

Columbia Agility Team Board Meeting April 12, 2011

Village Inn Restaurant at Bridgeport Village, Tigard, Oregon

ROLL CALL

Karla Forte, President
Rosie Stein, Vice President
Carol Hasenberg, Secretary
Julie Padbury, Training Director
Dick Watson, Member at Large
Trudie Coleman, Member at Large
Jennifer Evans, member

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order 6:34 p.m. by President Karla Forte. Karla read the minutes from the meeting. Minutes were approved.

REPORTS

Secretary – Board reviewed general meeting points about raffle ideas for the free trial passes from WAG and RAT and decided to defer having a raffle until the USDAA trial.

Treasurer – Nothing to report.

Vice President –

Upcoming Trial Updates:

- This weekend CPE Spring Classic trial – Julie has completed the workers schedule. There will be no raffle.
- Update on the May NADAC trial - Lisa Klein has recently changed her email address and has not contacted Rosie since then. So far the scheme for conducting the trial is to have one judge and two rings. The rings will alternately run and set ups will occur in one while the other is running. Entries for this NADAC trial are down from those of previous years. Two weeks ago there were only 200 runs per day entered. Since this is an outdoor trial, maybe the cool wet weather we've been experiencing is keeping people from entering.
- June USDAA trial is going fine. We need to get the budget for review.

Question of having the NADAC trial next February or May is still open – we've lost our February weekend slot at Clackamas County – it was used this year for the UKI trial. Rosie will pursue the possibilities having the NADAC trial at the Yamhill County Fairground in McMinnville, Vancouver Lake (which would be an outdoor venue), or the Albany Fairground.

President – Nothing to report.

Training Director – The CAT classes are about full. Only one class on Saturday night had to be cancelled.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Legislation – HB 3047 is a matter for the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee now, and we are hoping it progresses from the committee within a week or two. It is on the docket for a work session on Wednesday, April 13, 2011.

Facility Search –

The Larsen family are performing clean-up and other tasks in order to ready their property for sale – we need to prepare for our use of that facility to be terminated before too long.

Currently Julie's facility search group is on hold to see if the legislation passes. The board explored some possible avenues to check in the pursuit of a new venue. We would like to have the group continue to look for available barn space to lease. We would also like the group to research costs for purchase and other leasing possibilities, such as the leasing of fairground space.

We are also interested in having a "yard sale" at the Larsen Barn to get rid of excess and outdated equipment. We need to talk to the Larsens about it and our tentative date for the sale will be July 23-24. Members will not be allowed to pay for the equipment with CAT Bucks.

NEW BUSINESS

- Minutes from February – There is a correction to the February board meeting minutes. The board was only exploring the possibility of having the NADAC trial in May for next year, and the date mentioned was tentative pending approval by NADAC and other input.
- There was a question from Tanya Sacks concerning reimbursement of the equipment managers being equable with that of the electronic equipment manager. Looking through our policy mark-ups from February, the CAT bucks reimbursement amounts were incorrectly marked. It should have been 40 CAT Bucks per trial for the Electronic Equipment Manager and 80 per trailer per trial for the Equipment Manager. Karla proposed changing the policy further to 80 CAT Bucks for each of these. This motion was approved.
- New Larsen Barn Manager – Jennifer Evans was proposed as the barn manager to replace Art Brest, who is leaving in July. Jennifer indicated that if she is the Larsen Barn Manager she would like Judy Bluett to continue processing the fees and she would consider free barn time adequate compensation for the work. The board voted to approve her in the position.
- CPE nationals – Karla has received a contract form from CPE for CAT hosting the CPE National trial in May or June of 2012 or 2013. The board discussed whether we want to host CPE Nationals at the Clackamas County Fairgrounds, where there would be room to host the event. We could use our current USDAA date for June and have the USDAA trial occur later in the summer of that year, when we normally have the CPE trial, provided that it does not conflict with the Brownsville USDAA trial in August. The proposed date based on our Clackamas County schedule for 2012 would be the weekend of June 18. The club and Clackamas county venue meet all the requirements needed to host the nationals that are listed on the form. The board voted to approve pursuing this trial, and Karla will return the completed form to CPE.
- The Forest Grove Barn Manager has made an equipment request for a set of 12 weave poles with 24-inch spacing. The board approved this request and will purchase the equipment.
- The board also approved the purchase of (2) 15-foot tunnels for the Larsen Barn. The old damaged tunnels will be put in the garage sale.
- Use of Paypal for dues and other club fees – The board approved having Trey to set up a Paypal option online for members to pay for membership dues, barn fees, and class tuition, but not trial fees.
- The board voted to approve a new Computer Equipment Manager position whose duties would be to maintain the computer equipment and transport it to and from trials. The equipment could either be stored in the CAT equipment storage area or the home of the manager provided they

have renters or home owners insurance. The compensation would be 80 CAT Bucks per trial. The position will be advertised on AgileCAT with Karla as the contact person.

- The City of Tigard has developed a new dog park and would like for us to do an agility demo there for their annual Dog Days of Tigard on July 16 of this year. Carol volunteered to organize this effort in a vein similar to that done at the capitol this week with jumps, tunnels, teeters and weaves. We'll need to ask the park to fence off an area of about 2000-3000 square feet, and we will need to ask a member with a truck to help transport the equipment (Jim Hibbard?). We'll also need to ask the city or ourselves to provide a table so we can hand out our flyers.
- Discussion on member applicants and work requirements – a proposal was made to provide member applicants with signature cards to track their membership requirements. The proposal was also widened in scope to be a way in which the club could track that all members are meeting their work and meeting requirements. Member applicants must also perform their requirements for election to membership within 6 months of the application date. The member applicants will return their signed cards to the Membership coordinator, who will give them to the CAT Secretary in order to confirm their first year work requirement. The board voted to approve the proposal and Carol will design and produce the cards.

NEW MEMBERS

The member applicants

Mary Martin

Kelly Myers

had not met all their membership requirements according to the forms emailed to the board before the meeting.

AJOURNMENT

Next meeting is May 10, 2011, 6:30 p.m., at this venue.

Adjourned 8:28 p.m.