

### CAT Bucks Redemption Policy

Approved April 18, 2006

Columbia Agility Team (CAT) policy for issuing and redeeming CAT Bucks:

1. The following guidelines will be reviewed and approved during the Board of Director's March meeting, each year. Any changes will be made and approved at that meeting.
2. No monetary change may be given when using a CAT Buck coupon.
3. CAT Bucks may be redeemed towards a lunch meal or Raffle at a CAT Agility Trial, a CAT sponsored Agility Trial entry, a CAT sponsored Agility Seminar or CAT Barn Time. Unless authorized by the Board of Directors, the CAT Treasurer is the only person authorized to print CAT Bucks.
4. CAT Bucks are good for up to four years after the date of printing and CAT Bucks over \$2.50 must be signed by issuer.
5. CAT reserves the right to declare CAT Bucks non-redeemable at any time.
6. A Board approved form will be used for CAT Bucks.

**CAT ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION  
JANUARY 28, 2007 - 7PM  
DESSERT, COFFEE AND PUNCH SERVED  
DENNY'S CLACKAMAS  
15815 SE 82nd DR, CLACKAMAS, OR  
COME AND ENJOY!**

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### News and Views from the President

*Marilyn Watson*

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The Columbia Agility Team Annual Meeting will be on January 28th at the Clackamas Denny's. Dessert, coffee, and punch will be served. Come, pay your dues if you haven't, enjoy some dessert, visit with your friends, hear the year-end report from the Board and vote in the 2007 CAT Board members. See you there!

The January USDAA Trial went smoothly with the weather cooperating. Cheryl Huffman, the Trial Chair and her committee, made it enjoyable for every competitor. The courses were challenging and fun to run. It was a great way to begin the 2007 competitive season. Congratulations to the Northwest Cup Winners!

The trials for 2007 are almost set with only the August CPE Trial without a site and a trial chair at this time. Hopefully someone who enjoys the CPE venue will step forward to fill that position. Barbara Persson who is chairing the February NADAC trial has her committee in full swing in preparation for next month's trial at the Canby Fairgrounds.

The April trial this year will be a CPE venue and held indoors at the Clark County Fairgrounds. This will be a great opportunity for those who have not experienced the fun of a CPE trial and perfect for beginning competitors. Bonnie Johnson is chairing that trial and we can probably count on Meagan and Zak somewhere on her committee.

Our biggest trial is our USDAA Regional Trial beginning June 30th and running for three days. This trial includes a Steeplechase, Grand Prix, and DAM Team events. Dick Watson and Barbara Persson co-chair this large trial. This trial needs every club member to show-up and volunteer to work for at least one class. Please try to help on one of those days.

Then we move into the August CPE trial still to be finalized. And then it is on to the NADAC Columbia Cup Trial. Pat Weinkauff and I are co-chairing this trial and learning as we go. Trudy and Greg Coleman, Judy Bluett, Steve Nasar, and Karen McAlister have volunteered to be a part of the committee. We still need to have a chief score person step forward.

Venita Quella chairs the October USDAA Black Cat. Her committee is ready to go. So that completes the trial year. Here's wishing you many clean runs in 2007!

The objectives of the Columbia Agility Team:

- A. Support the sport of dog agility.
- B. Educate the members and the public about the sport of dog agility.
- C. Conduct training classes and informal and formal events associated with dog agility.
- D. Protect and advance the interests of dog agility by encouraging sportsmanlike competition and responsible dog ownership.

