

TVKC GENRAL MEETING MINUTES – MAY 4, 2016 HELD AT THE TANANA VALLEY FAIRGROUNDS AG MUSEUM BLDG

The meeting was called to order by First Vice-President Elizabeth Pollen at 6:35 pm. A sign-up sheet was passed around for attendance.

Today was Becky Gatterdam's birthday and tomorrow is Lori Kunz's birthday, so we all sang "Happy Birthday" to them and celebrated with cupcakes and brownies.

The TVKC May Show committee gave presentations on what their jobs involve and encouraged members to volunteer for some of these positions or as a committee member.

A motion was entertained from the floor by Sue A to approve the minutes with the correction of Gidget Hagan's name (spelled incorrectly in April minutes). It was unanimously approved.

President's Report: Renee is still battling her gallbladder and will have surgery on Friday.

Carole presented the treasurer's report and handed out copies to the board. She reported we did receive \$150 of restitution from Jason Taylor.

Nicki reported on what the club has received in the mail. Bank statements, junk mail, and a nice letter from Alaska Kennel Club thanking us for our participation in the past March dog shows.

Classes and Education: Elizabeth said that the last day of class is Saturday, May 7. On Sunday, May 8, a Fun Match will be held. It will include conformation in the morning followed by obedience and rally in the afternoon. The club will have a booth at Pet Awareness day along with holding a CGC test. It will be May 14 at the Fairgrounds in the show building. There will be a Parade of Breeds at 12:15pm, Rally Demo at 2pm, and Obedience demo at 3pm. In the second ring, we will be running CGC testing from 1 – 3pm.

Membership: Candace reported membership is slowing down.

Hospitality: Congratulations cards have been going out as well as sympathy cards.

Publicity: Roxanne sent out the newsletter today.

Website: Sue A. reported she will be out of town the two weeks before our May show and that she will send out emails from her Spinone club web address. She will try to send out the May judging schedule to the general membership when it is published.

March Show: Susan read the nice letter the club received from Alaska Kennel Club.

May Show: Becky G. announced she is not sure when set-up will be held. She will let everyone know as soon as it is decided. She reported everything is on schedule.

Tracking: Lee Wood announced the Fundraiser went well with raising \$1,370 for tracking. The club is going to donate the left over items to the Dog Park fundraiser. A big thank you went out to club member Beth Frank who volunteered her AK K-9 Center for the tracking fundraiser. She not only volunteered the building but the food, cooked the food, and provided servers. There is a problem with the tracking test grounds and the Corp of Engineers. The Corp has also scheduled another vendor the same week-end at the Chena Flood Control Project and TVKC is being given the leftover areas. Lee is working hard to see if the problem can be rectified and make sure we have enough area to hold all the tracking trials.

Agility: Nicki reported the agility classes are over for the season. The April agility trial made a profit of \$2,000. The Heidi Vania seminar was well attended. Summer run-thrus will be JWW on Tuesdays at Linda Schertz's yard and Standard run-thrus will be on Wednesday at Heidi Benson's yard. There will be an agility committee meeting on May 11 at 6pm at Linda Schertz's house. The summer trials will be Saturday, Sunday, and Monday (July 2,3,4) at the fairgrounds.

Old Business: The Class committee will get together to meet and set summer classes along with the schedule for Fall/Spring classes. Wednesday night will probably be the night to have obedience classes and possibly a conformation class held outdoors.

By-Laws Committee: They haven't met due to not really having anything definite to change or work on. Please email or contact Ron G. if you have a concern or want to see a by-law change.

New Show Site Committee: Ron G. said nothing new has been done. They will wait until after the May show. He expressed some concerns over the grass area at the Ice Park.

New Business:

TVKC Summer Picnic: Everyone expressed how much they enjoyed last year's picnic so it was decided to hold another this summer. Lori and Susan volunteered to plan the picnic and come up with dates that don't conflict with other dog activities.

New Meeting location: The club is looking at the possibly of the Dog Musher's Hall for next year. The Food Bank was another location brought up as a possible meeting place.

Educational Seminars: A variety of seminars was discussed. The members want something that will benefit all aspects of training. Roxanne brought up Grisha Stewart who utilizes the "BAT" method, now lives in Anchorage and would love to come to Fairbanks and do a seminar. Susan moved Roxanne look at a proposed budget for this seminar. Motion approved.

The next meeting will be September 7 and the meeting place to be announced later.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Parsons

Announcements:

After the May show on Saturday, the Alaska Hound Group will hold a Lure Course for sight hounds. On Sunday evening after the shows, they will hold a CAT where you can obtain an AKC "Coursing Ability Test" on your non-Hound breed.

The local business, The Dawg Wash on 9th Ave, will be open 5-7pm on Friday and Saturday nights for anyone who needs the facility the week-end of the May dog show.

Dianne Marshall announced she will be having Rally Run-Thrus at her barn on Wednesday for anyone who wants to come. It is free.