



UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER MEETING-
9/11/2007



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SEPTEMBER MEETING

Raw Diet

Jacque Jordan from bone affied nutrition

September 11, 2007

6:45-Social

7:15-9:30 meeting and program

Central Market
Plano

Northeast Corner of 190 (George Bush)
and Coit Road

NOMINATING COMMITTEE-2008 Board

If you are interested in being on the nominating committee for the 2008 board or are interested in serving on the board, contact Mark Word, chair, or Molly Chapman.

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All contributions of articles, pictures etc. are welcome

BRAGS

OBEDIENCE

Bossier City - LA - July 7 & 8

Utility A - 197 - 1st Place!

Utility A - 196 1/2 - 1st Place!

Sunplash Ute Start Your Engin ("Zing" - Sally & Bruce Sherman)

Tyler Obedience Club Trial 7/28

RA leg

Ch Manor's Galahad RN,CD
(Ingram) **TITLE!!**

Longview K.C. 7/29

RE leg

Ch Manor's Galahad RA,CD
(Ingram)

United River City K.C. 8/4

U-CD 2 legs 2nd and 4th

Ch Manor's Galahad RA,CD
(Ingram)

U-UD leg-2nd

Open B-2nd

U-CDX Aerojett's Speaker of Tales UDX RE SH
NA OAJ WCX (Frick) **TITLE!!**

United River City K.C. 8/5

U-CD 2 legs 2nd

Ch Manor's Galahad RA,CD
(Ingram) **TITLE!!!**

U-UD-1st, Open B-3rd— High Combined.

Open B-2nd

U-UD Aerojett's Speaker of Tales UDX RE SH
NA OAJ WCX (Frick)

CONFORMATION

The Denton Kennel Club Inc. May 12th

puppy dogs 6-9 months—1st

Glengowan's Light My Fire "Jack" (Stephanie
and Paul Longinotti)

The Denton Kennel Club Inc. May 13th

puppy dogs 6-9 months-2nd

Glengowan's Light My Fire "Jack" (Stephanie 2
and Paul Longinotti)

Naugatuck Valley KC, 7-4-07

RWD (12-18 mo.) -

Tempo's G'Day Sunshine At Razzle
(Meddaugh, Brown)

Farmington Valley KC, 7-7-07

WD, BOW (12-18 mo.)

Tempo's G'Day Sunshine At Razzle
(Meddaugh, Brown)

Greater Collin KC, 7-7-07

3rd Open Dogs-

Tempo's Texas State Of Mind (Wadsworth,
Brown)

3rd Open Bitches

Tempo's Texas To A "T" (Bowen, Brown)

Texas Kennel Club, 7-8-07

2nd Open - Tempo's Texas To A "T" (Bowen,
Brown)

RWD-major reserve

For Tempo's Strike Up the Band (Chapman,
Brown)

Austin KC, 7-15-07

WD, BW

For Tempo's Strike Up the Band (Chapman,
Brown)

Bexar County KC on July 14th

Winners Dog

Manor's Galahad, RN CD (Ingram) **CH TI-
TLE!!!**

NTAPBC UKC July 14th

Best of Breed and Group 4

UCH,HR, UCDX Trinity River of Dreams SH,
CDX,WCX, ASCA CD,RE, NA ,NAJ,NJP,
NAP, OA,VCX,pointed (Ingram)

Greater Houston GRC 7/19/07

Best in Sweepstakes

Regatta's Magnificent Obsession (Cavness/
Gulledge/Crowley)

4th Open

Tempo's Texas State Of Mind (Wadsworth,
Brown)

Reliant Part World Series of Dog Shows-

Houston, Texas Friday, July 20-

1st place Puppies 9-12 months,
Glengowan's Light My Fire "Jack"- (Stephanie
and Paul Longinotti)

3rd Open

Tempo's Texas State of Mind (Wadsworth,
Brown)

