



# The Barker

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## Agenda

General Meeting via in person? And Zoom, etc.

- \*Greeting/Introductions
- \*Minutes from November
- \*Treasurer & Committee Reports
- \*Old Business
- \*Announcements/Brags
- \*Adjourn

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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 15<sup>th</sup> of the month. You can submit things after that but they may not be printed until the next month.

## GLOC Meeting Minutes

### Board Meeting

December 3, 2020

Board Members Present: Teresa Barney, Kat Potthoff, Kyle Smith, Megan Zawacki, Jessica Bruns, Jeannine Beer, JuLee Vincent, Judy Vitamvas, Mary Schweitzer, and Sally Clayshulte

Absent: Elbert Traylor

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

Recording Secretary: Sally

Teresa moved to approve Oct Meeting Minutes, JuLee was first, Kyle seconded and all approved.

Treasurer's report: Jeannine

November Income	\$	5.26
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Net Expenses	\$	4,274.57
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Cash Flow	\$	4,269.31
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EOM	\$	41,511.35
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Float	\$	2,491.86
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Includes ~\$1,950.00 for November Trial

CAH	\$	39,019.49
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CAH - Cash on Hand

Teresa moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, Jessica was first, Kyle seconded and all approved. The report will be filed for audit.

It is estimated the club will make ~\$1,800.00 from the November Trial

Corresponding Secretary: Megan  
Cards were sent to the following:

Kathy Andeldt - Surgery  
Pam Eckstein - Surgery  
Cheri Miller - New Puppy  
Teresa Barney - Viktor - Surgery

A card will be sent to Jessica Bruns for a new puppy

Sporting Secretary: Kat

Session 1 and 2 classes are listed on the SCC website but there were some errors that have since been corrected. Tracking will be listed as occurring at Pioneer Park. There is a registration deadline of 3-5 days before a session begins.

Old Business:

Two people from the Wednesday night Obedience 1 class have requested a refund for the class. The circumstances are as follows; The first class was very chaotic as there were some mis-communications from SCC about class numbers.

The second class went well

The third class, the instructor was late, some of the participants left before the instructor arrived Jeannine made a motion to refund both requests for class refunds, Mary seconded and all approved. Kat recommended the club consult the By-Laws to review how to handle these types of issues, in the future.

Reminder that earlier in the year, required volunteer hours (to stay in good standing) were reduced by 50%.

Meetings will remain on Zoom while we are in the red for Covid risk.

### **New Business:**

Before the CPE trial, several people pulled out, (after the Premium closed) due to Covid exposure or testing. The Trial Secretary shredded their entrance checks. She did this without informing the Trial Committee or the club president. GLOC's policy is not to refund money after the Premium closes, to those who pull out of participating in a trial. Those who decided to pull out of the trial will be informed this is not the club policy and to not expect it in the future. Due to the checks being shredded, the club lost ~\$500.00. A line will be added to the Premium, that GLOC will not offer refunds after a Premium has closed.

There was another incident with the trial secretary in which a participant didn't complete the premium correctly. When a change was requested during the trial, it was denied, even though several other change requests had been granted. The conversation between the participant and trial secretary escalated and it became rather ugly. Several questions, comments and recommendations were made during the discussion;

Did anyone else have issues with the trial secretary during this trial?

Foul language is unprofessional and inappropriate.

The Trial Committee should have been informed so they could resolve the situation immediately and before the end of the Trial.

Were any CPE rules broken?

It was determined that there is not written contract but an understanding that the Trial Secretary can run dogs during the Trial. (The dogs ran in a reasonable number of events) The affected participant is free to file a formal complaint with CPE.

The club may want to consider using a different secretary for future trials. If this is the case, the

club will need to start looking as the club has requested this secretary in future trials.

There was a discussion about whether or not to provide award plaques and dangles for 2020. These typically run between \$750.00 - \$1,000.00. Kyle made a motion, Megan seconded, and all approved, that due to decreased income this year, plaques and dangles would not be handed out for 2020 achievements. Awards will be announced. However, the club will combine 2020 and 2021 plaques and dangles next year.

At the end of December, the reduced rate of the lease along with the month to month provision will end. The board requested, Teresa to contact the landlord to see if the club can continue to get a reduced 'Covid' rate for 3-6 months along with a lease agreement. Jessica may assist with these arrangements.

