MINUTES FROM DURHAM KENNEL CLUB MEMBERSHIP MEETING: 5-19-03

Meeting called to order by President, Jack Sappenfield at 7:45 p.m. All members were welcomed, there were no guests to introduce. Members were reminded to sign the attendance sheet.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as printed in the club newsletter with the following correction. Jack advised that the date for the November TD, TDX test was not correct as printed. The corrected date is November 16th.

Jack recognized the members for their active participation in all the activities of the club, including: agility, conformation shows (2), obedience trials (3), tracking tests (3). Also, CGC tests, our annual yard sale, building rental, programs, obedience and conformation classes, food supplied at club functions, annual awards program, volunteers (club members and others) and the club newsletter.

Stella Maunsell reported as Corresponding Secretary that she had placed several news items in the lobby.

Treasurer's Report: CCB Savings: \$44,578.63

Fowler Trophy Fund 1,866.58 Financial Mgt. 22,344.49

Spring agility trial: 6,175.27

(about \$1600 more than last year's 2-day trial).

Lisa Connelly, AKC Delegate, reported that the next delegates meeting will be held on June 10th in Portland, Oregon and she plans to attend.

Membership Chairperson, Joanna Burley, read the names of Thomas Powell and Amy Martin to be considered as member candidates. The members present voted and they were approved.

Jack asked for help with the November tracking test. Experienced track layers are needed and volunteers will be welcomed. Jack also reported that the DKC entry fees for the TD tests are now \$45.00 and \$100.00 for TDX.

George Beglane reported that the next CGC test will be held on the 31st of May.

Sharon Pitz, equipment chairperson, reported that new ring gates have been purchased and are in the building. Anyone having borrowed ring gates or other types of equipment were asked to please return the items to the building.

Terri Toohil, newsletter editor, asked for additions to the newsletter. Litter information or similar news items will be

welcomed.

Jan Gray reported that the fall show will be held on October 18th at the Orange Co. Speedway. Approval for this site has been given, but we are still waiting for final location approval. Jan added that a volunteer is needed to chair the hospitality committee. We will offer a Veterans class in conformation and also Rally obedience.

Connie Howard, spring show chairperson, reported that judges are still being considered for the spring 2004 show. The show will be held on March 19, 2004 in Raleigh and volunteers are needed.

Jeff Telander is chairing the December obedience trial.
Anyone interested in helping should get in touch with Jeff.

Nancy Adams reported that she continues to reply to and direct calls for breeder referrals.

George Beglane reported that the person who has cut the DKC grass is retiring and a new person will be sought. George also mentioned that there will be a clean up job-day sometime this summer, especially along the driveway.

There was no unfinished business.

Under new business, Richard Perschel advised that the current "50 Plus" magazine has an article regarding health insurance for pets.

On August 29, 2002 the Deed of Trust held by the bank on the 14 acres to the right of our driveway was paid in full. With much ceremony (minus a drum roll), Emilie Beglane and Jack Sappenfield burned the deed for all to witness. This is the third Deed of Trust put to rest in the history of our club.

Vanna Condax advised that she has been trained as a lure course operator and is available for this activity.

Molly Zaragoza was voted on to fill the vacated slot of Corresponding Secretary and was approved by the voting regular members. The remaining slate was accepted by affirmation.

Jack thanked Stella for her years of contribution to the club as Corresponding Secretary and the members present honored Stella with a standing ovation.

Jack acknowledged all present officers and board members and thanked them for their dedication to the club.

Following several brags, the meeting, the last until September, was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Marge White in the absence of DKC Recording Secretary, Denise McDonald.

Marge White