

October 5, 2008 CAT General Meeting Minutes

Location: Buster's, Tigard

Called to order at 7:05 pm

I. **Welcome—Tanya Sacks**—Called meeting to order.

II. Reports

- a. **New Member Coordinator—Pat Weinkauf**—Introduced new and prospective members in attendance.
- b. **Secretary—Kim Boothe**—Minutes from August 16, 2008 CAT General Meeting were reviewed and approved.
- c. **Treasurer—Judy Bluett**—All of the 2008 trials so far have made money. We also still have plenty of money in the account.
- d. **Vice-President—Trey Winthrop**—Currently scheduled meeting is: Board meeting changed to October 8th at 7:00 pm at Village Inn at Mall 205. November General Meeting and Board Meeting will be scheduled at the Board meeting on Wednesday.
- e. **Training Director—Pam Brown**—Still looking for teaching assistants for classes at the training barns. A recent demo done at Laurelhurst Park went well and everyone had a good time. Mike Chapman also updated us that another demo was held at Shute Park about two weeks ago. It consisted of a brief demo and lots of confidence courses.

III. Unfinished Business

- a. **Update on upcoming trials—USDAA Northwest Cup—October 11/12** at Clark County Fairgrounds. Entries closed September 19. Looks like a strong turnout is expected—about 285 dogs (don't have the exact number of runs; many dogs are doing selected classes rather than being entered in all events).
- b. **General Updates**
 - i. 2008 CAT League coming up. Dwight Cash will be doing team draws here tonight.
 - ii. Annual CAT Holiday Party—December 14 at Holiday Inn in Wilsonville. Janelle Jeli passed around flyers. We will be starting earlier this year than in years past. Reviewed prices and menu. Deadline for RSVP is December 6. We will be having a gift exchange again (\$10 limit on gift). Janelle also discussed doing a canned food drive—possibly one for people and another for dogs.
 - iii. Reminder that the Nominating Committee is taking nominations for the slate of candidates for the 2009 Board. Please let them know if you

would like to be on the ballot for a Board position for 2009. We definitely need someone to step up for the Secretary position. The committee will gather nominations and send a report to the Board by November 1. At the November General Meeting, we will take additional nominations from the floor and formally accept the nominations and finalize the slate of candidates.

c. **2009 Calendar of Trials**

- i. February 28 and March 1—NADAC trial at Canby Fairgrounds. Chaired again by Karen McAllister.
- ii. April 18/19—CPE trial at Clark County Fairgrounds. Pam Brown and Julie Jones co-chairing again.
- iii. Sometime in the May through July time frame—USDAA trial. Location and date yet to be determined. Karla Forte chairing. (Red Hot Rovers will be using our regular weekend, with CAT's permission.)
- iv. August—CPE trial at Wilsonville Park. Cheryl Huffman chairing again.
- v. September 5/6—NADAC trial at Clark County Fairgrounds. Pat Weinkauff chairing. There will also be a Susan Perry seminar the Friday (September 4) before the trial.
- vi. October 10/11—USDAA trial at Clark County Fairgrounds. There is no trial chair yet.
- vii. CAT has retained the rights to the end of June date for 2009 in case the club is prepared to request the Regional in 2010.

IV. **New Business**

- a. **Library budget**—The Board has approved an increase in the Library budget to \$2,000 per year.
- b. **Free Trial Certificates**—The Board has approved removing the \$65 limit on the Free Trial Certificates that are used as raffle prizes and Cup awards. Certificates will be good for free entry for one dog for one trial.
- c. **2009 New Member Coordinator**—The New Member Coordinator responsibilities will be handled in 2009 by Steve and Pat Bilow. Thank you to Pat Weinkauff for all her work on this over the past couple of years!!
- d. **2009 Seminar Committee**—Will be headed by Pat Weinkauff. Beverly Esler will be on the committee. If you would like to be a part of this committee, contact Pat. Pat will post to the AgileCAT Yahoo list requesting volunteers and ideas.
- e. **Forest Grove Barn Manager position**—Will be filled by Mike Chapman effective immediately. Thanks to Carole Sellers for doing a great job managing the barn this year! Mike will be “tweaking” the sprinkler system when the water is turned off. Kitty Ware recommended that he talk with Rob Waters about getting new better sprinkler heads.
- f. **Plaques and Danglers for 2008 titles earned**—Carolyn Daniels is again handling processing the orders. The form is available on the web site. Completed forms must be RECEIVED by November 5. Each member gets one free plaque per lifetime, but members may feel free to pay for any extra plaques they might like to order.

- g. Questions**
 - i. Kitty Ware—Is there a workers' raffle at this next trial? Martha Mullis noted that, as far as she knows, there is no raffle budget for this trial. Tanya will e-mail Tara Choate (Trial Chair) and verify the plans for the raffle. Martha asked for donations for the raffle.
 - ii. Kitty Ware—Is there money in the Training Director Budget for books? Pam will talk with Kitty about details of ordering and budgeting.
- V. Adjournment and League Team Draws**—The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kim Boothe