

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 3, 2009

Attending: Jane Price, Jerry Davis, Marilyn Harban, Mary Menozi, David Gilstrap, Carlene Gilstrap, Anna Quarles, Joe Berryman, Paula Steel, Aleatha Plott, Barbara Kreischer

Absent: Gail Evans

Meeting was called to Order at 7:30 pm by Jane Price at Oliver's.

M/S/P to approve minutes as printed in Bulletin.

Corresponding Secretary report was given by Mary Menozi. She has information from Take the Lead Foundation about how their funds are spent.

Bulletin Secretary report was given by Marilyn Harban. Nothing new to report.

Treasurers report by David Gilstrap. Not available at this time.

Show Committee report by Carlene Gilstrap: Things are going forward. Onofrio put the wrong page on front of our premium list.

Membership Committee report by Jerry Davis. There was discussion of working on a new membership application process which the board will be working on as well as our process for voting on prospective members. There was also discuss about Lifetime and Honorary members and David will be following up with AKC about those items.

Nominating Committee was discussed and Marilyn Harban will be the Board representative on the committee. Henry Evan and Stephanie Dickert both accepted places on the committee.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: The Executive Director for McKamey Center is scheduled to speak at the August meeting. Since there are many questions and concerns that have already been expressed it was decided that we would use a moderator for this meeting and all questions would go through the moderator with members having pencil and paper at all tables to write questions to be given to the Moderator.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm

Respectfully submitted:
Anna Quarles, Recording Secretary

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

August 11, 2009

Meeting call to order by President, Jane Price at 7:30 pm at Golden Corral Restaurant. There were 24 members present and 3 guest.

Program: Karen Walsh from McKamey Center was there for a presentation about what they are doing and to comment on some of the past problems they have experienced. There was time for questions after the presentation.

Recording Secretary: Board Meeting Minutes were read. There were no additions or corrections

Treasurer's Report: Was handed out. There were no questions.

Bulletin Secretary Report: Marilyn ask that members send their brags and pictures for publication in the newsletter. Since we are doing electronic newsletters we can publish however many pictures are submitted.

Committee for Education and Training: Training classes are in progress at Stockdales.

Membership Committee report by Henry Evans. Denny Thompson's (Heidi's husband) application for membership was read and he was voted in as a member.

Show Committee: Carlene reported things are moving forward. Laura Oakley discussed publicity for the show. Sign up sheet to help with the trophy table was passed around. All signup sheets will be available for anyone willing to help at the next meeting.

Delegate report: David Gilstrap led discussion regarding new group divisions. A vote was taken to support the planned new divisions 14 - 12.

Old Business: None

New Business: Hiawassee Kennel Club is having an A Match. Please support this club with your entry. They must conduct this match before they will be able to have a regular show. We would really like to have another Kennel Club close that we can work with since it will benefit both clubs in the future.

BragS!!!

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Anna Quarles, Recording Secretary

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD NOMINEES

We, as a club, must consider the nominees for the American Kennel Club Lifetime Achievement Awards and will vote on the nominees at our September meeting. I have listed the nominees for each category below. In addition, an abbreviated biography for each nominee is included. Please read and be prepared at our next meeting to vote on our choice(s) for the awards. It will be helpful to all of us if those of you who personally know the nominees provide additional information for us at our meeting.

Thank you,

Mary Menozi
Corresponding Secretary

The nominees are:

<u>Conformation:</u>	<u>Companion Events:</u>	<u>Performance:</u>
Sandra Goose Allen Jean Fournier Helen Lee James	Sharon Anderson Shirley Indelicato Jill Jones	Jo Ann Frier-Murza Jacqueline Mertens Wayne Price

Nominees in Conformation:

Sandra Goose Allen, of St. Petersburg, FL, began her work in purebred dogs over 30 years ago when she established Windflower Skye Terriers. She is also well known for her Scottish Terriers. She is an AKC Judge approved for Sporting, Terrier, Toy and Non-Sporting Groups, 10 hound breeds and Best In Show. She is a published author whose works include: *The Complete Skye Terrier*, *The Terrier Lover's Cook Book* and many terrier articles. Her *Study of the Scottish Terrier* was awarded a Maxwell Medallion by the Dog Writers Association of America.

Jean Fournier, of Calhoun, GA, is known for her work with Siberian Huskies. She is approved to judge the Sporting, Working, Herding, Non-Sporting & Toy Groups, Junior Showmanship & Best In Show. Mrs. Fournier has contributed to 3 published books on Siberians and to most of the country's top dog magazines. Her CD Rom on the Siberian Husky was nominated by the Dog Writers Association of America. She is a past president of the Dog Judges Association of America and presently serves on the board of the American Dog Show Judges Association.

