



## **GILITY CLUB OF SAN DIEGO, INC.**

### **Board Meeting**

February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009

**Board Members in attendance:** Dayle Moden, Joanna Hunt, Peggy Jencks, Cathy Dever, Andy Strobridge, Ted Jingling, Crystal Sanders.

Membership/Guests in attendance: Rita Wolkiewicz

Meeting called to order at 1839.

#### **REPORTS:**

**Secretary's Report:** Joanna Hunt reported that she had not yet typed the minutes from last week's General Membership Meeting and that she would send them out to the board for their approval in the coming week. The minutes of the last Board Meeting (December 2008) were unanimously approved via email prior to the end of the year.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dayle Moden reported that the club currently has a balance of \$13,441.13 in its checking account, with an additional \$6,350.15 invested in CD's. Dayle reported that she was still waiting for the upcoming bank statement, which would give the club an accurate reflection of what was brought in (net profit) at the January USDAA trial.

**Membership Report:** Crystal reported that, in order to start functioning in her position as the new Membership Chair, she still needed to acquire the membership materials from Marla Cook. Andy volunteered to follow-up on this request and would ask Marla to bring the materials to him at Dehesa.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Trailer Inventory for Insurance:** Andy and Rita Wolkiewicz recently inventoried the content of the small, tow trailer. Rita presented a typed list of content, along with an itemized dollar value, to the board. She estimated the value of the trailer, including its listed content, to be approximately \$8,000.00 (not including the spare rim and tire). She speculated that the cost to insure the trailer and its content would be about \$200.75 for a year's coverage (with a \$250 deductible). Peggy put forward a motion to obtain insurance for this trailer and its content; Ted seconded this motion and all board members in attendance were in favor.

Andy reported that he had been successful in securing a spare tire at NO cost to the club. He later had the fortune of finding two additional (15") tires that could be used for the trailer as well; again, at no cost to the club. Andy did add that he would like to get a tool box, to attach to the tongue of the trailer, which would store the necessary equipment to haul the trailer or change a flat (e.g. jack, hitch ball).

A list of content will be kept with the trailer to help track club equipment. Rita kindly laminated a copy of the trailer registration to attach to the trailer and also provided copies for Andy, Joanna and Dayle, for record keeping purposes.

**Equipment:** Andy reported that Ted Jingling and Ron Etherton will be assisting him in applying the rubber matting to the NADAC contact equipment on February 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Volunteer Rewards Program (VRP):** Again, there was a lot of discussion regarding the club's payment system and "double dipping"—the taking of both vouchers and banking hours in the VRP book. The board is looking into ways of eliminating the book entirely. In order to do this, the board will need to devise a new system for earning year-end plaques. "Members in good standings" must attend two meetings a year—this requirement could be tracked from the meeting's attendance

record. Without the book in place, there would be no way of tracking the hours currently required to obtain the plaques. The board decided to query the general membership on how they think the Volunteer Rewards Program should be changed and/or how members could become eligible for their year-end plaque.

The issue of using club vouchers to “buy” a plaque was raised. After the board discussed this, Joanna motioned to allow club members to use club vouchers to purchase year-end plaques; this motion was seconded by Ted Jingling. All board members in attendance were in favor.

The club is still looking into a new, local vendor for next year’s plaques. Donna Mikschl has looked into an engraving company in La Mesa—she will report later on her findings. The board was in agreement that we needed to investigate a new vendor sooner rather than later in the year, in order to ensure a new source prior to when awards needed to be done.

Ted suggested that the club look into giving larger denominations of the vouchers for the “bigger” jobs, to avoid shuffling many of the \$2 vouchers for payment.