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**January 2007 USDAA**

Cheryl Huffman

**February 2007 NADAC**

Barb Persson

**April 2007 CPE**

Bonnie Johnson

**June 2007 USDAA NW Regional**

Dick Watson & Barb Persson

**August 2007 CPE**

Volunteers sought

**September 2007 NADAC Columbia Cup**

Pat Weinkauff and Marilyn Watson

**October 2007 USDAA Black Cat**

Venita Quella

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		Total Faults	Ave YPS
P2 open			
Hamish	Kathy McDanniel	0	3.06
Wendell	Micki Lagrou	0	3
Rhian	Leslie Winchester	0	2.93
P2 mini		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Breezy	Diane Linthicum	0	2.92
Sydney	Laura Lashbrook	9.64	2.44
Jack	Matt Sachs	10	3.07
P1 open		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Chevy	Susan Perry	0	3.55
Jordi	Jeanne Rice	0	3.49
merlin	Barb O'Donnell	0	3.08
P1 mini		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Tawny	Barry Powell	0	2.96
Becky	Nikki Berthold-Illias	0	2.83
Blister	Lori Sage	0	2.51
Overall Performance Mini		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Spike	Alison Warr	0	4.17
Tawny	Barry Powell	0	2.96
Breezy	Diane Linthicum	0	2.92
Overall Performance Open		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Fly	Daisy Peel	0	4.3
lacey	Susan Perry	0	4.24
Diva	Lisa Bowers	0	4.11
Overall Championship Open		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Keeper	Venita Quella	0	4.46
Strike	Sandy Rowan	0	4.45
Ricki	Debbie Berkley	0	4.38
Overall Championship Mini			
Stevie Ray	Richard Ford	0	3.66
Kells	Justine Merrill	0	3.64
Bucky	Gail McMonagle	0	3.5

## CAT Northwest Cup Results

Master Mini		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Kells	Justine Merrill	0	3.64
Bucky	Gail McMonagle	0	3.5
Trace	Claire Lovett	0	3.24
Master Open		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Keeper	Venita Quella	0	4.46
Strike	Sandy Rowan	0	4.45
Ricki	Debbie Berkley	0	4.38
Advanced Open		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Trip	Janice	0	3.14
Indy	Tayna Sachs	5	4.14
Pepsi	Julie Padbury	5	3.2
Advanced Mini		Total Faults	Ave YPS
bj	Shirley Kostric	15.32	2.85
Zorro	Mary Lynn Marden	25	3.1
Benny	Linda Farrell	25	2.98
Starter Mini		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Stevie Ray	Richard Ford	0	3.66
Maya	Jaren Beattie-Massey	5	3.18
Darwin	Renee Hughs	10	3.3
Starters Open		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Abby	Mary Crittendon	0	2.56
Vegas	Shannon Willis	5	3.29
Jude	Dixie Matson	5	3.22
P3 Open		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Fly	Daisy Peel	0	4.3
lacey	Susan Perry	0	4.24
Diva	Lisa Bowers	0	4.11
P3 Mini		Total Faults	Ave YPS
Spike	Alison Warr	0	4.17
Mikaela	Lori Sage	5	3.81
Beau	Judith Anderson	5	2.96

## Calendar

### CAT Annual Meeting and Board Election (7 PM)

Jan 28, Clackamas Denny's, 15815 SE 82nd Dr.

Clackamas, OR

### CAT Agility Trials

Feb 24-25, CAT NADAC Trial, Clackamas County

Fairgrounds, Canby OR

Apr 21-22, CAT CPE Trial, Clark County Fairgrounds,

Ridgefield WA

Jun 30-Jul 2, CAT USDAA Northwest Regional

Championship and Agility Test, including 2007

Regional Grand Prix and Regional Performance

National Standard, 2007 Steeplechase Qualifier and

Performance Speed Jumping Tournament Qualifier,

2007 Dog Agility Masters Tournament and

Performance Pairs, Clackamas County Fairgrounds,

Canby OR

Aug 18-19 CAT CPE Trial, Location to be determined

Sep 8-9 CAT NADAC Trial and Columbia Cup, Clark

County Fairgrounds, Ridgefield WA

Oct 13-14 CAT USDAA Test, Ridgefield WA

### Columbia Agility Team

### October 24, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes

### Village Inn, Bridgeport Village

### Approved

In attendance: Board Members: Marilyn Watson, DeAnne Haubner, Barb Persson, Judy Bluett, Berklee Robins, Dwight Cash, Karen McAllister, Karla Forte

A. President: Marilyn called the meeting to order

B. Minutes were read and approved with a change to #G5 to read "CAT student non-members" by a vote of 5-0

C. Secretary: new members – Chicory Eddy, Dixie Matson, Sandra Detroit, Tom & Sharon Carmichael. Approved 7-0.

D. Treasurer: Karla Forte distributed & reviewed the Profit/Loss report for July 2006. The Columbia Cup final report was reviewed as well as the August CPE trial. Both finished with a net profit. After a change to the show-site toilet line on the Columbia Cup to \$0, these were both Approved 7-0.

E. Training Director: Barb Stone reported that 74 students enrolled in fall classes & 274 students

enrolled in CAT classes for 2006 with a total of 61 classes taught in 2006. An increase from 13 classes taught in Winter session to 19 classes taught in Fall session. There were 3 new instructors during

2006. The winter classes will start January '07 – exact week TBD. Most of the instructors plan to continue their current schedule or a slightly modified one that will support the current 19-20 classes.

