



CLUB NEWS

Pet Photos with Santa

Thanks to the following members and friends, Pet Photos with Santa was a big success! Mona Sanneman, Sue McGregor, Vicki McLaughlin, Chicory Eddy, Myra Bugayong, Heather and Chris Stockard, Aran Felix and daughter Sara, Mary Lewis, and Alexis Rippe. Also, thanks to: Gabrielle LaRoche and Dan King for minding the Premier Sales, Club Info Table, and Bake Sale; Camille Stephens, Jill Grose and Gabrielle LaRoche for baking the doggie biscuits for the bake sale. And, last but not least, thanks to all the members who came to have their dogs and other pets photographed with Santa!

Annual Christmas Party

The Christmas Party was well attended. Lots of great food to eat and lots of friends to chat with. Thanks Jill for being a great hostess.

March 2000 Trials

Plans are continuing for the March obedience trials....If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Gabrielle (364-3695 or ThomWylie@msn.com) for information about what you can do to help.

UKC Registration Reminder

If you plan to enter the March obedience trial, your dog must be registered with UKC -- even if it is a mixed breed or a purebred dog without papers. **ALL** dogs are eligible to compete and earn UKC titles! Processing time is typically 2-4 weeks. Registration forms are available on the web at the UKC website (<http://www.ukcdogs.com>). If you don't have access to the web, contact the Trial Chair, Gabrielle LaRoche at 364-3695.

Agility Trial Details

The tentative date for our first agility trial is April 22-23. If you have questions, contact Jill Grose at 789-3239 or mac@alaska.net

Agility Jump Building Party Part II

A second agility jump building party is set for Saturday, January 15, 2 pm at Jill Grose's house, 9174 Glacierwood. Contact Jill Grose at 789-3239 or mac@alaska.net for more information.

Agility Classes--Advanced Notice

The next agility classes are tentatively scheduled to begin February 13. Classes will again be held on Sunday mornings at Swampy Acres. At this time we expect to offer one beginner class and at least one advanced class. Depending on enrollment, a second advanced class may be offered. Contact Jill Grose at 789-3239 or mac@alaska.net for more information.



MAKE NO BONES

By Gabrielle LaRoche



The New year is traditionally a time of reflections and resolutions. For Capital Kennel Club, it's no exception.

At the annual meeting, the membership sets the goals for the year. Efforts to pursue NADAC affiliation and an agility trial; obtain needed agility equipment; increase public awareness of CKCOJ; pursue a "permanent" facility; increase classes offered to the public; increase membership & participation; and partner with the Gastineau Humane Society are all well underway. But all this does not come without growing pains. Despite all our successes, basic communication sometimes fails.

Speaking for the board, one way to bridge the communication gap is to be assured that we share a common philosophy. If we share our 'raison d'etre', and we have clear and common goals, then we can be more tolerant of our varied styles and approaches. Or, as the saying goes, "let's not lose sight of the forest through the trees".

So now the resolutions -

It is the commitment of this board to offer all club members, through this newsletter, an idea of the philosophical basis we share in decision making.

It is our New Year's resolution to work with the general membership, towards a more informed, inclusive and engaged organization.

In future articles, we will explore our philosophy and our reason for being. In doing so, no doubt, a number of fundamental questions will arise. Is the purpose of the club to serve only club members? If not, should we be more involved in activities that benefit the Juneau canine community, the regional canine community or the statewide canine community? Which activities should be self-supporting? Is it acceptable to subsidize others? Can we ask the Juneau community to support our trials? Why are we a UKC club historically? What activities does UKC as a national club support? As our membership grows, do we eventually want to embrace all of these? Does NADAC affiliation mean anything more than a means to offer agility trials?

With input from the membership and commitment from the board, I am confident that CKCOJ can grow and prosper for the benefit of all. Please email us with your questions and comments at ckcoj@gci.net.

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



REGULAR CLUB MEETING MINUTES

December 16, 1999

Submitted by Gabrielle LaRoche

Call to Order. 6:35 PM Present: Gabrielle LaRoche, Susan Rasmussen, Jill Grose, Perry Shipman, Dan King, Mona Sanneman. Camille Stephens arrived 6:40 PM. Agenda approved.

New Members. None

Approval of November Minutes. Changes: correct spelling of Jill's last name and complete last sentence under #2 Volunteerism/Increasing Member participation - "The proposal is to replace current discounts to instructors and assistants with doggie dollars." Gabrielle moved and Perry seconded to approve the minutes as amended. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

Correspondence. Gabrielle received a request from Perseverance Theatre for a donation to the Bishop Kenny auction. A donation of either a puppy of obedience class was offered. D.J. Lindsay and her female Mastiff were the winning bidders. D.J. recently graduated from a CKCOJ puppy class so will likely sign up for Gayle's upcoming basic class.

