

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTE'S
July 19, 2011

President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m., EST. The meeting was held in the Sequoyah Room at the University of Tennessee Veterinary School.

- ◆ Present: President Sommerfelt, Vice President Paula Smiddy, Recording Secretary Kasten, Treasurer Jean Dinkins, and AKC Delegate Catherine Bell.

 Board Members: Keith Bailey, Robin Brown, Pat Hodges and Pam Stanner.

 Members: Jennifer and Jeff Banta, Angie Bass, Dawn Darr, Trula Dinkins, Judy Hart, Bernadine Luketich, Judy and Mike Morman, Jeannie Webber Ringe, Ace Russell, Carol Sommerfelt and Barry Stanner.
- ◆ Absent: Corresponding Secretary Beth White.
- ◆ Visitors welcomed: Stephanie Diem, Elizabeth Howell, and Cheryl Kienast.
- ◆ Minutes: Motion by Paula Smiddy, seconded by Keith Bailey to dispense with reading of minutes. Motion passed unanimously.
- ◆ President's Report: Sommerfelt introduced new officers and board members and thanked outgoing officers and board members. Next Board Meeting will be the annual meeting and will be held on Tuesday, August 23, 2011, at the Sommerfelts' instead of its regular date before the general meeting. The full report is posted to TVKC's website.
- ◆ Tonight's Special Program: Awarding \$2,000 AKC/CAR grant check to Tennessee Special Response Team-A, from Newport, Tennessee. Team members will also speak on their work as part of the National Search Dog Alliance. A question and answer period will follow their presentation.
- ◆ Corresponding Secretary's Report: The report is posted to TVKC's website.
- ◆ Treasurer's Report:

June 2011

Beginning Balance	\$ 25,070.74
Receipts from dues and trophies	\$ 115.00
Disbursements (Knoxville News-Sentinel Ads, Plaques, AKC Delegate expenses, Awards Dinner, PO Box Rental, Website, training)	\$ 1,654.90
Checking Account Balance	\$ 23,530.84
Money Market Account Balance	<u>\$ 37,724.15</u>
Total	\$ 61,254.99

Motion by Pat Hodges, seconded by Barbara Price to approve Treasurer's Report. Motion passed unanimously.

- ◆ AKC Delegate's Report: AKC has announced a new title for Therapy Dogs. AKC's Responsible Dog Day will be held in conjunction with TVKC's Meet the Breeds and Open Show on Saturday, September 24, 2011, at Krutch Park in Knoxville. AKC's Chairman Menaker's full report is posted at AKC.org.

 AKC's Lifetime Achievement 2012 Award Voting is upon us.
 Nominations are:

 Conformation: Louis Auslander, Marion Bradshaw, Jean Fournier

 Companion Events: William Iwamoto, Patricia Scully, Betty Winthers

 Performance: Robert Fleury, Leida Jones, Gerald Price

 Voting will take place at next month's meeting in order to meet AKC's ballot closing date of September 12, 2011.

- ◆ Cluster Report: Plans are well under way with past and new events, i.e., Chuck-A-Dog, Gas Card Drawings, a lottery match and Saturday night's dinner dance and raffle. Trophies are still needed, contact Carol about donating a trophy. New trophy choices have been added to this year's trophy list. To see selection, visit TVKC's website.

- ◆ 2011 Show Judges are now posted to the AKC website for viewing.

- ◆ Agility Report: Darr announced that she will be resigning as Agility Chairman after the February 2012 Agility Trial. Darr is getting married next month and will be moving to Atlanta, Georgia. Darr reminded everyone she needs volunteers for Agility Trials on December 2, 3, and 4, 2011. The February 13, 14, and 15, 2012 events are set. She recommends eliminating the Fast Tract Class and instead hold a Time to Beat Class. There were no objections. Discussion followed on buying verses renting timers. More study is needed and Ace Russell will check into costs and report back to club members. President Sommerfelt thanked Darr for her service. Club members wished her well.

- ◆ Old Business:

Anyone that received an award or title from January - December 2010 is entitled to a half page ad in the 2011 Premium List at a cost of \$10.00.

Confirmation Classes are well under way. President Sommerfelt thanked Angie Bass and Robyn Brown for teaching these classes. A "Thank You" note will be sent to Countryside Veterinary Clinic for use of their facilities.

- ◆ Obedience and Agility Classes start next Wednesday, July 27, 2011. Obedience at 6:15 p.m. and Agility at 7:30 p.m. Classes are being held at Meadowbrook Kennels with Ace Russell teaching classes. Costs - club members \$50.00 - non club members \$60.00.

- ◆ Smiddy reported that the Meet the Breeds Event on Saturday, September 24, 2011, will start at 10:00 a.m. at Krutch Park in Knoxville. Please let her know what breed you'll be bringing.

- ◆ Open Show Chairman Luketich reported the Open Match Event paperwork has been submitted to AKC. This event is being held in conjunction with Meet the Breeds. Kasten will be Open Show Secretary. Pre entries will be sent to her. Licensed AKC Club Judges have volunteered for this event.

This event will have eight groups along with classes for four to six month old puppies. AKC will post this event to their website and send Information Kits that include pencils, stickers, etc. for handouts.

The event will start at 1:00 p.m. EST and run to approximately 5:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed to man the entry table, setup/knockdown rings, and cleanup.

- ◆ New Business:

Second reading for club membership - Elizabeth Howell, first reading for club membership - Stephanie Biem.

- ◆ Club Brags: Keith Bailey, Angie Bass, Robin Brown, Dawn Darr, Jean Dinkins, Texas Eddy Dulanney, Pat Hodges, Paula Smiddy, Carol and Walter Sommerfelt, and Pam and Barry Stanner.

- ◆ Motion by Catherine Bell, seconded by Judy Hart for adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m. EST.

Respectfully submitted,

Maryellen Kasten

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Recording Secretary