



October 2005



RMKC Newsletter

October Meeting Program

Earth Dog Trials

Presented by

RMKC member Duane Pulford

Earth Dog trialing traces its roots to the beginnings of small game hunting when farmers and hunters used small terriers to pursue vermin to its lair and then follow the game into the ground.

Plan on attending the October meeting to hear Duane present information on Earth Dog trials, along with some of his personal experiences in running his Border Terriers in such competitions.



Program will be presented at 7:00 pm, prior to the general membership meeting. The public is welcome to attend.

Attention all Board Members

There will be a meeting of the Board prior to the General membership meeting on October 10th.

Place: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Time: 6:00 pm

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The Deadline for the November issue is October 26, 2005

Rochester Kennel Club Hosts Successful 2005 Events

Event: Agility Trial Dates: Sept 2-4

We had 650 runs over the course of three days, and even with a brief rain delay on Sunday, things flowed in a timely fashion. A Mach title was earned in the course of the weekend.

Event: All-Breed Conformation & Obedience Show

Dates: Sept 16-18

Our first (& only) year at the RCTC Fieldhouse presented challenges for this year's Show Committee. Along with specialties by the Chinese Shar-Pei & Labrador Retriever clubs, the Canaan Dog Club of America held their National Specialty on Friday evening. Sunday put our show in the history books with the first time a Canaan Dog has gone Best in Show.

Letter from the Editor

What an outstanding pair of events the Rochester Mn Kennel Club hosted, virtually back to back! Hats off to everyone who had a part in the success of the Agility trial &/or the All-Breed show!! The amount of people who planned, organized, set-up, took down - & just jumped in to help wherever needed was awesome.

I had a great time helping with the agility match - except maybe for the part where I was standing in the pouring rain inside the JWW ring Sunday morning - but even then helpers & handlers alike were in a jovial mood. And I won a door prize in the drawing, so the wet jeans & hair were worth it. It was fun, also, to see so many RMKC members running their dogs.

Two weeks later, the All-Breed show. I'm sure we all heard many comments, both good & bad, on this year's site. I salute my fellow show committee members - everyone's commitment to making this a successful event was very evident - & if you ever need your entire floor covered in plastic, I know a few people who can probably do it in an hour or less :)

Please take a moment to download the "September Supplement" I put together, which is a page of pictures from each event. A little brag on my part - most of the agility pics were taken by my Mackenzie (who was a little disappointed that John Limpert didn't tell her he was going to almost wipe-out on the course, causing her to miss a potentially prize-winning shot). The shots on the all-breed page were a collective effort on the part of the Mann's, Nicole Cherry, and Diane Whipple.

Diana Mann

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Note to Club Members:

It was my intention to include a centerfold "spread" of pictures from September's two big events - one page for the Agility Trial, the other for the All-breed show. However, as I worked on it, it became apparent that it would create a file so HUGE that many of you might have trouble accessing the information in the newsletter due to the time it would take to download the center spread. Therefore, I have created it as a separate entity, which is titled "September Supplement". Please take a moment to check it out - there are some shots from both events, along with comments from the events' show chairs. **Thank you to members who contributed pictures.**



RMKC General Membership meeting – Monday, September 12, 2005

Members present: Diana Mann, Linda Cornick, Diane Whipple, Paul & Kris Henning, Carole Sorenson, Marie Christiansen, Caroline Baihly, Chris & Steph Meyer, Julie Prentice, Duane Pulford, Rick Miller, Paul Howe. Guests present: Lynette Gremminger, Julie Mulloy

Meeting was called to order by President Julie P. at 7:01 pm. In her **President's Report**, Julie thanked all who helped with the agility trial, as well as those who had volunteered to help with the upcoming all-breed show.

Corresponding Secretary: Marie C. passed along information she had received, including an upcoming CGC test & a program on whelping puppies to be given by the Northstar Working Group Assoc in Oct.

Recording Secretary: Motion to approve the August meeting minutes was made by Linda C., seconded by Caroline B.; motion carried. From now on, Diana will only be forwarding email messages to the whole membership list that pertain to club business; also, as newsletter editor, she will include the club website address in each note she sends out to the membership announcing that the newsletter is available online.

Treasurer's Report: Caroline reported on the current state of club accounts. She also gave preliminary figures from the agility trial.

