

MINUTES
Annual Meeting
Capital Kennel Club of Juneau
Riverbend Community Center
October 6, 2013

- 1) Call to Order: meeting called to order at 4:11pm. Board members present: Mike Higgs (President), Sandy Harris (Vice President), George Utermohle (Treasurer), Sue McGowan (Secretary), Judy Gustafson (at-Large). General members present: John Sivertsen, Hazel Reynolds, Diana Higgs, Jessica Gilbert, Debra Behr, Julie Coffin.
- 2) Establish Quorum (50% of members): quorum established.
- 3) Approval of Agenda: add Awards as section 11) and renumber- agenda then approved by Unanimous Consent (U/C).
- 4) Election of Board Officers: Sue McGowan noted that she had received a verbal commitment from Marty Phelan (absent from this meeting) that he would accept one of the vacant board positions; other commitments were received from Diana Higgs and George Utermohle, both present. Nominations approved by U/C and if Marty later declines, the board will fill the vacancy.
- 5) Approval of 2012 Annual Meeting Minutes: Mike Higgs noted his name should be removed from 2012 minutes, as he was not an instructor of the Beginning Agility sessions. Judy Gustafson moved to accept the 2012 minutes as amended, George Utermohle seconded. Approved by U/C.
- 6) Annual Treasurer's Report: Sandy Harris moved to accept the treasurer's report for 2012, Sue McGowan seconded- approved by U/C.
- 7) President's Report: Mike Higgs thanked everyone for coming to the annual meeting and noted that CKCoJ has had an active year by continuing to offer dog training opportunities to the general public and the membership. Mike also recognized the volunteers who made the activities happen and listed some of the accomplishments of the past year: Cheryl Jebe for monitoring the Doggie Dollars program; Donna Leigh for compiling the club newsletter; George Utermohle as CKCoJ webmaster and Sandy Harris, George Utermohle, Sue McGowan, Carol Lemon/Judy Gustafson for their service on the CKCoJ board. Classes and Workshops: Puppy K and Manners classes- Hazel Reynolds, Sue McGowan, Marty Messick; Canine Good Citizen (CGC) class- George Utermohle, Debra Behr; Rally Intro- Diana and Mike Higgs; Heeling Focus, Rally/Obedience Handling workshops, with Ruthann McCaulley; Obedience, Rally, Conformation practices- Gina Vose, Susan Hoffman, Jill Grose;

fall/winter/spring practices at Mt. Jumbo, Riverbend, and Harborview schools; summer practices at Glacier Valley covered playground and Agility practices for handling and beginning classes. Trials: 4 Obedience trials- Mike Higgs, Susan Hoffman and Aran Felix; 2-day Agility trial- Mike Higgs, Jill Taylor, Jamie Criss; 6 Rally trials- Susan Hoffman, Aran Felix, Mike Higgs; Other club activities included a no-host CKCoJ Christmas party; Pet Festival- George Utermohle, Sue McGowan; Canine Good Citizen test- George Utermohle, Marty Messick; coordinating AML and CBJ for storage container at Melvin Park- Mike Higgs, Jill Grose; Pet Photos with Santa- Sue McGowan. Upcoming events include participation in the GHS Pet Festival- Judy Gustafson, Sandy Harris; CGC class and testing- George Utermohle, Debra Behr, Marty Messick; Manners class- Hazel Reynolds, Sue McGowan; Rally and Obedience classes- Mike Higgs, Diana Higgs; November UKC Obedience trial- Susan Hoffman, Aran Felix. Mike noted that upcoming events for 2014 may include UKC obedience trials in May and September, due to the availability of two local judges: Patti Kalbaugh and Gina Vose. Also, NADAC video trials are still available; and Jill Grose would like to pursue CPE or DOCNA events- no additional equipment would be required. Mike also noted that AKC now offers an advanced CGC certification. PETCO has allowed placement of CKCoJ posters in the store and may be interested in partnering with CKCoJ on certain events; also CKCoJ is hoping to partner events with the Whitehorse, YT Woofers club.

8) Long Term Planning: Debra Behr commented that for future consideration, the board might want to consider offering a scholarship for young people, and, possibly, increase membership fees as a way to help club funding. Continue to offer pet photos with Santa; offer UKC Obedience and Rally trials in spring/fall; partner with Whitehorse Woofers and PETCO; continue offering Puppy Kindergarten and Manners classes, as well as CGC classes and testing- explore advanced CGC classes; advertise club activities more; explore different indoor/outdoor training areas; monitor Juneau Community School fee pricing; develop new fundraising activities.

9) Proposed Changes to Policies: none.

10) GHS Pet Festival: Judy Gustafson noted that the time to present CKCoJ activity is set at 11am to noon. GHS will not charge a table fee this year, so CKCoJ will display information and have two table volunteers available- Judy Gustafson and Sandy Harris.

11) Awards: a total of 13 titles were earned by 11 dogs and 10 handlers. The following handlers (and dogs) earned CGC titles: Karen Bottorf (Nyla), Judy Gustafson (Tucker), Nancy Ratner (Yobi), Paula Terrel (Sabrina), George Utermohle (Jake). UR01- George Utermohle (Jake) and 4 Rally Double Qs for George Utermohle (Otto). URO2- Diana Higgs (Breezy) and Aran Felix (Gidget). URO3- Diana Higgs (Rhea) and 1 Rally Double Q, Diana Higgs (Rhea). UROC- Mike Higgs (Hatch); URX1- Mike Higgs (Hatch) = 10 Rally Double Q's. NATCH- Inga Petaisto (Poika) and Sherry Jans (Chase).

12) Adjournment: Sandy Harris moved to adjourn, Hazel Reynolds seconded- meeting adjourned at 5:18pm.