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Our next meeting will be Monday, November 10, at 7:30 p.m. Board meeting starts at 7:15 p.m.
Phyllis Christensen will provide hospitality.
Check out our updated web site at <http://www.trdogtraining.com>.

Minutes of General Membership Meeting 10/13/03

(Thanks to Cheryl Brimmer for taking and typing minutes!)
President Laurie Bandy called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m.
Also present were Kris Punke, Arleen Ravanelli, Dawn Witter, Cheryl Brimmer, VerJean Smith, Bud and Kathy Schuh, Phyllis Christensen, Cheryl Antin, Sue Roeske, Terese Barta, Lynn Ott, Annie Wood and guests Pat MacKay, Barb Cattanach and Heidi Spiegel.

Committee Reports

Training Classes. Kris Punke reported that beginning and intermediate agility start on Oct. 21. Beginning Agility has 6 enrollees and Intermediate has 5. There is a class limit of 8 for each. Obedience classes start Nov. 6. Phyllis will teach Puppy Class, and Kris will teach Basic Obedience. Kris made an appeal for assistants with any class.

UKC Trials, March 27(agility) and 28 (obedience). Terese Barta reported that Linda Cane will judge agility, and Greg Breitbach and Janet Molter will judge obedience. In addition to regular classes, we will also offer non-licensed classes: pre-novice & grad-novice.

Agility Trial November 8 and 9. Agility Trial November 8-9.
Members not entered but able to work please contact Kathe Carter at 341-1258.

AKC obedience trial Jan. 31-Feb.1. VerJean reported we have approval for Jan. 31, but application materials for Feb. 1 were lost by AKC. Approval is currently pending for Feb. 1. The premium will be mailed as soon as approval for both days is received. Judges will be Dick & Sharon Woods and Anna Lorenz. (Addendum from Laurie: Both days 1/31/04 and 2/1/04 for our AKC obedience are now approved. On Saturday 1/31

judges are Richard & Sharon Wood & Kerry Tesch, Sunday 2/1 is Anna Lorenz, and Richard & Sharon Woods.)

AKC Agility-Labor Day weekend. We still have not been able to hire judges for the 2004 trial, but we have hired judges for both Labor Day weekend, 2005 and November, 2005. (Addendum from Laurie: Ilze Rukis will be judging Saturday and Sunday. We still don't have a judge for Monday.

Mall Demo. Kris Punke reported she has contacted the Wausau Mall but has received no response.

Mall Demo: Mark your calendar!

The Mall Demo is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 10 (same weekend as last year). We will not have the same store, and they still aren't sure what space will be available. Kris Punke will be working with the Events Coordinator to line up a store for us to use.

Nominating Committee. No one was present to report.

Old Business

Club Logo: The design could not be developed in time for 2003 awards. The club will continue to solicit ideas for consideration.

New Business

Should we donate to a private "no kill" shelter? TRDTC received a solicitation from New Life Adoption Center. This is a private, "no-kill" shelter. Members discussed the advantages of county verses private shelters. Should the club reconsider current rotation of donations to 4 county shelters (Wood, Portage, Marathon, Lincoln)? Discussion was tabled.

New Members. There were three applications for membership. Arlene moved and Bud seconded motion to dispense with secret

ballot. Motion carried. Members present voted to accept the following new members:

Heidi Spiegel has a three year old Cocker Spaniel named Mason and a 1 year old Border Collie. Heidi is willing to work for the club, and in fact, she vacuumed Camp Bandy at our trial!

Heidi Spiegel
N3515 Badger Ave.
Chili, WI 54420

Barb Cattanach has two young Australian Shepherds, Libby and Charlie. Barb is willing to help us out in any way she can.

Barb Cattanach
N5270 Central Ave.
Neillsville, WI 54456

Pat and Joyce MacKay
2921 Chippewa Dr.
Plover, WI 54467.

Pat has an Entlebucher, English Setter and Doberman.

Welcome, Heidi, Barb, Pat and Joyce!

Pat MacKay moved to adjourn. Annie Wood seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Brimmer
Acting Secretary

Minutes of Board Meeting. 9/8/03

President Laurie Bandy called the meeting to order at 7:19 p.m. Also present were Kris Punke, Verjean Smith, Terese Barta & Cheryl Brimmer. Minutes were taken by C. Brimmer.

Building Dates. Kris noted that both Thanksgiving and Christmas fall on Thursdays that we would normally rent the building. Laurie will talk to Chuck about canceling those days.

Class Fees. Kris moved that fees for the 7 week agility classes be raised from \$65 to \$75. VerJean seconded. Reason for increased fees was to increase instructor pay and to stay current with the market. Motion passed. Motion to increase member discount from \$10 to \$15 or \$20 was tabled. Since members have "paid" with their labor, should fees be raised for them?

Old Business

There was no old business.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Cheryl Brimmer
Acting Secretary

Here's Karlene's list of useful dog books.

I did not grow up with dogs, so when I got my first Samoyed in 1980, I had a lot to learn! My most useful resource for information on dogs has been other dog people, like YOU! These books have also been really helpful.

