

**Truckee Meadows Dog Training Club
January 2 2017 General Meeting**

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

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

Absent: Gail Lansdon

Guests: Liz Carter

7:03pm Meeting Called to Order

Guest Speaker: Liz Carter was our guest speaker, she is a nose work and barn hunt instructor, she is also a judge for these sports. She will be teaching several classes here at TMDTC:

Monday Classes

01/09, 01/16, 01/23, 01/30

6:00 PM Introduction to Scent Work

7:15 PM Dog Sport Foundations I

Weekend Workshops

01/08 9 AM to 11 AM - Introduction to Scent Sports

01/22 9 AM to 11 AM - Introduction to Flyball

02/05 9 AM to 11 AM - Odor Recognition Test Preparation

Class registration is online at revolutiondogsports.com. Classes held at TMDTC may be eligible for either a \$10 or \$5 discount. Members must use the code TMDTC10 for \$10 off or TMDTC5 for \$5 off at checkout. The discount is noted in the class description.

The dog sport foundation class teaches impulse control, engagement, strengthening recall and stay. All of the classes focus on fun and energetic exercises. Liz reported that there will be a large barn hunt event at the Reno Livestock Events Center in March, if you are interested in watching or competing!

Roll Call

Reading of Minutes of Last Meeting: Ronda reported that she forwarded the meeting minutes from the December 4th 2016 General Meeting/Holiday Party to Cathie Rossman to forward to the membership on December 24th 2016. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Joe Chinnici, Bill Long seconded the motion, motion carried.

President's Message: Cindy Smullen reported that we are doing a bit better financially than we thought we would be. She thanked everyone for their participation and for a job well done by leadership.

Report of Secretaries (Correspondence): Cathie Rossman sent the new club officer information list to AKC, she met with Roberta the previous correspondence secretary to ensure a smooth transition. She has also

updated the new scheduling book for 2017 and will bring it to the club in the next few days. We received a nice thank you from Candy Roper from the Bonanza KC for our help at their trial.

Report of Treasurer: Sharon reported on the financials and had copies of the information for the membership. The bottom line is that we are in the black by over \$6000. She had dog show calendars for sale for \$10 each.

Report of Training Directors: Roberta advised that class sign-ups are going well for our upcoming sessions. She needs to fill the rest of the class slots with instructors for the Saturday conformation classes. She passed out the sign-up sheet for that. She is posting the classes to be held in the future, as folks have been asking for it. Bill mentioned Liz Carter's class does pay us rent, so it is a benefit to the club, so if you have interest in the classes, please sign up!

Reports of Committees:

Webmaster: Al Lansdon reported that he would like to have everyone send him any changes or ideas regarding the website. He is also in the process of reorganizing the web page look and feel.

Marketing: Gail Lansdon was absent, however, Jill Meagher reported that the rules and procedures are still being worked on and should be completed by end of February.

2017 Obedience/Rally Trial: The paperwork has been sent in to AKC, the dates for our event are July 20th for the match, July 21st – 23rd for the trial. Ladonna is working on the premium list.

2017 Agility Trial: We are on the AKC calendar and the event will be held October 13th – 15th. We are still working on getting Fuji park as the location. Gail Contreras will ask a friend if they will reserve the park, it would be less costly.

Awards Dinner: Cathie Rossman is setting up a meeting of the committee in the next couple of weeks to start getting some details finalized. Cathie had some awards applications at the meeting and it is also on the website. The deadline is January 15th. Leave it in Cathie's folder at the club, if you like. Cathie will be working on the dangles process also. Reminder, we are only paying for AKC dangles and only the first two dangles per person, per year.

By-Laws Committee: Cathie has set up a committee to review and revise the bylaws with both new and established members. 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 26th 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 testing will be on June 3rd, 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 kids, a petting zoo! Bill has sent the paperwork and fee into AKC, more to come!

New Business:

Election of New members:

First Reading:

Wende Call, lives in Gardnerville, she is new to the area and has a Doberman and an Australian Shepard

Second Reading:

Kris Franklin & Rob Nemeth of Reno were voted in as new members. They have a female Golden Retriever puppy named Tazzie. Welcome to the club!!

Adjournment at 7:58pm

Motion: Gail Contreras motioned to adjourn

Second: Kelly Roche seconded

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted by Ronda Olk, Recording Secretary