

Coweta Canine Corner

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The Newnan Kennel Club
P.O. Box 1175-Palmetto, GA 30268

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January—February 2014

Meeting Schedule

Unless **otherwise notified** the meetings of NKC will be on the first

Wednesday
of the month

General Meetings

2014

January 8
March 5
May 7
July 2
September 3
November 5

Board Meetings

2014

February 5
April 2
June 4
August 6
October 1
December 3

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2014 –2015

OFFICERS

President-Joni Smith
Vice-President - Carol Ann Beane
Secretary –Jan Plott
Treasurer - Butch Jordan

Board Of Directors

Ellen Connors
Lisa Dempsey
Lu Dunham
Kay Moore
Carolyn Stauffer

AKC Delegate—Willie Crawford

COMMITTEES

Agility Trial Chairman- Ellen Connors
Annual Awards– Marilyn Curtis
Breeder Referral- MaryAnn Madsen
Equipment-Butch Jordan
Spring Match– Carolyn Stauffer &
Carol Ann Beane
Programs – Lu Dunham
Web Master-Jan Plott
Newsletter-Barbara Jordan
Sunshine—Melissa Harper
Spring Show Chairman-Lisa Dempsey
Fall Show Chairman-Joni Smith
NKC Historian—Jan Plott



LIFE MEMBERS - IN MEMORIAM
Chuck Crawford

General Meeting

ALL WELCOME

Change of Date due to the New Years
Holiday

GOLDEN CORRAL RESTURANT
BULLSBORO DRIVE
NEWNAN, GA

WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 08, 2014



Rebecca Kestle, DVM -
"Stud Dog Management"

SUNSHINE

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LIFETIME MEMBERS

Willie Crawford

Ronnie and Jan Plott

Butch and Barbara Jordan

Correction to the calendar printed in the last booklet.

The Match will be on **Saturday-March 1, 2014**. The match co-chairs are **Carolyn Stauffer 770-487-1689 (Corgic Carol@Gmail.com)** and **Carol Ann Beane 770-683-3410 (CAROLBEANE@SUMMERSGROVE.NET)**.

Please volunteer to help.

Spring Show will be Saturday March 29, 2014 Contact Lisa Dempsey (Show Chair) or Ronnie Plott (Assistant Show Chair)



My New Year wish for you-
12 months of **happiness**
52 weeks of **fun**
365 days of **success**
8760 hours of **good health**
525600 minutes of **good luck**
31536000 seconds of **joy**
And an immeasurably amount of
LOVE!!!



ATTENTION MEMBERS——

**HAS YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS
CHANGED?**

***HAS YOUR MAILING ADDRESS
CHANGED?***

PLEASE!!!!



NOTIFY
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Or
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PALMETTO. GA 30268

AND
YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR AT
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Newnan Kennel Club – General Meeting 11-02-2013
(Attendance list attached to these minutes)

The November general meeting was held at the home of the Plott's, prior to our annual wiener roast. The meeting was called to order by the president at 5 pm.

Motion Butch, Second Carol Ann that the minutes from the last general meeting be approved as published in the Newsletter. Motion carried.

President's Report: none

Secretary's Report: The secretary read a thank-you note from the exhibitor receiving the HIT trophy from our spring show. She also reported that the Club computer was stolen from her home last week. Most of our data is backed up on a USB flash drive or available on hard copy.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer reviewed the report ending 10-31-2013. This report was passed around to the membership and a copy is attached to these minutes.

Committee Reports:

Fall Show: Joni reviewed the expenses for the cluster. She stated that the cluster committee has met and is planning additional activities for next years cluster, solicitation of corporate sponsors and additional signage. The "free breakfast " for exhibitors was discussed and other options suggested.

Agility Trial: Ellen reviewed the entry for our upcoming trial. She asked for donations to the workers raffle and volunteers to help with the trial.

Spring Show: Ronnie reported on the upcoming Spring Show. We have added the 4-6 Beginner puppy competition & the Amateur Owner Handler competition. A CGC test is being planned as well as additional publicity regarding the show. Ellen passed around the trophy donor list for any additional trophies that members may wish to sponsor.

Spring Match: Carolyn stated that she has (3) judges & plans for a lunch vendor for the exhibitors. Options for lunch for the exhibitors was discussed.

Election of new members: A second reading for Linda Voss and Porter Beane was completed. A secret ballot was conducted and both were voted in to membership and welcomed to the Club.

Unfinished business:

Joni announced that the 4-H Club has a new leader.

Joni reviewed the annual donations as recommended by the Board at their October meeting. Discussion followed

New business:

Members discussed AKC's disaster relief trailers. The consensus was that we need additional information. Carolyn volunteered to follow-up on this.

There was no further business to discuss.

Motion Peter, second Ellen that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

*Respectfully submitted,
Jan Plott, Secretary*

Board Members in Attendance: Butch, Lisa, Joni, Jan, Kay, Lu.

Board Members Absent: Carol Ann, Ellen, Carolyn

Member in Attendance: Ronnie

The President called meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Minutes from the last Board meeting were amended to include the \$1000.00 donation to Gwinnett Area Vet Tech School.

