# NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES September 9, 2019

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#### I. CALL TO ORDER

- A. Before tonight's annual potluck, President Linda Luchsinger called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.
- 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 August 12, 2019 general minutes as published:

## III. TREASURER'S REPORT—Stefanie Meinhardt

- A. Checking: \$42,871.13 as of August 31st.
- B. Savings: \$22,312.18 as of August 31st.
- C. Paypal: \$684.36 as of August 31st.

### IV. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS

A. PRESIDENT—Linda Luchsinger

No report.

# B. VICE-PRESIDENT—Sandy Bonifield

- 1. Tonight was the club's annual potluck.
- 2. The October general meeting is a Bring Your Dog To The Meeting night. There will be a Halloween costume contest and parade.

## C. MEMBERSHIP—Carol Coawette

MSC to accept the following two new members:

- 1. Belinda Head who has a 7-month-old Chihuahua Mix named Tally.
- 2. Enrique Martinez who has a 11-month-old German Shepherd named Mikey.

## D. **OFFICE**—Sandy Bonifield

Marilane and Sandy are covering the office. Sue has been notified of homepage links needing to be reworked in order to directly go to the online registration page.

## E. TRAINING

#### 1. Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 23, 2019—the first 3 sessions for 2020 will be set.

## 2. Conformation Classes:

Mary Ash reported Judge Diane Collings' interest in holding conformation classes at NVDTC. This needs to go to the training meeting before a decision is made. Diane is okay with waiting until after the first of the year to start.

#### 3. Classes:

Summer classes have been slow. Trainers have been working together to arrange rescheduling of class times.

## F. **PUBLICITY**

At the last general meeting, Stefanie gave out rack cards to various members to take to vets.

#### G. **BUILDING**—Maria Giaccio

- 1. Crating area has been matted. Ross Mini has picked up leftover mats.
- 2. Stefanie, Maria, Marilane and Sandy have been re-organizing equipment and paperwork. A filing cabinet is available to anyone who is interested.
- 3. Sue has taped the wall by the office to indicate the location and approximate size for the awards and plaques shelf unit.

## H. NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE—Sue Osborn

The September-October Tattle Tails newsletter included brags, trick titles awarded, tracking class starting up, articles on green-blue algae, the Emergency Pet Preparedness Presentation, Napa Humane's Walk for Animals, Clear the Shelters Event, and an article on Why Title Your Dog.

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- AOCNC (Associated Obedience Clubs of Northern California)

  —Sue Osborn, Mary Ash,
  Joy Wood
  - 1. Annual seminar will take place on September 22nd at Mt. Diablo DTC with Suzanne Edholm presenting. Working team Joy Wood with Sierra and auditors Carol Coawette and Roxann Gracia will be attending from NVDTC. De Brilz is signed up as an alternate.
  - 2. Next AOCNC quarterly meeting will be held in October.

## V. OLD BUSINESS

# A. Building Cleanup

A Building Cleanup Day has been set for Sunday, October 27th at 10:00 am. A sign-up sheet will be made available before the next general meeting.

# **B. Nominating Committee**

Debbie Hilton and Marion Sigel have been added to the slate for 2020 board nominations. There are still two open board positions.

# **C Variable Surface Tracking Test**

No Report

## D. Clear the Shelters

Sandy Bonifield, Linda Luchsinger, and Maria Giaccio attended and set up a table with information about our club at Napa County Animal Shelter and Adoption Center's August 17th and 18th Clear the Shelters event.

# E. Sue McGuire November 17, 2019 Four-Hour Seminar

Marilane reported she will be receiving flyers from Sue McGuire soon.

# VI NEW BUSINESS—Open House

Date is set for April 25, 2020. Exact time to be determined. Ideas for activities are welcome.

#### VII. BRAGS

- A. Sandy Bonifield has new puppies.
- B. Joy Wood's Sierra received her CGC Title and her first Excellent Leg at the Mensona Kennel Club Rally Trial.
- C. Mary Ash's Kit received her first Novice Obedience Leg at the Mensona Kennel Club Obedience Trial.
- D. Stefanie Meinhardt's Csavo received his second leg in Open Jumpers last weekend.
- E. Sue Osborn's Brooklyn received Best Opposite Sex and Best of Breed Owner Handler at the Mensona Kennel Club Obedience Trial on Saturday and Select Bitch on Sunday.

# **IX. MEETING ADJOURNED** at 7:07 PM.

Respectively submitted by Sue Osborn, Secretary