

# Coweta Canine Corner

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

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# **Meeting Schedule**

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

Wednesday of the month

# **General Meetings 2015**

January 7 March 4

May 14
July 1
September 2
November 4

# **Board Meetings** 2015

Febuary 4 April 1

June 3 August 5 October 7 December 2

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# 2015 - 2016

# **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-Jan Plott
Fall Show Chairman-Joni Smith
NKC Historian—Jan Plott

LIFE MEMBERS - IN MEMORIAM Chuck Crawford



# General Meeting

WEDNESDAY March 14, 2014

This is our "Awards & Annual Elections Dinner Meeting."

# RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

Contact Marilyn Curtis at 770-583-2555 May 6th DEADLINE

# **SUNSHINE**

Melissa Harper 404-451-7614 49 Hammock Rd. Newnan, GA 30265

E-mail: Melissa.Harper@choa.org

DON'T FORGET TO CALL IF

SOMEONE NEEDS

CARDS OR FLOWERS

### BRITISH HUMOUR IS DIFFERENT

These are classified ads, which were actually placed in U.K. Newspapers:

### FREE YORKSHIRE TERRIER.

8 years old, Hateful little bastard. Bites!

### **FREE PUPPIES**

1/2 Cocker Spaniel, 1/2 sneaky neighbor's dog.

# FREE PUPPIES.

Mother is a Kennel Club registered German Shepherd. Father is a Super Dog, able to leap tall fences in a single bound.

# **COWS, CALVES: NEVER BRED**

Also 1 gay bull for sale





" I DON'T LIKE CHASING CATS — THEY THINK I'M A MOUSE!"





# ATTENTION MEMBERS—

HAS YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS CHANGED?

HAS YOUR MAILING ADDRESS CHANGED?

# PLEASE!!!!



# **NOTIFY**

YOUR WEBMASTER AT JRPLOTT@CHARTER.NET

or P.O. BOX 611 PALMETTO. GA 30268

# **AND**

YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR AT HJ1223@BELLSOUTH.NET

or 355 Bates Avenue Fayetteville, GA 30215

# ANNUAL MEETING/DINNER ELECTION OF OFFICERS & AWARDS PRESENTATION

<u>Date:</u> May 13, 2015 <u>Time:</u> 6:30 appetizers/buffet dinner 7:30

**Location:** White Oak Golf Club: (770-251-6700) CLUB VIEW DR. AT WHITE OAK DR. (Contact Marilyn if you need directions)

Reservations required: Contact Marilyn Curtis 770-583-2555

Reservation Deadline: May 6, 2015 None after!!!

Cost: members no charge and guests will be charged \$25.00 each

# **APPETIZERS**

LOADED POTATO SKINS - VEGETABLES & DIP PLATTER PEEL & EAT SHRIMP

# **BUFFET DINNER**

SPINACH SALAD WITH STRAWBERRIES
VEGETABLE MEDLEY
ROSEMARY ROASTED POTATOES
CHICKEN CORDON BLEU - CRUSTED TILAPIA
CHEESE CAKE --KEYLIME PIE—BROWNIES
ROLLS & BUTTER
FOUNAIN DRINKS, COFFEE AND ICED TEA

# THE BAR WILL BE OPEN FOR THOSE THAT WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A MORE SUBSTANTIAL BEVERAGE

If for some reason, after making your reservation you cannot attend, please notify Marilyn no later than May 6th, otherwise the Club will be charged for your dinner.

Newnan Kennel Club General Meeting March 4, 2015 Minutes Roll Call: Attendance sheet attached

The president called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm and requested a motion to approve the minutes of the last general meeting as published in the newsletter. Butch made the motion, which was seconded by Carol Ann to approve the minutes as, published. Motion carried.

**Presidents Report:** The president stated that there is no report.

**Secretary's Report:** The Secretary forwarded several match flyers by email to our membership and had printed copies available for those who do not use email. We also received a booklet from the University of Georgia Presidents Club thanking us for our support.

**Treasurer's Report:** Butch reviewed the treasurer's report ending 02-28-2015. A copy of this report was passed around for members review and is attached to these minutes. He also reviewed the final report of profits from our Fall 2014 Show.

**AKC Delegate:** Joni reported for Willie that she is requesting membership feedback regarding her emails.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Annual Awards:** Joni reported for Marilyn that the Annual Meeting and awards dinner is scheduled for May 13th at the White Oak Country Club. The date was changed to the 2nd Wednesday of the month versus the 1st Wednesday due to availability of the restaurant. The awards application was published in the last newsletter and she reminded anyone who has finished a title to complete their application.