WB, BOW from Open

Tempo's Texas To A "T" (Bowen, Brown) 4
point major

Sat. July 21-

1st place Puppies 9-12 mon. Best Puppy in
Breed, Best Puppy in Sporting Group
Glengowan's Light My Fire "Jack"- (Stephanie
and Paul Longinotti)

Sunday, July 22-

2nd place Puppies 9-12 mon
Glengowan's Light My Fire "Jack"- (Stephanie
and Paul Longinotti)

Longview KC, 7-28-07

WD

Tempo's Strike Up the Band,
(Chapman and Brown)

Longview KC, 7-29-07

WD, BW

Tempo's Strike Up the Band,
(Chapman and Brown

August 4, 2007 - Bismarck (ND) KC

- 1st, OB - WB/OS

Glengowan's Ash Grove (Caldwell)

OTHER

Mashala Horton won First runner up at the
JAC Junior Showmanship Scholarship compe-
tition yesterday. This prize was a \$1000 schol-
arship. The event is held annually by Onofrio
and OKCKC. I believe there were 72 kids
competing.

AGILITY

San Antonio - July 12-15

2 MX legs!!! 37 MACH points

Sunplash Ute Start Your Engin ("Zing") - Sally &
Bruce Sherman)



STACY AND KELLOGG IN WALKATHON

Stacy Blair and his guide dog, Kellogg, will be
walking in the annual Walkathon for the Guiding Eyes
For the Blind October 7, 2007. Funds raised will
be used for the residential training program as well as
home training and a special needs program. Donations
may be made to Guiding Eyes for the Blind, 611 Gran-
ite Springs Rd., Yorktown Heights, NY 10598. Dona-
tions are tax deductible.

NEW THERAPY DOGS

Remuda's Luck of the Draw, CDX,MX,MXJ,AXP,
AJP

Remuda's One More Last Chance, AX,AXJ,AXP,AJP

Both these dogs , owned by Kathy Felix ,passed the
Therapy Dog International evaluation on 8/11/07 and
can now work as therapy dogs..

What Computer Language Really means to Dogs!

by Jo Unbehau

START - the line you cross to begin your agility run.

Hard Drive - travelling to a show over 300 miles away.

Floppy Disk - a soft Frisbee.

RAM - running at full speed through the doggie door.

Laptop - best place to sit.

Chip - munchies that fall to the floor.

Microchip - tiny pieces of the above.

BYTE - what to do with your food, not your owner.

Monitor - as in watching the yard for squirrels.

Windows - what to look out while 'monitoring' the yard for intruders.

Screen - what not to push out of the window when you see the intruders.

Screensaver - the metal bars at the bottom of your screen door.

Megahertz - a painful agility injury.

Enter - a word used to explain going 'into' the chute and tunnel.

Random Access Memory - condition applying to some dogs while running an agility course.

Software - the sweater mom puts on you when it's cold outside.

Hardware - leash/collars, etc.

On Line - on a flexi- lead.

Anti Virus Program - flea protection pill.

Joystick - dog rawhide chewies.

Crash - bumping into your flyball team while running back.

Providers - your 'people.'

CPU - Chute, Push, Under.

Hang up - twisted in the chute fabric.

BITS - as in Kibbles.

www - weave, weave, weave!

Spreadsheets - act of wiggling between the bed covers.

Pixels - those silly little Papillons.

Powerpoint - what handlers do when they point to the contact zones.

Refresh - resting in the crate with a fan blowing on you.

Super VGA - super-very good agility.

Prompt - to be quick going over the A-Frame.

Mouse - the squeaky thing the cat drags in.

"Search For" - as in looking for the treat at the end of the teeter and dog walk.

Warm Boot - what you wish you had on at the January show.

Cold Boot - what you wish you had on at the August show.

Website - a home for spiders under the apex of the A-Frame.

Excel - short for "Excellent" in AKC agility.

Bounce Back - the act of grabbing the ball from the flyball box and making a quick turn.

Printer - as in leaving decorative paw prints on the kitchen floor on a muddy day.

Main Frame - the A-Frame.

