

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

General Meeting Tuesday, March 21, 2017

Program: Tracking Judges Ed Presnell and Debbie Maheu discussed tracking via Skype. Following their discussion, a question and answer session was held with the Judges and the membership.

At 7:35 p.m., following a SKYPE discussion of tracking with Tracking Judges Ed Presnell and Debbie Maheu, President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order at the ER. Roll call of the members elicited 22 members' response. There were four guests: Lauren Dodge, Amanda Skinner, Malinda Presson and Melissa Engelking present.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the previous General Meeting of February 21, 2017, as published. **Passed.**

Corresponding Secretary. Nothing to report.

Report of Treasurer. Jean Dinkins noted that our annual dues are now due and presented her report, which is summarized below:

Beginning Balance	\$45,501.68	Savings Balance	\$38,184.25
Receipts for February	\$ 1,234.57	Plus Ending Balance	<u>\$27,014.43</u>
Disbursements	< <u>\$19,721.82</u> >	Total:	\$65,198.68
Ending Balance	\$27,014.43		

Of note, the February Agility Trial brought in a net income of \$3,576.98. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. **Motion passed.**

Delegate's Report. Richella was not present so Walter reported that three of the four delegates the club voted for were elected. Anyone who wishes to read the complete Delegates Report may view it online at AKC.org.

Magnets. Walter announced that 2500 magnets were ordered and should be received before the next event to be used as a free give-away to advertise the TVKC presence.

Show Committee. Carol Sommerfelt reported that the committee is still finalizing the judging panel as we had a judge step down due to scheduling. Still working on getting a second obedience judge as well. Lois Biedron reported on the trophies. She is in the process of picking out the trophies for this year. Carol noted that the premium list has to be finalized by June 28th so we need trophy commitments AND PAYMENT by June 1st. Discussed that NEW toys would again be solicited for Children's Hospital. Quinto Burchi has agreed to be Vendor Chair for this year.

FAST CAT: Debbie Hodges, Neena Van Camp and Walter Sommerfelt met with the club which puts on CAT trials. Discussion revealed that the club believes we can hold 5-6 trials over the three days. Each trial is limited to a 100 run entry. Details are still being worked out but we will need 3-4 volunteers from the membership to help with this event. Please contact Debbie Hodges or Neena Van Camp if you are interested in volunteering.

Community Affairs. Gregg reported that Beth has updated the website and the event calendar is looking good. The next event will be the Fido Fest at the Pinnacle, Saturday April 22nd from 11:00 to 3:00.

Performance. Beth White was not present, but classes will be on the website.,,,,,,

Obedience. Will be held in conjunction with our fall shows as we did this past year.

Programs. Susan Corum reported that she has booked a speaker from UT for next month who worked the recent Smoky Mountain fire.

Nominating Committee. Jan reported that the officers have agreed to remain in office for another term. The Board members will be: Carol Sommerfelt, Gregg Lonas, Susan Corum, Neena Van Camp, Keith Bailey and Lois Biedron. Richella will remain as Delegate. Nominations from the floor will be solicited at the April meeting.

Good Sportsmanship Award: Jan presented this year's Good Sportsmanship award to Walter Sommerfelt.

Membership: As this was Malinda Presson's third meeting, upon Motion to dispense with private ballots made by Jean Dinkins, seconded by Neena Van Camp, Malinda was voted in as a full member. Welcome!

Unfinished Business. None.

New Business. None.

Brags: The following members had brags to share: JCheryl Kienast, Gregg Lonas, Kathy Villars, Keith Bailey, Linda Stafford, Susan Corum on behalf of Beth White, Greg Sinatra and Jean Dinkins.

Motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Cheryl Kienast, Recording Secretary