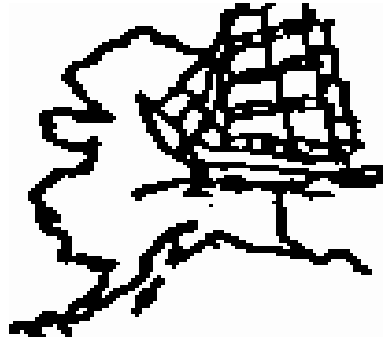


The Cook Inlet Kennel Club GAZETTE



The Dysplastic Joint

Reprinted from the OFA Website

Hip Dysplasia is a terrible genetic disease because of the various degrees of arthritis (also called degenerative joint disease, arthrosis, osteoarthrosis) it can eventually produce, leading to pain and debilitation.

The very first step in the development of arthritis is articular cartilage (the type of cartilage lining the joint) damage due to the inherited bad biomechanics of an abnormally developed hip joint. Traumatic articular fracture through the joint surface is another way cartilage is damaged. With cartilage damage, lots of degradative enzymes are released into the joint. These enzymes degrade and decrease the synthesis of important constituent molecules that form hyaline cartilage called proteoglycans. This causes the cartilage to lose its thickness and elasticity, which are important in absorbing mechanical loads placed across the joint during movement. Eventually, more debris and enzymes spill into the joint fluid and destroy molecules called glycosaminoglycan and hyaluronate which are important precursors that form the cartilage proteoglycans. The joint's lubri-

cation and ability to block inflammatory cells are lost and the debris-tainted joint fluid loses its ability to properly nourish the cartilage through impairment of nutrient-waste exchange across the joint cartilage cells. The damage then spreads to the synovial membrane lining the joint capsule and more degradative enzymes and inflammatory cells stream into the joint. Full thickness loss of cartilage allows the synovial fluid to contact nerve endings in the subchondral bone, resulting in pain. In an attempt to stabilize the joint to decrease the pain, the animal's body produces new bone at the edges of the joint surface, joint capsule, ligament and muscle attachments (bone spurs). The joint capsule also eventually thickens and the joint's range of motion decreases.

No one can predict when or even if a dysplastic dog will start showing clinical signs of lameness due to pain. There are multiple environmental factors such as caloric intake, level of exercise, and weather that can affect the severity of clinical signs and phenotypic ex-

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2009 Board Members

- President— Carolyn Tolson
(745-2322)
- V-President—Casey Hessinger
- Treasurer—Kristine Asay
- Corresponding Secretary—
Rene Clayton
- Recording Secretary -
Cheri Hagen
- Directors -
Gretchen Keim
Kathy Kochendorfer
Judi Rideout
Jon Zylstra

2009 Committee Chairs

- Judges Committee -
Casey Hessinger
- Training Committee -
- Show Committee—
Carolyn Tolson

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

**OCTOBER 6th AT 7:00
P.M.**

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General Membership Minutes
September 1, 2009

Meeting called to Order at 7:05 pm
Motion to approve Minutes as published by Kathy Kochendorfer, seconded by Gretchen. Motion passed.

Corresponding Secretary's Report

- Thank You note from Annella Cooper
- Enstar Gas Bill
- Bill for Janitorial services from Valley Services
- Willow Dog Musher's Schedule of Events
- Applications from AKC for August 2010 Events (3)
- All Breed show packed from AKC for August 2010 Events (3)
- Thank You note from Roberta Campbell
- Thank You note from the Hubbells

Treasurer's Report

- Checking
- Money Market
- Total
- Show Committee:
- Thanks to Mary Beth for running

judges around

-Hotels-There was a difference of about \$800 between what the Grand View would have cost us and what we spent at the Colony Inn.

-Boy Scouts Assistance for set up/take down-the whole troop showed up for set up, but they required assistance. For Take Down, only 2 showed up and they weren't very much help. Carolyn mentioned we could save about \$500 by arranging swaps for show sites with members and other participants in the show.

-Christine thanked everyone who donated food

-Next show committee meeting will be 10/6/09 at 6:00 pm

Training Committee
-Beginning Obedience Jon Zylstra would like at least 6 people entered in the beginning obedience class otherwise he may not have it. Please mail entries for classes to Jon Zylstra's house. Call CIKC phone number for more info, Jon will call you back.

-Puppy Class Gretchen will hold a puppy class after 10/16/09 if there is enough interest. Carolyn said she might assist. No report on Casey Hessinger's current Puppy Class.

Election of New Members

-2nd Readings Mary Beth Lutrick, approved. Welcome back Mary Beth!

-1st Readings - Zoe Vey & Annette Hagen

Unfinished Business

-OTCC Dog Fair-Jeanne Hale has volunteered to man the CIKC booth, contact her if you would like to help. Judy Rideout commented that OTCC will be having a dog gear garage sale during the fair. Put your name and price on the items you would like to sell and drop off the night of 9/18 at OTCC. OTCC will take 20% of the profits earned off items.

-August 2009 Dog Show Unofficial Tallies

-\$3,105.00 for the Health Clinic

-\$2,720.00 for Day Parking

-1,960.00 for Vendors

-Final totals not yet available.

-Entries down by about 100

New Business

-Hotel for November 2009 judges-Judy Rideout made a motion to put the judges up at the Colony Inn for the November 2009 show. Kathy Kochendorfer seconded. Motion passed.

