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Agenda

General Meeting, April 6, 2017, 7:30 p.m.

- *Greeting/Introductions
- *Minutes from March
- *Treasurer & Committee Reports
- *Old Business
 - March Trial
 - Volunteer Hours
 - Flooring
- *New Business
 - AKC Tricks
 - AKC Rally
 - Cafe Press Account
 - New dog park presentation from Lincoln Parks and Rec
- *Announcements/Braggs
- *Adjourn

ATTENTION – AKC is now offering Trick Dog titles! For more information, visit:
<http://www.akc.org/trick-dog/>



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REMINDER: Barker Deadline

Just a friendly reminder. The Barker deadline to make certain that something will be included is 5 p.m. on the 15th of the month. You can submit things after that but they may not be printed until the next month.

GLOC Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 2, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

In attendance: Teresa Barney, Chris Sumner, Alicia Graybill, Jeannine Beer, Danielle Green, Julee Vincent, Jessica Bruns, Kat Potthoff, Judy Vitamvas, Teresa Lee, Terese Pirl, Robin Bonge, Pam Eckstein

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by Teresa Barney

Minutes: There were no corrections or additions noted. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jessica B and seconded by Jeannine B. Motion carried.

Treasures report: Jeannine reported that she has 2016 summary information. Income for the year was \$112,467.34 and expenses totaled \$113,159.23 for a net loss of (\$691.89). We ended the year with \$59,305.20. January receipts totaled \$5,202.45 and expenses totaled \$5,653.23 for a net loss of (\$449.78), February receipts totaled 3,605.01 and expenses totaled \$4,914.67 for a net loss of (\$2,359.66). We have \$56,139.68 in the bank. A motion to accept the treasures report was made by Kat P and seconded by Alicia G. Motion carried.

Committee reports:

Agility: Kat reported that we are still in need of a trial chair for October. After 3/15 we will do the CPE trial paperwork. A contract has been signed with Lancaster Event Center. We are getting equipment ready. The bar jumps are showing some wear and Judy V may schedule a work day to make repairs. We will only need one set of contact for the next trial as the other ring will be jumpers. We will need 4" jumps and have a solution.

Correspondence: Alicia reported that she sent a card for Pat Guticz who lost her dog Frankie.

Obedience: No report

Marketing: Pam reported that the older brochure was printed on legal paper versus letter and that would free up some space for more content. Currently it only covers six months of classes. We will evaluate and possible return to legal size paper next year. She also reported that we have an opportunity to have a table at the Pet Care Center open house on April 22. They are located at 14th and Adams and last year had about 300 people in attendance. There is a small fenced in area we may be able to use for a demo if we like. This will be brought to the membership meeting to see if we have interest in this event. There is also an Expo in Omaha (Ralston) on July 15 that we could explore. Discussion was had about how much benefit we would see from Omaha residents versus the cost of the booth (up to \$500). Consensus was that we pass on the Omaha Expo. Kat recommended that we come up with a calendar due to limited volunteers to evaluate events. Pam then inquired about a carnival that the club had hosted in the past. It was reported that it was a lot of work and revenues were around \$1,000. We would need to start the planning at least four months ahead of the event. The year it was held, we advertised at our booth at the Expo. We may want to keep this in mind for next year.

Registrations: Danielle reported that she signed the pay voucher from SCC for 91 students and we should be receiving that payment. We received \$6,230 for winter 2017. The next registration will be open from 3/17 to 3/24

Membership: Terese P reported that she only has 63 member forms and there appears to be a lot missing. Teresa B reported that forms got lost in the transfer. There have been no new requests for keys.

Old Business: Teresa B read the report provided by Sherry T about the I Love My Dog Expo. Sherry has volunteered to put together a guild for volunteers. We had a good location and neighbors for our booth this year.

Judy V reported that the fall contracts have been signed with the Event Center. We need to get the trial committee members to Amy for the premium. The October trail information is not due to AKC until April. She also reported that she had added 4" cups to the majority of the old jump and has ordered pieces for 2 new wingless jumps and more sandbags. She will announce at the meeting the need for a few individuals to help with repairs this Sunday after the fun match. An email will go out tomorrow.

Chris S inquired about the status of the floor repairs. There have been a few more complaints. Jane & Jennifer taped and areas have been marked with chalk. We will have to get some more tape. Chris will organize a small group and will announce this at the membership meeting.

New Business: Robin B had sent out an email last fall about volunteer hours to the board. Members must complete 12 volunteer hours to be in good standing. This entitles the member to vote, get an activity pass and building key (if they meet the requirements). Should we increase the number of hours necessary to be eligible for a key? There is some confusion about the activity pass and keys as they do not go hand in hand. Members must be in good standing to get an activity pass. They must have the activity pass for one year before they can get a key. There was a question as to who is tracking if members requesting keys have met the criteria? How about instructor keys? Consensus was that instructor keys must be accompanied by notification from Kat or Whitney. It was also asked where a key list resided? It will be added to the spreadsheet.

