



STKC MEETING MINUTES - August 21, 1995

The meeting of the Sierra-Tuolumne Kennel Club was called to order by Club President Stu Galka at 6:00 pm on August 21, 1995 at the home of Gloria Farmer. Members and guests present were: Stu and Sherry Galka, Charlene Reed, Mary Antinetti, Ray and Laurie Morris, Don and Donna Leonard, Cherie Gessford, Terry and Ben Baker, Gena Parker and Ruby and myself.

Treasurer's Report - The treasurer's report was read by Sherry Galka and was filed for audit.

Because we will be changing our fiscal year to January of each year, it was recommended that we prorate the 1996 dues. It was suggested by Laurie and seconded by Don to retain the full dues amount and the remainder would be considered donations.

Pat Plaster has donated her commission fee of \$20 towards the total cost of the Surety Bond for the treasurer. This reduces the bond from the normal \$100 fee to \$80.00.

Secretary's Report - The July minutes were approved as printed in the Howler.

Changes to the Bylaws were read to members. The changes were in Article I, Section II: Dues; Article IV, Section II: Annual Meeting; and Article IV, Section IV: Nominations. M/S/P by Ray/Don

Handouts were provided of upcoming seminars, workshops, etc.

Ray Morris obtained approval to reprint an article that was in the Stockton Record (see elsewhere in the "Howler").

Committee Reports

Obedience - Sherry - Graduation

was held on Tuesday, August 22. Obedience sign-ups for the Fall session were held on Tuesday, August 29.

Historian - Terry - Has agreed to assume the duties of Historian. Members are requested to provide Terry with any information/articles they may have.

Publicity/Education - Linda - a AKC ad was sent to the Union Democrat pertaining to leaving dogs in locked cars in the summer and the results of the Spring puppy & basic obedience graduations.

NEW BUSINESS

AKC Show/Trial - Sign-ups were circulated for trophies.

AKC Agility Match - 11/11/95 - Karen Ten Eyck has agreed to help us put on an AKC Agility Match at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds. It is necessary that we put on a match before January 1 so that we can have a AKC Agility Trial. If we wait until after January 1st, we must go through the same as if we were putting on an AKC Obedience Trial; i.e., B-OB matches, etc. A packet will be sent to Sherry Galka explaining what the club members will need to do.

Gena - discussion was presented on the need for club members to become aware of the problems with the present cut-backs of the Animal Control Officers at the Tuolumne County Animal Control Office.

Braggs - Laurie Morris announced that their Shih Tzu, *Goodie Two-Shoes*, whelped 3 boys and 1 girl on July 13th.

Next Month's meeting - Ray and Laurie Morris

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Program:

Melissa Schmidt and her Canine Companion for Independence Dog, *Unger*, gave us a presentation of what a CCI dog is. Unger is a Social Dog, which is for children with disabilities who are under the age of 18. He is a "Golden Lab", which is a special breeding of a Golden Retriever and Labrador Retriever (Yellow). It has been a successful cross in the past and is used quite often by CCI. Other type of dogs provided by CCI are:

Service Dogs which perform tasks for people with mobility limitations in their arms and/or legs;

Hearing Dogs that alert people who are deaf or hearing impaired;

and Social Dogs which are provided for children or anyone where supervision of a third party is required.

CCI is run by volunteers and has 5 centers — Unger was obtained in Santa Rosa — after Melissa had been on the waiting list for 5 years!

Melissa and Unger then demonstrated some of the commands that Unger has been taught to help Melissa in her everyday life.

It was a unanimous decision by the members present to provide Melissa and Unger with 4 bags of dog food when they are needed.

Members and guests then enjoyed a salad and cold-cut dinner.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDA GRANT
Secretary