

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTES

March 7, 2015 Pyramid Ale House

Call to order at 4:28 PM

Members Present: Judy James, Amanda Ford, Cathi Jzyk, Janet Boyd, Brandon Fleming (no quorum)

MINUTES for December General Membership Meeting. No corrections made to minutes as posted on pwnw.org

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: The new Board has met once using Skype and will generally meet the last Monday of every other month. (Schedule will be on the web site) The Board has withdrawn the motion to change the initials of the club due to additional information from AKC which contradicted their original information. Thank you to Katrina for taking on this challenge.

Another thank you to Katrina for handling the Tracking test this year. This year became a challenge when tracklayers came down with the flu. Thanks to Sarah for quick work in obtaining help from the tracking community.

The Board was excited to use PayPal as a means for renewing membership. It ended up being more complicated than initially thought. Thank you to Darlene, Janet and Mandy for getting this functional.

Thank you to Molly and Sarah for putting together the grooming seminar.

SECRETARY'S REPORT-none

TREASURER'S REPORT-none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- 1) **Membership:** Is being rolled into the Treasurer's position and that is a new effort on the Treasurer's part so be patient. It does eliminate checks being sent to one person and then another as well as information being lost in transit...hopefully. Dues were due on March 1st but because of the new process we will wait until the end of March to generate a member roster. Mary Masten has agreed to send a "welcome e mail" to new members. Thank you Mary.
- 2) **Performance:**
 - a) **Tracking**—Report from Katrina Jackson, tracking test chair. At the January 2015 tracking trial we offered 8 TD tracks and one alternate, 3 qualifiers. No PWDs entered. Event came in under budget .
 - b) **Agility** – Trial March 13-15, 2015, at Monroe Fairgrounds. Budget was submitted by Sarah Kahn and approved in January by email vote from Board. Looking for volunteers for club hospitality room and contributions worker raffle, as well as trial set-up on Thursday late afternoon or evening (time TBD.) Val Tangen is contact for raffle, Sarah Kahn general contact. There has been lower than expected entries this year. Sarah and the trial secretary obtained approval for an agility match to be held Saturday following the trial. Revenue from that match will go directly to

the event. Need to consider how to reduce expenditures for this year and in the future, and how to recalibrate the event budget to accommodate future reduced entries. Also discussed the need for earlier and more publicity, including “save the date” info at agility trials in Sept, Oct and November, and wider distribution of premium lists at area trials.

- c) **Dryland Training Workshop**—Dryland training/obedience workshop with Sue Ailsby to be held May 9-10, 2015. Budget is in progress, seminar details TBA. PNWPWDC members will get priority for entry, followed by the general public if space permits. Both Working and Auditor spots will be available, with approximately 12-15 working teams, which may be split by level. Sarah Kahn, contact. Location is Argus Ranch.
- d) **Water** – Report from Amanda Ford. No water workshop is planned for this year.

July trial: Deep Lake, July 18-19, 2015. There will be three days of trial this year, Friday July 17 to Sunday July 19. Friday will be a “mini-trial” day, with 2 AWD, 2 WWD, and 2 CWD runs, and will be judged by Amanda Ford. The remainder of Friday afternoon will consist of practice sessions for trial workers. Saturday and Sunday will be regular full trial days and will be judged by Sarah Kahn. Val Tangen will chair, Amanda Ford will secretary the trial assisted by Pam Coffeen, chief steward is Julie Hicks, Equipment chair is Gary Masten. Need hospitality volunteer.

September trial: Flowing Lake, September 12-13, 2015. Judge Frank Cardillino confirmed. Trial Chair is Suzanne Malick, Trial Secretary is Pam Coffeen. Need chief steward and equipment chair, as well as hospitality volunteers.

- 3) **Regional Specialty** will be held August 22, 2015, in conjunction with the Sammamish kennel Club show, at the new show location in Snohomish, WA. Kristle Marangon is contact. Brandon offered to do hospitality for the specialty.
- 4) **Grooming Seminar** with Liz Volz was held Feb 28, March 1-2, 2015. Organized by Molly Speckhardt and Sarah Kahn. First day was pet and show grooming, second day was private sessions for individual coaching, and the third day was conformation handling. Location was Argus Ranch.

OLD BUSINESS

Policy and Procedures document needs updating and as soon as we have that completed it will be placed on the WEB page. Thank you Cynthia Kongorski for providing the Word document.

Holiday party—Set for December 6, 2015 at Academy of Canine Behavior. Brandon offered to organize the event.

NEW BUSINESS

Newsletter: Brandon brought up need for a quarterly newsletter to highlight our events for members. He volunteered to produce the first one for next quarter. Will look into use of Mail Chimp for production and distribution. Judy will request that Darlene send a current member email list to Brandon to use for distribution.

ADJOURN at 4:50, submitted by Amanda Ford, PNWPWDC Secretary.