Schedule & sign-ups should be ready for upload to the website in late November. Also: Several students have earned first agility legs with dogs who were enrolled in CAT classes at the time including Linda Tschida w/ Labradoodle Lacey (CPE), Gary Simpson w/ Flat Coated Retriever Emma (AKC), Laila Holmes w/ Italian Greyhound Ducatti (AKC). Barb would also like some time for recognitions at the holiday party.

F. Agility League: 48 CAT teams and 12 For Exhibition Only persons. Will start October 30, 2006.

I. Unfinished Business:

1. Columbia Cup Awards: Berklee distributed a proposal for the Columbia Cup awards for 2007. Approved as edited 7-0: Skilled and Proficient will be considered together. A 1st place ribbon will be awarded to the highest finisher in each level (novice, open, elite) and to each height group

(Small dogs are those whose height before any reduction for skilled would be 12" or less, medium dog=height before any jump height reduction for skilled is 16", and large dogs=before jump height reduction for skilled is 20"). Notification only for 2nd & 3rd place at the time of awards and on the website. There would also be an award for Veteran in each level at each height category. The trophies (large purple ice bucket and free entry) will be presented to the highest scoring small, medium & large dogs regardless of level, as well as the highest scoring veteran dog. A veteran dog could also win at any level. In that case, the High Vet trophy would not be awarded. Total trophies are not to exceed 6.

2. Trial Pricing: \$9.00 per standard run, all venues, no package deals. Jr. Handlers will still be half -price.

3. Equipment Trailer: Dwight Cash reported and reviewed the options. Further discussion is needed. Dwight will need approx. \$450 to build a prototype of a cart that could be used with a new trailer as well as a

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prototype jump. These funds approved 7-0.

4. Finance Committee Report: Recommended that there be a central purchasing person. A recommendation was made that the funds be in one bank (West Coast Bank) with both an interest bearing account as well as a checking account. Recommend larger trailer. Recommendation of dual-controls – a separate person would reconcile accounts than the treasurer (possibly VP). Have specific board members assigned to specific trials for check signing. Recommend an external hard drive for backup of records as well as a specified computer for the treasurer. All to be discussed further at next board meeting.

5. Nominating Committee: Still working at this task.

I. New Business:

1. Trial Schedule: 1/6-7/07 USDAA (3 ring) , 2/24-25/07 NADAC, 4/21-22/07 USDAA (2 ring), 6/29-7/01/07 USDAA Regional (to be verified), 8/18-19/06 CPE (to be verified), 9/8-9/07 NADAC Columbia Cup, 10/13-14/07 Black Cat – motion was made that this trial be made a CPE trial. Approved 6-1. Berklee will study the feasibility of having a trial with 1 ring as CPE and 1 ring as another venue at the same site.

2. AgileCat: Dwight will research who the current moderator is. The membership needs to be monitored.

3. Next Board & General Meetings: Board Meeting November 15, Bridgeport Village Inn, 6:30. General Meeting Delta Park Elmer's November 12. Holiday party December 10, Wilsonville Holiday Inn, Annual Meeting January 28 at Denny's in Clackamas.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DeAnne Haubner

**Columbia Agility Team**

**November 15, 2006 Board Meeting Minutes**

**Village Inn, Bridgeport Village**

**Unapproved**

In Attendance: Marilyn Watson, Karla Forte, Dwight Cash, Judy Bluett, Barb Stone, Karen McAlister

Reviewed and approved the minutes from the last

meeting with corrections.

Report of the President: See following agenda

Report of the Vice President: Meetings set:

+Board Meetings: To be scheduled by 2007 Board

+General Meetings: To be scheduled by 2007 Board

+Holiday Party: December 10th, 2006 Holiday Inn, Wilsonville

+Annual Meeting: January 28th, 2006 Clackamas Denny's

Report of the Secretary: New members to be affirmed via email.

Report of the Treasurer: A balance for checking and investment were given. Minimum balance in checking account moved and accepted.

Report of the Training Director:

Agility League: League is into the 3rd week and going well.

Unfinished Business:

A. Finance Committee Review

1. Establishment of a central purchasing person. The finance committee recommended there be 1 purchaser for equipment, trial items, and trial supplies. Karla asked this be placed into two (2) categories: Equipment/larger cost items and trial secretary supplies/smaller priced items. Motion made, seconded and approved for "a reasonable effort to be made to purchase through a centralized purchaser, realizing situations will arise that don't make this possible."

