



September

2007

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Mark Your Calendars

When: Wed., September 19, 2007
Where: Goodwyn Community Center on Perry Hill Rd.
Time: 7:00 PM
Program: MKC Elections

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President's Message

August was not a kind month for pets or their owners. The record breaking heat was not good for show coats, appetites or exercise. Let's hope that September and October will enable us to get our dogs in shape for the fall shows.

August is the time we present the slate of officers and take nominations from the floor. I want to thank Brenda Craig, who chaired our nominating committee, for doing such a great job of taking nominations at the August meeting. September is the month we elect our new slate of officers and board members. I will turn the MKC presidential duties over to Susan Barmby after the October meeting.

Our program in August was a hit. Jane Williams told us how the AKC conformation point system works. Jane had work sheets for all of us. The AKC point system is no longer a mystery thanks to Jane. Thank you, Jane, for a great program.

Refreshments were ice cream floats and snacks. Milly and Genie brought the refreshments.

See you the 19th of September for the MKC elections.

Genie Kline

Vice-President's Message

We are in need of stewards for the November show. The Montgomery Kennel Club's day is November 25th. We will have two rings running concurrently, rally and obedience. We will need 3 stewards in obedience who are willing to do novice, open and utility. In rally, we will need 4 stewards. We also need 2 people to help Saturday afternoon with the obedience match. The match will probably begin about 3 p.m. and last about 2 ½ hours if we sell all of our minutes. If you have never stewarded before but would like to, we will provide training. If you would like to volunteer, please email or call me at:

barmbys@knology.net

334 – 277 – 3334

Thank you,

Susan Barmby

Montgomery Kennel Club Minutes – August 15, 2007 Meeting

The meeting was held at the Goodwyn Community Center and called to order by Genie Kline, President, at 7:15 pm. There were 23 members and three guests in attendance.

President's Report: Genie introduced our guests later in the meeting – Amy Hall, 2nd Mtg. (Bulldog & Pomeranian); Mila Thomas, 2nd Mtg. (Scottish Terrier); Barbara Nesbitt, 1st Mtg. (Bullmastiff). *(Note-those guests having attended two or more meetings are now eligible for membership upon a vote by the board-comments on any prospective member should be addressed to a board member as soon as possible).*

Genie told those assembled about the board's decision to look into having a DNA Clinic at an upcoming show. She called AKC and no club has done an "all-breed" DNA Clinic, so we could be the "first". This could be done for \$35 per dog with us (MKC) doing the paperwork and sending in the DNA swabs. This would also be something to get the veterinary college students involved with our club which is something AKC is encouraging. The Canine Health Foundation can share this DNA info with vet universities that are doing research on dog related health issues. Genie shared that she spent \$60 for one blood DNA that was sent to the University of Missouri. Charlotte Lackeos asked why people would do this and Genie explained how this DNA can be put on file for breeding purposes and how research can benefit from DNA samples. We will need to tell AKC if we want to do this by September.

Vice-President's Report: There was no report.

Secretary's Report: Announced Julie Garrett (Yorkies) as our newest member.

Treasurer's Report: Report covering 17 April – 14 August 2007

Beginning Balance:	\$14,954.23
Deposits:	\$21,539.57
Expenses:	\$24,037.27
Ending Balance:	\$12,456.53
Money Market Account:	\$15,967.19

Committees:

Conformation: Classes will start next Wednesday, 22 August at 7 p.m. Susan passed that as of now, there will only be one class per month on the 4th Wednesday until we can get more volunteers to help and then perhaps we can also do classes on the 2nd Wednesday. Those interested in helping need to contact Pam Minor at: tamashipm@yahoo.com.

Show: Mike said he is working on the November 2008 show. Genie commented that if you read the AKC Gazette on how many clubs have been fined for various infractions it should be noted that our club never has, so "many kudos" to Mike and Jane who keep us straight. Genie mentioned about us having a raffle at our April 2008 show and asked everyone to donate items for this especially since many have "things" from other shows

that they might not use or want. Kaye said she could get an X-pen at cost to add to the prizes.

Trophies: Trigg reminded us that we are going with a Christmas Theme for our November show.

Website: Laura will post our current Constitution and By-Laws for everyone's use.

Audit: Bobby Jordan is heading up the annual Audit Committee.

Hospitality Report: Milly updated us that the Xmas Party is scheduled for December 12th at the Catfish House in Millbrook. The restaurant wants a RSVP of at least 50 people to guarantee us a private room and she is concerned that we haven't had that in a few years, so we might not get a private room. Millie mentioned that we do have some time to look into other locations if the group wants and after suggestions she will check with Ox Yoke in Wetumpka and let us know if we can get a private room there.

Refreshments: Julie Garrett and Ginger Lyndall volunteered to bring refreshments to our September meeting.

New Business:

Officer/Board Slate: Brenda Craig was chair for the Nominating Committee. She explained that the committee met on 27 June at Flip's Restaurant. Her committee consisted of Teresa Keever, Donna Rogers, Judith Kuczarski, Mike Edwards and alternates Christina Flack and Carol Zeinert. During their committee meeting Judith Kuczarski was nominated for President, so Judith stepped down from her position on the committee and was replaced by Christina Flack.

Nominations were: Officers: Judith Kuczarski for President (later withdrawn); Susan Barmby for Vice-President; Corrine Dreyfus for Treasurer and Rea Cord for Secretary. Board Members: Carol Zeinert; Milly Frakes and Kaye Stevenson (Trigg Grieshop and Mike Edwards still have 1 year on their terms as Board Members).

