

WAGG'N TAIL



Sept 2017

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<p><u>Next General Meeting</u></p> <p>Sept 7, 2017</p> <p>7:30</p> <p>Richland Community Center</p> <p>Awards will be presented at this meeting.</p>	<p><u>Board of Directors Meeting</u></p> <p>Sept. 21 , 2017</p> <p>7:30</p> <p>Richland Denny's</p>	<p><u>Want to Help With Handling Class</u></p> <p>Wednesday evenings.</p> <p>It is a great way to help your Club, observe dog movement and give our current volunteers a little break. People right now are only having to do a class every two months. A few more people and it could be once every 2-3 months</p> <p>Contact Cheryl at Draymia@gmail.com</p>
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Handling Class
Howard Amon Park

Wednesdays 6:30

Sept 6th- Bonnie & Chuck

Sept 13th- Kim & Bruce

Sept 20th- Rose Davis

Sept 27th- Chris Larson

Class will move to 4-Paws in Oct.
and class will start at 7:30

RAFFLE ITEMS NEEDED!!

Please bring your items to the Sept 7th
General Meeting.

Anything and everything can be used. If
you would like to receive it in a bag, then
someone else also would.

RKC August 2017 General Meeting

The August General Meeting was called to order by President Alyssa Paxton, at the home of Dave and Helen Criswell during the club picnic at 7:15 pm on August 10, 2017.

The meeting began with a roll call of members in attendance that provided their names and their breed(s) of dog. The brag box was also provided and brags were provided as attached..

Minutes of the last meeting:

Motion made by Chuck Ames, and seconded by Cindi McInturf to accept the minutes as published in the Newsletter. Motion carried.

Report of the President:

No President report was provided.

Report of the Secretary:

No Secretary report was provided

Report of the Treasurer:

No Treasurer report was provided/

Committee Reports:

Show Committee:

The show chairman was not in attendance so the report was provided by Chuck Ames. The Obedience

Trials had not been approved due to AKC not receiving an updated membership list. The list was provided and email approval of the trial was received.

BaRay had provided an email requesting the RKC premium list information which was due on July 5th and had not been received. Upon receipt of the email, the premium list was provided to BaRay and no information available on status (NOTE: The RKC premium list was mailed in August and has been received by members and it is also posted on the AKC web).

Handling Class:

The Handling class is due to move to 4 Paws the first of September. Bonnie Ames accepted the task of emailing Tracy Hill for the contract. (NOTE: email sent and acknowledgment received. Contract being prepared).

Newsletter:

Cheryl Stevens has requested the newsletter be passed on to someone else. She will help in the transition. Anyone interested needs to contact President Alyssa Paxton.

New Member Readings:

First readings for membership applications for Regina Aldrich (Dachshunds) and Jeff and Judy Beck (Lab) were provided. The applications will be presented to the RKC board for consideration for membership.

Old Business:

There was no Old Business pending.

New Business:

Jessica Callahan will be supporting the Veteran's Day Parade similar to last year and is looking for volunteers to walk with their dogs during the parade. Contact Jessica if interested.

Motion made by Bonnie Ames and seconded by Cindi McInturf to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Charles Ames

RKC BOARD MEETING AGENDA

DATE: August 24,2017 Started at 7:30pm

1. Reading of the minutes of the last meeting.

Minutes from the last board meeting were approved. chuck motioned accepted as published. Cheryl seconded

2. Report of the Secretary

Chuck shared that Kayla Johnson wanted to put some stuff on our website - peretaining to animals sleeping with them - Bonnie felt that it wasn't necessary to share

3. Report of the Treasurer

Michele read the balances of the accounts

4. Reports of the Committees

1. Membership

We have two new members that were introduced at the last meeting

Regina Aldrich - she has dachshunds - she makes caricature shirts

Jeff and Judy Beck - the have a lab - want to learn more about dog shows

Cheryl motioned that the new members be accepted, Ryin seconded. It was unanimous accepted

2. Show Committees

Ryin - an email from the person who is doing ribbons. She went over what ribbons were offered and we discussed what type of ribbons/rosette's wold be awarded. Chuck suggested we compare the difference in cost and base our decision on that. Ryin will decide base on cost to move forward with the decision of the ribbons/rosettes for Owner handled. Chuck will scan the catalog cover and send to Ryin for her use in the upcoming show catalog. Deadlines and ads are due by August 30, 2017 It was suggested to contact a few local vendors to see if they wanted to donate to the catalog. No awards pictures will be in the catalog. Michelle will pick up the awards and bring to the next meeting. Michelle stated parking has started coming in and she is addressing the questions. Bonnie has been getting donations for awards and trophies

3. Training Director/Handling Class.

Bonnie has contacted 4 Paws about starting class in September - as we are loosing light. We can continue outside - we discussed staying outdoors.

The class will start at 6:30 starting the first week. We won't move to 4 paws till October - class will be at

7:30pm

4. Judges Selection

Valerie wasn't present she is thinking about taking them to Cedars as opposed to Anthonys.

5. Match

6. AKC Delegate

5. Unfinished Business

Awards will be handed out at the next general meeting in September

6. New Business

Michele and Bonnie have been working on the nominating committee.

