DKC General Club Meeting

November 21, 1983

The meeting was called to order by President Connie Howard after a very interesting program on Canine First Aid presented by Dr. Stephen Crane, NC School of Veterinary Medicine. Immediately after starting the meeting, Connie turned it over to our immediate past-president, Marge White, under whose term the Mary Louise Holland Fund had been established. Marge spoke about the many contributions that Mary Louise had made to Durham Kennel Club, her great love of her dogs as well as her devotion to all facets of all dogs, and the Club's great appreciation for all that was done by Mary Louise and Hank. She then presented Dr. Crane with a check for \$700 to be used by the NC Vet School in a previously agreed upon project. Dr. Crane most graciously accepted the donation and remarked that the project would be headed by a Charter Member of the DVM School faculty, Dr. Margaret Young and that it was particularly fitting that this Charter Member was also a DKC member. Dr. Crane thanked the Club and promised that we would be presented with a program in the future showing the results of the study made possible by the memorial dund.

President Connie Howard started the official part of the Club Meeting by extending thanks and congratulations to Carolyn Bowers and Sue Geesler for having chaired our successful Fall '83 Show.

Minutes of the previous Club Meeting were approved as read by the secretary.

Treasurer Bill Nelson reported balances of \$1,144.56 in Checking, \$446.85 in Savings, and \$20,596.20 in Capitol Preservation.

He stated that we will probably clear \$600 on this show and that this was due to no inflationary costs except for those of Moss Bow. Not all figures are finalized, however, and not all trophies are paid for as yet. He said that 82% of our entries were from North and South Carolina and Virginia - that our total entry was 831 and, of these, only 137 were shown as "agent" entries. This indicates that our show is, as we hoped, a local, owner-handled show for the most part.

Marge White said that Club Members had been asked to participate with either exhibition or just "petting" dogs at a minimal security prison as well as a retirement and convelescent home. All but one site is in Durham and the dates fall between December 7 and 10th.

Pat Lawrence reported for Pat Sanford and asked that Tracking Trial judges and tracklayers meet for a Dutch treat dinner at Landlubbers restaurant. She reported that the entry list was completed for the trial. Mary Bell requested member help for the luncheon following and a list was circulated so that members could sign their agreement.

Sue Geesler announced that, due to the Florida circuit, show handling classes would not start until January 26.

Social Chairman Mackowiak reported that our Christmas Dinner meeting would be ##### held on our usual meeting date and that, instead of a Club Member Gist Grab-bag, we were asked to bring items of use and need for animal shelter dogs. It was further announced that Award's Night would be in January and the auction of doggy# items in February.

Carolyn Bowers reported that we had gotten our judges for \$25 to \$50 less than most clubs for our Fall '83 shown and thanked all of the members for their help and cooperation. She reported her concern that our Fall '84 show site was not yet determined and asked members to think about various possibilities and let her know.

Connie Howard asked that those who served as Spring Show Chairman for 1983 get in touch with her if they did not wish to keep the same position for the 1984 show.

Bill Nelson raised the question of officers and show committee being able to exhibit their own dogs and Connie stated the opinion that those not immediately connected with the show be allowed to enter and exhibit. For clarification, those not so permitted, therefore, would be only the show chairman and assistant.

Membership Chairman Luanne Smith read the names of those applying for DKC membership who will be voted on at the December meeting.

Gayle Goodburn reported that 193 dogs had been examined at the Eye Clinic and this had resulted in DKC income of \$193, offered through the generosity of examiner Dr. Robert Peiffer.

Wendy Harp put out a plea for Spring Show '84 trophy donations and said thet the date for committment was today.

Sue Geesler requested that recipients of DKC Awards last year please return them to her or to Marie Hand no later than the December Club Meeting. She asked that they be polished, please!

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Joyce B. Thomas, Sec.