Interface - the 'stare down' with the grumpy dog next door.

Cookie - the treats you sneak out of the dog bag when your owner isn't looking.

File - the rough instruments used for shortening your nails.

Upload - dinner time.

Download - potty break.

DVD - dog Vet diagnosis.

Scanner - the part of a dog's eye that can detect falling food.

Liver Biscuits

1lb. liver

1 1/2 cup flour (whole wheat or white)

1 cup cornmeal

1 egg

1tbsp. brewer's yeast (optional)

Throw everything in blender (liver first). Blend well. Pour onto flat cookie sheet or pizza pan (grease or sprayed). Bake 325' for 25 minutes. Shut off oven and allow to cool in oven to obtain crisp biscuits, for softer biscuits remove sooner and store in refridgerated. In humid climates or if the biscuits are not dried throughly they definately should be refridgerated. If biscuits are not really crisp, they can be put back into a 225' oven for a few min. and cool in oven.

Hint: It's easier to break up the biscuits if you score them before baking.

LETTER TO ALL GOLDEN JUDGES REGARDING COAT

The Education Committees of the GRCA, which include the Judges', Field, Public, Breeders' and Members' Education sub-committees, want the membership and Golden Retriever fancy to be made aware of the position of the GRCA on the importance of coat to breed type and the problem with some current grooming practices. The following letter has been sent to the AKC Judges' Newsletter for publication and we will be using it in educational packages for various seminars. It has also been posted to the GRCA web site. The letter has also been sent to the Golden Retriever Judges' Forum for discussion and judges have been responding positively to the letter. We would also encourage the distribution of this letter to handlers and exhibitors that may not be members of GRCA. The Golden Retriever should be a natural breed, "primarily a hunting dog", with a dense, water-resistant, double coat, presented in the ring in such a manner that it may be properly assessed by judges.

To All Judges of Golden Retrievers

The Golden Retriever standard, in its opening paragraph, clearly points out that the Golden Retriever is "primarily a hunting dog." While we have grown accustomed to seeing the Golden in the show ring, it is vitally important not to lose sight of the breed's heritage and the Golden's ability to perform its intended function as a retriever of both waterfowl and upland game.

The AKC breed standard states:

Coat -- Dense and water repellent with good undercoat. Outer coat firm and resilient, neither coarse nor silky, lying close to body; may be straight or wavy. Untrimmed natural ruff; moderate feathering on back of forelegs and on under-body; heavier feathering on front of neck, back of thighs and underside of tail.

Coat on head, paws and front of legs is short and even. Excessive length, open coats and limp, soft coats are very undesirable. Feet may be trimmed and stray hairs neatened, but the natural appearance of coat or outline should not be altered by cutting or clipping.

As a hunting dog, the Golden's coat serves the specific function of protecting the dog both on land and in the water. He should be shown as the standard dictates, with a natural coat, not excessively sculpted or barbered. The correct, firm, resilient texture of the coat is extremely important and judges must be able to assess the coat to see if it is correct for the breed. The Golden's body coat should wrap the body and show no signs of clipping or barbering. The breed standard calls for a double coat. The outer coat protects against the elements and the debris that dogs encounter in the field. The undercoat insulates, keeping the dog warm in cold weather and when swimming. The total effect of the coat is to create a water-proof jacket, protecting the body much as a duck's

feathers protect the duck's body. A soft, silky or cottony coat or a coat that stands away from the body, while it might look attractive in the show ring, is not desirable as it would interfere with the function of the breed. The correct coat may be straight or wavy but it may not be open or groomed to stand away from the body.

The Golden is a natural dog, and excessive grooming or sculpting is undesirable and as unacceptable as a poorly groomed or un-groomed exhibit. Unfortunately, this kind of excessive fluffing and puffing of the coat, in an attempt to create a vision of correct structure, has become increasingly commonplace and is being unduly rewarded by some judges. While it might look pretty, this type of fluffed up, open and overly neatened coat is to be considered faulty under our breed standard and should not be rewarded.