**Breeder Referral:** Joni reported for Mary Ann that she had received (3) requests for breeder referral. She was able to assist (2) of these requests but the 3rd could not be accommodated as it was for a "designer dog". **Equipment:** Butch reported that everything regarding the equipment is "fine".

**Newsletter**: Joni asked if everyone is receiving their newsletter and if they were not to contact Barbara. Butch stated that the JUDGES REQUEST FORM is in the March-April newsletter. He explained that every (3) years this list is purged and this is the year that it will be purged. Everyone is asked to submit a new list of judges that they would like to have and not have judge our shows.

**Programs**: Lu stated that she is working on (2) programs for future meeting and further information will follow when these programs are confirmed.

**Webmaster and Historian:** Jan reported that the website and historical files are up-to-date. She asked that members contribute photos of recent wins as well asnew title's so that these dogs and the owners can be honored on our website.

Agility: Ellen reported that the Agility Committee met on February 17th. Patty King has been added to the committee. They plan to add an International Class this year and there will also be a course for veterans, the proceeds of which will be donated to the Sundown Surgery Fund at the University of Georgia.

Spring Show: Jan reported that we have not had any response from the Crossroads of Georgia Cluster regarding joining them in 2016. Discussion followed. She will make one more request after the premium list for 2015 is available which will identify the current Cluster Chairman and Presidents of each Club.

Fall Show: Joni reported that most of the judges have been hired. She still has room for provisional judges and asked the membership to contact her if they have suggestions. Several members discussed the need

and asked the membership to contact her if they have suggestions. Several members discussed the need for professional stewards for Obedience and Rally. The request was made that the Club hire a Professional Steward for each Obedience ring and the Rally ring. This steward would primarily perform the duties of the table steward. Joni stated that she would contact the stewards association regarding this request.

**Match:** Carol Ann reported for Carolyn that volunteers are needed and she passed around a sign-up sheet.





### REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Carolyn Stauffer, Chairman, Melissa Harper and Barbara Jordan.

President: Joni Smith

Vice President: Melissa Harper

Secretary: Carol Ann Beane

Treasurer: Butch Jordan

Board of Directors: Ellen Connors, Lisa Dempsey, Lu Dunham, Kay Moore, Carolyn Stauffer

AKC Delegate: Willie Crawford

Joni read the above slate of officers and board members and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There were no additional nominations. Ronnie made the motion, which was seconded by Lu that the nominations be closed. Motion carried.

Following the close of nominations, Peter commented that two of the three members on the nominating committee had nominated themselves and that this gave the appearance of impropriety. He suggested that in the future, if a member of he committee was to be nominated they should recuse themselves from the committee and be replaced by the alternate. Discussion followed with the advice that the board address this issue at their June meeting during the annual review of Club policies.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Haven Hills Dog & Pony Show: Joni reported that Brenda had not contacted her with any further information regarding the Club's participation in this event. Anyone who is interested may contact Brenda.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business.

Lu made the motion, which was seconded by Gail to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Jan Plott, Secretary



# Newnan Kennel Club Board Meeting Minutes 04-01-2015

Roll Call

Present: Butch, Carolyn, Kay, Carol Ann, Jan, Joni, Ellen Absent: Lisa, Lu Having determined that the number of members present constitutes a quorum, the President called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. The motion was made by Carol Ann and seconded by Carolyn to approve the minutes of the last Board meeting as published in the Newsletter. The motion was approved.

**Report of the President:** Joni discussed the recent communications from AKC. An email addressed the changes in the Obedience Regulations. These changes can be viewed at this link:

http://www.akc.org/events/obedience/news-updates/

Another email reviewed changes in Junior Showmanship, NOHS updates, and FSS Open Shows. She reviewed information in this email, which is significant to our Club.

- 1. Best Junior Handler must be offered if the club is offering Junior Showmanship classes.
- 2. Clubs may offer Reserve Best Junior Handler.
- 3. NOHS Updates: All-Breed clubs offering NOHS at their events on or after October 8, 2015 will now award a Reserve Best Owner-Handled in Show just as is done for regular competition.
- 4. FSS Open Shows: The AKC Board of Directors has expanded the types of clubs that are eligible to host FSS Open Shows to include all-breed clubs effective July 1, 2015. Further explanation of open shows may be viewed on the AKC website.

**Report of the Secretary:** Jan reviewed correspondence received and discussed AKC's Statement of Compliance requirements.