Nominations are open for President, Vice President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and two members at large. Teresa requested a membership list (pdf) be sent to her. The nominations will be finalized in January. Judy V is collecting nominations.

Jennifer Kaschke has requested a key. A big shout out to her along with the other volunteers for the November Trial.

Meeting Adjourned:  
Jessica made a motion for the meeting to be adjourned at 7:28, Megan seconded and all approved.

### General Membership Meeting

GLOC Member Meeting Notes  
December 3, 2020

**Members Present:** Teresa Barney, Kat Potthoff, Megan Zawacki, Jessica Bruns, Jeannine Beer, JuLee Vincent, Judy Vitamvas, Kyle Smith, Mary Schweitzer, Sherry Tomes, Pam Eckstein, Jennifer Kaschke, Jennifer Brown, Kim Kempkes, Marcia Tetley, Marcy Graybill, Mimi Harvey, Ellen Wilson-Plouzek, Kerri Paulson, and Sally Clayshulte

Meeting called to order at 7:30pm

**Recording Secretary:** Sally  
Teresa moved to approve Nov Meeting Minutes, Sherry was first, Kerri seconded and all approved.

**Treasurer's report:** Jeanine

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**Sporting Secretary: Kat**

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There is a request for an all level handling class as often there aren't enough participants in classes of separate handling levels. As a result of the low class participants the classes get cancelled. Perhaps with a combined class, there would be enough participants to hold the class. There may also be interest in a sequencing class.

**Trials:**

November CPE Agility Trial:

Sherry Tomes was the Committee Chair. The trial went well. Big thanks to Teresa and Kerri the course builders, Kim was the volunteer coordinator, Ellen, Jeannine, Jessica, Marcia, Sally, and others made the trial go smoothly. The Agility Gate App worked well. Also a big thank you to Jennifer K who assisted in unloading.

February Scent Work Trial:

Trial dates of Feb 13/14 was approved.

March AKC Agility Trial:

Martha Anderson is the Trial Committee Chair and is looking for volunteers to be on the Trial Committee.

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There was a discussion about treatment of dogs in classes. A couple of instances where a dog was 'hung' has been witnessed during an Obedience 1 class and tracking. In one case Teresa was unaware of the incident and in another proper channels had been followed but the board had not been contacted. This makes it appear as if the incident was swept under the rug. Hanging a dog is not appropriate and will not be tolerated. If this happens in the future, bring the incident to the board. There are

incident forms at the club so incidents can be documented in a written format with who, what, when, how. These incidents can be a legal liability to the club.

Reactive dogs and dog aggression should be contained in an appropriate manner. Some nearby clubs have a reactive dog committee to address these issues/dogs.

### **Meeting Adjourned:**

A motion was made for the meeting to be adjourned at 8:25. Kerri was a first, Jeannine seconded and all approved.

### **March 13-14 Agility Trial**

GLOC will be hosting an AKC agility trial in Lincoln on March 13-14. Martha Anderson will be the trial chair. She is looking for help and members to be on the trial committee. She needs a chief ring steward, someone to drive the truck,

and a volunteer coordinator to name a few jobs. If you are willing to help with any of these or to be on the committee, send her an e-mail at [marthaanne55@gmail.com](mailto:marthaanne55@gmail.com). Thank you.

### **Best Choice Labels**

You can drop off labels in the building office in the jar throughout the year. Please drop off *all* of your BEST CHOICE labels and containers *no later* than the December meeting so there is time to get them all counted and mailed by the end of the year.

Here is a link to their website for your reference. <https://bestchoicebrand.com/save-a-label/>

## **Gallery of Brags**

*If you have a new puppy/dog announcement, a brag, or just some great pictures of your dog(s), submit them to the Barker for inclusion in our Gallery of Brags. Send your items to [glocthebarker@gmail.com](mailto:glocthebarker@gmail.com). Our deadline is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month but for pics of puppies, we always make an exception.*

On 11/19/20 Deja Vu. Earned her Nadac Agility Trial Championship. Something we'd about given up on getting. So proud of my girl who has not always run well but has run with joy and enthusiasm and has always been a Joy to run with. Leith McLaughlin





## Pupcoming Events

Barker deadline Friday, January 15

February 13/14 Scent Trial

March 13/14 AKC Agility Trial

November 20-21 Obedience Trial

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