Many exhibitors and handlers of Golden Retrievers attempt to groom in correct structure instead of breeding for it. Legs are moussed to create the illusion of more bone; poor toplines are improved with products that hold the coat in place after the hair has been back-blown and teased. Angulation is improved with creative scissoring to create the illusion of more bend of stifle or better layback. Feet and nails are excessively trimmed back to make the foot look smaller.

Despite AKC rules barring the addition of "foreign substances" to the coat or changing the dog by artificial means, a number of exhibitors seem to rely on such products to conceal faults. A brief check and comparison of the nose and the lips or eye rims can easily show if the black nose is representative of the dog's actual pigmentation or an enhanced version. Please remember that grooming will not truly improve the quality of the breeding stock judges are asked to assess in the ring.

Remember too, the standard states: "With the exception of graying or whitening of face or body due to age, any white marking, other than a few white hairs on the chest, should be penalized according to its extent." The coloring of the coat to conceal a natural result of aging is not necessary and judges should refrain from penalizing a gray face. Graying can occur as early as four to five years of age in this breed and the perception that judges will fault gray in the coat may be prompting the reaction of exhibitors to enhance their dog's coloring.

Do not be fooled into thinking a dog has correct structure and color based solely on its superficial appearance. With a coated breed, no judge should rely on his eyes alone to assess a dog. A good hands-on examination by the judge will quickly discover if the dog has correct rib spring, adequate forechest, a good layback and upper arm, correct bone and proper coat texture and undercoat, as well as other attributes.

Judges have a strong responsibility to carefully examine and evaluate dogs based on the entire breed standard, not on currently fashionable trends or grooming practices, which often take a correct coat and transform it into clearly incorrect coat. Correct coat and structure should be rewarded and incorrect coat and structure should be penalized. GRCA relies on judges to make their decisions according to the requirements of the Golden breed standard. If you are unable to assess the correct coat texture due to grooming practices, then the dog must be penalized accordingly. Correct coat is an essential element of correct Golden Retriever type and the function of this breed as a retriever.

Golden Retriever Club of America

FROM GLENDA BROWN, FIELD EDUCATION COMMITTEE

I am a member of the Field Education Committee of the GRCA. We are working hard to try and encourage all Golden owners to become involved with field work. We are stressing that we want to help you to keep the "Retriever" attached to "Golden".

If you haven't already seen it, the FEC has a web site on the GRCA site where we have articles, persons to contact for helpful information, and information about various Golden field events. We are involved in a variety of ongoing projects to further serve the Golden Community.

For the 2007 Nov/Dec issue of the GRN, we are doing an article on the Master National in 2006, and describing both the National Open and National Amateur together with a tribute to the four Goldens who qualified and ran the 2007 National Amateur and the nine Goldens that were Finalists in the 2006 MN. We wish to honor these Goldens and thank them and their handlers for being such wonderful ambassadors for our breed.

We are encouraging everyone to take out a field ad, of one sort or the other, in the Nov/Dec issue of the GRN. They don't have to be big ads. You can go together with a group of friends and do an ad about your dogs or one just congratulating the thirteen Goldens that we wish to honor. Submit photos of your Golden(s) leaping into water, bringing back birds, training, hunting----we want to make this the Golden Field Pride issue! Sylvia is excited as she says she loves to publish photos of dogs working in the field

Be creative---how about a photo of your training group with a slash through the Labs? If you have produced some pups that got field titles, let us know. If your dog doesn't have any titles but is the most fantastic hunting dog out there, brag about it and send us a photo with

all the ducks or pheasants or geese at his/her feet . You don't have to only do an ad re AKC events, any field events are great. Let's see you in camo sitting on a bucket with a shotgun safely pointed towards an incoming bird. All of you that wear white coats to compete, send us some of those photos. Photos of you all gathered around having a great time training----we welcome them all. If you have one of your dog looking disgusted because you just missed a bird while out duck hunting, that would be terrific! Just don't be remiss about putting in an ad.

