

**Hills District Kennel & Training Club
General Meeting
12/05/2010**

Open Meeting: 7.45pm

President in Chair: R Pollock

Apologies accepted: M: A Small S: M Brand Carried

Minutes of the previous General Meeting were read and moved as a correct record.

M; M Brand S: G Fenbow Carried

Business Arising from Minutes:

-Vicki to try to find who had key 7 as it's the only one unaccounted for, will check previous few years of AGM's

- There were two visitors tonight a meeting.

M: G Fenbow S: M Brand Carried

Correspondence In:

-Flyers from Blue Mountains Dog Training Club-re Betty Fischer Seminar 19/20th June

-Newsletter from Westmead Childrens Hospital

-Letter from Dogs NSW-re our Annual reports being late

-Receipt from Dogs NSW re open day 12th June

-Newsletter from RSPCA

-Newsletter from Guide Dogs

-E Mail from Tiki Friezer re state titles

-Phone call from Karen Finch re one of our Royal trophies not being given out due to insufficient entry's.

-Receipt from Blacktown re interclub

Correspondence Out:

-Cheque for \$196 to dogs NSW for Marquee and Trestle Table booking

-E Mail to Dogs NSW of agenda item for Presidents and Secretary's meeting

That the inward correspondence be accepted and the outward be endorsed

M: V Gresser S: M Brand Carried

Treasurers Report:

March:

Opening Balance \$7,398.12

Deposits: \$5,076.21

Payments: \$ 4,023.45

Closing Balance plus unpresented cheques \$7,492.58

April:

Opening Balance \$7,492.58

Deposits: \$5,290.96

Payments: \$2,108.95

Closing Balance \$11,682.89

M: J Power S: B Stepkovitch Carried

New Members to be Accepted:

M: G Fenbow S: B Stepkovitch Carried

Chief Instructors Report:

It's been a really busy month with a number of events to organise. Two nights of judges training plus a weekend workshop had organising a bit in overdrive this month.

One problem that did come up was Instructors booking into a workshop and then not attending – as we cater for these numbers are important and I will be putting a note out for the next way asking attendees to contact me if their plans have changed.

Sue gave us a great weekend and I think we all learnt a heap from her over the 3 sessions. I had a heap of emails in from attending saying how much they enjoyed it and thanked the club for the opportunity.

Although Sue had left the club to decide on her fee I spoke to her yesterday and we came to an agreement of 2000.00 which also will cover her airfares of 600.00

Our other two workshops for 2010 are now planned

Terry Ryan in June 2500.00 fee

Susan Garrett in November 3500.00 fee

Both speakers are happy to stay with me.

We need to set a cost for Susan for Instructors Club Members and Non Club Members as I already have had people wishing to book in for this. I have booked both the George Bell and club house for this as I am not sure of weather – I am hoping we don't get more attending than either of these building can hold.

The Interclub is being organised by Marion and Judith and I believe we have 7 teams entered. We will need to discuss lunches etc for this.

I have the girls seeing books coming on Monday 31st May. I am going over with them what books I would like available. If anyone would like a particular book let me know via email.

Is the club doing the stall the long weekend in June at Erskine Park and who will be in charge of organising this.

New Instructors course – I am hoping to get time during this month to finish interviews and start assessing their skills in classes to give me an idea of what areas I need to work on from now till the end of the course.

Classes are all running well for both Monday night and Tuesday. We seem to have had a busy month is an influx of members on Monday nights so have had to put a number of Instructors onto these early classes to cope with the numbers.

Graduate class now has enough students to again split it into two classes so that will start Monday night.

M:D Atkins S: K Cocks Carried

Trial Secretary's Report:

- Anne requested a cheque for \$225 for Dogs NSW for our Trial schedule.
 - If anyone wants to donate a trophy for the trial please see Anne and let her know.
 - We discussed prizes and decided to go with the cash for our trial as prizes. We always give a trophy for CCD first place.
- M; A Small S: R Smiles Carried

Show Secretary's Report:

- Betty brought a list of judges that have been chosen for the November 2011 show. We will again share with Fairfield. Most of the judges are husband and wives so will keep cost down.

MOTION

- That we accepted the list of show judges that Betty has provided for the November 2011 show.

M: B Stepkovitch S: V Gresser Carried

- There are 809 entry's for the May show on Saturday.
- Shirley is doing the catering
- John Mulchay is chief steward and has organised the other stewards.
- Betty has the ribbons for the show
- Adriane has the challenge certificates etc organised.

M; B Stepkovitch S: R Smiles Carried

General Business:

MOTION That Eve Ryan be elected to the vacant position of committee member.

M; A Small S: G Fenbow Carried

Thank you Eve for taking this on.

- Susan Garret- discussed cost for club members and non members. Decided on \$50 for club members and \$80 for non members.

MOTION That we charge \$50 for club members and \$80 for non club members for the Susan Garrett Seminar

M;G Fenbow S: K Cocks Carried

- Gordon looked at our microphone to see if anything was wrong, as there were problems with it during the Sue Hogben workshop. Gordon couldn't find anything so we will test it on training days before our next guest speakers to make sure its in good working order.
- Vicki will do an E mail out on the instructor's list to find out who is available to help on the dogs NSW open day stall and organise dogs.
- Robyn Jones will take care of the lunch at the interclub.
- Anne noticed that the storeroom in the undercover area was opened during the weekend of the Sue Hogben workshop. We discussed who might have keys or whether we should possibly change the lock. Vicki will check minutes to see how many keys and who has them.
- Ross discussed the insurance cover. There seems to be a grey area as to what we are covered for as far as voluntary workers cover. We are covered as workers eg behind the counter, instructing, working at Trials and Shows but don't appear to be covered if

we train our own dogs or the members either. We do have public liability. Ross is continuing to look into the matter and find out exactly what cover the Dogs NSW insurance company covers.

-Vicki to contact Dogs NSW re child indemnity forms and find out what they are currently using as the new instructors have to sign them.

-We discussed our jackets. Dianne rang track and field. Jackets would be around \$75 with an order limit of 25. She had pictures to show us and the meeting liked the new style. It was decided to find out how many instructors wanted jackets by taking the form and picture around the new instructors on Monday night.

-Kathy went to see the lady who supplies our sloppy joes and tee shirts. The material is available, the sloppy joes will stay the same but the tee shirts can be tapered for women for a better fit or people can still have the straight down men's style. We will need to find out how many people want them.

Meeting Closed: 9.48pm