2. Approve moving accounts to interest bearing. Motion made, seconded and approved to open a money market account at West Coast Bank and transfer excess funds from the non-interest bearing accounts to the money market account.

3. Approve VP as non-signer on accounts/ reconcile accounts. Motion made, seconded and approved.

4. Board members assigned to specific trials for check signing. General discussion arrangements can be made ahead of the trial.

5. Approve purchase of external hard drive and laptop for Treasurer. External hard drive to backup Treasurer's PC. Moved and approved to purchase 2 Dell laptops with an upgrade to 1GB of RAM.

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**Northwest Agility League Results**

**Dwight Cash**

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The 2006 league ended it's 6th year in early December with 52 teams competing over the Northwest. The new For Exhibition Only category made for a fun, first time agility experience for our beginning handlers. Placement cups will be presented at CAT's annual meeting on Sunday, January 28th. Please join in, next year.

The League Leaders were: Lisa Axnick, Patty Bensene, Judy Bluett, Traci Bruchok, Dwight Cash, Bonnie Johnson, Sue Marshall, Julie Padbury, Susan Perry, Carole Seller, Nancy Stephenson, M'Lou Thompson, Kitty Ware and Barb Watson

The placements are:

1st Place	5th Place	9th Place	13th Place
CAT Be Quick	RAT Pack	WAGgin 4 Fun	CAT Smart
Paula Cash	Nancy Stephenson	Linda Bleeker	Cheryl Huffman
Dwight Cash	Shirley Kostric	Kaye Berggren	Steve Nassar
Heather Christenson	Debbie Fisher	Carl Widell	Linda Keast
Julie Padbury	Michael Bruce	Dana Stillinger	Claudia Zerba
2nd Place	6th Place	10th Place	14th Place
CAT Phun	CAT Herdin for Trouble	RATastic Four	CAT-Sci
Herb Gercke	Cheri Kanaan	Kelly Gann	Matt Sachs
Jennifer Evans	Venita Quella	Shelley Malan	Paula Cash
Cheryl Huffman	Jody Becher	Susan Perry	Rosie Stein
Dick Watson	Sherry Butler	Jennifer Jewell	Steve Ware
3rd Place	7th Place	11th Place	15th Place
Free RATicals	CAT Cuties Rock	CAT-A-Laxs	Too BAAD
Kim Wiklof	Esther Menashe	Steve Ware	Sue Marshall
Michael Bruce	Heather Christenson	Dwight Cash	Melinda Hofmann
Micki Lagrou	Dixie Matson	Bobby Lyons	Pam Addington
Clare Bland	Dwight Cash	Sherry Butler	Barbara Neely
4th Place	8th Place	12th Place	
CAT All Go & No Show	RATz @ Blast	RATs!	
Rob Waters	Susan Perry	Mike Tu	
Alysa Williams	Donna McKay	Evelyn Robertson	
Saren Pihlaja	Joan Hagerman	Phil Hunt	
Bonnie Johnson	Kelly Gann	Roberta Foster	

## Columbia Agility Team Annual Election of Board Members

### Candidate Slate and Statements

#### President - Marilyn Watson

I began competing in agility about 9 years ago with Angus, a Border Collie/Aussie. He was an excellent competitor and a patient teacher. Now I compete with my 8 year old Border Collie, Ned. I enjoy working with people, teaching for CAT and helping to facilitate a smooth-running organization.

#### Vice-President - Jamie Winthrop (no statement)

#### Secretary – Candidates are Kim Boothe and Steve Bilow

**Kim Boothe** - I run a dachshund named Zibbit in many different venues. I have officially been a CAT member for almost a year. I have attended all the general meetings since November 2005. Zibbit and I have focused on smaller, one-ring trials since last summer to work on focus and stress issues. Now that we are better prepared for larger trials, I want to be able to support CAT more than I was able to do previously. As I work Saturdays and can't really volunteer for trial committee positions that would require my presence for the entire weekend, I would like to serve the club by providing my tendency to be a bit detail oriented (and "nosy" about what's coming next) in the position of secretary. In my "real life", I am a veterinarian and I am accustomed to keeping detailed records. I feel that serving as secretary would allow me to learn more about the inner workings of agility, meet more of the members of the club, and give back to CAT.

**Steve Bilow** - no statement

#### Treasurer - Judy Bluett

I have been a member of CAT for 3 years. This past year I served on the board as a Member at Large. I am running for Treasurer this year. I am a self employed bookkeeper so it seems like a perfect place for me to volunteer for CAT. I run two Papillons, Alphonie NAJ, OA CL4 and Oreo OAJ, AXJ, CL4. We have so much fun together and I feel I have a whole new family in my agility friends.