Treasurer's Report. Susan reported a bank balance of \$7,365.37 as of 11/30/99. Total income for the period 11/1/99 thru 11/30/99 was \$2,272.00 and included income from classes (Basic, Advanced, Agility, and practice), membership dues and premier sales. Total expenditures for the period included administrative, classes and pet photos, and total \$192.71. In addition, the treasurer presented a profit/loss analysis of the agility, advanced and practice sessions for the six week duration of the sessions. For agility, the analysis took into consideration class registration fees, the barn rental and storage pro-rated for a six-week period. For advanced and basic only registration and gym rental is included. Agility showed a \$192.76 profit, advanced showed a \$475.00 profit and practice showed a \$14.00 profit. Concern was voiced that agility was being unfairly singled out. The board was supportive of the additional analysis by activity as a management tool. Future reports will strive to improve and expand the analysis to all club activities. For example, a percentage of heated storage will be assigned to obedience activities in future reports. Gabrielle moved and Perry seconded a motion to approve the treasurer's report as submitted and asked for unanimous consent. The motion passed.

Committee and Other Reports

1. **Trophy** - Gabrielle reported that Alexis Rippe has offered to serve as Trophy chair and Heather Stockard will serve as Table Steward. She asked for a trophy budget and guidelines to assist Alexis in planning. Gabrielle will seek donations for flowers. Purchases should not be perishable so that any not awarded may be applied to the September trial. Gabrielle will seek donations for trophies to offset club expenditures, but wanted a bottom-line budget for planning purposes. After considerable discussion, Susan moved and Perry seconded a motion to approve a budget of \$250 for trophies and club-sponsored Bloodlines photographs for High in Trial, only. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

2. **Training** - Basic, Subnovice and practices are scheduled to start the Second week of January. The need for a puppy class instructor was discussed. There was concern about CKCOJ policy not to mix puppies in with the basic obedience dogs. Jill will follow up with Gaile to see if she can split her class into puppy and basic if need be.

3. **Website/Newsletter** - no report

4. **Historian** - Mona reminded folks that photos and news clippings are always needed. The Album will be on display at the Christmas party.

Old Business

1. **Pet Photos with Santa** - 154 photos were sold for a net profit of \$717. A follow up report will be submitted next month.

2. **DDIG** - No comments were received on the proposal as presented in the December newsletter. A discussion ensued regarding accounting, dissemination, validation and reporting of doggie dollars. It was decided that the event or training coordinator would be responsible for disseminating doggie dollars. Validation and activity for which the dollars are being awarded will be noted on the back of the doggie dollars for treasurer's accounting purposes. Perry moved and Gabrielle seconded a motion to approve the Doggie Dollar Incentive Give-away as presented in the newsletter, effective January 1, with a six-month evaluation/renewal or sunset date. The motion passed 6 for; 1 opposed.

3. **Mendenhall Mall** - The club now has an almost "permanent" space for monthly meetings. In addition to the newsletter, meetings will now be announced thru PSAs and "Around town" in the Juneau Empire. Members may bring well-behaved dogs to the monthly meetings. Dogs that cannot remain on a "down stay" during the meeting will have to remain in cars to avoid meeting disruptions. Dan will serve as the club's point person to make any additional arrangements for Mall space for club activities. He is currently negotiating for training space.

4. **Logo Clothing** - Whether or not to make CKCOJ logo clothing available to non-members was the subject of some discussion. The issue of whether or not to maintain a modest inventory of logo clothing or rely solely on special order was also raised. Some members supported club purchase of logo aprons for volunteers to wear at club sponsored events. The item was tabled for a future agenda. Dan King will bring the catalogue to the Christmas party.

5. **Tiered membership** - this item was tabled until a specific proposal can be brought to the board.

6. **E-mail communications** - Camille will explain the utility and options of the various a-mail applications in a newsletter article.

New Business

1. **Dual Sanction for Agility Trial** - Camille would like the CKCOJ to pursue a dual sanction (NADAC and Australian Shepherd Club of America, ASCA) for the upcoming agility trial. Since the ASCA sanction will primarily benefit Camille, she will pay any additional costs. Gabrielle moved and Perry seconded a motion to pursue dual sanction for the Agility Trial. The motion passed by unanimous consent.

2. **Agility tunnel/weave pole orders** - No additional agility equipment purchases requested at this time.

