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PRESIDENT'S RAMBLINGS

The picnic has come and gone. To our surprise the area where we usually hold our picnic was taken by a large group who must have reserved it for their event. Fortunately Jan saw that the area on the field where we usually set up our Hospitality for the Show, was unoccupied and even had picnic tables. Our next job was to catch the members as they drove in and direct them to the new spot. We must put this in the directions for next year if we find we can't have the usual site.

The next big event is of course the August Show. All of you have been contacted to see if you will steward on Sunday. Head Steward this year is Sandee Isaacson. Any questions should be directed to her. slifox@frontier.com. Anyone that doesn't have an assigned task and wants to help, contact Jan Leikam, waynejan1@frontier.com. I'm sure she will find a place for you.

September will be a busy meeting. We still have the Standing Rules hanging over our head. Please go back and read the latest version Geri sent out June 21 so you are prepared to either accept it or still have some problems with the wording to correct. September also we select the nominating committee for next year's officers and Board.

Be sure and read Bo's report on page 3. He will be talking about the amendments that the Delegates vote on at the Sept meeting. Among those are the new Rules for Dog Shows which add the Res. BIS award. Your comments back to him will be welcome.

Rusty



Sammamish Kennel Club July Picnic
Marymoor Park, Redmond, WA
July 13th, 2011



President, Rusty Kingery called the meeting to order at 7:20pm. In attendance: Dave, Julia & Malynn Johns, Dee Carlson, Sandee Isaacson, Nancy Warfield, Jackie & Paul Blumenstetter, Dave & Rusty Kingery, Michelle Brown, Jan Leikam and guests Taylor & Jordyn Brown.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed in the Barker.

President's report: Rusty reported there will no longer be a paper printed AKC Gazette. It will be available on the website. There will be a new award and title for therapy dogs that they can hang at the end of their name. This is not an AKC award. It will be a therapy award that will cost money. Application forms for this award are available on the website. An AKC delegate asked at the AKC meeting since they are conducting business online if our clubs can do the same. AKC doesn't mind but it depends on what the state law is concerning it. Patty Anderson will be asked to find out more information if we can do that. The AKC will also be voting on the Reserve Best In Show title on September 13th, 2011.

Treasurer's report: none. Patty Anderson was out of the town.

Secretary's report: Michelle brought a copy of the grounds map that Randy Brown printed for the August show. Any other future changes will be discussed on the Wednesday before the show when the grounds are staked out.

Committee reports:

August show: there was nothing reported.

Standing Rules: Rusty requested that the members read the current revisions for the Standing Rules for approval hopefully in September.

Nominating Committee: to be determined in September.

New Business: Sandee Isaacson's computer cannot accept PDF documents so she asked for them not to be sent in this format.

Next Meeting: September 14th, 2011.

Motion granted to adjourn the meeting at 7:36pm.

Respectfully,

Michelle Brown, Secretary



AKC Delegate Musings, Summer 2011

It seemed a good time to note a few developments within the AKC which will have some impact on the Sammamish Kennel Club. The biggest new/old topic is the question of Group Realignment. The compelling argument to once again consider this again is that within 3 years or so the breeds composing each group will have the following numbers:

<i>Sporting</i>	39	<i>Hounds</i>	41
<i>Working</i>	42	<i>Terrier</i>	31
<i>Toy</i>	25	<i>Non Sporting</i>	23
<i>Herding</i>	38		

This will make for some obvious problems: unwieldy, times-taking, many non-placing breed winners. Add to this the financial difficulties within the AKC, and one option is to once again increase the number of groups. Financially, this MIGHT increase the number of entries/exhibitors (More rosettes=more happy exhibitors), happier photographers, happier handlers, perhaps bigger shows. (One has only to note the tremendous success of the Grand Championship program). How would this shake out? Current discussion on the AKC Group Realignment Committee has been spirited. I sit on this Committee, appointed by Tom Davies and Karen Burgess, as the representative of the Northern/Spitz working dogs. Bruce Voran, of the Boxer Club of America is my counterpart here. There is a thought to increase to 11 groups: Hounds to be bifurcated as suggested before to Scent and Sight, Sporting into perhaps Flushing types and pointers, and working into three:

Working utility (17) Dobermans, PWD, Kom, Kuv, Newf, St BEr, etc 2 . Working Spitz (21) Mal, Siberian, Sammy, Akita; but also Nor Elk, Valhund, Laphund, Finnish Spitz, etc 3. Working Molossian(19) (Think Mastiff like dogs) Gr Dane, Boxer Cane Corso, all mastiff types, etc

I would be pleased to discuss this at a general meeting, and bring some handouts. Also, I am prepared to discuss some ramifications. Many of the instinctive reactions and worries are misplaced. So is this an idea whose time has come? Logistically, it would be the House of Delegates which decides on the increase in the number of groups, BUT the AKC Board will decide the placement of breeds.

