

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club – August 20, 2013

The general meeting was called to order at the Animal Emergency Center, Kingston Pike, Knoxville TN at 7:00 PM by President Walter Sommerfelt. There were 20 members in attendance.

The minutes were approved as posted on the web site.

The president reported that the final submission of the premium list had been sent to MB-F.

Corresponding Secretary – Jeff Banta had no report.

Treasurer Jean Dinkins was not at the meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Agility The trial's premium list was passed around to the members at the meeting. Beth White indicated she would like TVKC to host a B match with obedience, rally and agility prior to our show. It would be for club students and others to "practice" compete before the show. She would need help from other members. **Keith Bailey made a motion that TVKC hold a rally, obedience and agility combined B Match at an appropriate date prior to the shows. Seconded by Richella Veatch. Motion carried.**

Show Carol Sommerfelt indicated that Robert Fetter's unexpected death made it necessary to hire another judge. Jon Cole will judge on Friday and Carol K Noe will come early to do BIS on Thursday.

Members whose dogs received awards at the picnic must submit their ½ page "ads" to Carol by Sept 19, the superintendent's deadline. Those ads are at no cost to members.

The show will be dedicated to long-time member Linda Howard, who has just passed away. Catherine Bell was directed to make the family aware of our condolences. At a later date the membership will determine an honorarium to her.

Keith Bailey announced she has heard back from UT's Vet School. We now can use their facility for ongoing training classes.

Paula Smiddy announced the mats are pressure washed, dried, and rerolled. They are too much to deal with on regular basis. Keith doesn't think we need them in new location.

Gene Price is going to be talking with the Franco's about Meet the Breeds --members will be contacted as to where and when it will take place ASAP.

Linda Pitts will need help with Friday's bake sale. It will only be one day. The dinner or dinner and raffle are still being planned for Saturday night.

In October AKC Field Rep Mary Dukes will present a program on how to hold an Event Show Hearing. Other clubs are going to be invited to join us that evening.

Unfinished business -- Barbara and John Bynum presented information on suitable club logo. In the discussion it evolved a popular idea was TVKC buying vests. Members could put them on as they were working and return them when they were in the ring.

NEW BUSINESS

Planning for 2014 show -- Ideas to increase gate and public interest for 2 days of shows

1. Dock Dog Diving -- Barbara Price will follow up to see what is involved for them to join us.
2. My Dog Can Do That -- An AKC "booth". Judy Hart is looking into that.
3. Hold a CGC -- Richella Veatch said the Collie Club will host that at least 1 day on the w/e.
4. Barn Hunt/Go to Ground -- Eddie Delaney will get information from the local group.
5. Fly ball -- Pam Stanner will get info from those folks.
6. Drug "sniffing" dogs -- Barbara Byrum will gather the info for us.
7. Tracking demo --- volunteer needed
8. Service dogs for Autism-- Barbara Price will check with the group that did the recent program.
9. Search and rescue dogs – we are checking with a group in Newport.
10. Free style dog dancing -- Barbara Byrum will check on that too.
11. Purebred rescues associated with AKC club to be looked into by Gene Price.
12. It was suggested that the club invite area specialties to join the w/e.

Members having specific subject assignments will report at the October 15 meeting.

Braggs came from Keith Bailey, Barbara Price, Richella Veatch, Quinto Burchi, Gene Price, John & Barbara Byrum, Carol Sommerfelt and Charmaine Daum.

'Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Neena Van Camp

Recording Secretary