

NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

August 12, 2019

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I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. President, Linda Luchsinger, called the meeting to order at 7:55 PM after Carmen Estrada's in-depth 6:30 PM presentation on emergency pet preparedness.
- B. Board members present: Sandy Bonifield, Carol Coawette, Linda Luchsinger, Maria Giaccio, Stefanie Meinhardt, and Sue Osborn.

II. MINUTES—Sue Osborn

MSC to approve the July 8, 2019 general minutes as published with the following change: fix date on header on page 3.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT—Stefanie Meinhardt

- A. Checking: \$42,054.72 as of July 31st.
- B. Savings: \$22,309.24 as of July 31st.
- C. Paypal: \$1,004.00 as of July 31st.

IV. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS

- A. **PRESIDENT**—Linda Luchsinger
Linda thanked Carmen Estrada for her presentation on emergency pet preparedness.
- B. **VICE-PRESIDENT**—Sandy Bonifield
September general meeting is the annual potluck.
- C. **MEMBERSHIP**—Carol Coawette
No new members tonight.
- D. **OFFICE**—Sandy Bonifield
Sandy works in the office three times a week answering phones, picking up money from mailbox and logging income.
- E. **TRAINING**
 1. Sandy, Lea Ronald, and Marilane met on July 24th to review information for classes.
 2. Next training meeting is October 23, 2019.
 3. Board approved Donna Golemon's request to purchase clickers for her clicker class.
 4. Stefanie will present a proposal at the next training meeting for approval of a beginner agility class.
 5. Marilane is updating orientation handouts and will present at next board meeting for approval.
- F. **PUBLICITY**
Rack cards have been reprinted for distribution to vets. Stefanie passed out sets to members to distribute to vets.
- G. **BUILDING**—Maria Giaccio
 1. Still waiting on Ross Mini to fix overhead lights.
 2. Mats have been laid. Mats for crate and seating area to be installed at a future date.
- H. **NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE**—Sue Osborn
The deadline for the September/October newsletter is August 20th. Typically the September/October newsletter includes information about tracking class, and a wrap up article on Walk for Animals. The November/December issue will include forms for the service award and year end awards.
- I. **AOCNC (Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California)**—Sue Osborn, Mary Ash, Joy Wood -
 1. Mary Ash, Joy Wood and Donna Albin all worked the NVDTTC ring at this year's July 28th summer workshop. The workshop took in about \$3000, which helps with AOCNC's annual seminar.
 2. Annual seminar to be held September 22nd at Mt. Diablo DTC with Suzanne Edholm. Mary is now taking names from our members and will be sending in final selections to

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meet upcoming September deadline.

J. **Hospitality**

Thank you to Marilane Bergfelt and Sandy Bonifield for tonight's snacks.

K. **Sunshine**—Sandy Bonifield

No Report

V. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. **Building Cleanup**

Clean up of building postponed due to installation of mats.

B. **Mat Laying**

Donte installed new mats on Saturday, July 13th and taped the mats, with Linda Luchsinger's help, on July 20th. Date to mat back area near office and crates to be set.

C. **Nominating Committee**

Slate needs to be established by September general meeting. Nominations will be taken at the October general meeting.

D. **Walk for Animals - August 4th**

1. A very successful day with Maria, Linda Luchsinger, Stefanie, Carol & Jackie McGrath volunteering to work at the NVDTC table.
2. Judy Gamet's freestyle drill team did a demonstration.
3. A total of 500 flyers were provided for the Napa Humane goodie bags along with a donation of a leash and a free class certificate.

E. **Variable Surface Tracking Test**

Kay Hall is in process of checking with State Hospital for venue for the 2020 VST Test.

VI **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Santa Pictures**

Linda Luchsinger and Sue Osborn will get together to come up with ideas for taking Christmas photos of members and their dogs and are looking at sometime in October to do this separate from a general meeting. If anyone has items or ideas, let Linda or Sue know.

B. **Sue McGuire November 17, 2019 Four-Hour Seminar**

On July 8, 2019, general membership approved to hold this seminar.

C. **Clear The Shelters Event - Napa County Animal Shelter**

1. NVDTC was invited to participate in the Clear The Shelters event taking place on Saturday, August 17th from 11am to three o'clock.
2. Linda, Maria, and Sandy plan to be there at 10:30 to set up.

D. **Scent Work Trial—April 18-19, 2020**

1. Application has been submitted to AKC.
2. Certificate of Insurance for PSI will be provided by Linda Luchsinger.
3. JMD Dog Sports is working on acquiring judges.
4. Joy Wood, Donna Golemon, and Mary Ash as well as two to three other NVDTC members may be required to be added to premium.
5. Novice, advanced and excellent levels are being offered.
6. Club members are needed for help with grounds, hospitality and with coordination of volunteers.

VII. **BRAGS**

Joy Wood (with Sierra), Mary Ash, and Carol Coawette (with Jacques) all had brags.

IX. **MEETING ADJOURNED** at 8:30 PM.

Respectively submitted by
Sue Osborn, Secretary