

NAPA VALLEY DOG TRAINING CLUB  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
October 8, 2018

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- A. President Linda Luchsinger called meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.
- B. Board members present: Marilane Bergfelt, Sandy Bonifield, Carol Coawette, Linda Luchsinger, Stefanie Meinhardt, and Sue Osborn. Absent: Tandi Blonigen, Maria Giaccio, and Joy Wood.

**II. SECRETARY**, Sue Osborn

M/S/C to accept minutes from the September 10, 2018 general meeting, as published online.

**III. TREASURER**, Stefanie Meinhardt

- A. Checking: \$43,915.77 as of September 30, 2018.
- B. Money Market: \$22,279.34 as of September 30, 2018.
- C. Paypal: \$624.39 as of September 30, 2018.

**IV. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**, Linda Luchsinger

MSC to have a gift exchange at Christmas potluck meeting in December. Gift limit to be \$15.

**V. VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**, Sandy Bonifield

- A. Tonight is "Bring Your Dog to the Meeting Night" and dog Halloween costume contest.
- B. Mary Ash and Sandy Bonifield are looking into asking a canine officer to give a presentation at an upcoming meeting.

**VI. MEMBERSHIP**, Carol Coawette/Sandy Bonifield

MSC to accept Chantal Wikstrom as a new member. Chantel has a 9-month-old German Shepherd.

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

- A. **OFFICE**, Sandy Bonifield  
Sandy welcomed members to volunteer to work in the office.
- B. **TRAINING**, Marilane Bergfelt
  1. Session 7 starts the end of October; the schedule is online and classes will be promoted as much as possible.
  2. Sessions 2 & 3 will likely be set up at training meeting on October 24th.
  3. Trick Title slots have all filled up for the October 22nd Trick Title event. If interested in a spot, email Donna Golemon.
- C. **PUBLICITY**, Tandi Blonigen - Absent  
Sue has designed flyers and Marilane is posting them at clubhouse and throughout the community.
- D. **BUILDING**, Maria Giaccio - Absent  
There have been issues with flooding water in the bathroom likely caused by neighboring tenant's air conditioning unit. Marilane will contact George from property maintenance.
- E. **WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER**, Sue Osborn
  1. Meeting announcement was sent out on September 30th and included info on Trick Title event, Scent Work trial, and proposed slate for 2019 board.
  2. Deadline for the November-December newsletter is October 20th.
  3. Scent Work Trial premium is now posted on website.
  4. Service Award and Year End Award Forms will go in the next newsletter. Sue will contact people involved for details.

**F. ASSOCIATED OBEDIENCE CLUBS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA (AOCNC)**

Mary Ash, Sue Osborn

1. Scent Work Seminar held on September 23rd was great; Laurie Leach put on a wonderful presentation providing a wealth of information about the sport of scent work.
2. Next quarterly meeting is October 13th in Richmond.
3. The Winter Workshop is being organized with date of February 10, 2019.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS–2019 Board Nominations**

Nominations presented by the nominating committee are as follows:

- President: Linda Luchsinger
- Vice-president: Sandy Bonifield
- Treasurer: Stefanie Meinhardt
- Secretary: Sue Osborn
- At Large Board Members: De Brilz, Carol Coawette, and Maria Giaccio.

There were no nominations from the floor. Two additional board members needed. Voting will take place at the November general meeting.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS–Sunshine**

Sandy Bonifield has agreed to take on the role of sunshine.

**X. BRAGS**

Chris Mayer, Roxanne Gracia, and Sandy Bonifield all had brags.

**XI. MEETING ADJOURNED** at 7:00 pm followed by the Halloween dog costume contest for members and guests, which included prizes and lots of yummy refreshments.

Respectively submitted by  
Sue Osborn, Secretary