

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTE'S
September 21, 2010

President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., ESDST. The meeting was held in the Sequoyah Room of the University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine.

Present: President Sommerfelt, Vice President Merritt, Treasurer Jean Dinkins, Corresponding Secretary Beth White, and Recording Secretary Kasten. Board Members: Keith Bailey, Robin Brown, Bernadine Luketich, Barbara Price, and Paula Smiddy. Members: Nan Anderson, Deborah Bailey, Karl Barth, Carol Sommerfelt, Paula and Barry Stanner, Ruby Valentine.

Absent: AKC Delegate Catherine Bell.

President Sommerfelt welcomed guests' Ann Campbell, Pat Hodges of ORKC, Linda Hatmaker, Robin Wilder, Judy and Ray Lawrence, Barbara and John Byrum, Donna and Quito Burch, and Tom Valentine.

Minutes: Motion by Karl Barth, seconded by Paula Smiddy to approved minutes as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Paula Smiddy, seconded by Carol Sommerfelt to approve Treasurer's Reports for July 20, 2010 and August 17, 2010. Motion passed unanimously.

Report of the Board: President Sommerfelt reported that AKC Delegates Minute's are now available on the AKC website. Tonight's Guest Speaker will be Dr. Monica Webb, who will speak on breeding your bitch. Thank you to Keith Bailey for arranging this tonight's speaker. A reminder the "Cluster Shows" are less than 2-months away. Volunteers are needed.

President's Report: As posted to the TVKC's web site.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Dinkins reported July's Checking Account Balance as \$18,087.25, Money Market Account as \$37,582.30 for a total of \$55,669.55. Jean also reported August's Checking Account Balance as \$34,494.73, Money Market Account as \$37,595.66 for a total of \$72,089.39. September's Agility Trial fund raising after expenses was \$1,614.02.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Beth reported that the Club's website continues to receive interests. She received 13 inquiries which she continues to response too. The Club's facebook account now has 54 members. There will be a "Live at Five" spot on Channel 10 this Friday at Market Square Mall. Plans, subject to change, are to give an agility demo. TVKC held a "Responsible Dog Ownership Celebration" at the TVKC's Harriman Agility Trial last week. The highlight of the celebration was the "adoption" of Mrs. Rebecca Smallwood's Red Bird Mission School's 4th and 5th grade classes of 19 students from Beverly, KY. Mrs. Smallwood is teaching her students about "Responsible Pet Ownership" among other things. Beth thanked event sponsors, Petsafe Invisible Fence, Hills Pet Foods and ADT Security Systems.

Show Report: Sommerfelt reported in Bell's absence that the Premium List has been mailed out and is on-line.

Budget and Audit Committee: Luketich reported the committee will meet after the shows to make recommendations.

AKC Delegate Report: Sommerfelt reported in Bell's absence - TVKC's Delegate has been seated. He reported that AKC has launched a new "Breeder of Merit Program" which will allow AKC to recognize responsible breeders. The vote on "Term Limits" was defeated. ABC will be televising this year's Eukanuba National Championship Show. AKC is exploring the possibilities of expanding the number of group placements. AKC is planning to create a "Hall of Fame" which will pay tribute to the legends in the dog sport and educate new generations about past greats. The Delegates Meeting Minutes, 19 pages, are posted on AKC's Web Site for anyone wishing to read the full report.

Cluster Committee Chair: There will be a "B" Match on Wednesday, October 6 at Chilhowee Park with obedience classes offered. Also, for the next three weeks, there will be conformation classes offered.

Special fun events for exhibitors and their dogs:

A free introduction to agility by Toby & Jim Mazrolle of Hilton, VA, Thursday - Sunday. TVKC's own Robin Brown of Devereaux Whippets will be holding "Lure Coursing Demonstration and Clinic" on Saturday. Purina will be providing "free deli sandwiches" on Wednesday evening to exhibitors as they set up. There will be "Chuck-A-Duck" events, and an "Arm Band" drawing each day for \$25 gas cards. Friday morning Linda Pitts is heading a "Bake-A-Wish" Bake Sale with proceeds going to the "Make-A-Wish" foundation. An "Ice Cream Social" with a Sundae bar will be held with all proceeds going to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research Fund. Saturday evening will be "Country Fair" night, as chaired by Linda Pitts. Tickets will be \$50 and include food, numerous games of chance, great prizes, a cash bar and a DJ playing all types of music.

Trophy Chair: No report.

Agility Chair: White reported that the trial was a great success. The club held a Time-2-Beat exhibition on Friday after the trial for 29 handlers and dogs. This will become a titling class in 2012. A "B" Match was held on Saturday after the trial with approximately 40 handlers and dogs participating. TVKC's next Agility Trial is set for February 4 - 6, 2011. Darr also thanked all of the volunteers in her report, as read by White. Treasurer Dinkins reported profit of \$1,614.02 after expenses.

Obedience Chair: Luketich reported that there will be obedience classes at the "B" Match on October 6, 2010, at Chilhowee Park.

Membership Chair: No report.

Club Awards Chair: No report.

Legislative Chair: No report.

"B" Match Chair: Mix breeds will be allowed at the "B" Match, which will be held in the sheep barn at Chilhowee Park. Classes will start at 6:15 p.m. Registration will begin at 4:30 p.m. Stewards are needed.

Program Chair: Tonight's program will be by Guest Speaker Dr. Monica Webb.

Benevolence Chair: No report.

Publicity Chair: President Sommerfelt thanked the committee for their continued bang-up job on the publicity front.

Budget/Audit Chair: Report and recommendations will be forthcoming after the cluster shows.

Unfinished Business: New Member Pat Hodges was unanimously approved for membership.

New Business: None

Braggs: Congratulations to Nan Anderson, Deborah Bailey, Keith Bailey, Robin Brown, Jean Dinkins, Pat Hodges, Carol and Walter Sommerfelt, and Paula Smiddy.

There being no further business, a motion for adjournment by Jean Dinkins, seconded by Paula Smiddy was passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m., ESDST.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary