

Gem City Dog Obedience Club

Board Meeting

September 9, 2002

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 pm

Members Present: Christopher Beckerdite, Trish Clute, Betty Frank, Annie Milliron, Curt Givens, Kathryn Beckerdite, Tami Brown, Dorothy Leibold, Curt Givens, Ellen Kuhn

Presidents Report

- Chris outlined the agenda for the meeting

Secretary's Report

- Kathryn moves to accept the minutes from the August 5th Board Meeting. MOTION PASSED
- Curt moves to accept the minutes from the August 19th Board Meeting. MOTION PASSED
- Annie requested notes from all persons making extensive reports.
- Tami reminded us that the minutes should be printed in the Crateliner.

Treasurer's Report

- Tami distributed a "Net Worth Report" as of 9/9/2002

Bank and Cash Accounts

Checking	\$ 6939.85
Savings	<u>\$45304.69</u>

Total	\$52244.54
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Other Assets

Assets	\$76533.73
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$128778.27
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Ways & Means

- Betty has some new ideas to make money, including Dog themed Christmas Candles
- Betty would like to raffle off one Entry for each Agility Trial
- Marra got a Lands End Catalog, and we can order items (in increments of \$6) and there would only be a charge of \$5.50 for the logo. Christopher suggested that the club add on 10% to the merchandise, so that this could be a fundraiser. Board members felt that it should be a service. Discussion took place about adding a \$2.00 service charge. Motion (Marra) to change our vendor to Lands End. MOTION PASSED
- Marra gave Betty a bag of clickers to be sold for \$1.00 each. Chris Burger knows of a place to get them with our logo.

Membership

- Kathryn announced the following three members:
 - Carol Lynn Spatz
 - Belinda Matheny
 - Kathleen Roberts
- There are people in Trish' conformation class (Tim & Heidi Hill) that were supposed to apply, and therefore have only paid the member's fee. They HAVE NOT applied, so Trish is going to tell them they have to pay full price or apply.
- There are a total of 226 members, including applicants.
- Hours are due... Membership renewals will go out mid-September.

Agility

- A vendor wants to use electricity at a trial at the Land... instead of charging her, it will be suggested that they donate an item to the raffle.
- Marra reported on the Bud Houston seminar. It was one of the most intense experiences that she has ever had, that she learned more in one week. Marra feels that many of the people in the beginner's classes are ready to move to the competition level. There is a curriculum committee in place.
- Marra wants to know why the equipment cannot be left out on the land. Board members shared their concerns about potential theft, vandalism and liability. Christopher suggested that we consult with an attorney on the liability issues.
 - Motion (Marra) moves that the equipment be allowed to left out so that it doesn't have to be put inside after each class. No Second. MOTION FAILED
 - Discussion took place regarding a compromise. Christopher advised Marra to speak with the instructors, regarding the Board's concern about the elevated expense of equipment, and ask the instructors to come up suggestions.
- Marra showed the class registration form for the next term.
- Marra presented Bill's report regarding getting lighting on the field, which include various specs to Christopher. It will be very costly. We need to look at other options, and see if any members are electricians. Tami will take it and show it to her husband. Christopher said that in order for us to spend this amount of money that we would have to have a clear understanding of the benefits. Lets find out how many people would sign up for classes, or trials at night on the land.

Conformation

- Trish has spoken with Charlie McMasters wife that GC would like three slots if possible, and if Echo Hills will open it up to the public.
- The run-throughs picked up momentum towards then end. Trish would like to continue on with them... perhaps on an 8 week basis. Trish asked if we should make this a class... Selma is willing to do it. It was felt that they should be left open. Trish had an idea to create a punch card. People could by them for 8 weeks, \$25.00 for members and \$50.00 for non-members.... One session would equal one punch. This would be on Tuesdays from 7-8. Trish has cleared this with Ellen... she agreed to Conformation using the open ring, leaving the utility ring for members to train in obedience. Dorothy will make the punch card. Motion: Trish moves to approve holding run through sessions in 4 week increments. MOTION PASSED.

Earth Dog

- November test has been approved. The premium is up on the website. Curt several premiums with him to a Trial in Chicago, and only came back with 10
- Curt needs to know when the CPE trial will be in April, for scheduling purposes.
- Curt reported on his expense for 2002 being \$3190.00. This includes two trials. We bring in about \$4000.00 income (toweekends), for a net of \$810.00.

Obedience

- Ellen presented a complete class schedule for the coming year, including times, dates, ring assignments, instructors
- Ellen is having difficulty scheduling show and gos.... And there is a huge need for them. There are many conflicts. So far, she can have one on October 13th. After reviewing calendars, there will be a show and on December 1st.
- Ellen reviewed her Budget:
 - Estimated income for 2003: \$30000.00
 - Estimated expenses for 2003:
 - Classes:
 - Printing \$450.00
 - Awards for sessions 1, 3, 5: \$788.00
 - Pictures: \$150.00
 - 2 UKC Trials
 - Printing/Postage: \$3000.
 - Ribbons
 - UKC Fees, Food
 - Show-N-Goes:
 - Printing: \$50.00
 - CGC Testing:
 - Printing: \$56.00
 - Equipment TBD

TOTAL \$4494.00

- Ellen has yet to determine her equipment budget. We haven't purchased any equipment in 3 years, and we do need to do so. Chris asked Ellen to come up with some estimates.

Membership Requirements

- Kathryn, Dorothy and Annie reviewed their "Suggested Membership Fees" for Nov. 1, 2002 onward. Discussion took place. Motion: Kathryn moves to accept the proposal as amended. Motion 2nd: Annie. PASSED
- Marra moves that members have to pay ½ of the public price (80.00) agility classes. Motion 2nd: Kathryn. PASSED Members will now pay \$40.00
- Ellen moves to increase obedience fees to \$6500. Members would have to pay half (32.50). Curt Second. PASSED

Bill Faulkner Building

- Tami has yet to hear from the company regarding the layout of the plaque.

Nominating

Gene announced the slate.