

SIERRA-TUOLUMNE KENNEL CLUB, INC.
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2009

The meeting was called to order by President Bruce at 6:03p.m. The following members were present: Bruce Bertholf, Linda Grant, Cherie Gessford, Mary Barrett, JoAnn Gritz, Leslie McCulloch, Carol Frazier, Fred & Pat Helmbold, Patti Martlew and Mary Antinetti.

President's Report - Bruce: We had a Board Meeting and it was voted to go with Yosemite KC once again for Responsible Dog Owner's Day. Mary B will be the Coordinator.

Vice President's Report - Mary: Nothing to report

Secretary's Report - Linda: Received some items to share: Kelley-Moore has a discount card for paint. Monthly mailings, some upcoming flyers were shared.

Treasurer's Report - Jan: Tax forms have been mailed for State and Federal filings. Financial items were shared with members present. Balance sheet was passed around.

Agenda Items:

- 🐾 Big Show - here is a synopsis of the items that were discussed regarding the Big Show to be held on April 2-3, 2009:
 - Workers will be paid \$30 a day that they are working. Bruce will write all checks for reimbursement.
 - Wear Brown/Tan polo shirts on Thursday and Green on Friday - no denim jeans please.
 - Vendors have been signed up and are listed on the website.
 - This year we will have thank you cards for the stewards and judges and everyone present signed the cards.
 - Barking passes were handed out to those present at the meeting and would be working those days.
 - We need to set a work party, and it was decided to meet on Saturday, March 21st at 10:00 a.m. and go through the items.
 - All trophies have been received. The Best in Show tables were shown off.
 - Jan and Rocky (not present) will be doing all decorations. She has flower arrangements, table decorations, etc.
 - A listing of the food needs and wants for the Judges had been provided to the Hospitality Crew.
 - Obedience - we will need to take our Rally signs down. The new 4" boards for obedience were received and are being delivered on Thursday. At the walk through on Thursday, we will need to check on the easels, boards, rally sign holders and big cones.
 - Entries will be closing on March 18th (this Wednesday).
 - We need raffle donations. Laurie Norton has donated a case of wine. Bill Hemby (PetPAC) and someone from CDOC will be there on Saturday to accept the proceeds of the raffle.
 - Golf carts are on order; the Security guards are contracted and paid for.
 - JoAnn will have the photo boards there. She asked for updated photos, and she brought the board to the meeting.
 - Everyone that is working should be at the Fairgrounds no later than 7:00 a.m.
 - At this point we have 49 RVs preregistered (*we ended up with close to 131 total!*).
- 🐾 Obedience/Puppy/Rally Class updates: 22 in Obedience, 5 in Rally and 7 in Puppy classes
- 🐾 Historian/Librarian - Cherie: no report
- 🐾 Sunshine - JoAnn: A card was passed around to send to Pat Barnes for her recent surgery. Also, JoAnn mentioned that her daughter's Aussie, Cloey, was let to pass over the Rainbow Bridge recently. Cloey was Sunshine and Jed's mother.
- 🐾 Canine Ambassador - JoAnn: New paper for the brochures was ordered and they were printed up and given to JoAnn to hand out at her visits. More Canine Ambassador cards have been made up. She also shared a story about Bennington taking over Sunshine's job at the classrooms. Sunshine split her ear open and couldn't make it because she had to go to

the vets. Well, Bennington was wonderful and JoAnn had several photos to share. This was his first time, and they now call him "Mr. Ambassador"; he never jumped on the children, did tricks, overall was just wonderful.

- 🐾 Howler/Website - Linda: If you have anything to add, please send to Linda
- 🐾 Legislation - Mary: Every state now appears to have some anti-dog legislation going on. SB250 is now the hot topic now. Please contact your state senator. Manteca has now proposed a Spay/Neuter ordinance.
- 🐾 Membership - Pat: She put together a membership sheet that was handed out.

Old Business: none

New Business - Cherie: Suggestion that we look at the equipment, such as the mats, the agility equipment, and see if we can sell any of it to save rental space. It also was noted that we have 2 golf carts, 2 laptops and 2 printers that should be sold or disposed of. There was considerable discussion about the mats and how to dispose of them since they are the old style. The agility equipment was a thought also.

Brag:

JoAnn and Jed (Aussie): At CPE he ran at the 8" jump height and Qualified in 4 runs.

JoAnn and Bennington (Aussie): At the same trial, he had 5 runs and Q'd in them all.

Mary A and Shay (Aussie): Shay is her new dog, and she is 7 months old. Shay is learning lots of new things.

Mary A and Jimmy (Aussie): at the CPE trial, Level 3, he got 7 out of 10 qualifying runs.

Mary A and Kit (Aussie): at the same CPE trial, Level 3, she got 6 out of 10 qualifying runs

Mary B and Luna (Rat Terrier): At her first UKC Show, she got a 3rd place in the first show and a 2nd place in the second show. At the Rat Terrier Specialty, with Jeff Heim Judging, and Mary organizing it, they had 16 entries, which was the largest they have ever had. Blossom, Jeff's wife, and also a continuous student of our classes, helped immensely.

Bruce and Triki (Aussie): We have a new 9 week old black tri Aussie coming. Her registered name will be "Alnair's Can Ya' Fight It Out".

Cherie and Burns (Aussie): At the same CPE trial he is almost at the CATCH level (highest level award).

Cherie and Mori (Aussie): He is now working in the Championship classes.

Cherie also showed off some photos taken by her daughter, Kate, at their home. It was a summer shot and a winter shot over the Tetons.

Pat and Maverick (Bernese Mtn Dog): He has been diagnosed with poly-immune arthritis.

Fred and Abby (Bernese Mtn Dog): Abby will be celebrating her 10th birthday in fine style the end of the month with 3 of the 4 surviving puppies attending.

Carol and Indy (Golden Retriever): In October, Jim and Indy had 9 out of 10 Qualifying runs at a CPE trial and had 7 out of 10 Qualifying runs at this last trial.

Carol and Emmy (Golden Retriever): Jim and Emmy Q's 1 out of 2 runs.

Leslie and Splotches (Canaan Dog): She was at a 3 day event in January and participated in Level 3 at the CPE trials and did quite well. +

Next month's meeting will be Monday, April 20 at the Humane Society

Meeting was M/S/P by Mary B and Fred at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Grant, Secretary