Thank you for supporting our Breed and for honoring all the dogs which are making sure that Retriever is synonymous with Golden.

OBEDIENCE CHANGES

from AKC July Board Minutes

The Board approved several changes to the Obedience Regulations, effective January 1, 2009. They make three current Non-Regular Classes, optional Titling classes and create a new non-regular Wild Card Class. They also create regional events at which dogs may qualify for the National Obedience Championship (effective July 1, 2008). The complete changes are included with the minutes of this meeting.

The Board has also created a new Master Obedience title based on scores earned in OB and UB.

WC/WCX in Austin

October 13, 2007

You can enter through Entry Express. Search the Specialty category. You can also enter the day of the test as long as they have enough birds.

SWEEPSTAKES AT GRCA EVENTS.

The Board of Directors would like to remind everyone of the recent change in the Sweepstakes Guidelines which became effective in May, 2007. The mission of Sweepstakes is to provide a competition where breeders and owners can showcase their puppies and veterans. It was established to encourage owner/handlers to show their own dogs and to share the results of their breeding program, the potential of their young dogs and the longevity and structural soundness of their veterans with other breeders and exhibitors. Exhibiting and sharing are the primary reasons for Sweepstakes and good sportsmanship should be paramount. Because there are Golden breeders and owners who are also professional handlers, we did not limit their ability to show their own dogs. However, we have recently heard that some amateur owners have signed off on their dogs and re-registered the dog with a professional handler as the sole owner, simply so the dog can win a Sweepstakes class. While this action technically meets the letter of the Guidelines, it certainly does not meet the spirit of the Guidelines. Should the 2007 National Sweepstakes turn into a mockery of what is intended to be a fun event which carries no championship points, the Board will seriously consider alternatives for future years. One might be to not permit professional handlers to show their own dogs. Another might be not offering Sweepstakes at any future National or Regional Specialty. We are hopeful that what we are hearing is nothing more than ringside chatter and that all of us will honor the intent of Sweepstakes.



Multiple Dog Disorder - Diagnostic Criteria

Symptoms which must be present:

- 1- Poor self-control, usually unable to resist "just one more".
- 2- 100% occupancy of all kennel space at all times.
- 3- Dog food expense at least 4 times the grocery bill.

At least 4 of the following symptoms present (8 or more indicate chronic condition)

- 1- Minimum of 2 crates and 1 grooming table in the house.
- 2- Dog grooming equipment in 4 large storage tubs, personal grooming supplies in 1 overnite bag.
- 3- Clean kennels daily, clean house once a month.
- 4- Doing dishes means washing more than a dozen dog bowls.
- 5- Have a King sized bed but sleep clinging to the side to allow dogs enough room.
- 6- Yard securely fenced, landscaping is outside of fence.
- 7- Attend company BBQ to collect a large quantity of rib bones.
- 8- Isolated rural location.
- 9- Others ask "how many dogs do you have....now?"
- 10- Pooper Scooper Wrist (similar to tennis elbow)
- 11- Dry cleaner knows to look for plastic bags in pockets.
- 12- Used to show pictures of children, now whips out dog pictures without provocation.

Jan 21, 2007 –Club= At the Macaroni Grill in Grapevine

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm following the Annual Banquet .
There were 25 members present. Also one Applicant, Dianne Kominski, present for her third meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and, there being no amendments, accepted unanimously.

The President thanked the Hospitality Committee for arranging the splendid banquet. She also thanked the outgoing 2006 Board for their work and presented them all with a golden rose. The 2007 slate was introduced to the membership, and Carol Gilbert Proposed and Rita Robins seconded that they should be elected to office. The vote was unanimously in favour of their election. Dick Caldwell proposed that the membership give a vote of thanks to the 2006 board for their services; Sherri Farmer seconded the motion which was carried unanimously.

The outgoing recording secretary asked the membership to ensure, when signing the attendance sheet, that their name was legible and to include a printed version if they had an illegible signature.

There was no new correspondence.

