

General Meeting
Busters in Tigard
April 18, 2004

Came to order at: 7:05 at Busters in Tigard

Board Members Present: Matt Sachs, Wendy Ware, Kitty Ware, Lisa Klein, Janice Tsuchida and Paige Pierce. Members absent were Karla Forte and Barb Stone.

Paula Cash introduced prospective members; Susan Carlson, Barb Murray, Claudia and Dennis Zerba, and Linda King

Presidents Report: Agenda

Vice Presidents Report: Board Meeting May 18th at Garlic Onion, General Meetings May 23rd at Delta Park Elmers, June 27th Clackamas Elmers, no meeting in July.

Treasurers Report: Matt gave the report for Karla Forte, the books have all balanced and the trials all came up with a positive balance.

Secretary Report: The minutes of the general and board meetings are now being posted on the website, thank you Dick Watson. Go under "Members" and there is a link for each set of minutes.

Training Director Report: Classes started last Monday and they are full. To the instructors, need to give out a registration form as they graduate from different levels as it is first come, first serve basis and is not from a verbal agreement. The classes are limited to ten people.

The current payment for instructors is \$50 in CAT bucks. Views were expressed that they should be used for seminars only as it is important that the instructors stay updated.

Trail Review: July - Lake Vancouver, the site is confirmed. The site has never had an event this large there before. Team games and a regional grand prix will be offered. This is in hopes of having a national competition in 2005. May trial - there are 170 volunteers, the trial filled on the second day but not everyone with second day postage got in. Columbia Cup is offering a new award, Highest Scoring Veteran. Lisa Klein has Toni Pearce and Blair Bloxham as judges and is still searching for a third. Barb White-Black Cat, she has her committee. NW Cup needs a committee.

April NW Cup-scheduling conflicts due to many supervising judge conflicts. We will no longer allow supervising judges to run more than one dog, nor supervise more than one judge.

Unfinished business:

Need a new CAT bucks design in \$5.00 and \$25.00 denominations.

Lighting is done at Forest Grove Barn.

At Larsen Barn we should be getting sprinklers installed soon. If not Herb will find another contractor.

The 2005 Columbia Cup again has a scheduling conflict with Extreme Agility so one of us will have to move our dates.

New Business:

The board reviewed the CAT policy and minor changes were made. The instructor policy was re-done. The practice barn policy states renters should sign an agreement. The board revised this. Refund Policy and Vendor Policy were also revised.

Chris Weir passing equipment manager title to Kyle Watson. They will be working together for the rest of this year.

Trailers will now be stored at Clark County Fair Grounds, it is less expensive and will be very convenient as we hold four out of six trials there per year. It is also closer to Kyle Watson our new equipment manager.

Janice Tsuchida, seminar committee discussed upcoming events, May 8-9 Elisha Calhoun, 2 more slots available at Mary Crittendon's barn. Need to be in Open or higher. Susan Sallo, July 3-5 at Forest Grove, if the weather nice it will be outside. Kathy Keats is moved to Feb 19-20, 2005 performance analysis, making decisions and finding weak points. Everyone is welcome to audit all seminars and they are accepted the day of the seminar although pre-registration is preferred.

Saturday April 24th, the Forest Grove Barn will be tearing down stalls, bring eye protection, gloves and shovels.

Gretta Scrambler will be joining a new business, Kitty needs a new video done and would like canine volunteers who love the Greta Scrambler.

Dwight Cash: Because of NADAC's new rule changes and other issues discussed in the past, Dwight Cash has looked into a new venue, CPE (canine performance events). CPE offers standard runs and 3 games, no tables and lower jump heights. Other club's have replaced these trials with some of their events. As of January 1st 2005, NADAC will eliminate the gamble game. It is being replaced with a standard run that will include a gamble if the handler wishes. There are 2 separate issues with NADAC, style of agility NADAC offers and how NADAC is handled politically. It was suggested we wait to change anything until after the 1st of the year to see how the NADAC rules work out before we change anything. Administrative structure is poor at NADAC.