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CLUB NEWS

Clothier Seminar a Big Hit

We had a nice turnout for the Suzanne Clothier Seminar in early October. Suzanne is a wealth of information and an engaging speaker; and, attendees gave the seminar high marks. A **BIG** thanks to Debra Gillis and Jill Grose for your hard work making the seminar happen!

Pet Festival a Success

(Contributed by Mona Sanneman)

The Pet Festival went very well this year. Thanks to those of you who loaned us pictures of Annie, Badger, Apollo, Houlette, Alex, Kaley, Briz and Pebbles for the "CKCOJ Adopted/Rescued Members" display. Having something at the table for passers-by to look at really helps. The Club would like to use the display again the first weekend in December for Pet Photos with Santa. We have plenty of lead time for this one so if you are the owner of one of our other adopted/rescued members, and would like him/her added to the display; submit a picture to Mona (586-9452, msannema@ptialaska.net).

Supe, Lana and Gaile; Batai and Dan; and Bones and Gabrielle did a good job attracting attention to the table as well!! Deb (pressed into service at the last minute) and Camille, although dogless, managed to keep busy too. Thank you all!!

New Board Elected

At the Annual Meeting October 23rd, four vacancies were filled on the CKCOJ. Returning Board member Gabrielle LaRoche, was elected President. Other officers are: Dan King, Vice-President; Aran Felix, Secretary; Susan Rasmussen, Treasurer; and Perry Shipman, Member-at-Large. With this lineup, we'll continue to have plenty of talent and energy, in addition to nice balance of longtime and relatively new members. I hope to see support from the general membership—that will be key to the Club's success! As outgoing President and Board Member

for the past 4 years, I wish the new Board luck!

More Changes

Several other positions have changed hands. Jill Grose has taken on the job of **Training Coordinator**. Mona Sanneman, editor of the Club newsletter since the first issue in January 1995 (55 issues!), has also moved on. She's agreed to take over as **Club Historian**. With this issue, I have officially taken over as **Newsletter Editor**. Mona deserves special thanks for consistently producing the Club's newsletter for nearly 5 years, more often than not having very little input for content. Even though I regularly attended meeting, I have really valued the newsletter as a good source of information. I just hope I can fill the big shoes she's left me with!

Pet Photos with Santa

The Club will again sponsor Pet Photos with Santa December 4th and 5th. In addition to being one of the Club's major fund-raisers each year, this is one of the most enjoyable events to work. In past years we've had ducks, ferrets, cats, kids and lizards in addition to dogs! If you are interested in volunteering, contact Mona Sanneman at 586-9452 or msannema@ptialaska.net.

March 2000 Trials

Final plans for our next obedience trials are taking shape. The two-day event will be held March 11-12 at the Armory, with Mike Neal judging both days. Gabrielle LaRoche has volunteered to serve as Trial Chair. Alexis Rippe will serve as Trial Secretary and Linda Shipman as Chief Ring Steward. As always, more volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs before and during the trial.

Fall Practices and Classes

The next session of practices for club members will begin November 13. See enclosed registration form for more details.

A 6-week Advanced Basic Obedience Classe will start November 13. The class will be held at Mt. Jumbo Gym in Douglas from 9am-10am. Cost for members is \$50.00. For more

info call Susan Rasmussen at 789-3818 or email: blackice@gci.net

Intermediate and Advanced agility classes will begin November 14. The next Beginner's class is tentatively scheduled for Spring 2000.

Reminder for Club Purchases

Just a reminder regarding purchases made on behalf of the Club: If the purchase is CHARGED TO AND/OR PAID BY A CKCOJ CHECK it is CBJ Sales Tax exempt. The Club's Non-Profit Sales Tax Exemption No. is 230. You must provide this number to the vendor at the time of purchase. If you pay in cash or with a personal check to be reimbursed by the Club, the vender has to tax the sale.

Annual Christmas Party

The annual CKCOJ Christmas Party/Potluck will be held at Jill Grose's house December 18, 2 pm. Contact Jill for more information at 789-3239 or mac@alaska.net.