7. Adjournment

Cindy made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Cheryl seconded. the meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm

BRAGS

Rose Marie Davis:

Bayshore Stonehaven's Flirtatious Intention - Xoloitzcuintli

- Butte County Kennel Club (June 1, 2017) – BOB over 2 specials
- Yosemite Kennel Club (June 8, 2017) – BOW
- Yosemite Kennel Club (June 9, 2017) – BOW
- Yellowstone Valley Kennel Club (June 20, 2017) – BOB over 2 specials
- Electric City Kennel Club (June 24, 2017) - BOB over 2 specials
- Five Valley Kennel Club (June 27, 2017) – BOB and a Group 4

Skittles in Beastmode – Boston Terrier – Passed CGC qualification

Alyssa Paxton:

Ch. River City Smooth Movin' Hotrod RN – Australian Shepherd
Won BOB and 4 points towards his Grand Championship

Bill and Michele Murray

Picked up their new Scottish Terrier puppy "Markus"

Candee Foss:

From Canada: Can Ch. Turner and BIF for Brock.

Patti Strand: More regulations needed for animal shelters and rescues

DOG LOVERS, especially parents hoping to give their children a lesson in compassion, find it nearly impossible to resist the heart-wrenching television ads and graphic photos on social media urging them to save a shelter dog's life by adopting. But they should resist, at least long enough to do their homework, because their children's lives could depend on it. Many modern-day shelters do outstanding work. They are professionally operated institutions that provide expert care for their

animals and follow ethical and expert-based placement practices. Others, unfortunately, are fly-by-night operations exploiting the public's love of animals to raise money by whatever means necessary.

Over the past 30 years, shelters have done an extraordinary job of ending dog overpopulation in many parts of the United States. Their success has created some empty spaces at shelters, which has led the people who run those organizations to scramble for pet inventory or risk going out of business.

Many shelters keep their doors open by importing dogs from wherever they can find them. This brings in dogs with health and temperament problems, such as rabies and a history of biting. Dogs that never would have been accepted for adoption just a decade ago are adopted out daily to unsuspecting members of the public.

Many people don't yet realize that shelter standards have dramatically changed. Prospective adopters are seldom aware of a pet's background. Did it come from down the street or off the streets of Cairo? Was it "rescued" from a nearby neighborhood or from a kill shelter in the South where it was impounded for attacking someone? Adopters also are unaware that they have little to no recourse if they adopt a sick or dangerous dog, even one with a known history of biting.

This has become an issue in Virginia. Over the past year, dogs that should never have been offered for adoption have mauled, maimed and killed people. The Pilot has covered the tragedy of a Virginia Beach resident who was recently killed by a dog that a relative had just brought home. In Fairfax, a television report profiled a shelter after adopting families and shelter employees suffered multiple injuries. These tragic outcomes highlight the shocking lack of shelter and rescue oversight by federal, state and local governments. Shelters and rescue organizations are putting public health and safety at risk, and they are getting away with it because their nonprofit status exempts them from many state laws. The risk to the public is grave. We need legislation to fix the problem.

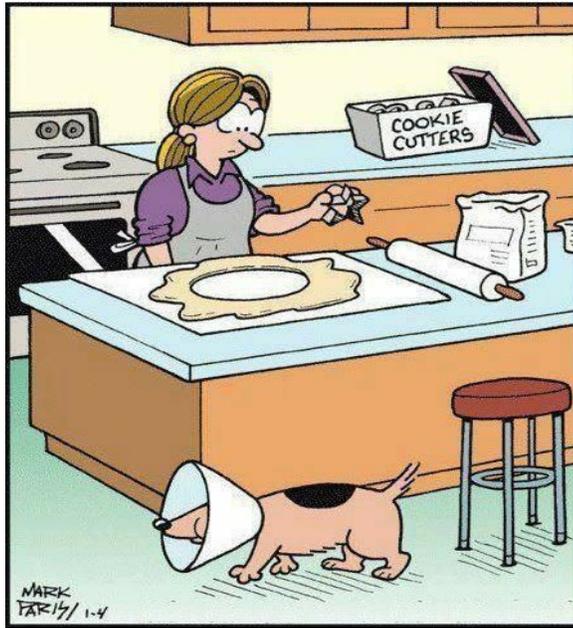
Virginia's consumer protection laws apply to everyone in the pet marketplace except for organizations whose primary purpose is to find permanent adoptive homes for animals. This is an extraordinary exemption. Shelters and rescues now are the biggest source of dogs in the pet marketplace. By calling a sale an "adoption," these retail shelters and rescues can avoid most pet-related state laws.

The National Animal Interest Alliance supports sheltering animals in need and finding homes for them when they can become safe and suitable family pets. Regardless of whether an organization is a nonprofit shelter or commercial enterprise, it should care for animals humanely while protecting consumers from harm.

NAIA also believes it is time to impose reasonable regulations on animal shelters and rescue organizations to ensure that their practices are in line with those of the regulated pet marketplace. The many shelters and rescues that operate responsibly should welcome the opportunity to distinguish themselves from the shifty ones. We must move past the feel-good rhetoric and propaganda that places greater value on the life of a dog than on protecting an adoptive family from a dangerous or sick animal.

It's time for shelters and rescue organizations to join with the rest of the pet industry. The reality is that fundraising goals and "no-kill" ideology are driving irresponsible shelter practices and putting lives at risk. Regulations would help protect the public from the unscrupulous operators in the shelter ranks. There are black sheep in every human activity, and the sheltering industry is no different.

Regulating shelters and rescue organizations is the essential next step in making the lives of our pets and pet owners better and safer. Patti Strand is president of the National Animal Interest Alliance.



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