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Minutes Board Meeting
September 15, 2009

Attending: Carolyn Tolson, Christine Asay, Rene'e Clayton, Kathy Kochendorfer, Judi Rideout, Jon Zylstra, Cheri Hagen and Gretchen Keim.

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Cheri Hagen made motion to accept July Board Minutes as published Jon Zylstra seconded. Motion passed.

Corresponding Secretary Report:

- Ad Letter from Equisure
- Annella Cooper contract and slate approval for November 2009 show
- MTA phone bill
- Returned check for Trophy
- pledge from Wells Fargo

Money Market Statement from Wells Fargo

Checking Account Statement from Wells Fargo

Bill from Aurora Portable Toilets

Pet Edge Catalog

Treasurer Report:

Checking

Money Market

Total

Show Committee:

Discussion about ramp needed at show. Show committee meetings October 6 and November 3 at 6:00 p.m. Need to get a contract with the fairgrounds before the premium list comes out next year. The November premium is at Rogers now.

Training Committee:

Only had two requests for Beginning Obedience. No request for puppy classes. Discussion ensued about classes and how to get more people



interested in attending and how to get more instructors.

Legislative Committee: Bill about Vet Techs reporting cruelty did not pass.

Judges Committee:

Casey will not be at meetings until the first of the year so there is no report on the judges committee.

Unfinished Business:

Match – October 18th. Jon Zylstra can't judge obedience so Cheri Hagen will judge obedience and rally.

New Business:

Rene'e Clayton makes a motion to reimburse Judi Rideout for bins to store the trophies in. Gretchen Keim seconds, motion passes.

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pression (radiographic changes). There is no rhyme or reason to the severity of radiographic changes correlated with the clinical findings. There are a number of dysplastic dogs with severe arthritis that run, jump, and play as if nothing is wrong and some dogs with barely any arthritic radiographic changes that are severely lame.

General Meeting Minutes Cont. from Pg 2

-Banquet-discussion if CIKC should even hold a banquet during the August shows, maybe hold the banquet on the Saturday of the shows, maybe holding the banquet at another time

-Health Fair-Kathy Kochendorfer is putting together a Health Fair Kit of odds and ends to assist in putting on the Health Fair

Boxes for Trophies-Judy Rideout asked if some funds could be used to purchase plastic tubs to put the trophies in. She is concerned by storing them on the floor under the storage racks, they might get peed on by dogs. Renee Clayton made a motion for Judy to inquire about prices for tubs, Jon Zylstra seconded. Motion passed.

Trophy Money Donations-Sporting and Toy group donations still needed. Gretchen Keim volunteered for the Sporting Group. Judy Rideout will be submitting the list to Rogers on 9/2/09.

-Palmer Golf Course-Kim Huston asked if a thank you card had been sent thanking them for use of the golf cart for the August 2009 show, Renee Clayton will send one out.

-Building Rental-The Alaska Rabbit and Cavy Breeders Club has asked to use the building on 12/12/09 (Saturday) all day from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm for a fee of \$100.00. Jon Zylstra made a motion to allow them to rent the building. Christine Assay seconded. Renee Clayton made a point that 12/12/09 would be a good day for CIKC's Christmas Party. It was pointed out that CIKC usually holds the Christmas party on a Sunday. Renee will forfeit her classes that day so that CIKC can earn some money. Motion passed.

-AKLRC purposed B Match-Carolyn Tolson will ask Dominique at AKC about the time that they would be permitted to hold their match.

-Renee Clayton made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Gretchen Keim. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted
Gretchen Keim

(Editor's Note: Thank you to Gretchen for recording the minutes when I was unable to attend the meeting.)

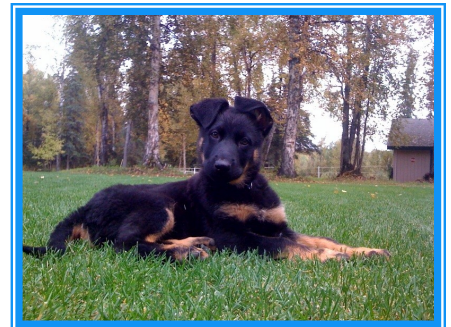


Upcoming Events

DOTCA Obedience & Rally Trials, October 24 & 25, 2009, ACT Building, Anchorage

CIKC Obedience & Rally Trials and Conformation Show, November 7 & 8, 2009, Raven Hall

Chasing your tail gets you nowhere....'cept back to where you started.



Above is Kiptin, Krissy Rupes new addition to her family. Welcome Kiptin!

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Nominating Committee –

Judi Rideout volunteered to be on the committee.

Judi Rideout makes a motion to buy a ramp for use at the shows. Jon Zylstra seconds, motion passes.

Motion to adjourn made by Cheri Hagen, seconded by Jon Zylstra. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheri Hagen



CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

Anyone interested in helping to coordinate and plan the Christmas Party and Annual Awards please contact Carolyn Tolson!



HELP

IS NEEDED

FOR THE NOVEMBER SHOW!

CONTACT VINETA HESSON, CHERI HAGEN OR RENE'E CLAYTON IF YOU CAN HELP WITH RING STEWARDING! CONTACT MARY BETH LUTRICK TO ASSIST WITH HOSPITALITY. CONTACT CAROLYN OR TOM TOLSON TO ASSIST WITH SET UP AND TAKE DOWN!