Agility Jump Building Session

Saturday afternoon, November 27 All members interested in agility will want to join us at Jill's house where we'll build additional agility jumps to use in classes, practices and agility trials (in planning). Contact Jill for more information by phone: 789-3239 or by email: mac@alaska.net

Congratulations to...

Doreen Palmer and Piper (*U-CD Eastern Waters Hornpipe, *UD*, NA, NAJ*), for finishing their AKC UD!

Susan Rasmussen and Tala (*Am/ Can Ch. U-CD Wandryn Tuxedo And Lace Affair CD, HIC, TDI, CGC*) for earning 2 legs toward their Canadian Kennel Club CD in Abbotsford, B.C.. Susan reports that "Tala will resume her obedience and agility career after she is a mommy."

Gabrielle LaRoche and Bones (*Am-CH Chercher LaRoche Bonaparte, HCT*) for earning their first leg towards their Canadian Kennel Club CD in Abbotsford, B.C.!

MAKE NO BONES

By Gabrielle LaRoche



Welcome to our first issue of the CKCOJ newsletter for FY2000! Not only do we have a new Board of Directors, but new Newsletter Editor, Training Coordinator and Club Historian, as well. Please join me in welcoming the new folks and thanking the out-going board for a job well done!

FY99 was a very productive year. In several cases we not only met but exceeded our goals: Memberships were up by 20%, more basic obedience classes were offered than ever before, and our goal of purchasing agility equipment blossomed into a full blown agility program with a seminar, a 4th of July demonstration, summer practices and two levels of classes.

The past year also boasts many accomplishments for our members and their dogs. Many performance titles as well as championships were obtained.

Goals for the coming year include: NADAC affiliation and agility trial; buy needed agility equipment; offer seminars as interest and funding allow; increase public awareness of CKCOJ; research the possibility of renting a "permanent" facility; research opportunities for increasing the number of obedience trials; increase the number of classes offered to the public; increase the number of instructors; develop a training curriculum; increase Club membership and participation; and, partner with the Gastineau Humane Society to benefit the community concerning dogs.

Look to this column in coming months to report, accomplishments, progress toward these goals, and changes in the wind.

REGULAR CLUB MEETING MINUTES

October 23, 1999

submitted by Aran Felix, Secretary

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at Gabrielle LaRoche's home. Board members present were Camille Stephens, Mona Sanneman, Patty Crandell, and Gabrielle LaRoche. Others present were Aran Felix, Dan King, Perry and Linda Shipman, Susan Rasmussen, Deb Gillis, Roxanne Bash.

Changes/Additions to the Agenda: A motion to approve the agenda was seconded.

Election of Board Officers: Board member proposals were Gabrielle LaRoche, President; Dan King, Vice-President; Susan Rasmussen, Treasurer; Aran Felix, Secretary; Perry Shipman Member-at-large. There were no other nominations, so the board as proposed was approved.

New Members: Beth Geiger's membership application was approved. Beth is a junior member living in North Douglas with her dog, Calli, an Australian Cattle dog mix. Although there was no adult signature on the application, a parent was present at sign-up. The secretary is to call the parent for approval. Susan Rasmussen suggested that the newsletter contain the new member's name, address and phone number.

Minutes from September Meeting: Minutes read and approved.

Correspondence: 1) John Rice from the Search and Rescue Club gave us a check for \$100 which included a \$70 payment for the tracking seminar plus a \$30 donation. He thanked us for the seminar. The Seadogs need a thank you in return for the donation. 2) Information from Puppyworks, an organization that puts together seminars. Susan will forward this information to Jill Grosse who is taking over as Training Coordinator. 3) *Front and Finish* magazine has offered trial copies and these copies will be ordered by Susan as a handout at training classes.

Treasurer's Report: Read and approved. Arrangements were made to get new signature cards for new board members responsible for check signing.

