

**Durham Kennel Club Member Meeting**  
**Monday Jan. 20, 2014**  
**Durham Kennel Club Building, Durham, NC**

**Program**

Carl C. Ashby, III, member of the American Kennel Club board.

Carl updated us on the fiscal soundness of the AKC, presented information about the relative participation in conformation shows and agility/obedience trials over the past 4 or 5 years, and spoke a little about the Conformation Grand Championship and the Owner/Amateur Handler program.

**Meeting**

Dee Wallis called the meeting to order at 8:25 pm on Monday Jan. 20, 2014.

42 members signed the attendance sheet.

**Approve the minutes as published on the website**

The minutes for the November meeting were approved as written and presented on the website.

**President's Report**

- Website: before the meeting there was a tutorial, led by George Beglane. Members are encouraged to look at the new website. In addition to the information on the web, Email notifications will continue.
- There was a fund raiser for research at the vet school in April, 2013. The question was raised if we should do it again, and when. We made about \$1,000.00. Items were donated by vets, members, etc. There was a discussion about when to hold the fundraiser. We could have the fundraiser at the May meeting – after the official business of elections, etc.
- Generally we need to have more ideas about programs. There is some sense that we should have a program committee. Is anyone willing to head up such a committee?
- March meeting: tentatively we'll have Cory Simms (who gave the pain management program in the fall)

**Treasurer's Report:**

Linda Wozniak presented a summary of our accounts and discussed various points. Detailed financial information is available to members by request to the Treasurer. The fall agility trial hasn't be settled yet, as Danville KC is late getting the information to us. They have held two other trials in the meantime, and we are pursuing resolution of the finances.

The Treasurer presented a draft budget for approval by the membership. After discussion of the proposal, Linda reported that Roger Akers would like to have other members help decide where DKC will be in 10 years and help to prioritize our needs for the future. Please contact Roger and/or Linda if you are willing to help with long-range planning.

A motion to approve the budget was proposed by Bob Wisniewski, seconded by Donna Brown. It passed by acclamation.

**Recording Secretary's Report:** No report

**Corresponding Secretary's Report:**

Susan Cicone: the survey of member preferences regarding communications went out to all the members by email. The survey will be available until the end of the month.

**AKC Delegate:** Notes from the meeting are on the website.

**Committee Reports**

1. Membership: Terri Toothill reporting

After a secret ballot vote Barbara Mark was admitted to Full Membership; all services done; Kuvasz; sponsored by Cathie Fogel and Sharon Pitz

The following Candidate Members were read in:

Ursula Glisson; Greenville; Retired; Old English Sheepdog.

Boo Donoho; Raleigh; Veterinarian; Bel. Terv., Std. Poodle.

Alice Donoho; Raleigh; Self employed; Afghan hounds, Min. Poodle.

Guests: Rosemary and Bob Pries, Irish Wolfhounds.

2. Obedience Trial (Summer): Kim Tyndall reporting:

The summer obedience trial will be July 11-13

July 11. There will be two rally trials on one day. Shannon Jones will be the judge.

July 12-13 will be single ring obedience trials with limited entries. Vickie Brown will be the judge.

3. Tracking: Liz Rende reporting:

Feb. 9 will be a tracking trial; there will be a TD trial on March 16<sup>th</sup>.

4. Spring conformation show: Connie Howard reporting.

The premium should be out this week. Bills for travel arrangements have started to come in.

5. Agility and Obedience Classes: Sharon Pitz reporting:

Classes start Jan. 27, it is already week 3 of obedience classes. Since the weather tomorrow night (Jan. 21) may be bad, instructors should contact their students if classes are cancelled, or students should call the answering machine/check the web site.

**Old Business**

None, other than what was in the President's report.

**New Business**

Liz Rende: Tracking (TD and TDX): There is a button on the entry form that allows the Club to limit entries to purebred dogs. As of Jan., 2014, AKC has approved the entry of mixed breed dogs registered with AKC as "canine partners." The question is, should we allow "canine

partners” to compete or continue to limit entries to purebred dogs. George Beglane moved to include all dogs. The motion was seconded by Sharon Pitz. After discussion and a minor amendment, the motion to make it a club policy to allow canine partners where it is allowed by AKC for all events was passed.

**The Meeting Adjourned at 9:31 pm**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

*Lois Schultz*