

California Airedale Terrier Club, Inc.

Membership Meeting – Saturday, Feb. 21, 2015

Elephant Bar – Dublin, CA

Members in attendance:

Nancy Strohmaier, Bill Strohmaier, Mike Gowring, Virginia Latham Smith, Angelique Shear, Georgia McRae, Devon Allen, Jim Shear, Maxine Shear, Ron Colvin, Chip Graham, Christine Hyde, Amy Bouman, Karen Lapierre, Jeff Lapierre, Milton Kubiak, Carol Kubiak, Nancy Dirgo, Marguerite Stetson, Sarah Roberts, Ron Jones.

Guests in attendance:

Carl Strohmaier, Penny Gowring, Derek Reibert, Jill Mayer, Austin Koski, Junko Fujiwara,.

Club President, Devon Allen, called the meeting to order at 12:41 PM. Guests were introduced and welcomed to the meeting.

A motion to approve the December Meeting Minutes was made and approved. M/F/S: Virginia Latham-Smith/Marguerite Stetson/Sarah Roberts.

Report of The Secretary: No report.

Report of The Treasurer: January 2015 balance higher. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made and approved. M/F/S: Carol Kubiak/Ron Colvin/Jim Shear.

Report of the President: Devon Allen was pleased with the turn out for the club meeting. Members and guests were thanked for attending.

- Devon discussed an email received from CDOC (Concerned Dog Owners of California). CDOC would appreciate support for state legislator Jean Buchanan, who represents Alameda and Contra Costa counties. Rep. Buchanan was the sole Democratic legislator in opposition to SB250, a proposed statewide mandatory spay/neuter bill.
- Devon encouraged members and guests to actively participate at meetings and board meetings to encourage open communication between CATC members and their elected board members. He emphasized the importance of making him aware of any apprehensions in regard to club affairs by either voicing concerns at meetings or by written notification to Devon Allen. Members concerns will be discussed at the next board meeting.
- Any member or guest may attend a board meeting. The meeting dates and locations are posted on the club website.

Committees

2015 Specialty: Conformation – April 10; Hospitality – April 8; Specialty Lunch/Banquet Dinner – April 10

- Auction – Angie Shear expressed a need for donated items for the verbal auction and silent auction. At the auction last year, we went through most of the items on hand.____
- Virginia Latham Smith reported that the Premium List had not been mailed. She will contact the show superintendent, MB-F. It was reported that Deirdre will purchase pewter bowls for awards; toys for Sweepstakes awards still need to be purchased. Hospitality will be at the bar in the DoubleTree Hotel. She mentioned that help is still needed setting up and packing up trophies.____
- Ron Jones – Specialty Lunch (Ron Jones/Angie Shear) will be in the parking lot. May ask folks to bring food to share, own chair and any “special” beverage. The club will have water and iced tea beverages available. The luncheon time is unknown. Once the show schedule comes out, then the luncheon time will be determined._

2015 Specialty: Obedience – April 9 – 30 minutes after Best In Show.

- Nancy Strohmaier reported the premium list has been completed and awards have been purchased.

AKC Delegate:

- Devon Allen reported that he received a report from April Clyde, club AKC delegate, from the AKC meeting held in Orlando, Florida at the AKC Eukanuba Nationals December 11/12, 2014. He will forward the report to Sarah Roberts so that it can be included as part of the CATC newsletter.
 - AKC Board of Director vacancies to be discussed at the next meeting
 - Changes to the AKC website:
 - Some areas are not working; please contact AKC with website input.
 - Responsible Breeder Program
 - Chairman receptive to input

Fun Day: Carol Kubiak reported the date is August 15th and shared “Save the Date” postcards.

Golden Gate Décor: Devon reported that Carol Reynolds, Chip Graham and Derek Reibert helped setup.

Historian: No report.

Judge Selection: 2017 – Devon Allen reported Mr. Bivin (Specialty) and Nancy Arnold (Sweepstakes) have accepted. Ms. Susie Bluford declined since the trial is on Thursday night. Mrs. Mary Lou Just will be the alternate obedience judge to be contacted.

Membership: Devon Allen reported there were two new membership applications sponsored by Georgia McRae and Nancy Dirgo for Junko Fujiwara and Austin Koski. Junko has two Airedale Terriers. Both participate in walks and help take pictures. They are interested in participating in conformation in the future. A motion to approve the new membership applications was made and approved. M/S/C Mike Gowing / Sarah Roberts.

Newsletter: Sarah Roberts reported the next issue will be coming out in March.

Rescue: No report.

Sanctioned Match: Nancy Strohmaier reported that Frank Stevens will be the conformation judge. Still need to get obedience/rally judge.

Trim & Train: Devon Allen reported a full house: Welsh Terrier, Fox Terrier, Airedale Terrier, Cairn Terrier and a Border Terrier. Virginia Latham Smith has come twice and Angie Shear once to help.

Trophy: No report.

Walk: Christine Hyde reported the planned dog walk is scheduled for tomorrow in South San Jose.

Unfinished Business – N/A

New Business

- Devon Allen reported that members had voiced concerns about the judge’s selection voting procedures to Deirdre Dawson and himself.
 - Members want the ability to advocate for certain judges before members vote on the selection slate. “All-round great judge” and “Kind to puppies” are examples of opinions that may be promoted in favor of a particular judge.
 - Members are encouraged to submit written input to Devon or Deirdre.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and seconded at 1:17 PM. M/S: Virginia Latham Smith / Maxine Shear.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Nancy Strohmaier