

**Truckee Meadows Dog Training Club  
February 6 2017 General Meeting**

**Officers Present:** Cindy Smullen, Ronda Olk, Bill Long, Sharon Walls and Cathie Rossman

**Board Members Present:** Jill Meagher, Joe Chinnici, Gail Lansdon and Al Lansdon

**Absent:**

**Guests:** Wende Call, Sheri Harrell and Kim Crowther

**7:03pm Meeting Called to Order**

**Roll Call**

**Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting:** Ronda reported that she forwarded the meeting minutes from the January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017 General Meeting to Cathie Rossman to forward to the membership on January 7th 2017. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Roberta Ramsey, Bill Long seconded the motion, motion carried.

**President's Message:** Cindy Smullen welcomed everyone to the meeting and spoke about having guest speakers for future meetings. We will not have one for March as we have the awards dinner, in April Bill Long has secured Dr. Lowe to come and speak about dog health care including acupuncture. In May, we will try to get the Rattlesnake avoidance folks to come and speak, as the testing, sponsored by the German Shorthair Pointer club, will begin in Spring.

**Report of Secretaries (Correspondence):** Cathie Rossman reported that she received a couple of last minute membership applications. She also mentioned that she received a third notice from our landlord about parking. We are only to park on the opposite side of the building by the grass at all times. She will send an email blast to the membership about the parking and Roberta will ask all of the instructors to remind their students about where to park. Gail L will make a sign for the front door telling people where they should park.

**Report of Treasurer:** Sharon reported on the financials and had copies of the information for the membership. She had 2017 dog show calendars for sale for \$10 each.

**Report of Training Directors:** Roberta advised that classes are going well and that our second session of classes is up on the website. We will have a new conformation class beginning on March 15<sup>th</sup>, Wednesdays at 7:30pm, also another carting class will be held next session.

**Reports of Committees:**

**Webmaster:** Al Lansdon reported that he would like to have everyone take a look at the new website format, you can reach the sample website at [tmdog.club](http://tmdog.club). Please email him with any suggestions or feedback, on the sample site you can register for a class (remember this is just a sample site, it will not

really register you), but please do not use the credit card functionality. The real site will go live in a few days and can be reached at the current web address [tmdtc.org](http://tmdtc.org).

**Marketing:** Gail Lansdon reported that she is working on ART Paws, we will bring 10-20 of our white chairs and we will have the same booth location as last year. We will be setting up a practice ring for demos. We will also bring tables, approximately 8 tables, we need to keep 4 tables for us for our raffle baskets as it will be in July right before our trial. The event is July 16<sup>th</sup>.

**2017 Obedience/Rally Trial:** Joe has reported that everything is on track for our trial. The paperwork has been sent in to AKC, the dates for our event are July 20<sup>th</sup> for the match, July 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> for the trial. Ladonna is working on the premium list and she has secured all of the judges. Joe is still working on the food situation, possibly food trucks.

**2017 Agility Trial:** We are on the AKC calendar and the event will be held October 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. Cathie spoke with a trial secretary from California and she advised that we need to find someone other than her to be our trial secretary, mainly due to cost and location. Cathie will speak to Melissa Hardy for help with the trial secretary possibly. Cathie has secured Fuji Park in Carson City for our event. Wende Call has been helping Cathie with the trial details. We will set up a stewarding class before the event. Thora offered her agility equipment which is brand new for our trial. Thanks Thora!!!

**Awards Dinner:** Cathie Rossman reported that the dangles process is going well, she is also working on the versatility award, we will be doing a certificate for versatility along with recognition this year. The event will be held on March 5<sup>th</sup> at 3pm and the theme is St. Patrick's Day. Come and get your picture taken with your dog by a professional photographer and enjoy the pot luck, even if you have not earned an award! Reminder, we are only paying for AKC dangles and only the first two dangles per person, per year.

**By-Laws Committee:** Cathie reported that she sent an electronic copy of the bylaws to the committee. The committee will be getting together by email, she will bring more info to the board for consideration at the next board meeting. Cathie has a list of items in the bylaws that members would like to be changed. The committee members are: Gail Contreras, Cathy Green, Elisabeth and Cathie Rossman.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

#### **CGC, CGCA, Therapy and CGCU Testing:**

CGC, CGCA & Therapy Dog testing will be held on February 26<sup>th</sup> at 9am with CGC testing first, then at 10am CGCA and then finally at 11am Therapy dog testing. If you are interested in CGCU (Urban) please contact Bill Long for testing info.

**Farm Dog:** Farm Dog testing will be on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, in combination with our annual picnic. We have 4 different judges that will be participating, if you qualify twice in one day, you can qualify for the title. The picnic portion of the day will be free for members, \$5 for non-members to cover the picnic costs. Herding instinct testing will be done and for the kids, a petting zoo! Bill has received approval from AKC, so we are set to go!

**New Business:**

**Election of New Members:**

**First Reading:**

Sheri Harrell, she has a mini American Shepherd and a Border/Queensland, she lives in Reno

Kim Crowther lives in Sparks and has a Belgian Tervuren

**Second Reading:**

Wende Call, lives in Gardnerville, she is new to the area and has Dobermans and Australian Shepherds.  
Welcome to the club Wende!!

**Temperament Test:** The Rottweiler club wants to have a Temperament Test on May 19<sup>th</sup> and said they would split the profits from the test with us if we could help them, but they have not submitted the paperwork yet, so it is still up in the air, as you must send in the request 120 days before the event. Joe will follow up with the Rottweiler club, the event will be held at Fuji park in Carson City. Joe is the Obedience/Rally chairperson and he will need stewards for the Rottweiler Nationals on May 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, that is a Tuesday and Wednesday.

**Adjournment at 8:22pm**

**Motion:** Gail Contreras motioned to adjourn

**Second:** Joe Chinnici seconded

**Motion carried**

**Respectfully submitted by Ronda Olk, Recording Secretary**