Committee Reports:

1. **Trial Committee**-Gabrielle volunteered to be the Trial Chair for the March 11-12 trials. Paperwork needs to be sent in by November 1st. Linda will be the Chief Ring Steward.

2. **Training Coordinator Report**- 1) Susan reported that puppy and basic classes, as well as the current practice session, end in a couple weeks. New classes include an advanced basic at Mt. Jumbo Gym, beginning November 14, from 9-10 a.m. followed by two practice sessions scheduled 10-11:00 and 11-12:00. Information on the advanced basic class will be handed out in Gaile Hayne's current class to encourage participation. 2) Jill reported that two agility classes would be held one level up from the current classes. A beginning agility class is scheduled for spring. The Mendenhall Mall will rent a room for obedience practices. The purpose is to offer a valley practice site. There was discussion on Jill's survey. One topic explored the option of offering a practice immediately after obedience classes, another topic was whether to have a facilitated practice to help new people work with their dogs.

Old Business:

1. **Pet Photos with Santa**-Susan Cather of Mendenall Mall would like the Girl Scouts and the Kennel Club to handle pet photos this year. She would also like two weekends and Wednesday evening photo sessions. Discussion ensued on this topic. Dan volunteered to be the Pet Photo Coordinator. Aran suggested we share the two weekends with the Gastineau Humane Society. Volunteers will be needed to take money, hand-out club brochures, and organize crowds.

New Business:

1. **Motivating and rewarding volunteers**-Gabrielle suggested that a small group meet two times between the October and November board meetings to decide on how to best utilize the doggie dollar idea. Gaile Haynes had previously done some work on this idea. The concept is that we need to have a simple, timely, and meaningful way to thank and/or "pay" volunteers. There was discussion about

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expecting members to participate as volunteers in club or having a tiered membership. Perry motioned a short-term committee meet to finish this discussion and present at the November meeting. Perry, Gabrielle, Camille, and hopefully Gail will be on this committee.

2. Use of Mendenhall Mall space-Many questions about the possibility of using this valley location for dog training. We might be able to leave a couple of duffle bags of equipment, but they would be unsecured. Rental hours are possibly any hour the mall is open provided the room is available. Jill will continue to investigate this option.

3. Increasing member participation in club activities – tabled

4. Newsletter and Website-Camille will continue to do the website at the current level and she will take over the newsletter job. The website address list is public information at this time but there is a possibility of adding a password to protect data, or members can request their data not be displayed. Camille would like members to contribute to the newsletter. Book reviews, seminar reviews, dog diets, training techniques, a column of your own are all welcome contributions. The minutes of board meetings will be included in the newsletter. Aran will email them to Camille. The goal is to have the newsletter ready by the first of the month. Perry moved that the newsletter be distributed to vets, groomers, pet stores. The minutes would not be included. This idea was seconded.

3. Member Information-In the past new member forms came to the board meeting, went to the treasurer, then to the secretary. Camille suggested that the form goes to the secretary, who forwards it to the newsletter person, the money goes to the treasurer. Put on the agenda for the next meeting what goes in the new member packet. Some items are the etiquette list, newsletter, membership list, by-laws. Who should send out the new member packet—secretary or member-at-large? Camille will order new business cards.

4. New business additions-a)Perry nominated Gaile Haynes for a one-year waiver of membership fees but with full voting and regular membership privileges for her many services rendered. Deb Gillis was also nominated and included in this FY2000 thank you gift membership. B) Dan informed the club that Galligaskins will provide us with garments with a club logo. Mona has a camera ready logo. We need to order a minimum of one type of item, t-shirts, sweatshirts, etc. Dan will bring a price list and list of garments to next regular meeting. C) Susan announced that Jill has forms to distribute at classes. Participants need to bill out paperwork with checks before giving to Susan.
Next Meeting: November 18, 1999, 6:30 p.m. at Gabrielle LaRoche's.
Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Contributions to the Newsletter Welcome!

