

**NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING SEPTEMBER 13, 2021**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:** President Sue Osborn called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM. The meeting was held at the Club. Those in attendance were: (In random order) Sue Osborn, Roxann Gracia, Carol Coawette, Donna Golemon, Linda Luchsinger, Sandy Bonifield, Bunny Lincoln, Dean Lincoln, Neanna Gracia, Joe Gracia, Mary Ash, Judith Judson-Baker, Bobbie Honsvick, Ben Shelby, Taylor Renshaw, Margie Vulk, Marilane Bergfelt, Debbie Hilton, Chris Mayer. Guests: Chris Sims, Barbara Lee, David LeCount, Cheryl George, David Greenland

**ii. TREASURER'S REPORT** - Linda Luchsinger reported that as of August 31st, the Savings (Money Market) account had \$22,345.25 and the Checking Account had \$43,332.60. Sue Osborn reported that the PayPal balance was \$4,437.87.

**III. SECRETARY'S REPORT** - Minutes of August 9th, were unanimously approved with Jill changed to Jyl and Netter changed to Nutter in the Membership Voucher section.

**IV. BOARD, COMMITTEE & CHAIR REPORTS**

**A. PRESIDENT**

1. Sue Osborn recognized Debbie Hilton as the recipient of the Gerry Glantz 2020 Service Award. Not only has Debbie taken care of the all the building needs as a Board Member, but also stepped up multiple times volunteering to take on other projects. She even redid the Membership Packets. She's been the Sunshine representative all year. She has been the Publicity liaison on the Board. THANK YOU Debbie for all your dedication to the Club!!

2. Building Use Reminder - The Building can be scheduled to be used by members. One member can invite up to 4 other members to join in the use of the building. There is a nominal fee for usage: (\$10 for one member, \$10 for two members, \$15 for 3 members, \$20 for 4 members, \$25 for 5 members.) This is a members only policy and cannot be used for private trainers to come in and teach for remuneration. Scheduling can be made by contacting Sue: Sueann@napadogtraining.org

3. The Annual Audit Report Result will be made available to members.

4. Tonight's Game - Debbie Hilton has a poster of pictures of the Board Members as young children. There are 6 sets of backyard agility equipment for prizes. The top 6 people guessing the names of the Board Member pictures will receive a set.

**B. VICE-PRESIDENT**

Sandy Bonifield announced that tonight's club BBQ was made possible with the help of many helpers. Mary Ash and Sandy purchasing and preparing, Joe Gracia (Head BBQ Chef), Bobbie Honsvick and Chris Sims for the Baked Beans and Pasta Salad, Donation by Anne Stanley of the Buttercream baked pies and Drinks by Marilane. Thank You ALL for putting together such a great event!

**C. MEMBERSHIP/VOUCHERS**

Carol Coawette announced that there are now 51 members. There are 3 new people requesting membership this evening: Cheryl George, David

Greenland, and David LeCount. Introductions were made. The three people were unanimously voted in as new members. Welcome!

**D. OFFICE**

Mary Ash reported that office is up to date.

**E. TRAINING**

1. The next Training Committee meeting is scheduled for 6 PM on September 20th at the Club House. Donna Golemon has graciously volunteered to Chair the meeting! Thank You Donna! At that meeting Session 7, 2021 and Sessions 1 and 2 for 2022 will need to be decided.

2. There is now a link on the Club Website for the wait list procedure. See the Registration Page for instructions and Link.

3. Debbie has volunteered to photocopy training materials as needed since there is no Training Chair. Thank You Debbie!

4. Reminder, Registration closes tonight for the next session.

**F. PUBLICITY**

Marilane has been updating Facebook and working on Instagram. She also has been looking into and attending some webinars on publicity. She announced several up and coming events: National Black Dog Day is Oct. 1st, National Make a Dog's Day is Oct. 22nd and Halloween is coming up.

She requested pictures of members with their Black Dogs so she can post. She also asked for ideas for Make a Dog's Day. It was decided an email blast would go out for donations of items for the Shelter, which she would take down there on October 22nd.

It was decided that the October General meeting would be a Halloween dog costume event. Bring your dog dressed up for the General meeting. Details to follow.

**G. BUILDING**

Debbie distributed Covid-19 waiver forms to those who did not have them.

**H. NEWSLETTER/WEBSITE**

Sue announced that the deadline for inclusion in the November/December Newsletter is October 20th.

**I. HOSPITALITY**

Volunteers for hospitality for the October meeting are: Linda Luchsinger and Ben Shelby. Remember the Halloween theme. Thank You!

**J. SUNSHINE**

Debbie reported that Lea's dog Sammy had passed. Judith Judson Baker received flowers for her recent surgery. De Brilz's parents had recently passed away. Decision as to recognition will be forth coming.

**V. OLD BUSINESS**

Nominating Committee Status - Thank you to all the people who volunteered to be on the committee! Per the ByLaws, the Committee is to consist of 3 members and 2 alternates. Since there were 11 volunteers, names were drawn. The first name was designated the Chair. Results were as follows: Anne Stanley, (Chair), Bunny Lincoln, and Lea Ronald. The alternates were Sandy Bonifield and Vange Leonis. Additional Thank You to others who volunteered: Margie Vulk, Linda Wargo, Cheryl Meyer, Karen Jackson, Judy Gamet and Francis Anamosa. We are looking forward to the slate of new Board volunteers!

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

Farm Dog Title/Tests - The Club is co-sponsoring Farm Dog Title Test in November. Donna reported that The Farm Dog has been recognized by the AKC for a couple of years.. Passage of two tests are required for a title. There will be two tests offered in one day. See Newsletter and AKC website for links and premiums and the 12 steps to pass. Any breed can apply.

**VII. BRAGS**

Sandy Bonifield reports K-2 got Bronze Grand Champion.  
Linda Luchsinger reports Sassy took 3 of 4 classes in a recent 3 day show.  
Sue Osborn reports Brooklyn got her Grand Champion in Novice Handler.  
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL!!

**VIII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was approved to adjourn at 7:04 PM

Minutes Submitted by Roxann Gracia