Old Business: Rick M. gave the 2005 Show report, including the door charge, access to the building for set-up, etc on Friday, & hospitality information; he also talked about the judge's dinner at the hotel Sat. night & extended an invitation to members. Chief Ring Steward Julie P. reported on what stewarding positions still needed to be filled. The club book donation to the Rochester Public Library was discussed, including determining how the donation amount of \$120 had been arrived upon. Due to the limited time available before the show & the fact that the Chinese Shar-Pei club will be presenting books to a library person on Friday night, it was decided that Diane W. would also be on hand to present a check from the club, along with some books she had purchased to donate. Caroline B., Agility Trial Show Chair, gave her report on this year's trial. Julie P. brought up the topic of club-sponsored seminars for the upcoming year. She presented the information she had received from Tom & Kay Lam, who present a hands-on conformation seminar. Other ideas for seminars & possible locations to use were discussed. Julie P. then led the discussion on the importance of following through on decisions made at meetings & having a system to make sure tasks are completed. The President & Club Recording Secretary will be responsible for keeping track of & adding club motions/decisions to the list/file that previous year's president Katie Bruesewitz compiled. Final old business discussed was the standing committees set up previously in the year. Committee heads should try to meet before the October meeting & be prepared to give a report.

New Business: Julie P. spoke on the need to specifically approve a seminar topic & speaker so as to allow for planning, etc. The Lam seminar was discussed further, including possible venues, either in Rochester or closer to the Twin Cities, which might allow for larger attendance. A motion was made by Caroline B., seconded by Duane P. that the club pursue Tom & Kay Lam to present a seminar in the area; motion passed. Hurricane Katrina, specifically in regards to the animal victims, was brought up for discussion. Diana M., Diane W., & Caroline B. all presented information they had received or heard in regards to groups that were working to rescue animals, including the LVMA, Noah's Wish, the AKC, &, locally, Heritage Pet Hospital. Options for donations were also discussed, including putting out collection jars at the upcoming show & the club contributing or matching funds. A motion was made by Steph M, seconded by Diane W., that we donate \$1 from each admission to the show to Hurricane Katrina animal rescue efforts; motion carried. Decisions on the club's donation & which group(s) to go through were tabled until the October meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rick M., seconded by Marie C.; motion carried. Meeting was Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Diana Mann

RMKC Board Meeting – Monday, September 12, 2005

Members present: Julie Prentice, Linda Cornick, Caroline Baihly, Marie Christiansen, Steph Meyer, Diane Whipple, Pat Campbell

Meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm by President Julie Prentice. Minutes from the July board meeting were approved.

President’s Report: Julie expressed thanks to the board for their work so far, including their involvement in the agility trial & the upcoming show.

Secretary’s Report: Recording Secretary Diana M. brought up the question of whether there were any club guidelines as to what she should & should not be forwarding as far as emails from club members to the general membership. The consensus of the discussion was that only emails that pertained to club business should be Diana’s responsibility to forward – an announcement regarding such emails will be made at the general membership meeting. It was also requested that, as newsletter editor, Diana include the club web-site address in her monthly newsletter notification to the membership.

Treasurer’s Report: Caroline presented current club account standings & presented the preliminary numbers for the agility match, taking into consideration that all expenses have not been accounted for at the current time.

Old Business: The agility timing equipment rental contract was reviewed by the board. Caroline B. presented the information she had received as clarification to earlier questions about the insurance to cover the new timing equipment. Motion was made by Steph M, seconded by Diana M to purchase the insurance for the agility timing equipment; motion passed. Julie P. brought up the importance of keeping track of decisions made at board & general membership meetings, as well as following through on such decisions. The Recording Secretary will keep track of decisions made & add them to the file compiled by previous president Katie Bruesewitz.

New Business: Items needed for the upcoming all-breed show (coolers, etc) were discussed. Planned meeting programs were listed, along with a discussion of some possibilities for the March & April meetings.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:46 pm.



MEMBER BRAGS

★ Steph & Chris Meyer

★ **BISS BIF CH Jewel’s Devine Secrets JH NSD “Sidda”**

★ LaSalle Brittany Club - 4th leg - Junior Hunter - NEW TITLE!

★ **Jewel’s Heartland Flyer “Jay”**

★ Northstar Weimaraner Club - Best Dog in Sweeps

★ Beth Haas

★ **Embark’s Ragtym Crescendo**

★ Indianhead KC - WB/BOW/BB

★ Cambridge (3 days) - WB/OS

★ Lake Elmo - WB/OS

★ Amana (2 days) - WB/BW/OS/BBE - Won Bred By Exhibitor Group

★ Caroline & Art Baihly

★ **Webshire’s Tri-Athalon JH “Cricket”**

★ RMKC Agility Trial - 3rd Novice JWW leg - NEW TITLE!

★ **Ravenswood’s Classic Edition JH “Ella”**

★ RMKC Agility Trial - 2nd Novice Std leg

★ Liz Forss

★ **Oak Lane’s from a Distance**

★ 1st show - WD for a 3-point major

★ Diane Whipple

★ **Brylins Eye Luv Lucy**

★ Rally Novice B - 1st leg



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Monthly Meeting

Date: October 10, 2005 **Time:** 7:00 pm

Location: Good Shepherd Lutheran Church ~ 559 20th St SW

Directions from downtown Rochester: South on Broadway to 20th St SW (Kwik Trip) - turn right (W) - go approx 5 blocks to top of hill - Church is on the right, set back from the street