

Minutes of the Durham Kennel Club General Meeting of the Membership
January 16 2024 (Unapproved)

President Thomas Wrath called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm. There were 47 in attendance, 39 voting members, 6 associate members) and 2 guests. The attendance sheet is attached and considered part of these minutes.

Minutes of the November 20 2023 Membership Meeting were approved as published on a R Wisniewski/C Rives motion.

President Wrath welcomed everyone to the meeting. In his President's report, Mr. Wrath thanked volunteers for their hard work and support during past year helping to make the club successful. With continued support from members, Mr. Wrath is looking forward to all the club has planned for 2024. He encouraged all members to get involved.

The Corresponding Secretary has received letter from AKC regarding the AKC PAC and will be sending to the membership.

The Recording Secretary reminded everyone to please sign the attendance sheet.

Jack Sappenfield, AKC Delegate, reported details of the recent Delegates' December quarterly meeting. Report is attached.

The Club's cash position was presented, details are available upon request.

Carol Rives, Membership Chair, presented applications received from New Associate Members:

1. Kimberly Haenn (Hurdle Mills) Rottweiler
2. Ann Miller (Chapel Hill) All American
3. Emily Renz Hale (Cary) Poodle
4. Bryce Russo (Chapel Hill) German Shepherd Dog
5. Sandy Schiller (Raleigh) Pembroke Welsh Corgi, Greyhound

Associate Members for Full Membership:

1. Beth Klonowski (Hillsborough) Poodle
2. Christine Haarvig Tayler (Cary) Flat Coated Retriever)

and Reinstated Member

1. Zana Schepis (Rougemont) Weimaraner

Upon majority vote of members present and voting, the applications for full membership were approved. Welcome was extended to all.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Linda Wozniak reported on the new Family Dog Program, AKC FETCH. DKC has been holding practices for the past several months and will hold a final one before the February 3 and 4 tests on Saturday, January 27th in Stella's field. The test is based on the AKC Retrieving Hunt Tests, but open to all breeds. Thanks to Chris Weisse and Jack Sappenfield for agreeing to judge the events. Information on the program can be found by searching the AKC website.

Carol Rives reported that the Club will be holding a TD tracking test on January 28th at Barb Grubb's Farm, just north of Hillsborough. Volunteers are needed for the event; please contact Ms. Rives if available.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The Spring Health Clinic will be held at the clubhouse the weekend of April 27 and 28 2024. Reg-

istration will be open on March 1, with a few days in advance for DKC members. Volunteers will be needed to man the event and signup will be available online. Please contact Judy Wagaman for additional information or for answers to questions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lisa Roberts, Diane Divine, and Ann Carter discussed DKC's annual awards and the upcoming Awards Banquet which will be held on March 30th at the clubhouse. Everyone is welcome; please come and support our membership. All the annual awards are listed on the DKC website, some are competition based and some are award based (titles). For 2023 there are two new awards, Bred By Exhibitor Champion, a retroactive award for dogs earning their championship where all points were awarded from the Bred By Exhibitor classes, and a Scent Work Award for the member earning the most/highest level titles during the year. Members are encouraged to review all awards on the DKC website for requirements and appropriate forms. For applications for individual title plaques, please note whether member wants to receive the plaque or if not. In either event, recognition will be made at the Awards Banquet. Any questions should be directed to Lisa Roberts.

Maureen Lucas, Nomination Chair is currently forming her committee who will be working to put together slate of officers and directors for the class of 2026, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, two Board of Director positions and the AKC Delegate will be filled at the annual meeting in May.

- ◆ March 18th Nominating Committee will present their slate for the Class of 2026 to the Recording Secretary.
- ◆ March 18 through April 22, nominations from the floor may be sent to the Recording Secretary. Each floor nomination must be accompanied by a statement with the nominee's acceptance.
- ◆ April 22 Recording Secretary will publish to the membership a final listing of nominees.
- ◆ May 1 manual ballots will be sent to members without email addresses
- ◆ May 6 through May 17, electronic ballots will be sent to all voting members
- ◆ May 13 deadline for receipt of manual ballots
- ◆ May 20 election results will be reported as the first order of business at the Club's annual meeting.

Thanks were extended to Linda Wozniak, Emma Lambeth, David and Glenda Moser for their efforts in organizing the storage closet. Members are encouraged to maintain the organization.

Members reported that the lights outside the front door and the utility light in the parking lot are not working properly. The utility light is on a motion detector and as it is fairly far from the front door doesn't always come on until an individual gets closer. The solar lights on the sign also need to be looked at. Mr. Wrath will look into the exterior light situation and report back on any upgrades, etc.

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There being no additional business to come before the membership, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm on a C Rives/D McCune motion.

Attest:

Linda Wozniak
Recording Secretary