

Gem City Dog Obedience Club

Board Meeting

December 3, 2012

Location: GCDOC Building

Date: December 3, 2012 7:00 p.m.

Board Members:

Krista Anthony
Deb Arnold
Mary Beam
Nancy Beeman
Curt Givens

Diane Harrison
Gayle Ingram
Carole Lenehan
Ronalee McKnight
Pam Murn

Karen Pompei
Kathy Roberts
Elaine Stoermer

I. Welcome and Call to Order

Kathy Roberts called the meeting to order.

II. Reports

a. Secretary (Gayle Ingram)

Curt Givens moved to accept the minutes of the November 5, 2012 board meetings. It was seconded by Carole Lenehan and passed unanimously.

Per discussions at the November meeting, Gayle distributed Board Member Notebooks to everyone. The notebooks contain copies of the Standing Rules, Bylaws (Constitution), calendars, and other information that could be helpful to particularly the new board members.

b. Treasurer (Elaine Stoermer)

Checking	\$ 47,130.32
Savings	<u>\$ 44,335.70</u>
Total	\$92,077.90

Elaine distributed a detailed breakdown of the expenses and revenues and discussed several specific items. She noted that the club has \$22,447.29 more than last year at this time. Elaine informed the group that the credit card in Marra Wollpert's name has been cancelled. There was discussion about possibly moving some funds from checking to savings but decided against it because there will be a number of expenses in early 2013.

Curt Givens moved to accept treasurer's report. It was seconded by Mary Beam and passed unanimously.

c. Membership (Krista Anthony, chair)

Krista distributed a list of members who have not paid their 2013 dues. Several instructors were on the list so the directors will be contacting them personally. Krista has sent emails to each one so they are aware that they are no longer in good standing and advising them that there is a \$10 late fee that will be applied. Maggie will receive a copy of this list so anyone on the list who registers for classes will need to pay the non-member price. Krista noted that there were a number of people to switched to Associate membership this year.

d. Registrar (Carole Lenehan)

Carole distributed a summary of Yearly Statistics comparing registrations for 2012 to those of 2011. There were 698 dogs registered in 2012 which is 23 more than in 2011. She noted that in 2011 there were seven less dogs than in 2010. She also distributed a breakdown of the class registrations for Session 5 which had a total of 143 dogs. She reported that the person who placed the highest bid for the GCDOC vouchers in the ThinkTV Great TV Auction this year did attend a Freestyle class.

e. Obedience (Pam Murn)

Pam reported that she estimates the cost to refurbish the obedience jumps to be \$989. This would include new boards for the jumps with wheels and a new set of jumps for the basement. Curt moved to approve the expense. It was seconded by Nancy Beeman and passed unanimously.

Pam reported that the obedience seminar has been moved from October to September 28th and 29th.

f. Agility (Diane Harrison)

Diane reported that the skins have been installed on the dog walk. The new jumps have arrived and are in the new carrier. There were some concerns as to whether the new 4' bars could be used at AKC events since in the past we have always used 5' bars. Other clubs in the region use 4' bars. The club has sent a survey to the judges for the February trial and plans are to use them there. The new weave poles have also been delivered. Diane noted that she has placed tennis balls on the ends of the wall racks to avoid any injuries from people running into them.

The Auction will be held next week. An Open House will be held on Sunday to allow people to view the items that are set up in the lower level. Smaller items will be sold outright while the larger items will be sold by live auction.

Diane reported that she has lost six agility instructors but has gained two new instructors. There have been some changes to the classes and they will be filled in the order registration forms are received. Instructors will receive preference.

There will be an Agility Department meeting on Tuesday beginning at 7:00 p.m. during which time a number of committees will be formed. Diane would like to have more people involved to provide input and help. Her goal is to have GCDOC exceed all other clubs in the quality of our equipment and our program.

Diane requested a copy of the "Alphabet Drills" book to use for class work. Kathy Roberts is ordering the book.

Maggie will have the premium for the February AKC trial ready this week. Patty Jones, the trial secretary, will proof it before it is released.

g. Conformation (Nancy Beeman)

Nancy reported that the shows the weekend before were successful. There are plans underway for a puppy match in the Spring. Carole Lenehan commented that she heard many positive comments about the weekend's trial. Elaine stated that our club had provided the stewards and she had worked rally. A number of competitors commented on our facility and asked about classes.

Nancy stressed that, in order to protect our floors, we must insist that people put a sheet over the floors if they plan to groom their dogs. There should be no grooming in the upstairs rooms; only in the basement. It was noted that a Columbus club has plastic to place under the crates to protect the floors. Kathy Roberts suggested that we form a committee to look at this and come up with recommendations and cost estimates. She noted that the floor is in good condition now. She does plan to do a test which compares its current condition to a new floor.

h. Earth Dog (Curt Givens)

Curt reported he is now in the process of planning for Spring events. The date for the Buckeye Dachshund Club may be changed from its current May date due to a ten day dachshund events during that time period. It will probably be moved to June.

i. Operations (Kathy Roberts)

Kathy reported that the floors would be cleaned next week. The exact date will be posted on the website so members will know when the building will be unavailable for practice. Deb Arnold has done some electrical work in the basement. The breakers had been doubled up which was causing the heater to overload the circuit. Deb was able to correct the problem which should also help with overloads that have been occurring when food is prepared in the basement for trials.

