

BELGIAN TERVUREN CLUB OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
MINUTES OF THE MEETING JANUARY 16, 2005
HAMBURGER HAMLET, PASADENA
[Minutes taken by Jan McAninch, in the Secretary's absence]

Members present:

Jan McAninch, Russ Utsler, Erika Utsler, Pat Weymouth, Lori Forbes, EveLynn McGuinness, Meredith Myers, Karen Dembrowski, Laura Bollschweiler, Mikki Capparelli-Lally, Billie Moritz, Kim Buchanan, Teri Meredyth, Dave Musikoff, John Zappe, Paul Garrity, and Frank McAninch.

The meeting was called to order by EveLynn McGuinness, Vice President, at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: were distributed and reading of the minutes was waived. Motion to accept the minutes as presented made by Erika Utsler, seconded by Pat Weymouth. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: was distributed to all members present. Approximate balance of the club treasury is \$8,992.51 although it was noted that some late bills from the herding trial have been received. Motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented made by Erika Utsler, seconded by Pat Weymouth. Motion passed unanimously.

Herding Trial expenses report was distributed. Discussion deferred to the Herding Committee Report.

President's Report: deferred to the after the election of officers.

General Announcements:

Cathy Modica has published a very nice children's book using actual photos of her Terv puppy Nikon and a collie puppy. The book has been praised by reviewers for its artwork and message of tolerance and friendship. The book is available at Cathy's website.

Thanks to Dave Musikoff for suggesting this meeting location.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Herding Committee:

EveLynn McGuinness, Chairperson reports the November All Breed Trial was held at Terry Kenney's place. The trial was well attended and complimented by the exhibitors as a well-run and fun trial. Expense overruns were attributed to bringing in out of state judges, Sean and Sharol Hathaway.

March All Breed Trial will be the AKC Course C to be held at EveLynn's property near Lancaster on March 11, 12, 13. This trial was approved at the June Specialty Meeting. It will be a 'barebones' trial with minimal expenses as the facility and the sheep are being donated. Expenses will be limited to renting a porta-potty, ribbons, and judges fees.

Club members are encouraged to attend any or all of the three trial days

The Course C simulates working ranch and asks the dog and handler to move sheep out of a pen, down a road with traffic to a grazing area where the dog must keep the sheep in a specified area for a period of time and then returns them to a pen.

An announcement for this event will be sent to all club members with a map to the site.

Agility Committee:

Kim Buchanan, Chairperson reports that all plans for the trial to be held March 5 and 6 are on track. She will confirm the site location of Industry Hills Equestrian Center and will need a check for the site in advance. Jan McAninch will continue as Volunteer Coordinator with Kim's assistance in assigning trial volunteers. Pat Weymouth and a second person will act as "Ring Leaders" to oversee the running each ring throughout the trial.

Carrie DeYoung will be responsible for Judge's hospitality and ordering ribbons.

The Industry Hills site does not allow outside food to be brought in. Workers lunches will be contracted through their snack bar in advance so workers don't have to stand in line.

Regional Specialty:

Pat Weymouth, Specialty Chairperson reports that the 2005 Specialty will be held at Jump Start Dog Sports in Yorba Linda June 18 and 19.

The order of events will be Agility, Obedience, Rally, Sweepstakes, Conformation.

Judges will be as follows:

Confirmation: Steve Sorensen, Janina Laurin

Sweepstakes: Joni Freshman, Jill Miller

Obedience & Rally: Dorothy McCauley, Shirley Indelicato

Agility: Bob Long

Joni Freshman will also present a seminar on acupuncture for dogs.

A Pot Luck with the Club providing the meat and local members contributing homemade side dishes.

Laura Bollschweiler will organize the raffle to be held at the Specialty. She will work with Lori Forbes to make a form letter with the club logo to send to companies such as Petco to solicit donations.

Pat reports that committees/coordinators need to be responsible for:

--Food: Pot Luck, Exhibitor Hospitality, Judges Hospitality

--Awards and Ribbons

--Accommodations: local motels, RV parks to be listed in the premium

--Ring help/Stewards: Confirmation, Agility, Obedience

DISCUSSION:

Selection of a Show Photographer is deferred pending the decision to hire a professional or use club members.