3. **Class/practice price revisions** - Item tabled for future meeting, current prices to remain in effect.

4. **GHS outreach** - Perry and Linda Shipman will be working w/ Sue McGregor to explore opportunities to work with Gastineau Humane Society.

5. **Other business** - Jill requested that the board take immediate action on agility class prices. Many issues were raised in support of

CKCOJ First Quarter Cash Flow Report FY00*Submitted by Susan Rasmussen, CKCOJ Treasurer*

Period: 10/1/99-12/31/99

Opening Balance 10/1/99:	6,650.81
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Revenue Received

Income from Classes	
Basic	1,100.00
Agility	620.00
Practices at Mt Jumbo	344.00
Advanced Basic	595.00
Total Class Revenue:	2,659.00
Income from Membership Dues	800.00
Total Membership Income:	800.00
Income for Premier Sales	316.09
Total Premier Sales Income:	316.09
Income for Pet Photos with Santa	670.00
Total Pet Photos with Santa Income:	670.00
Income for Bake Sale	89.00
Total Bake Sale Income:	89.00
Income from Seminars	
Suzanne Clothier 10/99	745.00
Total Seminar Income:	745.00
Total Revenue Received from 10/1/99-12/31/99:	5,279.09

Expenditures**Administrative Expenditures**

Bank Service Charge for Imaging Checks	3.00
Newsletter	193.33
Advertising	128.60
Post Office Box	64.00
Bank NSF Charge	1.50
Postage	2.58
Total Admin Expenditures:	393.01

Expenditures for Classes

Basic	196.50
Puppy	50.49
Swampy Acres	300.00
Total Expenditures for Classes:	546.99

Expenditures for Seminars

Suzanne Clothier 10/99	1,827.50
Total Expenditures for Seminars:	1,827.50

Expenditures for Storage Rental

Agility Equipment Storage	348.88
Total Expenses for Storage Rental:	348.88

Expenditures for Pet Photos with Santa

Film	40.94
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Photo Mounts	114.00
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Total Expenditures for Pet Photos with Santa:	154.94
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Expenditures for Agility Equipment

Supplies for Agility Jumps	191.32
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Total Expenditures for Agility Equipment:	191.32
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Expenditures for Premier

Inventory	359.21
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Total Expenditures for Premier Inventory:	359.21
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Expenditures for Obedience Trials

Trophies & Trial Gifts	346.36
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UKC Trial Fee	80.00
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Total Expenditures for 3/00 Obed Trial:	426.36
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Total Expenditures from 10/1/99-12/31/99:	4,248.21
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Net Total:	1,030.88
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Closing Balance 12/31/99:	7,681.69
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Meeting Agenda for January Meeting**CKCOJ***January 20, 2000, 6:30 - 9 PM**Mendenhall Mall Annex***Preliminary Agenda**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda - additions, deletions or corrections welcome
- III. New Members - applications reviewed for approval
- IV. Approval of Minutes - December 16, 1999
- V. Correspondence - mail reviewed for action as appropriate
- VI. Treasurers Report - submitted for approval
- VII. Committee & Other Reports
 1. Obedience Trial - update on March trial
 2. Training - appoint new coordinator
 3. Newsletter/Website
 4. Historian - appoint new Historian
- VIII. New Business
 1. Discuss committees/assignments - are current committees & assignments appropriate for current activities? Need for an Agility committee or liaison? Others created, disbanded or combined?
 2. Facilitated/drop-in practices - How to make them work?
 3. Gastineau Humane Society - renew CKCOJ membership?
- IX. Old Business
 1. Class/practice price revisions - continue review/discussion/ action
 2. Pet Photos - '99 report follow-up
 3. Mendenhall Mall - status of training space
 4. CKCOJ Logo Clothing - coordinate order, pricing/purchase policy
 5. Tiered Membership - review other examples
- X. Next Meeting Date and Location
- XI. Adjournment

TALA'S TALES

Written by Susan Rasmussen

This month I was going to talk about stacking and baiting but before I do I need to go back a step to the subject of lead breaking your pup. When your pup is eight or nine weeks old, use a leash while you move her from one point to another. Realize that you are going to meet with some resistance. Gently with a treat or toy bribe your pup and take a few steps in the direction you want to go and at the same time call to her. In a very short time she will start moving with little or no resistance. If you are still having difficulties, you must accept that she does not like the idea of a collar around her neck, which prevents her from doing what she wants, or going where she pleases, when she pleases. At this time a pet or two and a few kind words have a great calming effect. You must be firm when leading your pup from place to place.