Elements Iv Interiors has taken over the storage area in the lower level. They need to use the ramp. They have requested that two "no parking" spaces be designated in the area of the ramp and around the dumpster from 8:00 to 5:00. There is also a request about parking in the area when semi trucks come in during the day. This could be a problem when the club holds trials on Fridays. Kathy will talk to the landlord to work out a solution to this issue.

j. Sunshine (Karen Pompei/Joyce Osborn)
No report.

k. Publicity/Public Relations (Karen Pompei)

Karen reported that the Think TV auction went well. There was agreement to continue offering two gift certificates for one year of free training. There has been a request to participate in the Xenia Dash & Splash next August. There have been concerns in the past because the agility demo area was set up inside the dog park so there were loose dogs and people were not cleaning up after their dogs. Next year it may be moved to a different location so it might be something we will want to do but we'll need more details before we can commit.

Diane reported that she had been asked by a group of scouts or blue birds (age 5-6) that the club do an agility demo in the Spring. They will be contacting her with more information.

l. Store (Ronalee McKnight)
No report.

III. Continuing Business

Banquet. The Banquet (A Dog-A-Fair) is scheduled for February 2, 2013. A reminder has been sent out to members about submitting their 2012 titles and for emailing their pictures to Lori Genaw. The title list is being updated online. Curt stated that he would like to take time at the Banquet to recognize the people who help with earthdog.

Club Liability Release. Members continued discussions from the last meeting related to safety of members during training and whether monitoring of the facilities should be increased. There were comments related to improved control of access to the facilities. Laura Martin had provided recommendations last month related to the Liability Release. The current Standing Rules state that the club recommends not training alone. It was agreed that the current release is adequate but that we need to make sure that everyone has signed one. It is time to send it out again.

Starline Nunley Award. Everyone agreed that this is a very worthwhile award and should be a very prestigious award. It will not be awarded every year. Curt Givens moved to create the Starline Nunley Award. It was seconded by Mary Beam and passed unanimously.

IV. New Business

Competition Dog / Canine Athlete Lecture Series. Jean Pavlakos has offered to do another series of lectures to club members. She did a series several years ago that was very well attended. This series will consist of one class a month for three months beginning in January. Exact dates are being worked out to avoid conflicts with trials or other club activities. Mary Beam made a motion to approve the lecture series. It was seconded by Deb Arnold and passed unanimously.

Best Practices. Kathy Roberts has learned that Kandy and Rob Robinson have received an event suspension by AKC. If they decide to suspend all privileges she feels Gem City would need to begin the suspension process as well according to our Bylaws (Article VIII – Section 1: Dog Organization Suspension). Gem City has not been officially notified of the suspension so no action is required at this time but she felt the board should be aware. Until further action is taken by AKC, it was agreed that the Robinsons can continue to teach classes at Gem City.

It was noted that the Bylaws should be reviewed and updated. Specifically, all references to United Kennel Club should be removed.

It was agreed that there is a need to update the membership lists on the website and Yahoo groups. Krista noted that it may be necessary to delete the current groups and create new ones.

Kathy Roberts reported that she has received a Special Attraction Application that the club must complete for all events. It appears this would include the upcoming Freestyle event, and all parades. She'll investigate further.

V. Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 7, 2013, at the building.

VI. Adjournment

Curt Givens moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m. Diane Harrison seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Gayle L. Ingram, Secretary


Kathy Roberts, President

Agenda
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Checking Account:

Balance per bank 12-03-12	\$ 48,130.52
Outstanding checks	- 388.32

Balance	\$47,130.32
Money Market Account:	\$44,335.70

Total:	<u>\$92,077.90</u>
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Income Sources/Deposits November 2012

Earthdog test	\$ 1,295.00
Membership	\$ 3,867.00
11-21-12 deposit	\$ 1,365.00 (\$812 membership)
CCC Rentals	\$ 2,575.00 (CPE\$1,875 UKC \$700)

Chase Credit Card

\$745.80

AKC fees	\$ 400.00
FTD/flowers	48.10
Lowes	86.88
Tractor Supp.	80.92
Drug Mart	3.73
K-Mart	76.62
Survey Monkey	24.00
Ace hardware	25.55

December 2011 – December 2012 Financial Report Comparison

December 2011 Bank Balances

Checking	\$25,361.39	(balance 12-5-11)
MoneyMkt.	\$44,269.22	(Bank balance 12-05-11).
Total	\$ 69,630.61	

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Total	<u>\$92,077.90</u>
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