

SIERRA-TUOLUMNE KENNEL CLUB INC.
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Date: Monday, October 20, 2008
Location: Humane Society of Tuolumne County, Jamestown

Members in attendance were: Bruce Bertholf, Linda Grant, Cherie Gessford, Mary Barrett, Jan & Rocky Costa, Pat Barnes, JoAnn Gritz, Leslie McCulloch, Carol Frazier, Sydney Seiver. The meeting was called to order by President Bruce Bertholf at 6:00 p.m.

President's Report – Bruce:

🐾 Report on Board Meeting of October 6, 2008 –

- The Board met and appointed a Nominating Committee with Mary Barrett as the Chair.
- The Holiday Party will be paid for by STKC, with guests having to pay their own way. JoAnn and Jerry will be the entertainment coordinators. Gift limit will be \$20.
- The Board also authorized the purchase of new tablecloths for the ring tables and hospitality tables, which were purchased – Linda showed a sample of them to the members present. 22 banquet tables, 10 rounds, and 10 square to be toppers in green and beige
- The golf carts need seat repairs, so Bruce went to Golf Cars, Etc., where we have rented from before for the Big Show. While he was there, they informed Bruce that the insurance is too high and he can no longer have rental carts. So, Bruce will be contacting other places for rentals.
- The Board also felt that it was beyond the scope of STKC to get involved with the new Humane Society's proposal to build a large facility with all Tuolumne County Animal Groups being involved.

Vice-President's Report – Cherie: Nothing to report

Secretary's Report – Linda: Thank you from the Humane Society for the donations. A flyer for an upcoming Cruise was shared with lots of great seminars being offered.

Treasurer's Report – Jan: She reported on the financial status of the Club. Handouts were available to those members present who were interested.

Agenda Items:

- ✓ Nominations for Board of Officers and Directors – They met and will have their nominations next month.
- ✓ RDO Day Report – Mary, all – Thank you to everyone who came and helped, and to Jan for her assistance for the CGC testing. Mary felt it was well done and a nice day, but couldn't get a feel for the public attendance since so many Club members were there. She felt it totally worthwhile and everyone had fun. Linda did send a recap of the day to AKC, and AKC will be offering four \$1,000 awards to those Clubs that they select. There was considerable discussion on the day's events, and what everyone experienced that day.
- ✓ Committee Reports:

🐾 Big Show – Linda/Bruce:

- Trophies – Best in Show prizes will be Air-Tables with our name/date/Best in Show on them. 1st in each group will be engraved Plexiglas wind chimes at \$30 each. Nicer rosettes for Groups 2 to 4.
- Hospitality area – new table clothes were shown. We'll need helpers for the preparation of the food stuff, carrying things, etc.
- Premium List/Catalog – meeting w/Yosemite KC to discuss PL changes/additions over the weekend of the 24th – 26th of October. The final copy needs to be to MBF by the end of November. If you have anything that needs to be added, please let Linda know.
- Decorations – need someone to provide flowers, greenery to luncheon, superintendent, photo and trophy area. Jan will help set up some of the artificial flowers around the areas. Will check with YKC to see if they are going to bring real flowers again.

🐾 Obedience/Puppy/Rally, etc – Graduations will be on Tuesday for Intermediate Obedience and Games Agility, and Wednesday for Puppy, Rally, CGC and Conformation. We need three Club members to help with the stations. We said we'll start at 5:00 pm. Fred will do Stations #1, 2, 3, Jan will do #4, 5, Bruce will do #6, 7, 8, 9, and Linda/Cherie will do #10. Jan and Rocky will be doing the hot dog graduation, and will be doing the whole thing. Need to set a work party day for putting away the agility equipment for the year since this is the last week for the year. So it was decided on Thursday, November 30th at 5:00, without a fun run beforehand. Appears that none of the equipment needs repair this year.

JoAnn stated that she really learned and enjoyed the Games agility class that Cherie taught and hopes that we do it again, since there is so much to learn in each area.

🐾 Historian – Cherie: nothing to report.

🐾 Sunshine – JoAnn: nothing to report.

🐾 Howler/Website – Linda: Howler is up on the website, hopefully before the first of each month. The Website will be revamped this winter, but due to its size it will take some time. Suggestions on new pages/areas that members want? I am hoping to get on-line applications working, but not sure about the payment method yet.

🐾 Legislation – Mary: nothing to report.

🐾 Canine Ambassador – JoAnn: She gave another report on the reason for the program and the upcoming visits to schools she has planned.

✓ Old Business: nothing

✓ New Business: Bruce passed around the new instructor compensation plan.

✓ Brags:

Cherie and Mori (Aussie): Went 6 for 6 Q's runs in Level 5 in CPE, with many first places

Cherie and Burns (Aussie): Obtained 7th Double Q towards RAE title.

Buddy and Mary (Rat Terrier): Finished his RA at San Joaquin DTC in Galt on September 20th, with a 2nd place.

Luna and Mary (Rat Terrier): Won the Best Puppy Class at an UKC Show in Modesto on October 12th from the Novice Puppy class.

Smitty and Pat Barnes (Boston Terrier): At Galt, first time in ring, and they got a 99. They tied with first place, but were 1 second slower, so they got 2nd place. They got a Qualifying score of 74 at Del Valle in Novice Rally.

Leslie and Splotches (Canaan Dog): At Galt, they qualified and got their 10th Double Q for their RAE and Cherie made her a nice collage for her, which she shared. Leslie explained how long it has taken her to finish her RAE, and the tree incident that interrupted her training. After the dinner, she offered champagne and cider for everyone for celebrating.

Bruce and Elki (Aussie): On September 21st in Dixon, Elki won the Most Versatile Aussie competition and got a nicely painted director's chair. At an ASCA stock dog trial in Lodi, she got a Qualifying score in Open sheep with a 4th place. At an ASCA agility trial in Prunedale, she got a Qualifying score in Novice Jumpers; with her running the course in 18 seconds, when it had a Court Time of 33 seconds.

Next meeting will be November 17th at the Humane Society where Nominations will be announced. Bruce and Linda won't be at the meeting since they will still be at the ASCA Nationals.

It was M/S/P by Mary/Cherie at 7:09 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Grant
Secretary