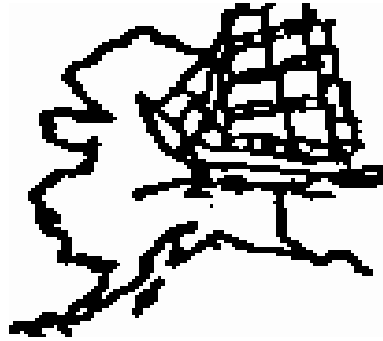


The Cook Inlet Kennel Club GAZETTE



AKC Announces New Program for Mixed Breeds

On April 14, 2009 the AKC announced their new Mixed Breed program. Many purebred enthusiasts are not happy about this program but many others see it as a chance for purebred clubs to bring new members into their folds and educate them about purebred dogs.

For over 125 years The AKC has been the nation's advocate for purebred dogs. The AKC's Board of Directors voted unanimously to create a program for mixed breed dogs which will allow it to act even more broadly and effectively as the dog's champion and voice.

AKC President and CEO Dennis Sprung stated "Our goal in creating a program specifically designed for mixed breeds is to share our passion for dogs and our sport. AKC will broaden its legislative influence by representing more dog owners and achieve greater exposure for our responsible dog ownership messaging. But ultimately, the positive developments that this program creates will benefit dogs the most and this is what we value above all."

There will be three phases to the implementation of the mixed breed program. October 1, 2009 owners can begin enrolling their mixed breed dogs and receive an AKC ID number. Beginning April 1, 2010 dogs that have

been enrolled and received an ID number may begin competing in mixed breed classes at stand-alone AKC Agility, Obedience and Rally events. Shortly after they will have access to other benefits offered by the AKC, i.e., discounted AKC Companion Animal Recovery Lost and Found service, free AKC Canine Good Citizen certificates, free initial veterinary visit, trial offer of pet health insurance and discounted coupons for dog supplies.

In the third phase of the program AKC will offer a web site dedicated to dog owners with discussion forums, dog care video downloads, advice from experts and the most up-to-date news on canine health and welfare. The site will be continually enhanced with new features in order to respond to the needs of pet owners.

The AKC is hoping with this new program to maintain legislative influence, bring new people into the AKC family and continue funding important outreach programs.

This new program does not replace the PAL (formally ILP) as only dogs that are purebred, but unable to be registered, may use the Purebred Alternative Listing Program. The PAL allows dogs to participate in

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**COME AND JOIN US AT
OUR NEXT GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP
MEETING!**

JUNE 2nd AT 7:00 P.M.

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Minutes
General Meeting
May 5, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:07 p.m.
Cheri Hagen made a motion to accept the minutes as published. Chris Asay seconded. Motion passed.

Corresponding Secretary Report:

Newsletter from OTCC
Newsletter from AKKC
Wells Fargo Statement Business Market Account
Enstar Gas Bill
Premium List for AKHGC
Slate Acceptance for November 09 from Anne & David Bolus
Slate Acceptance for November 09 from Kay Radcliffe
Slate Acceptance for November 09 from Linda Hause
Confirmation to judge August 2011 from Marsha Dandridge
Event date and approval from AKC for August 09 weekend Conformation and Obedience
Event date and approval from AKC for August 09 weekend Rally

Return Postage due letter to Mr. James Ham

President's Report: None.

Show Committee Report: Mat-Su Resort came up with the best price so far for the Banquet. Price would be set at \$25.00 each. Gretchen Keim is going to call the VFW and check with them. No premium list available yet to edit.

Training Committee Report: The students in the current classes are pretty enthusiastic. There will be no classes over the summer. There has been fairly consistent attendance. Need more instructors and assistants. We are going to send out a survey to current and past students to see what they would like taught.

Legislative Committee: There are bills in Oregon that would affect breeders in that state. Issues are getting closer to our state but nothing here yet.

Judge's Committee: Next meeting is May 17th at Casey's house.

New Members:

First Reading – Laura Van Diest, she owns Borzois.

Second Reading – Mabel Russ Wimmer, approved. Welcome Mabel.

Unfinished Business:

The Rabbit Club was here using the

building and wishes to thank the club for its use. They left it very clean. There were no paper towels though. We need to make sure that the building stays stocked.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.



Chip—Submitted by
Jeanne and Roger Hale

Minutes
Board Meeting
May 19, 2009

Attending: Carolyn Tolson, Christine Asay, Casey Hessinger, Rene'e Clayton, Judi Rideout, Jon Zylstra, Cheri Hagen and Gretchen Keim.
The meeting was called to order 7:05 p.m.

Judi Rideout made motion to accept April Board Minutes as published Gretchen Keim seconded. Motion passed. May General Meeting Minutes read, no corrections or additions.