Helen Lee James, of Littleton, CO, began exhibiting in 1952 and is best known for her association with poodles. She is president of the Evergreen Colorado Kennel Club and second vice president of the Poodle Club of America. She began judging obedience in 1961 and by 1974 was approved to judge all obedience classes, the Non-Sporting Group, the Toy Group and several working breeds. She joined the AKC Field Staff and at the time was one of only two women Field Representatives. In 1991 she resumed judging. She has judged the Toy Group at 2002 Westminster, Best In Show at the International and Golden Gate Shows.

Nominees in Companion Events:

Sharon Anderson, of White Bear Lake, MN, is known for her involvement in bringing the sport of Agility to the AKC. She served on the AKC advisory board in 1993, and then joined the staff as AKC Agility Field Representative. She became the director of AKC Agility, retiring from AKC in 2008. Sharon was the driving force in establishing the AKC World Agility Team and the criteria for world competition. She honed her skills by working with virtually every breed of purebred dog. She has helped over a thousand handlers achieve obedience titles.

Shirley Indelicato, of Acton, CA, began conducting training classes in 1961 and has taught more than 12,000 owners to train their dogs in obedience. Her career has included TV appearances on the *Johnny Carson Show*, *Romper Room* and the *Moms and Pops Dog Show* series. Some of her dogs have appeared in movies, including *Frank and Weenie*. Her judging career began in 1971 and includes many AKC trials throughout the country as well as 5 Gaines Regional Championships in Florida, New Mexico, Utah, Nevada and California. She has held many offices in two obedience clubs.

Jill K. Jones, of Brownsville, OR, has been involved in the sport of obedience and tracking since the early '70s. She has put obedience titles and tracking titles on a variety of dogs, including Labrador Retrievers, Pembroke Welsh Corgis, Greyhounds and a Finnish Spitz, who is the only VCD1 of the breed. Jill has been judging obedience since 1977 and tracking since 1984. She was a member of the 1999 Tracking Advisory Board and 2006 Rally Advisory Board. She currently teaches obedience, rally and tracking classes for the Emerald Dog Obedience Club in Eugene, OR.

Nominees in Performance:

Jo Ann Frier-Murza, of Crosswicks, NJ, has promoted the sport of den trials since 1972. She worked with the AKC advisory panel developing the earthdog program in 1993. She has chaired, judged and hosted den trials and earthdog events for over 35 years. She wrote *Earthdog Ins & Outs*, describing the early history of earthdogs, breed characteristics, training techniques and hosting events. She has been an active member of many all-breed and obedience clubs and has pursued earthdog titles with her own dogs, earning multiple Master Earthdog titles as well as field championships on 4 Dachshunds.

Jacquelyn (Jackie) Mertens, of Madison FL, has been a dedicated Retriever enthusiast since establishing Topbrass Retrievers in 1968. She has judged almost 100 Open and Amateur Championship stakes, as well as the 1996 National Amateur Championship and 2003 National Open Championship. Jackie was chairman and Chief Marshal in AKC licensed field trials for over 30 years. She has been a dedicated member and officer of many field trial clubs. Jackie has written many Retriever Training articles and created the training video, *Sound Beginnings*. She was inducted into the Retriever Hall of Fame in Grand Junction, TN in 2006.

Wayne R. Price, of Navarre, OH, began his lifelong career in the sport of Beagling in 1953. He competed with his hounds for many years and in 1972, he was appointed by the AKC as an instructor for AKC Field Trial seminars and held that position for 18 years. Wayne served on the AKC Beagle Advisory Committee for 8 consecutive years in the 1970's. Presently, Wayne is in his 35th year as a Contributing Editor of *Hounds and Hunting*, and writes a monthly column for *Beagle* magazine.

From The Chattanooga.com

Chattanooga Kennel Club Donates Oxygen Mask To City Of East Ridge

posted July 20, 2009

The Chattanooga Kennel Club donated a lifesaving oxygen mask to the City of East Ridge. This mask will be used by firefighters in East Ridge to help resuscitate dogs and cats rescued from burning buildings.

"Our goal is to rescue everyone, and pets are part of the family, too," said Deputy Chief Mike Flynn from the East Ridge Fire Department. "This oxygen mask will enable us to take one more step toward saving a pet's life."