Lisa made the motion to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Lu, motion carried.

Secretary's Report:

Correspondence sent: The agreement with Douglasville for their Spring Show was sent to the Douglasville Show Chairman (Betty Stockdale) with a copy sent to Lisa, Butch & the Douglasville Treasurer (Ann Thomas). This included the request that they forward their payment of \$900.00 directly to our Treasurer and return the signed agreement to our Secretary.

Correspondence received:

Closeout from AKC for our Fall Show.

Letter from the University of GA re: scholarship donations

Spring Show approval from AKC.

Treasurer's Report:

Butch reviewed the Treasurer's Report ending 11/30/2013. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes

Committee Reports:

Programs: Lu reported that our January program has been confirmed with Dr. Kestle who will make a presentation on "Stud Dog Management" at our January 8, 2013 general meeting.

Agility: Butch reported the financial outcome of our recent Agility trials. Lisa reported for Ellen that they will be looking for alternative venues for future trials as the surface at Jim Miller Park is in poor condition and unsuitable for agility events.

Spring Match: Joni reported for Carolyn that we still need a Rally judge. Joni will prepare the Match Flyer and arrange distribution to all Clubs in the area. Handouts will be available at upcoming All-Breed Shows.

Spring Show: Lisa reported that AKC has approved the Show and that the Premium List Proof has been received from the Superintendent. She reported that we have added the 4-6 Beginner Puppy Competition, the Owner Handler Series and the CGC test. The Hound Club will continue to offer a microchip Clinic. She asked that Ronnie (Assistant Show Chairman) report on ideas for future Spring Shows.

Ronnie reviewed lower entry numbers and the financial losses that the Club has incurred for our Spring Show since 2008.

Observations and Suggestions for future Spring Shows:

Limit trophy expenses to \$1000.00.

Attempt to keep Judges expenses under \$4400.00.

Consider changing Superintendents in 2015. Using Foy Trent could save the Club \$900.00.

The Board needs to discuss the fee that we charge the Douglasville Kennel Club prior to future agreements between the two Clubs.

The Board should consider changing the Show date in 2015 to the 17th weekend (April 25, 26, 2015). Ronnie explained that our current date puts us up against a 4 day set in Concord, NC. This cluster started in 2011. It is only 305 miles from Newnan and is probably drawing entry from our Show. By changing the date our closest all-breed show would be in Florida, 556 miles away.

The motion was made by Lu and seconded by Butch that our Show Chairman confirm that there are no conflicting Shows on this date, discuss changing the Spring Show date to the 17th weekend with the Douglasville Kennel Club and contact AKC re: "how to proceed". Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Fall Show

Butch reviewed the financial report from the Fall Show.

Unfinished Business:

Finalization of donations for 2013: The following donations were approved by the Board at their October meeting and presented to the membership at the November General Membership meeting.

- \$500.00 to the Sundown Surgery Fund at the University of GA
- (1) \$1500.00 Scholarship to the University of GA Veterinary School
- \$250.00 to the GA Coalition of Dog Clubs
- \$150.00 to the Military Working Dogs Team Support Association
- \$1000.00 to the Gwinnett Area Veterinary Technical School

Butch made the motion that we increase the donation to the Military working Dogs Team Support Association to \$250.00. Lu seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

New Business:

Nominating Committee Appointments for the 2014/15 Club year.

The Board appointed the following Club members to the Nominating Committee: Jan Plott, Chairman, Helen Jesse and Peg Knoch Casey (Alternates: Carolyn/Peter/Gail).

Club Email: Lu and Joni discussed recent problems that they incurred when they provided an exhibitor their personal email address following a Bench Show Committee during the Fall Show.

Jan explained that blind emails have been set up on the website for the following Club officials:

webmaster@newnankennelclub.org
secretary@newnankennelclub.org
BreederReferral@newnankennelclub.org
fallshowchairman@newnankennelclub.org
springshowchairman@newnankennelclub.org
agilitychairman@newnankennelclub.org

These addresses can be used for official Club business; however replying to these emails will give the recipient your personal email address. She will investigate alternatives thru our website.

Douglasville Kennel Club Agreement for use of the Newnan Show Site to hold their 2014 Spring Show
 Lisa reviewed the discussions that had transpired between her and Betty Stockdale re: reducing the number of golf carts from 4 to 3 for the weekend. Butch stated that he received an email from their treasurer, which indicated that they expected an "adjustment" to their fee since they would only have 3 golf carts. Lisa advised Butch that this adjustment will be made on their final bill and he should respond accordingly, requesting that they forward the initial \$900.00 payment at this time.

Membership dues:

The Board discussed membership dues for those individuals voted into membership at the November meeting.

The motion was made by Lu and seconded by Butch that we continue the practice of not rebilling dues for people joining the Club in the month of November and note that this should be added to policy during the policy review in June of 2014. Discussion followed. Motion carried.

Since there was no further business to discuss, Lisa made the motion to adjourn. Lu seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Plott, Secretary



Thank you to everyone who has supported MWDTSA in some way this year.