The treasurer reported that there was a checking account balance of \$10,313 at the year end with all outstanding bills paid. There are anticipated expenses in the next few months leading up to and following the show.

The Bench Chair stressed the need for volunteers for the forthcoming shows and that there was an urgent need for a Hospitality Chair and committee. Molly Chapman volunteered to Chair the committee and Donna Gullede, Dianne Kominski, Judy Word, and the Gilberts offered to help in individual areas.

Trophy donations to be sent to Kathy Felix for next years shows, there are still one or two sponsors required.

There was to be a meeting with the Attorney regarding the Law Suit the following day.

The Membership Chair has received an application from Walter & Jaquie Sieveky who are involved with Therapy dogs. They have 2 Goldens who have Good Citizen awards and are interested in conformation and community awareness. Membership information has been sent.

The newsletter will contain a description of the various Committee Chair responsibilities for the coming year. Volunteers are requested in all areas.

The Statistics Chair presented new application forms for Trophies and Awards; These have been approved by the board for use in 2007 and onward and will be on the Website and in the News Letter.

The Hospitality Committee was thanked for its work in 2006.

The Byelaws Committee did not meet in 2006, because of legal advice regarding the Law Suit against the Club, but will meet in 2007.

There is a need to increase dues slightly – there having been no change for over 10 years. After some discussion, during which it was suggested that running a Hunt Test and an Agility event would raise funds, the membership voted by a majority to accept the proposed changes. Dues for 2007 were set at: Individual \$20, Family \$25, Junior \$15.

The president asked the membership to consider the proposal that there should be a moratorium on New Memberships until the Law Suit was resolved. The proposal will be put to the vote at a future meeting, after members have had time to consider it.

The membership was advised that the board had established that there was a difference between a Junior Member – who paid dues and went through a normal election process and a young family member, who had not been considered individually. There are several precedents for the election of family members who attain the age of 18. All have gone through normal membership election procedures.

Melissa Meyer having fulfilled the necessary requirements the membership was asked to vote on her application. After heated discussion the application was rejected there being 3 votes for, 17 against and 5 abstentions.

Dianne & Richard Kominski having fulfilled the necessary requirements the membership was asked to vote on their application. The application was accepted with no votes against and no abstentions. They were welcomed as members.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm., to be followed by the Annual Awards presentation.

Carol Gilbert
2006 Recording Secretary

April 5, 2007 Board At Mimi's Restaurant in Grapevine

The President called the meeting to order at 8:30 pm.

Present were, Lynda Williams, Molly Chapman, Kathy Felix, Lesley Pettengill and Linda Miller. Absent were: John Knapp and Donna Todd.

Molly reported that Litigation was ongoing concerning the Meyers Lawsuit. A possible November 2007 Court date may be set for the trial, but scheduling might push it well in to 2008.

Possible expenses: Mediator = \$1000.00 approx.

Deposition copy = \$350-\$400. per deposition

Discussed income/expenses outstanding from Specialty/Western.

Lesley was asked for her vote on accepting the Meyers ad in the 2007 Show Catalog, as she was away at Westminster at the time of the original vote. She voted no.

The idea to temporarily stop accepting new member applications was discussed as well as the idea of suspending the Puppy Referral Program while the litigation is under way. It was decided the Club needed to run these thoughts by the Attorney (Jack)

Molly asked the Board, How could we get members to help with any Future Specialty's. One of the suggestions was to operate as the Fort Worth Kennel Club does. They require all Members to help... and Members dogs are not allowed to be shown at their show.

It was suggested that a Chair Person needs to be selected by _____, 2007 OR we will not have a Specialty.

Lesley said she now has the "Wicket" packed with all the other Show Stuff at her home.

Molly mentioned that the 2005,2006 and 2007 Board Members should probably get together to be brought up to speed on the Lawsuit. May 3rd and May 17th were chosen as possible dates. Molly will email everyone when a decision is made.

Linda Miller offered to have the meeting at her home.