So, some of you may have heard of the possibility of awarding Group Placements 5 and 6. This is now tabled pending resolution of realignment issue. But what is almost certain to come to us in the very near future is Reserve Best In Show, selected from among the 6 remaining dogs at the end of the day. This again funnels into the idea of more options and possibilities for exhibitors, and more excitement about the show for some. Me: I'm not so sure. This does take place in Canada from time to time. Think about it.

The 4-6 month Puppy Competition is taking off. Points are not awarded. I would encourage all of you, if time allows , to come see a match on Saturday August 27, at our Show Site. The Mount Rainier Working Dog Club is hosting one of these events during the lunch hour (noon-1PM), in one of our designated rings. I guarantee you will be humored beyond belief, and melted by the cuteness.

More later,

Bo Gloster



AUGUST 24 WED, THURS 25, FRI 26, SAT 27 , SUN 28TH

SAMMAMISH KENNEL CLUB SHOW WEEKEND

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

From Jan the Show Chairman.

Wed afternoon about 4:30 PM Dee, Randy Brown, Rusty and I meet at the show site at Marymoor park to stake out the locations of Rings, Canopies, etc. This takes about 2 hours.

Thursday morning about 9am we all meet at the show site along with the workers from the Lynnwood High Band and begin setup. BaRay usually shows up about then and Abbey actually comes earlier along with the golf carts.

I'm there about 7:30AM to make sure this is all under control. The Sammamish trailers with the equipment get there on Wed night so we have everything at hand. This setup will take all day and I do provide pizza for all the workers for lunch. We usually are finished about 6:30PM including all the signage & fire land marking.

Also on Thursday the parking crew mark out the parking spaces and get the incoming over-nighters parked. Stan and Barbara Etienne arrive along with Brian Kingery and Marc Saunders to accomplish all this.

Friday morning Randy Brown will arrive at 7AM along with the crew from the Band to make sure all is set and clean and no problems. The specialties will usually begin about 9AM and go until 5 or so.

Saturday is also a specialty day and Saturday evening is the Sammamish kennel Club judges dinner at the host hotel, the Marriott at Redmond Town Center. This is usually over by 9PM

And of course Sunday is our big day!

From Rusty, Specialty Club Coordinator:

Friday and Saturday are Specialty Club Days.

This year we have The All Terrier Club of West. Wash., Mt. Rainier Working Dog Club, Puget Sound Borzoi Club, Western Wash. Weimaraner Club, Inc, Boston Terrier Club of West. Wash. Irish Setter Club of Seattle, Inc., holding their Specialties on both Friday and Saturday. The Cascade Saluki Club, Puget Sound Dalmatian Club, Puget Sound Poodle Club and Puget Sound Toy Fox Terrier Club doing their Specialties with us on Saturday.

Thirteen of the Clubs [the higher number comes from some of the Clubs that are inside the Group Clubs] involved are Supporting their entry on Sunday.

Western Wash. Hound Assn, puts on the Agility Trial in conjunction with our Show each year. The Agility Grounds are on Soccer Fields 7,8, and 9. They set up early on Friday AM and their Trials start at noon. The Trials run Friday, Saturday and Sunday. If you have never watched a Trial and have time you should go over to the fields and watch. They are a very enthusiastic crowd.





Member Brags



NEW CHAMPION AND OBED TITLE [Zoom]



NEW CHAMPION [Riley]



Ch Snowflower Racing The Wind CDX, RN, TT, HIC

He finished his Championship at Bell Vernon KC
The Obedience title [CDX] was from the Open Class
He started in Obedience in January and has already won 2 titles.!

INT & AM Ch Azuma QR Turnpike Cruiser

Judge Donna Buxton , handled by Tammy Wilcox
for a 3 pt Maj.
Flash: Riley finished at Mt Vernon in July
Owners: Sandee Isaacson and Julie Hamasaki

Judge's Dinner

Don't forget the Judge's dinner is Saturday night August 27th

At the Marriott Redmond Town Center [host hotel]

Please get you reservations into DEE CARLSON

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"Success comes in cans; failure in can'ts"

Morris Mandel



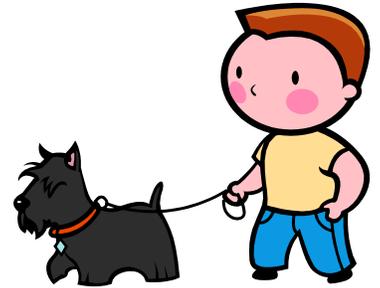
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IT'S SHOW TIME!!!



**FRIDAY, 26TH SATURDAY, 27TH
SPECIALTY CLUB DAYS & AGILITY
SUNDAY 28TH ALL BREED /OBEDIENCE
SAMMAMISH KENNEL CLUB
MARYMOOR PARK,**