

General Meeting
May 23, 2004

Elmers at Delta Park
Came to Order at 7:04 PM

Introduction of Board Members

Members Present: Matt Sachs, Wendy Ware, Lisa Klein, Kitty Ware, Paige Pierce, Barb Stone and Mary Crittendon.

Vice Presidents Report: The next board meetings are June 22 at Izzy's, July 21 at Garlic Onion, August 17 at Izzy's. The next general meetings are June 27 at Clackamas Elmers; there is no July meeting and August 21 at Wilsonville Park for the annual meeting/picnic/CPE fun match.

Matt Sachs gave the Treasury report.

There is no Secretary Report to be given

Training Directors Report: Classes will be finishing in the next few weeks. There will be no classes during the summer. Classes will restart in September. Kitty thanks all of the instructors for all their hard work and dedication. There is a possibility of classes starting up in St. Helens.

Marilyn Watson introduced prospective members: Linda and Steve Keast, M^r Lou Thompson and Kathy White.

Old Business:

Trail Review: The NW Cup and the May trail came out with positive balances. The new CAT policy on refunds was discussed due to the positive balances. There is a 100% refund up to the day before the trial in case of handler/dog illness or injury or family emergency. The July Steeplechase/DAM/Grand Prix trial was discussed at length. Standard runs will be done on Friday, see the website for scheduling information. The DAM team is open for every level. Each team consists of three dog/handler teams but can be no more than two different jump heights. Judges are Ken Tasche, Frank Holik and Scott Chamberlain. Junior handler runs will be done on Saturday. The September Columbia Cup is going well, judges are Toni Pearce, Kirsty Pearson and Blair Bloxham. The Black Cat trial is going well, there is still a need for a committee for the NW Cup; Karla Forte will be chairperson for the Feb trial.

The Elisha Calhoun seminar was very educational. Everyone who participated learned a lot, she was great with individual attention. Susan Salo jumping seminar is July 3-5 at the Forest Grove Barn, it closes June 1st.

The board is still awaiting CAT Bucks entries.

The CAT Policy has been revised and completed. It will be posted on the website soon. There are new review dates for the policy. Instead of being reviewed at the first meeting of the year, the policy will be reviewed at the second meeting of the year and then approved at the third meeting.

The Larsen barn has a new sprinkler system. Thank you Tom Berkley.

New Business

CPE Report: CAT is not committing to CPE, just investigating the possibilities. There will be a CPE fun match at the annual picnic August 21 at Wilsonville Park. Chris Roemmich and Brenda Veldnik will organize the event.

The board approved the purchase of three new drills and batteries along with lag bolts to bolt in equipment at trials. The equipment stays very stable and is easier for installment/tear down.

The Forest Grove barn has been cleaned up, thank you to the Wares and Sue Woodson who have done a lot of work to tear down stalls and acquire an extra ten feet of length! The VanDykes, owners of the barn are writing up a three-year rental lease with a \$25.00 per month increase in rent to help cover electrical costs. The board will approve this pending seeing the lease.

Old equipment will go up for trial raffle.

The board is looking into the possibility of having different sets of equipment for slatless and slatted equipment. There was mention of purchasing another trailer. The board will look into this carefully.

Dog aggression: There was an incident at the May trial involving a small dog and large dog. No one was injured. The board would like to remind everyone of the county leash law. Board members have noticed an increase of off leash dogs at trials. There was a request at the board meeting to have an off leash area but this is forbidden due to the leash laws. The CAT board apologizes and sympathizes with both parties involved.

The board approved giving BAAD a free trial entry.

A mention was made to send a postcard to people without email questioning if they would like to be on the mailing list for trial premiums.

Kathryn King will be taking picnic food orders. Thank you!

A mention was made to move the storage shed from Wilsonville to Vancouver since most of our trials are there. Hospitality, score boxes and other miscellaneous items are stored there now. The Hibbards offered to Wendy Ware to keep her ribbon inventory in their barn.

Saturday June 26th there will be an equipment painting party at equipment manager, Kyle Watson's house.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Klein