Newsletter:

Lori Forbes, Newsletter Editor, reports that she will continue to produce the newsletter 4-6 times a year and post the newsletter on the club website.

Club Website:

Steve Forbes, Webmaster was not present. Lori Forbes announced that the club does have a website at: www.btsc.org

The site is up and running and members are urged to contribute photos for posting and refer to the website for information on Club Events and Schedules.

DISCUSSION:

Committee chairs are asked to send info regarding events to be posted on the website. Posting premiums of club events for downloading was proposed.

Nominating Committee:

Mikki Capparelli-Lally, Chairperson presents the slated of nominations for Club Officers and Board of Directors.

President: Pat Weymouth

Vice-President: EveLynn McGuinness

Secretary: Jan McAninch

Treasurer: Lori Forbes

Board of Directors: Kim Buchanan, Karen Dembrowski, Bruce Freedman, Teri Meredyth, Erika Utsler.

Mikki reported that no other nominations were received. Motion to accept the slate as nominated made by Laura Bollschweiler and seconded by Dave Musikoff. Vote to approve the slate was unanimous.

Mikki suggested that the club purchase a president's gavel for the ceremonial use.

New officers took office at 2:30p.m.

Membership:

Teri Meredyth reports that she will continue to serve as Membership Chairperson. She will coordinate with the Club Treasurer and Secretary on the processing of membership applications.

DISCUSSION:

Membership in this club does not require ownership of a Belgian Tervuren. A review of membership requirements states that club members must be at least 18 year of age of age, pay dues, and be in good standing with the AKC.

President's Report:

Pat Weymouth reported that the morale of the club over the last year had fallen, primarily due to lack of communication. She requests that the Club set a schedule of meetings for the entire year. Since are club members are located over a very large area, a set schedule of meeting would help members plan accordingly to attend meetings that may be some distance away.

OLD BUSINESS

Julie Baker Donation:

DISCUSSION:

A review of the Club By-Laws and Tax Laws reveals that we cannot donate club funds to an individual. Club members are encouraged to contribute to the fund established by Kelly Backus.

Motion made by EveLynn McGuinness and seconded by Frank McAninch to take no further action on this issue. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Membership Applications:

Teri Meredyth presented the following membership applications:

Peggy Richter, longtime BSD owner, active in herding

Kathryn Eriksen, longtime Terv owner/breeder

Also presented for approval by the Board of Directors:

Charlene Vincent, first time Terv owner

John Zappe, first time Terv owner (Raider puppy)

Cindy Chick, Dave Musikoff wife

Board members present (Kim Buchanan, Karen Dembrowski, Teri Meredyth, Erika Utsler) and officers voted unanimously to accept the membership applications presented.

Meeting Schedule for 2005:

DISCUSSION:

It was suggested that meeting be every other month and meeting alternate both sites and week-day and week-end dates.

Additional meetings and committee meeting will be scheduled as needed

The following meeting dates were proposed:

March 15 (Tuesday): 8p.m., Brea at Coco's Restaurant on Imperial Hwy.

Jan McAninch will reserve the meeting room.

May 29 (Sunday): 6p.m., Mission Circuit area dinner meeting.

July 19 (Tuesday): 8p.m, Long Beach/Seal Beach area.

Kim Buchanan will find a suitable restaurant with meeting room.

Sept. 25 (Sunday): 5p.m., with a Fun Day at a local park. Brookside Park in Pasadena. a possible site. Nominating committee will be appointed at this meeting.

Nov. 15 (Tuesday) 8p.m. site TBA.

Jan. 15, 2006 (Sunday): 2p.m. Pasadena, Hamburger Hamlet.

Steve Forbes will post the schedule on the Club website and will be informed of any changes, additional details.

Communication with Club Members:

DISCUSSION:

Members will be notified of club meetings 2weeks in advance by US Mail. Communications via e-mail will be used in addition with Club member who have e-mail. (It was noted that there are only two club members with no useable e-mail as of the current member roster.)

The Club website is also a reference for the Club Schedule of Events and other information for members.

Motion to adjourn made by Laura Bollschweiler and seconded by Teri Meredyth. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan McAninch
Secretary

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