

Tennessee Valley Kennel Club

General Meeting – Tuesday, February 18,2020

The meeting was held upstairs at the Emergency Clinic. The program was by Dr. Kristi Lively from Village Vet. She discussed the damage that heartworms can do and how to prevent them. At 7:50, President Walter Sommerfelt called the meeting to order. There were 16 members present and 4 guests. The guest were; Diane Dortmund, Maggie Buzzard, Kandyce Harber and Maria D'Elio.

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes as published passed unopposed. (RV/CS)

President's Remarks: Wally thanked Susie Stout on another successful agility trial, Congrats to Keith Bailey on having the #1 Terrier for 2019 and 2nd in the terrier group at Westminster. Asked if anyone else would like to share their Westminster success. Congrats to Richella Veatech for her success at Westminster. The President also reported we have a total of 78 members: 10 Life Members, 4 Honorary Members and since 2010 we have had 54 people join the club. Planning on expanding our show committee looking for people that wish to become more involved.

Treasurer's Report: Jean Dinkins submitted her report for February 2020 Agility Trial as well as her report for the January monthly report. Beginning balance \$27,782.81, receipts \$20,772.47, disbursements, \$5178.67 for an ending balance of \$43,376.61, which combined with our savings balance of \$38,417.20, gave the club a total balance of \$81,794.20.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded and passed unopposed. (SC/CS)

Corresponding Secretary: Erin was absent.

Report of AKC Delegate: Next Meeting is March 8 & 9th. Richella informed us of 4 upcoming issues to be voted on. 1. Show superintendent - general membership votes yes and is unopposed. 2. Removes requirement for injury for a dog to be disqualified. Motion to vote no, passed unopposed. (JD/MS) 3. Event Committee to give measurement tools to the Superintendent. Voted yes, unopposed. 4. Field Trials to remove addresses for Judges. Voted yes, unopposed.

AKC board openings, check AKC for people running for the board to learn about the candidates. Let Richella know who we want to vote into office.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Show Committee: Carol gave a brief report. Looking to expand the show committee and have more meetings. Show dates: 10/30,31 and Nov. 1st. We will be doing a Halloween Costume Contest and looking for a Sponsor for the contest.

Obedience Trial: Jan and Gwen Weaver were absent.

Fast Cat: Debby reported that she was given a name of another FASTCAT club that could hold our Oct/Nov trial. After reading over their contract which would have cost us more, we decided to stay with Lure Coursing Specialist.

Agility: Susie stated the trial was well attended and had a lot of help. Trials are planned for Nov.6,7,& 8th in Harriman, Nov. 21&22nd and Dec. 5&6th at the K9 Center. Motion made and passed unopposed.

Trophies: Lois was absent.

Ambassador Program: Debby reported was still waiting on approval to send letter to 4H clubs and other organization. Discussion ensured to remove the performance section of the letter until we can make sure we have mentors for the performance side. Also she voiced a concern about taking her dogs to an elementary school or any organization with small children. Shane and Richella volunteered to help with their dogs. Also Susie Stout mentioned they had a large 4H club that help with the agility trial. Will reach out to her to put us in touch with her 4H contact.

Conformation Classes: Debby reported as Jan was absent. Puppy classes start Monday , February 24th. Conformation classes have been steady with around 10 dogs.

Programs: Susan stated next months meeting will be a fun night. Club decided to have members bring snacks to share. Picnic is May 19th, place to be determined. Also this is our awards banquets. Form to request an award for your dog's AKC accomplishments for 2019 are on the TVKC website. Deadline is April 1st.

Community Events: Gregg was absent.

Reading of New Members: Maggie Buzzard, 2nd reading , Maria D'Elío 1st reading.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn the meeting (JD/MC)

Meeting adjourn

Respectfully submitted:

Debby Hodges