Contact Camille at
cstephens@gci.net or 780-4530

CKCOJ Calendar

November

- 18 **Regular Club Meeting** -- 6:30 pm at Gabrielle LaRoche's house, 1603 Beach, Douglas. Call 364-3695 for directions.
27 **Agility Jump building session** at Jill Grose's house. Call 789-3239 for more information.

December

- 4-5 **Pet Photos with Santa** at the Mendenhall Mall, 1-6 pm on the 4th and 12-5 pm on the 5th
18 **Club Christmas Party**, 2PM at Jill Grose's house

March

- 11-12 **CKCOJ Obedience Trials**, Armory

April

- TBA Whitehorse Obedience Trials (UKC), Whitehorse

2000 Shows and Trials

January

- 23-24 Conformation (AKC), Anchorage

February

- 19-20 Pat Hastings Seminar, Chugiak

March

- 11-12 Obedience Trials (UKC), Juneau
11-12 Conformation/Obedience (ASCA), Wasilla
25-26 Conformation/Obedience (AKC), Anchorage

April

- TBA Obedience Trials (UKC), Whitehorse

May

- 14-15 Obedience Trials (AKC), Chugiak
27-29 Conformation/Obedience (AKC), Fairbanks

June

- 11-12 Agility trials (NADAC), Anchorage
16-18 Conformation/Obedience (CKC), Whitehorse
24-25 Conformation/Obedience (AKC), Anchorage

July

- TBA Agility Trials (NADAC), Whitehorse
7-9 Conformation/Obedience (AKC), Soldotna

August

- 4-6 Conformation/Obedience (AKC), Palmer
12-13 Herding Trials (ASCA), Chugiak
TBA Conformation/Obedience (ASCA), Chugiak
TBA DOTCA Trials (AKC), Anchorage

November

- 11-12 Conformation/Obedience (AKC), Anchorage

If you know of an event that might be of interest to CKCOJ members, contact Camille at cstephens@gci.net or 780-4538.

The Last Word

from Mika



Holiday Reminders

Pet-proof decorations

- ❖ Fasten the Christmas tree to a wall or secure it another way to prevent your cat or dog from knocking it over. Some chemicals that extend the life of trees are poisonous. Cover the treated area with a section of window screen.
- ❖ Hang breakables, tinsel, and other tempting decorations well out of paw's reach. Tinsel, ribbon, and ornaments are especially dangerous to pets if they chew or swallow them.
- ❖ Place holiday plants out of pet's reach. Many seasonal plants are poisonous, including mistletoe, holly, and poinsettias.

Treats to eat

- ❖ Don't share any candy with your pets, especially chocolate. Candy is toxic for animals and can cause vomiting, restlessness, heart disturbances, and even death. Tell your children not to share their candy with the family pet. If you suspect your pet has eaten chocolate or other candy that causes discomfort, consult your veterinarian immediately.
- ❖ Cooked poultry bones splinter and can be dangerous for pets to chew. Don't give your pet turkey skin or other high-fat holiday dishes. Even in small quantities, these may upset your pet's systems. In larger amounts, high fat may be fatal.
- ❖ Instead of people food, give pets a few of their favorite pet treats during special meals or at parties.

Gift and goodies

- ❖ Avoid toys with small parts or those made of soft materials that pets can chew up and swallow, especially aggressive chewers. Avoid hard plastic dog bones as they can splinter or shed fragments that dogs swallow. Nylon-type chews don't splinter and last longer.
- ❖ Don't forget the homeless animals. Our shelter animals always need donations of food and toys. It's an excellent way to teach children generosity towards those less fortunate.

Reduce the chances of losing your pet

- ❖ Confine your pets in a quiet room away from parties and family gatherings. Pets, especially dogs, may be easily excited or threatened by unfamiliar people.
- ❖ Make sure your pet wears a valid CBJ animal license tag. It's the cheapest form of insurance and the law. When Animal Control rescues a lost pet, we identify the owner using the license tag and then notify the owner.



Holiday Treats to Try

This holiday season is the perfect time to show how much you appreciate your dog by making some special treats for him or her to enjoy. Here are two of my FAVORITE recipes.