#### Training Director - Barbara Stone (no statement)

#### Members-at-Large (4) - Candidates are Dwight Cash, Barbara Persson, Lori Sage and M'Lou Thompson

**Dwight Cash** - I have been a CAT member for about 12 years and have been on the Board, off and on, for the past 10 years, first as Treasurer, followed as a Member at Large for several terms. My goal is to work with other Board members to assure that the club prospers and to be sensitive to club members needs.

**Barbara Persson** - I have been involved with CAT since starting to compete in agility, and really enjoy the sport and the people involved. I am active in all three venues that CAT sponsors, and have been on trial committees for all three venues, covering most of the major jobs--Trial Chair, Secretary, Chief Ring Steward, Chief Scorer, and Chief Course Builder. I compete with my rescued BC, Emma and GSD, Strider. I am also training a 9 month old BC named Speck. I am committed to membership of CAT, and to serving on the Board, as I have done for the past year. I have enjoyed the year on the Board and learned a great deal about the workings of this club, and would like to continue that work. Thanks for your consideration.

**Lori Sage** - I began my pursuit of agility in January 2000 and joined CAT soon after. I have worked with my local horse club as a Show Manager, club President and Secretary. Holding all those positions has given me experience in writing club By-Laws, creating budgets and premium lists, hiring officials, organizing schedules and all the numerous little tasks that go along with the manager position. I am interested in running for the CAT Board this year and my years of experience in the horse world may be helpful to the club. It would be an honor to serve on this board and continue further into the sport of agility, having fun with my dogs and making more good friends.

**M'Lou Thompson** - I own three Belgian Tervuren currently...have owned many Shelties, a golden retriever, a keeshond and a Newfie, but while I was teaching school, I never had time to try agility. I've been a member for about three years and the CAT folks have been very kind and helpful to a beginner, especially through League. I've always thought that belonging to an organization should mean contributing to it. I've enjoyed the CAT trials I've entered, haven't worked nearly enough and hope in this way to do more. I know my way around a computer (Mac) and tend to organize well; I enjoyed being a site leader in League this past November. Thanks for the opportunity.

Laptops should be under \$600.00

B. Follow-up on action approved at last meeting.

1. Who is the moderator of agilecat – membership monitored. There are 3 monitors Helix, Kevin and Dwight. AgileCAT needs to be purged of non-members. Barb S. suggested put "unknowns" into pending status until they identify themselves.

2. Notification of trial pricing at \$9 per run with no packages. Discussion of how this information should be disseminated to trial chairs.

C. Forest Grove barn request for sprinklers and metal tire frame. The PVC frame does not hold up well. Moved and approved to purchase a metal tire frame at \$450.00 The need for a sprinkler is not an issue at this time. However, CAT still owes OFSA for 2 years of fun runs. This would be approximately \$600.00.

D. Update on Equipment Trailer – Dwight. Will have 2 detachable wing jump set to experiment with at the next trial. Perhaps even an equipment cart.

E. Trial schedule for 2007 and 2008. A request has been made to switch the April 2007 USDAA and Oct. 2007 CPE trials. Pended to another meeting to be determined. Decision must be based on USDAA approval and finding a trial chair for CPE. 2008 trial schedule tabled.

New Business:

A. CAT gift certificates. Will discuss the feasibility and determine if this can be offered in 2008.

B. 4-H request. Pam Pallister would like CAT to consider using her 4-H group as ring workers and making a donation to them for their volunteer time.

C. Ribbon discount. Not to be considered at this time.

D. Associate Member criteria and benefits. Not addressing this topic at this time. In general, the associate membership does not allow voting.

E. Annual Meeting. Should there be a discussion item on the need for key positions to be filled early.

## Columbia Agility Team

### Nov. 12, 2006 General Meeting Minutes

#### Buster's, Tigard

#### Unapproved

Called to order: 7:02 pm

Board Members Present: Marilyn Watson, Judy Bluett, Bereklee Robins, Dwight Cash, Barbara Persson, Karen McAlister

Report of the President: Following agenda. Welcome to the general meeting with comments about the last meeting being the Fun Match held at the Paula and Dwight Cash's home. New and prospective members introduced themselves.

Report of the Vice President:

Board meetings: Next meeting is November 15, 2006 at the Village Inn at Bridgeport Village. Board meeting are open to the membership. If you would like to attend please let someone on the board know.