Expiration dates on certificates continue to be an issue. Joanna read a letter from an out-of-town woman seeking an extension of her vouchers. While newer vouchers were supposed to be issued without an expiration date, those distributed during the awards dinner were printed with an expiration date on them. For sake of ease, the board decided that, AS A WHOLE, certificates will NOT expire and they CAN be transferable (meaning that if a friend works and want to give you her vouchers that would be permissible). Ted motioned that the club disregard expiration dates and make the certificates transferable, retroactively. Peggy seconded this motion and all board members in attendance were in favor. Joanna will send a reply to the above mentioned correspondent and include a paper premium for our March AKC trial.

**ACSDI Sign for Dehesa Training Site:** Patti Bott has purchased the sign advertising training classes at Dehesa and it is now ready for hanging. Andy volunteered to put the sign up on the fence if Patti could deliver it to the field.

**Website Updates:** Crystal reported that she has gone through the club's website and noted a number of changes that should be addressed. Included in these changes were updating contact information for membership, changing the password protected material (to include ONLY newsletter and meeting minutes and not VRP forms/instructions and Membership Renewal Application), and updating the Membership Application and Membership Renewal forms to reflect current practices (e.g. removing the statement about family memberships and changing the wording of the requirements to match the wording from the Constitution). Crystal presented a revised Membership Application and Renewal Application to the group for their review of her suggested changes. Ted Jingling made a motion to post the revised Membership Application (as presented) on the website; Cathy seconded this motion and all board members in attendance were in favor. Peggy further motioned that the Renewal Application, with suggested changes, also be posted on the website; Ted seconded this motion and all board members were in favor.

Furthermore, Crystal brought up that the last issue of Agile Antics to be posted on the website was May/June (2008)—she stated that the remainder of the year should be loaded on the website as well. This was probably an oversight when the club changed editors and we will make sure that Jessica Hecock knows to send a copy of the Agile Antics to Akiko for posting.

**Request for Library Funding:** Shirley Sousa submitted a request to the board for authorization to purchase the new DVD, "Control Unleashed". It sells for approximately \$71, Cathy placed a motion to purchase this DVD for the club library; Ted Jingling seconded this motion and all board members in attendance were in favor.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**A-Frame donation:** Ted proposed that the club consider donating (half the cost of) a new A-frame to the Canine Training Center/Greyhound Adoption Center (GAC). He presented an A-frame found in a recent Clean Run issue, which is constructed of aluminum with a nonskid surface (skin) and wooden slats. The cost of the A-frame is \$1025, including shipping fees. His suggestion was that the club split the cost with the GAC and the ACSDI's contribution be considered a donation to the center (that could benefit both the GAC and the club). Because this venture exceeds the board's spending limit of \$400, Andy will take this suggestion to the General Membership for their approval.

Andy further suggested that the club consider donating some of their older metal jumps to the GAC—these jumps are not being used and are currently being stored in one of the containers.

**Donations:** On the topic of donations, Rita brought up that, as a nonprofit organization, the club has always made charitable donations to other organizations. In the past, ACSDI has given up to three annual gifts of \$500 to various charitable organizations. Since no donations were given in 2008, the board will bring the need for donations and suggested charities to the General Membership.

**Ring poles:** Rita asked the board to consider purchasing new ring poles (for attaching ring ropes during our club trials at Dehesa). She brought an example of a new, lighter version now available—these are priced lower (\$1.86 each) than our existing, older poles (\$2.25 each).

**Gift Certificates:** Rita proposed that the club might start to sell Gift Certificates that could be redeemed for trials or classes. This could be a seasonal offering that could benefit members wishing for something agility-related during the

holiday gift giving season. The board will consider this suggestion.

**March General Membership Meeting:** The club's next General Membership Meeting will fall on March 26<sup>th</sup>, at 630 pm. The board discussed the option of holding it at Dehesa or booking a room indoors at the Allied Gardens Rec Center, which would offer a reprieve from the possibility of inclement weather. Andy will send an email notice of where this meeting will take place.

Ted Jangling motioned that the February Board Meeting be adjourned at 2038. This motion was seconded by Peggy Jencks; all board members were in favor.