Aardvark's Cookies

I've renamed this recipe for my first dog; it originally came from "Dr. Pitcairn's Guide to Natural Health for Dogs and Cats." All dogs seem to love them.

- 2 eggs
- 1/4 c milk
- 2 c whole wheat flour
- 1/4 c cornmeal
- 1/2 c soy flour
- 1 tsp bone meal
- 1 tsp sea salt
- 1/4 c sunflower or pumpkin seeds
- 2 T oil, melted butter, or fat
- 1/4 c unsulfured molasses

Mix eggs and milk and set aside. Mix dry ingredients and seeds. Add oil, molasses and all but one Tablespoon of the egg/milk mixture. Add more milk if needed to make firm dough. Knead a few minutes, then let dough rest one-half hour or more. Roll out to 1/2 inch. Cut into shapes and brush with the reserved egg/milk mixture. Bake on cookie sheets at 350° for 30 minutes or until lightly toasted. To make the biscuits harder, turn the oven off, leaving the biscuits in the slowly cooling oven for an hour or more.



HOMEMADE FROSTY PAWS

Frosty Paws is a commercially-made "ice cream" for dogs. I never met a dog that didn't like it. This is a homemade version which I got off the Web. This recipe uses totally different ingredients, but like its commercial counterpart, I never met a dog that didn't like it. This recipe will make about 18 Frosty Paws.

- 1 quart vanilla yogurt
- 1 med banana
- 2 T peanut butter (I use natural style)
- 2 T honey

Puree the banana in a food processor (a blender would probably work fine). Add the peanut butter and honey and continue processing until smooth. Add yogurt and process just long enough to blend all ingredients together. Place 18 small paper cups (bathroom size) in a baking pan (one 9x13 or two 8x8 work well). Fill paper cups to about 2/3's full. An ice cream scoop or a measuring cup makes the job easier. Freeze until solid. I transfer the frozen treats to zip-lock bags for storing in the freezer.



CKCOJ Obedience Practice!

Obedience practice for all club members!

Two hours available 10-11am or 11-12pm on November 13, 20, 27, December 4, 11, & 18, 1999. Costs are \$40.00 for the six weeks or \$8.00 per day or drop in. First hour by registration, second hour is facilitated and drop ins are welcome. New members are encouraged to participate. You may sign up by 6 week session for either hour or by date, session or drop in for the second hour. Circle all that apply:

Nov. 13 Nov. 20 Nov. 27 Dec. 4 Dec. 11 Dec. 18

If you drop in, payment is due at the beginning of the hour.

Name _____

First session _____ Second session _____ By date _____

Please mail to Jill Grose
9174 Glacierwood Dr.
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Please email me at mac@alaska.net or call 789-3239 when you know which practice you are interested in attending. Some adjustments depending upon interest may be required.

I hereby release the Capital Kennel club of Juneau, the facility management/owner, and any associated entity or any and all responsibility for damage or personal injury that may occur as a result of attending this activity. I also certify and represent that the registered is not a hazard to other dogs or persons, is current on all vaccinations, including rabies, is clean and in good health. I understand that registration fees are non refundable.

Signature _____ date _____

Any handler under age 18 must have the signature of legal guardian. CKCOJ reserves the right to reschedule or adjust any event without notice. However, every attempt will be made to contact you.

REMINDERS

Membership Dues are Now Overdue

If you have not renewed, please do so now. This newsletter will serve as your last reminder. Regular memberships are \$20.00 per person, Junior memberships (age 12 to 18) are \$10.00 per person, Family memberships are \$30.00 per year. Dues are payable to Capital Kennel Club, P.O. Box 32513, Juneau, AK 99803.

If you are leaving us, thank you for your past support. If you'd like to return, just get in touch."

Practices start November 13!

Registration Form Enclosed. Contact Jill at 780-4538 for more info.

Don't for the jump-building work session November 27!

Contact Jill at 780-4538 for more info.

Next Club Meeting:

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