Lynda Williams said she would be sending Gift Certificates to the Ring Stewards and helpers to show the Clubs appreciation for their hard work at our show.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45pm

May 24, 2007 Club At the Home of Farmer/Todd

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 pm by Donna Todd.

Donna introduced us to a visitor, Stephanie Longinotti who lives in Rockwall, has a Dick Caldwell puppy and is interested in showing in the Breed ring.

David Brown brought up the subject of using Onofrio, the TCSA, a 3rd Party or even a Club member to handle the Show Secretary responsibilities.

Lesley has 1 application from Cindy Williams. Cindy is a member of GRCA

Sherri and Janet said the Proposed 2007 By Law changes will be posted in the next Newsletter and on the Website.

Judges for the 2008 Specialty were recommended and voted on.. David Brown will contact them for availability, etc.

OBEDIENCE

#1 Helen Smith

#2 Nancy Simmons

also Recommended: Laura Osborne

Recommended by Janet Frick and Rita Robins. Lynda motioned to approve, all agreed

CONFORMATION

#1 Kathy Lorentzen

#2 Judy Gooden

#3 Dana Massey

#4 Rhonda Hoven

also Recommended: Jeffrey Pepper, Kimberly Covana, Kiki Khahn, Donnie Sturtz, Marc Solelr, Gloria Kerr

SWEEPS

#1 Kathy Chase

#2 Vicki Abbot

#3 Lou Ann Williams

also Recommended: Dennis Latour, Sherri Staggers, Sally Cavn⁹ess, Debra Keen, Debbie Barry, Debbie Gower, Sherri Samuel Hurst.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15pm by Janet, David 2nd.

June 19th , 2007 =Club=At the Home of Mark & Judy Word

The meeting was called to order at 7pm by Molly Chapman.

This was the 2nd meeting for new applicant Stephanie Longinotti. A motion was made and seconded to accept her for membership. Her membership was approved by a unanimous vote of the members.

Rita informed us that the Statistics form that must be used by anyone applying for a Trophy or Plaque/Award is now available on line at the Club's Website.

Molly explains the Roberts Rules of Order and the decorum of the meeting.

At 7:20 the meeting was turned over to Judy Word and the By-Laws Committee. (Judy Word, Chairperson, Richard/Carol Gilbert, Susan Beckman, Nancy Crowley, Sherri Farmer, Janet Frick, Lesley Pettingill, and Rita Robins).

Donna Todd made a motion that the proposed changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules be accepted as presented. The motioned is 2nd by Anna Curry.

Debbie Allen motioned to exclude the issue of Puppy Referral from Donna Todd's motion. The motion was seconded. After a discussion, the vote was as follows:

*18 opposed leaving the Puppy Referral issue out
8 were for excluding Puppy Referral*

The original motion by Donna Todd was taken up to accept the rules as presented. The motion carried by more than a 2/3 vote of the membership present and voting. The Bylaw and Standing Rule changes are accepted by the membership.

Debbie Allen motioned to discuss the need for Puppy Referral and suggested patterning ours after the Houston Club. The motion was seconded. A discussion was held on the motion.

Sherri Farmer- Puppy referral is a huge liability for the club. We are restricted and burdened with bogus calls to make sure we are not saying the least thing out of line. The rules are restrictive and we very seldom have puppies to refer to anyway.

Judy Word - Says that the Houston Club program is not working well at all.

Laurie Burke- expressed her concern that there may be no outlet for the public to find breeders.

Linda Miller- It appears from the records that are available that only 2-3 people are using Puppy Referral to place puppies and they are the same persons.

Pete – Any recommendation over the phone is opening the Club up for a lawsuit.

Linda Miller – Why don't the individuals with puppies buy their own ad and include a notation in the Ad that they are a Member in good standing of the DFWMGC.

Roger Long – Requests that the Club provide a link from its Website to a Breeders Website.

David Brown – Suggested looking in to the Pacific Rim's Website for ideas. They have a disclaimer that the Visitor must agree to before receiving information.