Correspondence Received:

- 1) 2015 Honors and Awards Banquet U. of GA College of Veterinary Medicine will be April 17th. Deadline for RSVP of those attending is April 13th.
- 2) Thank you note from Mary Ann for the floral arrangement she received from the Club following her eye surgery.
- 3) Winter issue of Aesculapian

Statement of Compliance:

The Club had only one show since our last compliance submission. This show was held out of our territory. The requirements were unclear for a Club holding only one show in another Club's territory. Therefore, I contacted AKC to clarify our requirements. An email from AKC has been received and is on file stating that our Club would need "one major activity and two additional activities for this year's submission. I will complete the necessary paperwork and send to AKC prior to our Annual Meeting in May. The next compliance submission will be due in May of 2016. Both of our upcoming Shows will be in another clubs territory, therefore our compliance requirements will change. The Club is required to have 2 major activities and four additional activities. Discussion followed. The compliance form was circulated among the Board for their review.

# Report of the Treasurer:

Butch reviewed the report ending March 31, 2015. A copy of this report is attached to these minutes.

### **Committee Reports**

**Spring Match:** Carolyn thanked everyone for his or her assistance with our Match. She reported that there were 85 entries at the Match and 15 entries in the CGC testing. Butch reported that the Match was financially profitable. Butch will order additional signs for the Beginner Novice obedience class prior to next years match. Next years match will be held on the corresponding date of April 2nd. Butch will contact the fairgrounds and make the appropriate deposits when required.

**Annual Meeting & Awards Presentation:** Information regarding the dinner will be sent in the upcoming Newsletter. Butch stated that Barbara would contact Marilyn regarding the Flyer. Ellen asked if CGC was included in "Finishing a Title". Discussion followed and it was determined that CGC is now an AKC title and members completing their CGC title will be awarded a plaque.

**Website:** Photos of the winners of our Match will be posted on the Website. Jan asked for information regarding the dogs/owners names. She also asked that the flyer for the Annual Meeting be sent to her for posting on the website.

**Historian:** No report.

**Equipment:** Butch stated that he would paint the obedience jumps.

**Agility:** Ellen reported that she is finalizing plans for the Trials. An "Exhibition Only" class is planned for Veterans. She suggested that the Club donate the proceeds of this class to the Sundown Surgery Fund at the University of Georgia, and will ask for a motion regarding this donation at the general meeting.

**Spring Show:** Jan stated that she has updated the Board regarding our Spring Show, to be held with the Crossroads of Georgia Cluster in 2016. The Cluster Chair is Jimmy Chambers. He has received confirmation from all 3 clubs for Newnan to join them for their 2016 shows. Walter O'Brien, President of the Macon KC, which is the host Club for the Cluster, has extended an invitation for the NKC to join them and will be sending a written letter shortly. There will be a Cluster meeting during the Peach Blossom Cluster on Saturday April 11th. Jan will attend and update the Board regarding the details as they unfold.

**Fall Show:** Joni reported that she has hired (2) additional obedience stewards. She is now working on hiring provisional judges.

**Unfinished Business:** There was no unfinished business.

**New Business:** There was no new business.

The motion was made by Carolyn and seconded by Ellen to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Plott, Secretary



# **DOGS AND LOUD NOISES**

If your dog is afraid of loud noises, such as thunderstorms or firecrackers, you may need some advanced training to help him overcome his fears. This training can also be used for dogs who are afraid of doorbells, sirens, motorcycles, etc.

If your dog is afraid of more than one noise, start by determining which scares him the most, and work on this first.

Record the sound that scares your dog. Then expose him to the sound gradually by playing the recording at a volume low enough so as not to frighten him. While he hears the unpleasant sound, create a pleasant environment by using food, a toy, a gentle touch, or lavish praise. Each time your dog calms down and stops paying attention to the sound, praise him and increase the volume slightly.

If your dog does not relax and you have waited a few minutes, turn the volume down. When he is relaxed, praise him, give him a treat and keep the recording at that volume for at least five minutes before increasing the volume again.

Begin with short sessions, but increase the volume of the recording at each new session. Over a period of time, lenghthen the sessions until your dog is capable of facing the recorded noise at a level similar to the real thing.

If possible, expose your dog to the real stimulus gradually. For example, if your dog is afraid of firecrackers or lawn mowers, create that sound 100 yards away. Calm him and get him accustomed to the sound. Gradually decrease the dis tance of the sounds until he doesn't respond to the sound occurring in front of his home.

Remember to keep your dog on a leash while doing these practice sessions. If you do not have control of your dog and he is scared, he could run off.

Your dog can overcome his fears if you gradually expose him to the stimulus that scares him. If you need further help, contact a local AKC dog training club. With time and patience, these fears are treatable.

For more information or contact information for a purebred dog club in your area, visit www.akc.org.

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