



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

### **Board Meeting**

December 3, 2008

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

Membership/Guests in attendance: Patti Bott

Meeting called to order at 1843.

#### **REPORTS:**

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the November General Membership Meeting were reviewed. The minutes were approved as printed—Andy Strobridge motioned to approve them and this motion was seconded by Bonnie Bailey; all board members were in favor.

**Treasurer's Report:** Dayle Moden reported that the club currently has a balance of \$10,992.77 in its checking account, with an additional \$6,333.35 invested in CD's (which is the same as last month's report owing to the fact that the December CD statement has not yet been received). Dayle reported that the club had a number of recent expenses, including \$386 for the monthly field rental at Dehesa, \$412.50 for the dinner meeting at San Filippo's (plus the cost of pies), \$73.34 for the monthly rental of the small container, and the additional costs of paying Tuesday and Thursday instructors, purchasing postage stamps and fronting the \$300.00 deposit for reserving Mark Upshaw for our 2009 trials.

**Membership Report:** Marla Cook submitted a new member application for board approval: Valerie Mahoney, who owns an Irish Setter and has completed the Beginning Level I class. She is sponsored by Arline Armendariz and Jessica Hecock. The

board unanimously approved her application; her application will have its final reading at the January General Membership Meeting.

**ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS:** Patti Bott, as outgoing president of the club, explained the roles and responsibilities of the positions up for nomination. After a short nomination period, the following slate of officers was determined:

**President:** Andy Strobridge

**Vice President:** Sarah Ball

**Treasurer:** Dayle Moden

**Secretary:** Joanna Hunt

As the new President, Andy Strobridge took over chairing the remainder of the meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**USDA trial:** The early bird special closed yesterday. There has been no reports on entries received as of yet.

**NADAC equipment:** Tunnel bags have not yet been purchased, although a budget for this acquisition was set at the November General Membership Meeting.

**Toby's Foundation:** Donna Mikschl is still totaling the income from the October NADAC trial; once this amount is determined, 10% of the net profit will be donated to Toby's Foundation in memory of Gary Albino.

**Trailer Inventory for Insurance:** Patti Bott reported that she had inventoried the club's smaller, towable trailer. (This needed to be done for insurance purposes.) Patti will complete a dollar value written estimate of the contents of the trailer, to a maximum insurance value of \$2,000.

Andy asked if the trailer itself was insured, stating that any damage done BY the trailer was covered by the tow vehicle's insurance, but that it did not cover damage TO the trailer.

Andy will check with Rita Wolkiewicz about insurance coverage.

Andy also requested that the club look into purchasing a spare tire for the trailer.

**Other Equipment:** The club still needs to sell the A-frame mover. Three new canopies were purchased by the club this year—the three that were replaced due to age and general wear-and-tear can now be donated to a non-profit organization, such as the Humane Society.

**Plaques for Titles:** Due to complaints regarding the poor workmanship/quality of the 2007 plaques, the board discussed changing vendors for the 2008 plaques. Initially, Sarah Ball volunteered to check with Audrey Austin (regarding who did the engraving work for the All Breed Obedience Club) and Patti Bott offered to check with a company in Escondido, but after a lengthy discussion, the board felt that we would stick with last year's company. This decision was made in light of the fact that problem plaques were replaced and time was limited to get the work completed prior to the Award Dinner in January. (Bonnie Bailey motioned to remain with our current engraver for 2008's plaque production; Sarah Ball seconded this motion. All board members were in favor.)

**Volunteer Rewards Program:** There was a lot of discussion regarding the vouchers vs. "banking hours" payment system. All were in agreement that "double dipping" (both collection of hours and vouchers) should not be permitted. It was suggested that we need to look at how our Course Builders are being paid—are they being paid fairly for the amount of work involved? It was also asked whether or not we should continue with the Hours Book, or whether it had become outdated. Crystal Sanders suggested that we eliminate the Hour Book completely and have the Membership Chair track meeting attendance. No changes to the Rewards Program were confirmed at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**ACSDI Sign for Dehesa Training Site:** Arline Armendariz and Patti Bott have requested that the club purchase a sign for posting at the Canine Sports Center, to direct those interested in agility lessons to our website/hotline. It was suggested that the sign be 24” x 36” and state “Home of the Agility Club of San Diego, Beginner and Advanced classes,” and provide contact information. A motion was made by Bonnie Bailey to allocate \$150 towards the purchase of this sign; this motion was seconded by Joanna Hunt. All board members were in favor.

**January Awards Dinner:** The club’s annual awards dinner is typically held in January. The board discussed possible locations and dates, and reviewed costs of prior years. In an effort to reduce the club’s cost this year, Patti Bott offered to check into the meeting room at Marie Callender’s in La Mesa, where they offer a range of dinners at various prices. (Last year, the club spent approximately \$2,000 on supplementing the cost of meals for members and another \$1,000 on awards.)

**Monetary Compensation:** The board discussed compensating Akiko (who manages our website) and Vickie Lee Hill (who takes care of the club’s books) for their time and dedication to the club. Dayle Moden motioned that the club gift them each \$100 cash for their donated time; this motion was seconded by Ted Jingling. All board members were in favor and Dayle was assigned the task of posting thank you notes from the club, each with an enclosed check. The club also needs to follow up with their offer to compensate Bob Long and Sally Nesbitt for their time/gas when doing “pre-trial” ring set-up.

**Website Updates:** It was discussed that the contact person for membership needed to be updated. As it currently reads, Marla Cook is still the contact person for membership and this needs to be corrected to Crystal Sanders, the club’s new membership chairperson. Crystal will contact Akiko and coordinate this change.

**Request for Voucher Reinstatement:** Patti Bott brought forward a request to have an expired voucher reinstated. This request was granted by the board.

**Request for Library Funding:** Shirley Sousa submitted a request to the board for funds to help purchase additional reference material for the club library (e.g. 2x2 weaves DVD and multiple new publications). Bonnie Bailey motioned that the club allocate \$250 for library-related purchases; Sarah Ball seconded this motion. All board members were in favor.

**By-Law Corrections:** Crystal Sanders alerted the board to a number of necessary corrections to the printed by-laws voted on by membership at the November meeting. Apparently, there were some typos and these need to be amended to accurately depict the board's previously agreed upon recommendations. These changes will need to be sent out to the general membership for their review prior to asking them to vote on them (again) at an upcoming meeting.

**2009 Calendar:** The board will continue to meet on the first Wednesday of the even months throughout 2009, with meetings slated for February 4<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, August 5<sup>th</sup>, October 7<sup>th</sup>, and December 2<sup>nd</sup>. The general membership meetings will continue to rotate between Tuesdays and Thursdays, with dates set for January 27<sup>th</sup> (Awards Dinner), March 26<sup>th</sup>, May 26<sup>th</sup>, July 18<sup>th</sup> (***this is the date for the club's annual picnic and will fall on a Saturday***), September 22<sup>nd</sup>, and November 12<sup>th</sup> (our annual election meeting at San Filippo's).

\*Crystal Sanders agreed to mail awards/plaque information out to the general membership. Patti Bott offered to keep in touch with San Filippo's regarding our November reservation of their meeting room. Joanna Hunt will send meeting dates to Jessica Hecock for publication in the Agile Antics. Joanna will also contact Shelley Bakalis to update her regarding the new

2009 board members/officers—information needed for our June USDAA premium application.

Sarah Ball motioned that the December Board meeting be adjourned at 2011. This motion was seconded by Bonnie Bailey; all board members were in favor.