

Durham Kennel Club Member Meeting
Monday April 21, 2014
Durham Kennel Club Building, Durham, NC

Program

The speaker was Cory Sims, DVM, a clinical veterinarian in the NC Veterinary School's Department of Rehabilitation and Mobility Service. Dr. Sims presented information on preventing injuries and rehabilitation therapy. (<http://www.cvm.ncsu.edu/vhc/vhwc/rehab.html>)

Meeting

Linda Wozniak called the meeting to order at 8:39 PM on Monday April 21, 2014.

Approve the minutes as published on the website

The February, 2014 minutes were approved as published on the website. The March meeting was cancelled due to weather.

President's Report

1. Plans for the sale of the Harris Road property: Any member interested in purchasing or assisting with the sale should contact the President (Dee Wallis). The asking price is \$180,000.
2. We are developing plans to use the new field for agility and other activities. Trish Koontz and Cathy Wells are coordinating the planning. Contact them for more information.

Treasurer's Report:

The figures from the spring conformation show and tracking trial are available on request.
There are some expenses from the recent trials still outstanding.

Recording Secretary's Report: No report

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

The Board continues to review items from the Communication Survey and is taking steps to post agendas for upcoming Board meetings. A summary of recent minutes and approved minutes of past Board meetings will be posted on the web site. We encourage participation in Board meetings by interested members. A new abbreviated newsletter has been established. Comments on the website gleaned from the communication survey are being submitted to a committee being formed to complete the update of our website.

AKC Delegate: No report

Other reports from board members:

Donna Goldstein and George Abell have been working on the new publicity and business cards that members may give to veterinarians, pet stores, groomers, and interested public who may be asking about training or other information about dogs. The cards are available from Donna and George.

Committee Reports

Agility trial: the trial was Friday, Sat., and Sunday. It rained on Saturday and there was some water on the right hand field, but the judge made a few changes and teams were able to avoid the worst of the mud. We received a few practical suggestions, but things generally went well. There will need to be some work done on the field because of mud. People loved crating indoors. We have incredible members who worked to put on this trial!

Membership: Terri Toohill

A quorum for DKC meetings is currently 21 (20% of the regular members)

Proposed members (March & April 2014)

Candidate membership:

Ken & Toni Blanton: Hillsborough; technical professional; Anatolian Shepherd Dog (CGC); interested in conformation, obedience, tracking; never been denied membership; learned about DKC from the website. They currently take conformation classes and would like to be more involved and get to know like-minded people

Leslie Carpenter: Wake Forest; computer programmer; Doberman; kennel name is Treasure Seeker Dobermans; UD. Interested in conformation, obedience, tracking; never denied membership; learned about DKC from classes, shows and renting the building for UCD events. She would like to support the club and she used to teach obedience professionally and misses teaching. She might like to teach again if there is a need.

Michelle & Bill Gunn: Danville, VA; educator/comptroller; Standard Poodle, Lhasa Apso, Toy Poodle, Border Collie; certified therapy dog title; interested in conformation, obedience, agility, therapy and tracking; never denied membership; learned about DKC from her mother, who is a member. She would like to learn more about the various dog sports.

Fred Holt: Raleigh; retired physician; Golden Retriever; titles: NA, NJ; interested in obedience, agility and therapy; never denied membership; learned about the DKC from obedience classes with Lois Evans. Wishes to learn more about training through interaction with members having more experience.

Gaea Mitchel: Waynesville; retired veterinarian; Rottweilers & Cavalier King Charles Spaniels; UD, RE, AX, AXJ, HS; interested in obedience, agility, herding & therapy; never denied membership; learned about DKC from Dee Wallis. She would like the opportunity to meet and train with like-minded folks.

Rosemary & Robert Pries: Roxboro; Dr. of Public Health (manages a VARIETY health program); Irish Wolfhounds; kennel name is Wild Valley Irish Wolfhounds; wishes to participate in conformation and obedience; never denied membership; learned about the club from Peggy Bacon and Donna Brown; wants to join the club because of great class experiences and wishes to become more actively involved in a local kennel club's activities and have the opportunity to interact with other dog enthusiasts.

Full membership:

Ann O'Malley: Zebulon, NC; Old English Sheepdog; sponsors: Sharon Pitz and Cathie Fogel

Returning member:

Julie Rice: Hillsborough; Border Collie, Parson Russell Terrier, Doberman.

Spring show (Connie Howard). Connie thanked all of the people who helped. This year we made a small profit!

Obedience (Sharon Pitz) The committee is working on organizing the next session (probably June) Classes are filled right now.

Obedience Trial (July 11, 12, & 13): Rally on Friday (July 11), obedience on Saturday and Sunday. Judges are Shannon Jones (rally) and Victoria Brown (obedience). The premium should be out this week. Committees are set, and there will be opportunities for volunteering.

Agility Committee: Classes are ongoing. They are looking forward to being able to use the field for the advanced classes.

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee, consisting of Connie Howard, Ann Carter, Marcia Stedman, Maria Walker, and Diane Divine, selected nominees and reported the following slate for the positions that are coming up for election in May:

- Recording secretary: Lois Schultz
- Corresponding secretary: Susan Cicone
- AKC Delegate: Linda Wozniak
- Board members: Donna Goldstein and Jeff Telander.
- The other officers and directors are serving the final year of their two-year terms that will expire in May 2005.

The Bylaws set the April meeting for nominations from the floor. Any regular member may nominate any other member who is present to indicate willingness to run or who has given the nominator a signed consent that is presented with the nomination. Accept any nominations. If there are any, that office will have written ballots in May. Uncontested seats may be accepted in May by acclamation.

There were no nominations from the floor.

Old Business

If anyone has anything for the endowment fund party May 19 (our regular meeting date). Dale Wisniewski is working on putting everything together. Contact her to arrange a time to bring fund-raising items in advance of the party. The committee is providing “heavy hors d’oeuvre,” you may bring beverages of your choice.

Yard Sale: Sat. May 23. Setup will be noon on Thursday/Friday beforehand. Sharon Pitz is in charge. The yard sale begins at 8:00 with no “pre-viewing.”

New Business

Fundraising ideas: Sharon Pitz mentioned several ideas, including gift certificates. Contact Sharon for more information

Building maintenance: George Abell: lights have been installed going up the steps to the agility field. He will be installing reflective paint/strips on the front steps going down to the parking lot. Before the Agility trial, the septic tank was emptied (it was completely full). The cost was

\$1,000, but well worth it. George is also having the water heater, kitchen oven, electric lights and circuits inspected. A team of six volunteers planted 600 junipers before the trial (using augers and muscle!)

Fundraiser for Mark McDonald on May 10. Ann Carter: Mark McDonald's (Denise's husband) is very ill with a rare form of melanoma. He has had surgery and is now receiving chemotherapy. There are several ways to help:

Saturday, May 10, 2014: BBQ Plate Sale and Cornhole tournament will be held at Tumbleweed Gymnastics, 2665 Southeast Blvd., Clinton, NC. The tournament signup is at 9 AM, competition begins at 10:30. For more information contact Donna Register at 910-385-0098. There will also be a raffle. Ann Carter was selling tickets at the trial and DKC meeting: \$250 was raised at the trial, \$280 at the meeting.

Give Forward: www.marksfight.com

Checks can be written to Serenity Baptist Church, 1041 Ezzell Road, Clinton North Carolina 28328 and are tax deductible.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM

Respectively Submitted,

Lois Schultz