Once your pup is used to the lead, you must lead break her properly. This can be done only by what is termed a tight lead. A loose lead is great and looks very nice from ringside but only after your dog have learned to keep her head up whatever the distraction. Control of your dog is done through the lead and not all dogs can be loose-lead broken. You must be sure the lead is as high underneath the throat, behind the ears as possible. In this position you can keep the dog's

head up where it should be. Walk your dog this way for a few minutes. She will probably object but you must be firm. Repeat this procedure the next day and your dog should be lead broken at least to the point that she will go along with you even though not too happily at first. Increase the time from the day before and walk her with her head up giving her encouragement and making it into a game. Some respond to a ball, others like treats and make sure to enjoy each other for short intervals in between training.

After a few minutes of walking properly, set her up (stack or pose). Don't worry too much if she is set up wrong. Just be sure she stays where she is put. Ten minutes a day for two to three days and your pup should respect the lead and not object to your authority. You may then try to give the lead a little slack, still keeping it up so that if she tries to lower her head, move too fast or pull away you will still have control.

Do not overwork your pup. This is one of the most common mistakes made by a novice. Training should be done in the least amount of time and with as little harassment as possible. Always make your training sessions kept short, upbeat and end with success. The main thing is to have lots of fun.

I will save the subject of stacking and the use of bait until next month.



LETTERS

We welcome member letters and, if requested, they will be published in the Club newsletter. Letters represent the views of the author and not necessarily those of the newsletter editor, the Board members, or the general membership.

To the Board,

Until such time as I understand where this Board is taking the Capital Kennel Club of Juneau, I will not volunteer to work income producing events, although I may continue to participate in them as a Member.

At one time those members responsible for managing the Club's money were the same people who worked to produce it. I will work with almost anybody for nothing, but not for them. I will not do Pet Photos again until I know what the Club's new goals are and chose to support them. I would appreciate the Board members' support of Gabrielle's efforts to make the 13th annual event a success in 2000. I would hope she will not be told by a Board member what a lousy event it is in the presence of other members who thought it worthy of their \$5.00 contribution to the Club. I would hope more Board members could spare some of their valuable time to drop in (and donate \$5.00) to at least meet the new members who are willing to spend their entire day working the event.

Because one Board member thought it was necessary to announce that at one event the organizers have made unacknowledged contribution, (like that was unique!), I will be providing Gabrielle a list of my "stuff" that I have been willing to use at Pet Photos rather than asking the Club to buy, but would like back. Things I have purchased

specifically for the event will remain with the Club.

For three years I have listened to current Board members' negative, rude, personally insulting remarks about how prior Boards have managed things. I have watched talented, hard working, valuable Members leave the Club to avoid further personal confrontations with less committed Members. I was not here in the beginning, but I am very impressed that a handful of people managed to start with nothing and were able to hand you \$15,000 in assets to work with, a good rep with the Judges who have been here, and growing support in the community. Unfortunately, those people are no longer active.

One Board member made a sarcastic remark about the purpose of the Club being just to hold trials for the local people. Yes, maybe it isn't in writing, but that was one of the specific reasons I have supported the Club in the past. Giving the local people a reason to train and have something to show for their efforts even if they don't have the time, money or inclination to travel. Because the current members of the Board are all in a position to pursue dog sport elsewhere I would like to ask how many trips you've taken to dog events and how many of those were obedience only? And yet you are suggesting we'll be bigger and better soliciting the "hard core" predominantly AKC dog fanciers from parts unknown? It isn't their time, effort and money throughout the rest of the year that has made CKCOJ trials possible.

That's one reason I have tried so hard to get the word out that "pet people" are welcome in this Club.....they are the ones who will be around to support our trials---they won't have Nationals to go to

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ckcoj-announce Announcements only; no discussion. If you would like to make an announcement, please contact Camille at cstephens@gci.net

A Note About Meetings

Regular Club Meetings are held the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Mendenhall Mall Annex. **All members are welcome** to attend. As members **your** vote is counted when the Board acts on a motion.

2000 Shows and Trials

January

22-23 Conformation (AKC), Anchorage

February

19-20 Pat Hastings Seminar, Chugiak

March

11-12 **CKCOJ 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
20-21 Agility Trials (NADAC), Chugiak
27-29 Conformation/Obedience (AKC), Fairbanks

June

11-12 Agility trials (NADAC), Chugiak
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 Agility trials (NADAC), Chugiak
12-13 Conformation/Obedience (ASCA), Chugiak
TBA DOTCA Trials (AKC), Anchorage

September

9-10 Herding Trials (ASCA), Chugiak
17 Tracking Test (ASCA), Chugiak
TBA **CKCOJ** Obedience Trials (UKC), Juneau

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.