1. *Don't Shoot the Dog! The New Art of Teaching and Training*, by Karen Pryor. New York: Bantam Books, 1984, 1999.
This classic book explains clicker training, which I have used to teach specific behaviors such as stay, two feet on and two off for contacts, watch me while heeling, and (now) a straight jump over the broad jump.
2. *How to Raise a Puppy You Can Live With*, by Clarice Rutherford and David H. Neil. Loveland, CO: Alpine Publications, 1981, 1982, 1999.
Offers useful advice on choosing, socializing, and training a great puppy, as well as detailed information on puppy development.
3. *Play Training Your Dog*, by Patricia Gail Burnham. New York: St. Martin's Press, 1980.
If you have a dog that "will work for play," this book explains how you can convince your dog that all levels of obedience training and competition are fun.
4. *Pet First Aid: Cats and Dogs*, by Bobbie Mammato, DVM, DPH. St. Louis, MO: Mosby—Year Book, Inc. Copyright 1997 by The American National Red Cross and The Humane Society of the United States.
Now that I need to know first aid not only for humans, but for cats and dogs as well, this reference book serves me well.
5. *Surviving the Heartbreak of Choosing Death for Your Pet*, by Linda M. Peterson. West Chester, PA: Greentree Publishing, 1997.
When I've had to make this most painful decision, I found there's not much help out there. Most dog books at the public library just say, "When the time comes, you need to do it." This is the first book I've found that actually addresses emotions, options, and what to expect.

What books would YOU recommend? Tell us!

***Braggs * Brags * Brags* Brags ***

Sue Fecht's good news: Oakridge Ruby Red Tuesday (Ruby) ran 4 for 4 at the Wisconsin Rapids Trial, adding 2 more double Q's to her total.

From Kathy Schuh: At the Lakeland agility trial on Oct. 5, Kobold Blue Suede Schuhs (Brodie- NA-NAJ-CGC-TDI--Border Terrier) took a 1st place in Open Standard. He is owned by Bud & Kathy Schuh & run by Kathy.

Arleen Ravanelli has two big brags to report for White Shepherd Shira.

1- First Major in conformation (AWSA) beat out 47 other dogs
2- Took 2nd place and got her second leg for her UKC CD, missed high in trial by 1 1/2 pts. in Indiana. 1st place in novice got high in trial.

Not a brag, but exciting news (for me). We are expecting Shira's 1st litter Dec.1st. Also my 1st litter in 15 years - should be fun for both of us.

Karlene's Sasha (Chelestina's Cinnabar CD, MX, MXJ) qualified in Excellent B Standard (third place finish) and in Excellent B Jumpers at the Fond du Lac County Kennel Club trial October 11. He has 136 points (out of 750) and five double Q's (out of 20) toward the MACH title. According to the Samoyed Club of America, Inc. Bulletin, Sasha was ranked #4 nationally among Samoyeds in Excellent Agility, (first quarter year to date) based on dogs defeated.

Congratulations to all!

Timber Ridge Building dates for November

Second Monday after 12:00: November 10

Tuesdays after 12:00 noon: November 4, 11, 18, 25

Thursdays after 12:00: November 6, 13, 20, **27** (We may want to simply drop this day, or we can ask for a substitute.)

Saturdays all day: November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Timber Ridge Building dates for December

Second Monday after 12:00: December 8

Tuesdays after 12:00 noon: December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Thursdays after 12:00: December 4, 11, 18, **25** (We may want to simply drop this day, or we can ask for a substitute.)

Saturdays all day: December 6, 13, 20, 27

**Thanks to Kris Punke for arranging these days with Chuck!*

Our Time at Camp Bandy

November 2	9:30-11:30 a.m.
November 16	9:30-11:30 a.m.
December 7	9:30-11:30 a.m.
December 21	9:30-11:30 a.m.

Cindy Brick's Border Collies Ariba & Misha complete MACH4!

Cindy Brick's Border Collie, Misha, recently completed her MACH4 AKC agility championship! This is an amazing—and rare—achievement. Cindy's younger Border Collie, Ariba, completed her MACH4 earlier this year. A MACH4 title means that the dog has earned 80 Double Qs (qualifying twice in one day) and 3,000 MACH points. (One second under standard course time in a qualifying run earns one MACH point.) Cindy's dogs are known for their speed and (in Ariba's case) enthusiastic vocalization while working. Misha and Ariba consistently take first and second place in the most competitive AKC class. Cindy Brick is one of the most successful agility handlers in the country!

Big congratulations to you, Cindy!

*****Announcements*****

Each month now, about 20 club members receive their newsletter as a Microsoft Word attachment to an email. If you would like to get your newsletter via email rather than regular post, please contact Phyllis Christensen at pkchris@pcpros.net.

Connie Cleveland

March 6 and 7, 2004

At the Oshkosh Kennel Club

For more information, call Cindy Bohnert at (920) 685-6114.

If you have training stories, announcements, cartoons, items for sale or swap, a training story, or brags for the newsletter, please send them to Karlene Ferrante at 1324 Portage St., Stevens Point, WI 54481 or email to kferrante@uwsp.edu.