Kat commented that based on volunteer development research, "bean counting" volunteer hours is not effective for building lasting volunteers/members. An alternative is positive reinforcement for volunteering. This may be recognition in the barker or other forms of recognition. The discussion was tabled. Board

members were encouraged to talk to other members for additional feedback.

Teresa B reported that Janet Ball has asked if the club would like the Parks Foundation to do a presentation at the April meeting about the dog parks. The board consensus was that this would be a good presentation. There has been a request from Robin J to use match funds for title bars and toys versus ribbons. She would like to use the funds from Show and Go for these purchases. After a short discussion it was determined that these purchases should be trial expenses and not come from the Show and Go funds. Teresa then inquired as to the status of the board's GLOC email addresses. She requested that all GLOC business be sent the email for the president and not her personal email. Any password updates should be communicated to Teresa B so that we can access the account after your board term has expired. Chris S reported that she had no new information on first aid. Danielle G stated that she had updated the calendar online.

Alicia G motioned to adjourn the meeting and Jessica B seconded. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.

GLOC Membership Meeting Thursday, March 2, 7:30 p.m.

Members present: Jeannine Beer, Pam Eckstein, Mary Schweitzer, Judy Vitamvas, JuLee Vincent, Jessica Burns, Teres Pirl, Robin Bonge, Martha Anderson, Holly Adams, Danielle Green, Chris Sumner, Jack Higgins, Alicia Graybill, Eileen VanLent, Kelly Snyder, Kat Potthoff, Jennifer Brown, Teresa Barney, Teresa Lee

Guests present: Michele Hunzeker, Larry Hunzeker, Kem Kempkes, Sarah Thompson, Katelyn Remp

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 pm by Teresa Barney.

Minutes from the February meeting as they appear in the Barker were reviewed. No additions or corrections were noted. A motion to approve the minutes as corrected was made by Robin B and seconded by Chris S. Motion carried.

Teresa B reported that the Golden Retrievers Rescue of Nebraska will be meeting in the building on 4/23. There will be GLOC members present and they will clean up afterwards. We do not charge them any fees as they make referrals to GLOC. Teresa then reported on the Expo. The event went well and we distributed a lot of flyers. Sherry T sent thanks to the volunteers and Kat. We had a good location for our booth and had extra space for equipment. We had great volunteers, a good video and a good brochure. Thanks for the carpet for flyball, the flash mob and the demonstrations. Overall there was a lot of good communication and we were well received.

Teresa B then reported that we need to do a better job of tracking volunteer hours. We are seeking feedback on ways for members to contribute and get their volunteer hours. What can we do to increase volunteer participation? Anyone with suggestions or comments are encouraged to email or speak to a board member.

We have been asked if the club would like the Lincoln Parks Foundation to do a presentation on the dog parks at the April meeting. Membership consensus was that this would be very welcome.

Members and visitors introduced themselves.

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(\$2,359.66). We have \$56,139.68 in the bank. We are expecting about \$6,200 in registration fees from SCC. A motion to accept the treasures report was made by Martha A and seconded by Danielle G. Motion carried.

Sports: Kat reported that the flyball class is doing well and did a good job at the expo. The class will be going to Omaha to watch a flyball tournament. Tracking is being taught by Elbert T and we have a couple of new dogs starting. We may get more involved if we offer the classes through SCC next fall. AKC trial in March is still in need of volunteers. Martha A is the chair. We will be loading the truck Friday at 5 pm and unloading around 6:30pm. Anyone who can return around 9:30-10 pm to help move equipment will also be allowed to set up your crating. We have a chair and committee for the June trial but are still in need of a chair for October. Contact Judy if you are interested. We will need to get this submitted to AKC in April.

Judy reported that some of the equipment is in need of repairs. We need to go through the jumps and refurbish the taping. She would like 3 to 4 volunteers to assist with repairs on Sunday after the fun match around 12:30 – 1pm.

Any volunteers wanting to teach should get with Kat or Whitney.

Correspondence: Alicia reported that she sent a card to Pat Guticz who lost Frankie. There are no others.

Registrations: Danielle reported that we are going to open registrations from 3/17 to 3/24 (6 pm to 6pm). This includes a weekend and is not a trail weekend.

Marketing: Pam reported we have the opportunity to have a booth on 4/22 from 1-4pm at the Pet Care Center open house. They are located near 14th & Adams. We can have a booth and do demos (possibly weave pole relay races). She asked if there would be any members interested in this event. Having no interest, it was decided that we would

provide them with brochures for distribution. Pam also reported on the possibility of hosting a carnival here at the club in the spring of 2018. We will set up a committee in July.

Membership: Terese reported that renewals are due now. She only has 63 forms. Members are asked to check with her to determine if your form is missing. Terese then reported she received new member applications from Monica Rosen and Michele Hunzeker.

Teresa B then reported that the Nebraska Department of Revenue will be checking on our Non-profit status on 3/13. They are not concerned about this visit.

Teresa then reported that any club correspondence should be mailed to the GLOC email addresses. They are listed on the website and in the Barker.

Chris S reported that anyone interested in helping to repair the flooring should contact her at the VP@GLOC address. Once a time has been determined, Robin B will send out an email.