Save this page for reference!

The contact list, the Show Calendar and the Club Membership List on the reverse side will be published quarterly or whenever there is a significant update. New member information will be published each month separate from the complete list.

MINUTES -- *Continued from page 2*

keeping the class registrations at \$40 including increasing class sizes, requirement to load and unload equipment and wear and tear on vehicles. In support of raising class registration fees were the longer class length as compared to obedience, the substantial investment in agility equipment and the desire to have registration fees for agility more in line with obedience. Gabrielle moved and Perry seconded a motion to raise the registration fees for agility to \$50. The motion passed 4 to 3.

X. Next Meeting Date/Location - Mendenhall Mall Annex at 6:30 PM

XI. Adjournment - Susan moved and Perry seconded a motion to adjourn and asked unanimous consent. The meeting adjourned at 9:01 PM.



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in Sept. It's also the reason I pushed beyond my capabilities to teach Competitive Obed classes back to back with Advanced Basic for twelve weeks straight. I didn't want to, but somebody had to do it. Considering the current situation it appears I didn't have my priorities straight. One reason I just can't do it anymore is reports from several members (some now former) that current members of the Board have made them feel unwelcome, been intimidated by them, intentionally misinformed by them and generally been made to feel "second rate" because they weren't interested in playing the "my dog is better than your dog" game. I never thought I'd feel like I had to tell my fellow Club Members that I'm proud of my dog too---but it's come to that. I have spent more time doing "damage control", and defending the Club then training my dog. I do not recruit personal friends as members because I'm not sure how they will be treated.

If the current Board members read "Front & Finish" they would know obedience has always been the poor "step child" of conformation, and is now surviving on the coat-tails of agility. Most Club's across the country expect to lose money on obedience trials. However, they would also read that many positive things are being said nationally about UKC Obedience by handlers who have earned AKC Obed titles and have crossed over to continue working their dogs. (For those who may not know, F&F is a national performance dog sport publication that covers all registries.)

One Board member has repeatedly made remarks about the Club and prior Boards being too social. If any of the current Board members have read the Club's constitution lately, specifically "the purpose" maybe they'd be as confused as I am. Again, if the current Board members would participate in Club activities and events and actually socialize with members they'd have a better idea of what the general membership would like from the Club. Many good ideas have been spawned from casual, relaxed lunches and dog walks with members who aren't known as the "advanced" trainers.

Most of you think I don't get angry well.....you're wrong. I can handle anger just fine. It's hurt, disappointment, frustration and the loss of something I once valued that I can't handle. Being involved in this Club used to be fun. I've been wondering if anyone knows

what killed the Juneau Kennel Club. Maybe someone should find out.

My last action as Historian will be to at least try to get the last 4 years of pictures that have not been put in the scrapebook in date order and enter them, but based on recent events and past experience with members of the current Board I cannot bring myself to do the major reconstruction necessary to bring it into compliance with Club Policy 003 only to have the task dropped in a few months.

Many of the major problems the Club has encountered in recent years could have easily been avoided if incoming Board members had acted responsibly and accepted the offers from those leaving the Board to explain what they were getting into; especially if it's too much trouble to read the Club's Constitution that they are supposed to be supporting.

The Club Library was established at a Board meeting, it is not addressed elsewhere. Before I turn over the contents, I will formally propose a Policy to cover them. Hopefully somebody will read it.

I am abandoning the task of drafting an "Explanation of Insurance" based on the lack of interest.

"The more people I meet, the more I like my dog." (author unknown)

Ignor the typ-o's---this is as formal as I'm gonna get.

Mona Sanneman



Don't forget!

Agility jump building session

January 15

at

Jill Grose's House

Contact Jill at 789-3239 for more info.

Mark Your Calendars

CKCOJ Activities

January

15 Agility Jump Building Party Part II, 2 pm (Contact Jill Grose at 789-3239 or mac@alaska.net for more information)

20 Regular Meeting, 6:30pm, Mendenhall Mall Annex

February

17 Regular Meeting, 6:30pm, Mendenhall Mall Annex

March

11-12 CKCOJ Obedience Trials, Armory

16 Regular Meeting, 6:30pm, Mendenhall Mall Annex

April

20 Regular Meeting, 6:30pm, Mendenhall Mall Annex

22-23 CKCOJ Agility Trial (NADAC), Juneau

May

18 Regular Meeting, 6:30pm, Mendenhall Mall Annex

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