"Human lifesaving equipment used by firefighters does not adapt well to animals," says Mary Menozi of the Chattanooga Kennel Club. "It is estimated that more than 500,000 pets are killed by house fires each year in the U.S. Even pets rescued from fires may still die from smoke inhalation. This special mask is designed for dogs and cats and its use is growing amongst firefighters across the country. While East Ridge had one at Station 2, there was a need at Station 1. We were happy to donate this valuable equipment to the dedicated firefighters in East Ridge."

For more information about the Chattanooga Kennel Club, visit www.chattanoogakennelclub.com or call 423- 517-1453.

HANDLING CLASSES IN HIXSON

Handling Classes have begun at :
Stockdales, 5450 Hwy 153, Hixson Phone 423-876-0152


7:00– 8:00 pm

LAST Classes will be held Sept 1 and Sept 15
with no classes being held the 2nd Tues of the month

If you are interested in attending these last two classes as a drop in you must contact
Ashley Watkins, daisymae423@bellsouth.net or phone 423-802-4536
regarding available space in her class.

Applications are available at www.chattanooga.org

Fees: Members \$20 Non-members \$30



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Paid Ad

The Bulletin is accepting paid advertising of dog related products and services only. Rates are \$15.00 for 6 months and \$25.00 per year for business card size ads. All ad's must be camera ready and approved by the Chattanooga Kennel Club Board . Submit your ad copy and check made out to Chattanooga Kennel Club to the Bulletin Secretary: Marilyn Harban, 6675 Sawtooth Dr., Ooltewah, TN 37363 or bring to Kennel Club meeting.



Temperament Test

Mail form and check made payable to GDCA Southeast Division to:
Temperament Test Chair, Sara Dellorto, 9140 Tom Costine Rd., Lakeland, FL 33809
863-816-2080 - sardione@aol.com

Name: _____
Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____

Cost per dog: \$35.

Number of dogs you wish to test: _____ X \$35 = _____

Entries must be made on official ATTS form, available at the testing site. A minimum of 25 participants is required.
If minimum is not met, your money will be refunded.

Registrations must be received by September 15, 2009

(See www.gdca-se.org for further information.)

"BUCKS FOR BILLBOARDS"

By Kathy Grayson

While driving home from a dog show weekend, I noticed quite a few empty billboards along the road. I believe that if the general public is educated about the true agenda of both People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) and Humane Society of America (HSUS), and the continuing anti-pet legislation, an uprising will occur to fight back. We in the dog fancy have known the truth about these organizations for some time.

I contacted the sign company and discussed what I had in mind with them. Due to the huge donations that are made to both PETA and HSUS from celebrities, I felt the most logical area to cover first was Los Angeles. With the economy as it is, the sign company offered me a great rate of 100 billboards in the greater Los Angeles area for \$60 per billboard.

I spoke with Marion Bradshaw (Bradshaw dog show superintendents) about my idea and she was as enthusiastic as I was. We began getting the word out by e-mail and at dog shows. Many exhibitors, breeders, handlers, judges and vendors wrote checks with no hesitation. We have had donations from a real estate company, kennel clubs and have even received many checks from out of state. In a few weeks, we had enough to pay for the first 100 billboards.

In the interim, Patti Strand of NATIONAL ANIMAL INTEREST ALLIANCE (NAIA) became involved and offered to come on board. We agreed on the website name of "exposeanimalrights.com." The billboards reference the website, which is filled with factual information about the true agenda of both PETA and HSUS. The website also references current anti-pet legislation and has many interesting links.

Within four days of the first billboards being placed, Patti received a call from Meghan Daum, a columnist with the Los Angeles Times. Meghan interviewed us and her column was published in the Opinion Section on Thursday, July 16, 2009. The column sparked a huge response and has been picked up by other newspapers as well.

The goal is to have these billboards placed across the country. If you wish to join the campaign and donate, please go to "exposeanimalrights.com" and click on "Buy a Billboard."

The Bucks for Billboards campaign is a proactive way to engage the public with the true agenda of the Animal Radicals.

From Gilbert's Newsletter



BRAGS

Donna Coffin's Bernese Mountain Dog, M&M Mtns Not Ur Ordinary Smith was WD/BOW at Spartanburg KC for a 3 point major to earn his Championship and at the Greenville KC show, his first time out as a special, M&M Mtns Not Ur Ordinary Smith was Best of Breed. Smith is handled by Wendi Cowell.

Congratulations, Donna!