General Meetings: Next meeting is Jan.28, 2006 at the Clackamas Dennys. Membership votes on the 2006 board positions.

Holiday Party: December 10, 2006 Holiday Inn, Wilsonville, OR

Report of the Treasurer: Given by Marilyn Watson for Karla Forte. Stated balances of the CAT checking account and Columbia Funds accounts as of Oct. 1, 2006.

Report of the Training Director: Classes have been going well with many new students. Classes were held over the summer. A first for CAT.

Report of the Secretary: New members paperwork was not available for this meeting.

Trial Oversight Committee:

Comments by Marilyn Watson in regards to the schedule. The trial schedule is done a year in advance. 2007 schedule is in response to the 2005 membership survey. 2007 trial schedule is a transitional year. The Oct. 2006 Black CAT is CPE and is being used to hold the Oct. date at Clark County Fairgrounds.

Jan. 2006 Trial, CAT NW Cup, USDAA 3 ring trial. Premium available on the CAT website. Clark County Fairgrounds, Ridgefield, WA.

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Feb 2006 Trial, NADAC 2 ring trial.

April 2006 Trial, USDAA 2 ring trial, with Grand Prix . Author's note this trial venue is under debate.

June/July 2006, USDAA Regional to be held outdoors at Clackamas County Fairgrounds, Canby, OR.

Aug. 2006, CPE trial. Tentatively to be at a Oregon coastal location, TBD.

September 2006, CAT Columbia Cup, NADAC, 3 ring 2 judge trial. Clark County Fairgrounds, Ridgefield, WA

Oct. 2006, BlackCAT, CPE Clark County Fairgrounds, Ridgefield, WA Author's note: This venue is under debate.

Financial Committee: Tanya Sacks is the chair. There was a mid-year review of CAT's books to assist in preparing the 2007 budget. The review led to recommendations in separation of duties to make the Treasurer's job less onerous. A professional level report was prepared for the Board to review.

2006 Agility League: Dwight Cash. League into the 2nd week. The League has grown to be region wide, including teams from CAT, WAG, RAT, and BAAD. One new item in 2006 is the introduction of "exhibition only" dogs for members who have a dog who isn't quite ready for league participation or running in a trial.

Library: Tara Chote. Tara gave details on how the 2006 CAT Library budget was spent. The majority of the budget, over \$900.00, was spent on Clean Run items. \$160.00 was spent on Agility In Motion magazine, and just under \$200.00 for miscellaneous dog books to give the library broader appeal. Will drop Clean Run to 1 subscription, discontinuing Front and Finish as well as Dogwood Digital books. DVD's are popular and over half the budget was spent purchasing them.

Unfinished business: None

New Business:

1. Nominations for the 2006 board are in. The slate of candidates is:

- ♦President – Marilyn Watson
- ♦Training Director – Barb Stone
- ♦Treasurer – Judy Bluett

♦Secretary – Kim Booth, Steve Bilow

♦Vice President – Jamie Winthrop

♦Member at large – M'lou Thompson

♦Member at large – Dwight Cash

♦Member at large – Barb Perrson

♦Member at large – Lori Sage

Slate of candidates moved and approved.

2. CAT bucks as a gift item. Motion and second from the floor that the Board consider CAT bucks be available as a gift item. In general comments ranged from concern if a non-profit could do this to accounting logistics. Membership votes yes for the Board to consider this proposal. CATbucks cannot be used for apparel.

3. \$0.50 coupon in lieu of a ribbon? Motion and second for this to receive Board consideration. Member ship voted yes. Discussion ranged from using these as a donation to charity or getting a raffle ticket instead of a ribbon.

4. Membership renewals in the mail 11/13/06. Dues are due by 12/31/06. You can pay at the 1/28/07 meeting, however and memberships renewals received after that date are subject to a \$5.00 fee.

5. Attend 1 meeting per year requirement. Is there some way to negate this? Response from the floor is to choose an Associate membership.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:01 pm

Respectfully Submitted, Karen McAlister



January, 2007

### CAT 2006 Award Winners

(pictured clockwise from right)

Member of the Year – Cheryl Huffman

Top Junior Handler – Meagan Johnson and Nessa

Top Kitten – Stephanie Frye and Elvis (not pictured)

Top CAT – Lori Sage and Mikaela

Sportsmanship Award – Kim James (page 6)

Trudy Mischler Award (Outstanding Contribution) – Mary Crittendon (receiving Award from President Marilyn Watson)



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