Debbie Allen submitted an amendment to her motion. She suggested we have a list of Breeders (like Pacific Rim) with disclosures. Laurie 2nd.

Donna Todd recommends an amendment to the motion to do away with the Newspaper Ad they the Club buys. Judy 2nd. Sherry moved to sideline the issue, it was withdrawn.

Dick moved to postpone the original motion in order to send the Puppy Referral issue to the Board for discussion and also to seek legal advice. Motion 2nd by Anna Curry.

After discussion on the motion to postpone, the motion carried on a vote.

24 for; 6 opposed

Donna Todd motioned to adjourn. **Voted down, 17 opposed.**

Debbie Allen suggested that the recommendation be published in the Newsletter for the Membership.

Debbie and Laurie would like to know what will happen in the meantime.

Sherri – As of now Puppy Referral will be suspended. We will need to come up with new guidelines for the new Education Service.

Linda Miller motioned to adjourn the meeting.. It was 2nd and passed on a majority vote.

There eventually were 36 members and 1 Visitor in attendance for this meeting

May 3, 2007 -Board- At the home of Linda Miller

The President called the meeting to order at 7:55 pm.

Present were, Lynda Williams, Molly Chapman, Kathy Felix, Lesley Pettengill, Linda Miller, John Knapp, Donna Todd, Sherri Farmer, Rita Robins, Carol Gilbert, Judy Word, Nancy Crowley.

This meeting was specifically for any members of the 2005,2006 and 2007 Boards who could attend so that all could be brought up to speed on the pending Lawsuit.

Molly discussed an idea suggested by Kathy Felix of having some type of R.S.V.P. system for upcoming meetings in light of the confusion after the April Membership meeting was cancelled due to incoming bad weather. She also said that Richard Caldwell and Patty Branch (the future Mrs. Caldwell) have agreed to chair the 2009 Specialty. We still must find a chair for 2008. It is noted that we already have ribbons "out the ass"... ##@&*%?

Motion to sponsor the 2008 Specialty... Motion passed. 1 against (Lynda Williams) 6 for. Lesley suggested being involved in a Meet the Breed project. Linda Miller suggested getting involved with the Lone Star Classic in 2008.

If we have no Specialty in 2008 we would lose our spot with the Texas Kennel Club.

Linda Miller tried to get clarification as to when to deposit a Applicants check. Much discussion about this and the Rules concerning the situation was had.

It was decided that Marion Moore's original check would not be able to be deposited as she has not attended any meetings and the check is now to old and the Bank will not accept it.

John Knapp brought us up to speed concerning the meeting with Texas Combined Specialty Association that he attended on the DFWMGRC's behalf, 4/28/07.

Those minutes are attached.

The Board (DFWMGRC) recommended staying with TCSA. Motion made by Lesley, Donna 2nd, all in favor, no opposing.

Lesley motioned to go in to Executive Session at 8:55pm. Carol and Lynda 2nd.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm Motion to adjourn, Carol, Lynda 2nd.

June 5, 2007 -Board- At the home of Linda Miller

The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Lynda Williams absent.

Linda Miller has received 2 checks from the Texas Combined Specialty Association totally close to \$3000.00 . Another checks is expected in the near future. Discussed whether we should have a Money Market Account. Linda will check in to Interest rates and let us know if it is worth the trouble.

John Knapp reported for David Brown who attended the TCSA meeting. David came away from the meeting with a more positive outlook on their status.. The Association will be run by a new group of people.

It was discussed at length using TCSA or Onofrio or an individual as our next Show Secretary..... We will take it to a vote of the Membership at the June 19th 2007 meeting to be held at Judy and Mark Word's home.

The 2 Agility trophy's were discussed... It appears that the Club Sponsored Trophy and the Dick Caldwell Sponsored Trophy may have very similar qualifications. We are sure this can be worked out.... Terry Thornton will be consulted, as she wrote the qualifications for the Club Trophy....

Motion to adjourn at 9:55pm by Donna Todd, John 2nd