Corresponding Secretary Report:

Wells Fargo Statement Business Account Contract from our EMT for August and November 09 shows
MEA Bill
MEA Ballot
Sportsman Insurance Renewal Information
MTA Phone Bill
MTA Inside Out
Check from the Working Group Dog Club of Alaska for November 08 Ad
Notice from AKC Application needed for

Event #2009221008

Notice from AKC Application needed for Event #2009221007

President's Report:

No Report

Show Committee:

August Show: American Legion doesn't have catering so it isn't feasible to have banquet there. Mat-Su Resort is \$25.00 for Baron of Beef and Salmon so price would be \$28.00 to cover costs of judges. Motion to use Mat-Su Resort for the Banquet made by Judi Rideout, seconded by Jon Zylstra, motion passed.
Health Fair, Lab club is interested in helping.
Next show committee meeting in July.

Training Committee:

Had a meeting and discussed giving ribbons to students for graduating. Need more instructors. Discussed doing run throughs for Rally. Had puppy class graduation and everything went well. The committee discussed doing some type of recognition for club members who get obedience titles on their dogs. The committee is trying to find ways to generate more interest and money. They are also looking at ways to increase advertising.

Legislative Committee: HB138 is an animal cruelty bill that makes animal cruelty a felony.

At this time it hasn't moved, however it looks like a good bill.

Judges Committee:

Meeting cancelled.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Parking confirmation for the show will be approved by e-mail and picked up at the gate. This will save us a significant amount of money.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.



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Companion and Performance events. Mixed breed dogs will only be allowed to compete in Agility, Obedience and Rally. PAL dogs may compete in Agility trials, Earthdog trials, Herding Tests and Trials, Hunt Tests, Junior Showmanship, Lure Coursing, Obedience, Rally and Tracking Tests.

Again, it is important to know that Mixed Breeds will only be allowed to compete at Stand Alone events if the club putting on the event wishes to include classes for Mixed Breeds. The AKC is encouraging clubs whose events fit the criteria of the Mixed Breed program to add the mixed breed classes.

For more information on the mixed breed program visit the AKC website at www.akc.org/mixedbreeds.

This information was taken from the AKC website and compiled by Cheri Hagen, Newsletter Editor.

Training Committee
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Judi Rideout at 7:00 PM.

Members present: Judi Rideout, Gretchen Keim, Jon Zylstra

Old Business:

Dog Fair: The dog fair is being held on September 19th, 2009 at the OTCC field in Chugiak. Gretchen Keim is organizing the booth and would appreciate any assistance others are willing to give. Last year there were over one thousand people who came

to this event to get information and watch the numerous demonstrations given throughout the day. The event was recognized by the American Kennel Club as one of the more outstanding events given by any club during the year. This is an excellent way for us to inform our community of who we are and what services we provide. Please contact Gretchen at 376-5227 or at gekeim@mtaonline.net and volunteer to help make this year's booth even better than last years.

Advertisement: A discussion as to how to better advertise our classes was again held. In addition to the suggestions from last month several new suggestions were talked about and further research into these suggestions are being made.

Instructors and Assistant Instructors: There is still a need for more instructors and assistant instructors. Anyone interested can contact Jon at 376-1651 or at jfz@gci.net. No experience is needed. This is an excellent way to improve your knowledge and skills concerning dog training.

New Business:

Ribbons: After a brief discussion it was decided that rather than presenting a certificate for completing a class a ribbon would be presented to the student. Each class level would have a different color. "Cook Inlet Kennel Club" would be boldly printed on one side and a record of the date and class completed would be attached on the opposite side via a sticker. It was decided to check on the expense for having a small quantity printed initially. Again, one of the reasons to present a ribbon rather than a certificate was that a ribbon is more likely to be kept by the student than a certificate thus reminding them to seek additional classes from us.

Rally Run Throughs: Several persons have asked about rally fun

runs. It was decided to see how much interest there is by club members to hold some rally fun runs. It would be free to club members and \$5.00 for non club members. If there is sufficient interest these would be held twice a month working around other events such as shows and trials. The courses would consist of novice, open, excellent and rally + level runs. If interested contact Jon at jfz@gci.net. Dates and times will be worked out later if there is sufficient interest. The next Training Committee meeting is to be announced later. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate. The more persons who participate the better the end results will be. This is your club and without your active participation it will never reach its full potential.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM

Upcoming Events

Yukon Kennel Club Shows,
Whitehorse, Y.T., June 12, 13 &
14 in Whitehorse

OTCC Agility June 20 & 21, CBA
Fields, Chugiak

Alaska Kennel Club Conformation
Shows June 26, 27 & 28, 2009
South H.S., Anchorage

DOTCA Obedience/Rally Trials
June 27 & 28, 2009, South H.S.,
Anchorage

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