

## Durham Kennel Club Monthly General Meeting Minutes

August 19, 2013

### Program

The DKC introduced a new interactive website which will take the place of the current paper newsletter. The website can be accessed using the following URL:

<http://members.durhamkennelclub.com>. All of the information currently provided in the newsletter will be included on the website. In addition, members can comment on the information and/or post additional information after logging into the web site. All DKC members will be provided with their unique login/password to make individual comments/posts.

A discussion of the new website followed with numerous comments expressed and questions raised. While concerns regarding privacy were raised, the general feeling was positive and members were supportive.

### Meeting

President Dee Wallis called the meeting to order.

The May minutes as published in the current edition of the DKC newsletter were approved unanimously.

#### President's Report

- A moment of silence was held for DKC members Stella Maunsell, Bonnie Nichols, and Richard Perschel, who recently died. The membership was asked for input as to the best way to remember them.
- Gillian Goodacre, Recording Secretary, has given her resignation as Secretary and Board Member.
- Donna Goldstein has been elected to complete Paulette Hicks unexpired term on the DKC Board of Directors.

The Treasurer's report was given by Linda Wozniak. While the Summer 2013 DKC Obedience & Rally Trial lost money, it was not as much as last year.

Linda Wozniak, AKC Delegate: The AKC Gazette is on the AKC website. The next meeting is the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in September.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: We have received a letter from APS thanking the DKC for a donation for crates.

## Committee Reports

- The Board has created an Agility Committee to manage and oversee all of the agility subcommittees and their on-going activities.
  - Fall Trial: 9/26, 27, 28/13 will be held in at the Chatham, VA, show site. Workers and volunteers are urgently needed. Contact Denise McDonald.
  - Spring Trial will be held behind the DKC Club House. The Judge has been secured and committee will be submitting plans for AKC approval soon.
- Awards Committee: No report.
- Breeder Referral: Someone is needed to assume responsibility for this task. Lynn Reagan-Hull volunteered to Chair the Committee, and the President accepted her offer. Kate Fulkerson also volunteered and Lynn will incorporate Kate's assistance with the Committee.
- Building and Land Rental: No report.
- Building Maintenance and Planning: This Committee is dissolved for now.
- CGC: The next test will be held 11/2/13. Helpers needed. Upcoming class to be held 11/5, 11/12, 11/19.
- Cheer: Please let Carolyn Wolfe know when someone is ill or dies.
- Coke Machine. Is currently working again. Please let Terri Toohill know if there are problems. Do not block airflow as this will cause machine to ice up.
- Education: No report.
- Fall Show: Will be held 8/31/13. Volunteers needed. Contact Cathy Rubens if you can help.
- Finance Committee: R. Akers is doing the budget for the current year and next year.
- Historian: J. McHenry, J. Harrar, and C. Wolfe are the committee. We have many ancient documents that need to be catalogued and preserved.
- Legislative: Has been dissolved.
- Federation of Dog Clubs. This Committee is now doing the legislative work. Steve Wallis reported that the lobbyist continues to work on preventing adverse legislation. He needs an alternate delegate from DKC to attend meetings and help him report to the membership. Members are encouraged to contact him if they are willing to help with this work.
- Library: J. McHenry, C. Wolfe, J. Harrar. Noted that a set time needs to be identified to be available for checking out books. Cataloguing of current holdings is almost complete. Verne and Mary Bell have contributed approximately 30 books to the DKC collection.
- Inside Maintenance: Concern expressed regarding lights being left on and doors unlocked when no one was in the building. In addition, there has been a problem with the thermostat, which is in the process of being remedied.
- Membership: The following candidate members were read in: Karen Gilliam, Donna & John Lawlor, Ann O'Malley, Harriet Poole, Leah Sledge, Roger & Elaine Stow, Catherine Warren. The following candidate members were voted in to full membership: Patricia Koontz, Patty McEwen, & Tommy & Phyllis Wood.

- Nominating Committee: No report.
- Obedience Committee: Summer 6 week classes will finish on 8/27, 8/28. Fall 2013 6 week classes will begin on 9/23, 9/24/2013, and finish in November. After this, a 3-week series will be offered. Reminder: Please respect the equipment-it is expensive and do not leave equipment in front of the mirrors.
- December 2013 Obedience Trial: We are ready.
- Summer 2013 Obedience Trial: Lost less money this year. Question: Do we want to return to the DKC building for the Summer Trial or to the Cary venue? Question: Consider having separate trials for Rally and Obedience?? Agreed: Will not arrange a trial at NetSports for next summer; and a committee was appointed to investigate our options for future trials and make a recommendation. The Committee was Lois Schulz and Bob Wisniewski.
- Program: Please give any suggestions for program topics to Dee Wallis.
- Recycles: No report.
- Seminar: Jan Gray. No report.
- Show n Go: Recent August, 2013, there were no people. Another Show n Go is scheduled for a weekend before Thanksgiving.
- Show Handling Classes: Eddie Kominek is now in charge.
- Social: J. Stringall.
- Tracking Trial: TDX schedule for 11/3/13 at Quails Roost.

**Old Business:** No report.

**New Business:**

Proposal: Bob Wisniewski volunteered to dress up as Santa Claus and have his picture taken with DKC member's dogs to raise money for the Vet School Foundation. He suggested that this take place the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> weekends in October. It was noted that holiday decorations would be needed for background.

Respectively Submitted  
Cathie Fogel