Braggs and announcements

Alicia G motioned to adjourn the meeting and Chris S seconded. Motion carried and meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Meeting minutes submitted by Teresa Lee, recording secretary.

GALLERY OF BRAGS

Peej Pirl earned the TD title in tracking on March 26th at Branched Oak Lake on her first try! So proud of my girl and our journey so far! – Submitted by Terese Pirl



Volunteering --A Message from the President

I am asking our members to provide feedback regarding volunteering. Please feel free to email me or come talk to me. There will be time during our general meeting for a discussion. Some questions to consider:

1. What makes you want to volunteer?
2. How can we improve communication to notify you of opportunities?
3. Do you feel appreciated when you volunteer for club events/activities?
4. If not, what would make you feel appreciated (recognition, thank you notes, how you made a difference, other examples?)
5. What are ways to motivate newer members to volunteer?
6. Do you feel you were trained to do the task?
7. If you are currently not meeting our minimum hour requirement, why? (List your reasons please [no time, don't want to, not the right opportunity, etc])

I greatly appreciate your feedback. If you have thoughts other than above please let me know.

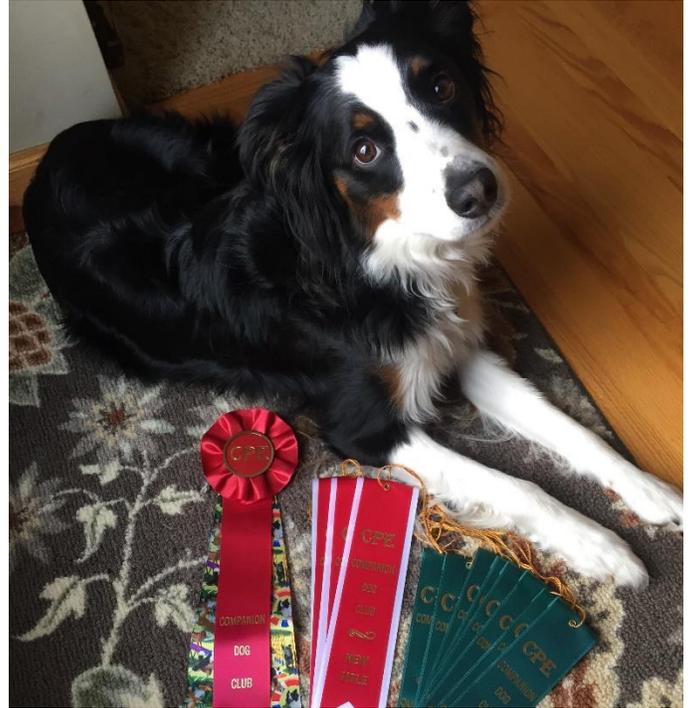
Teresa Barney, President
Greater Lincoln Obedience Club



Bella

GALLERY OF BRAGS (CONTINUED)

Renly received a High in Trial award for Saturday of the CPE Trial in Wahoo! Here is a pic with his BIG ribbon. – Submitted by Sherry Tomes



At the Wahoo CPE trial, Bella got 3 out of 5 Q's and earned two title ribbons. Abbie got 4 out of 5 Q's and earned one title ribbon. – Submitted by Jessica Bruns



Abbie

GALLERY OF BRAGS (CONTINUED)

Bizzy Boy earned two Q's at the Wahoo CPE trial and is almost finished with the level 2's. He finished his Novice titles at our AKC show on Mom's birthday weekend. Mom needs to get faster for the Open AKC trials and is going to work on that.
Submitted by JuLee Vincent



Tricks Class and Treibball

In light of the AKC adding the new Trick Dog titles (TKN, TKI, TKA, TKP), we are looking to revamp the Tricks class. We would like to change the Tricks class to allow students to be able to test for and achieve the TKN (Novice Trick Dog) title upon completion of the class.

If you have any ideas for the Tricks class, please let Alicia know via email at a_graybill@yahoo.com.

We'll be starting the Treibball class in May. Treibball (literally "drive ball") is also known as Urban Herding. Instead of moving sheep, cattle or ducks around, we'll be using exercise balls. If your dog is capable of sitting, lying down, and coming when called, you may want to try this new sport. Any breed of dog, any size, can play Treibball using appropriate sized exercise balls so join us!



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PUPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly membership meeting – Thursday, April 6
@ 7:30 p.m.

Barker Deadline - Saturday, April 15 @ 5:00 p.m.

Monthly membership meeting – Thursday, May 4,
2017 @ 7:30 p.m.

VOLUNTEER PUPPORTUNITIES

Instructors and assistants always needed for obedience and agility classes. Contact Whitney at glocdirector@gmail.com or Kat at glocsportsdirector@gmail.com.

There is a box at the GLOC building on the table in the office. Next to the box is a notebook. If you find yourself with a few idle minutes, look in the box and find a quick chore. Make sure, if you complete a task, that you write it down in the notebook. These are quick and easy tasks that will contribute to your volunteer hours.

Check for other volunteer pupportunities in the GLOC calendar. If you have a pupportunity for GLOC members to volunteer, submit it to the Barker to be included.