Bremerton, Washington. At just one-year-old, he completed his championship with 4 majors.
- B. Sandy Bonifeld's one and half year-old Salt and Pepper Schnauzer, Bliss, received her championship at the Bakersfield show last weekend.
- C. Donna Golemon received four first places and second high in trial at recent herding trial.
- D. Linda Wargo's Bill received his premiere jumping title. Two of her dogs also received a fast CAT title and an advanced nose work title.

XII. MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:26 p.m.

Respectively submitted by
Sue Osborn, Secretary