If you sent a donation or bought an item from our Dog Tagz Store,

If you shared our website, Facebook page or newsletter,

If you did a fundraiser on our behalf,

If your store participated in a KONGs for K9 event,

If you joined us at a base event,

If, as a teacher, you coordinated letters or projects from your students,

If you packed a care package, completed a customs form or created art for us,

If you are serving as a Board Member, Committee Chair Person or Volunteer,

Please allow me to extend my sincere and humble appreciation to each of you for allowing MWDTSA to impact the lives of so many military working dogs, handlers and kennel staffs.

We could not do what we do without your help. Please allow me to say a huge:

Thank You! *Dixie Whitman*



YourAKKC



We've all heard common dog myths – dog mouths are cleaner than humans, or one human year is equal to seven dog years.

Here are some of those myths – BUSTED!

Myth: Dogs' mouths are cleaner than ours

Fact: Sadly, humans have nothing to brag about with regard to dental hygiene. Our mouths are petri dishes for bacteria, and an extraordinarily high percentage of human bites become infected. Most of us practice some form of dental prophylaxis—regular brushing, flossing, antibacterial dentifrices and mouthwashes, and regular dental care with a professional. Unfortunately, most owners do not consistently brush their dog's teeth, provide tooth-friendly foods, or schedule regular dental checkups or cleanings with their veterinarian. As a result, many dogs' mouths house a variety of potentially harmful bacteria. Dogs bitten by other dogs are at risk of not only serious damage from the bite itself but also a potentially life-threatening secondary bacterial infection.

Compared with most people, a dog's mouth is not cleaner than a human's. In addition to less attention paid to oral hygiene, infrequency of regular brushing and dental cleaning, and a variety of unhygienic feeding and grooming practices, a dog's mouth harbors a large population of potentially dangerous organisms, including zoonotic organisms such as *Giardia*. So, any contact with dog mouths should be minimal. Any dog bite, whether to another dog or to a human being, holds the possibility of infection and should be examined by a trained health professional.

Myth: Dogs eat grass because they are deficient in a nutrient in their diet or to make themselves vomit.

Fact: Dogs on well-balanced rations and in remarkably good condition regularly eat grass, and many dogs can be observed to routinely eat grass and not vomit. Research has revealed most grass to be a relatively poor emetic, and other studies have documented several wild canid species who also commonly eat grass. So the idea that dogs eat grass because they are missing something in their diet does not stand up under scrutiny for a variety of reasons. Likewise, the notion that grass is used by dogs needing to vomit cannot be supported experimentally. Some dogs might just like the taste. Be careful, particularly in teething puppies—excessive ingestion of leaves, sticks, grass, and other plant material can lead to gastrointestinal obstruction.

Myth: One human year is like seven to a dog.

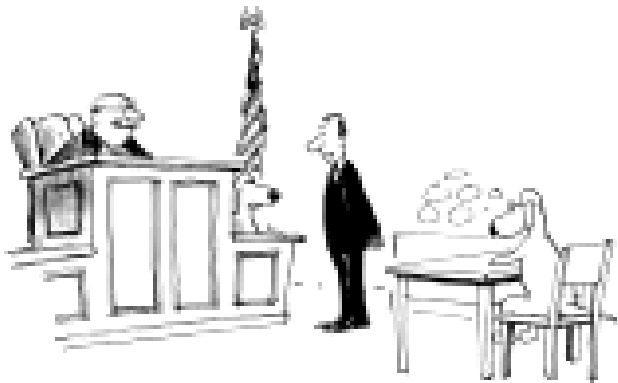
Fact: For all living species, life expectancy is the result of several factors. Nutrition, exercise, availability of medical care, and genetics all play a major role in how long a dog lives. Generally speaking, a dog's size will influence how long he lives. Giant breeds and larger dogs appear to age faster, and many of the smaller dogs are incredibly long-lived. Research your breed of interest. Your breeder, people who own that breed, and your veterinarian can give you some idea about your dog's life expectancy.

For more mythbusters visit AKC.ORG

March 5, 2014 - General Meeting & Program



Stacy Andrew, DVM - "Common eye problems in dogs and what to do about them"



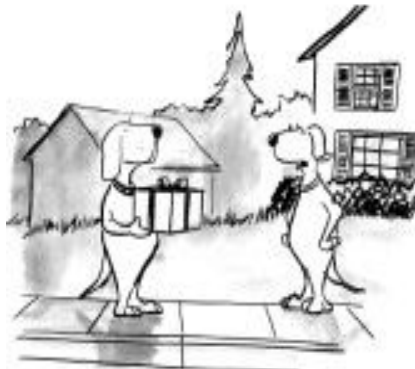
"Did the prosecution offer you a bone to testify?"



"There was hissing, and yes ... there was barking."



"Where's the sharing? Where's the love?"



"Fido, why give me bone earrings just so you can chew them."



"Heck, forget the ticket. Any friend of Deputy Dawg's is a friend of mine."



"The 4 basic food groups are stuff in your dish, stuff on the counter, stuff in the trash, and stuff in the laundry."



"Repeat after me: 'I will wipe my feet and subdue my fleas before entering the house'."