Before nominations were opened to the floor, Mike Moore asked to make a comment. Mike stated that he felt that nominees and consequently board members should attend club meetings and not just the Xmas Party and Picnic.

Brenda then took nominations from the floor:

President: Jane Williams nominated Susan Barmby. As Susan was a nominee for V.P., Susan accepted the President nomination and withdrew as a candidate for V.P.

Vice-President: Since Susan withdrew as the V.P. nominee, Trigg Grieshop nominated Frank Dreyfus for V.P. There was question about having two board officers who are married and Genie stated that our Constitution and By-Laws do not prohibit or address

this. Genie did talk about how some in the club might remember when this situation occurred a long time ago and it was a problem, but there were also others on the board that didn't really help the situation. Frank asked the members present if anyone had a problem with this and if they did he would step down from the nomination. No one had an issue, so Frank is the nominee for V.P.

Board Members: Charlotte Lackeos nominated Rosemary Coyle and Rosemary accepted the nomination. Corrine Dreyfus nominated Genie Kline and Genie accepted.

With the Nominating Committee slate and the floor nominations, this closes the slate and we will vote in September.

Titled Dogs: Genie reminded everyone that if they have titled a dog this year to send that info to Kit Montgomery.

Door Prizes: Won by Kathy Bowdoin, Brenda Craig, Susan Barmby, Linda Gamper, Julie Garrett, Eric Johnson and Teresa Keever.

Program: Jane Williams gave an excellent program on the AKC points system. Jane provided everyone with a handout full of examples to help us better understand how this works. It is clear that Jane truly has the point system down pat while to many of us it is almost Greek! Thanks Jane!

Motion to Adjourn: Meeting adjourned around 7:50 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Rea Cord
Secretary

Humane Society of Elmore County

Bark in the Park

The Humane Society of Elmore County invites all Montgomery Kennel Club members and their dogs to "Bark in the Park 2007" on Sunday, 30 September from 1 – 5 p.m. at Ft. Toulouse in Wetumpka. There will be something for everyone such as pet contests, children's games, a Microchip clinic sponsored by MADOC, great food and refreshments, arts and crafts vendors, "Bark in the Park 2007" T – Shirts, awesome customized cars on display by the members of the "Capital City Street Rod Association", "Meet the Breed" by members and great dogs from MKC (just let Rea know if you can bring your dogs for this), other breed placement groups, and Air Evac Life Team helicopter will fly in for everyone to check out (barring it being needed for a real emergency), the Dixieland Cloggers will provide music and dancing entertainment and lots, lots more. Admission will be \$2 per person and all dogs must be leashed, good in public and have a current rabies tag on their collar. For more information go to our website at www.elmorehumane.com and we hope for a huge turnout again this year!

MKC Fair Schedule 5-15 October 2007

The Alabama National Fair is coming up 5-14 October at Garrett Coliseum. For those who are new, we (MKC) have a booth inside the Coliseum throughout the fair that is loaded with educational material (free for the taking). We are also the only group allowed to bring dogs into the Coliseum to have at our booth. We do this to promote our club and the AKC, provide information on Responsible Dog Ownership, answer lots of questions and tell them about our upcoming November Show (there will be flyers for that as well). Having someone in the booth and especially having a dog there brings lots of people to our tables. Our goal is to have our booth manned throughout the fair. Now some times are quite busy while others can be rather stagnant.

I have each day listed below with two hour blocks of time. While we do get a number of tickets free from the Fair, we do not get enough for everyone and have to buy tickets. When you sign up to work our booth, please account for that as you must have a ticket for each time you enter the Coliseum (tickets are only for those actually working the booth). I can't get the tickets until late September, so will work out getting them to you after that. It is a great idea during the busier times (opening night, weekends, school visit timeframes) to have at least two people in the booth and perhaps two dogs (having two people also allows for one to get something to eat, take a potty break, etc). I will have a large crate there in the event a dog needs a break from the crowds. I do not advise anyone leaving their dog crated and unattended there as there are lots of children and kids will be kids..... Obviously your dog must be good in public, able to deal with lots of attention from children and adults, and okay with loud noises at times such as when they are testing the sound system (really irritating). On the "Special Friends" day on Wednesday, 11 October, the dogs need to be able to deal with developmentally challenged youngsters and teens, wheelchairs, walkers, etc. Your dog must be on a leash at all times, have a collar and rabies tag and certificate handy. I will have a water bowl there with a container of water. You must stay in the area of our booth and cannot walk your dog around the Coliseum or out on the grounds except for a very quick and straight shot out the north door to the grass area if need be (must pick up after your dog). When you come in the Coliseum you just tell them you are with the Kennel Club and go to our booth (we have always been in a middle row next to the displayed cars) – have virtually never had an issue with a ticket person. One warning – on weekends and some evenings, parking can be a significant challenge and you may find yourself parking a long way away and having to walk your dog in. Advice here is to get there early enough so you will be at the booth on time to relieve the person ahead of you.

You will find a lot of people ask about breeder info and in those cases I will have a pad of paper there so you can write down their contact info and breed question, so our breeder referral coordinator can get with them later.

You will see below that the sign up time ends at 7 p.m. On nights there is a concert or other entertainment in the Coliseum, all exhibitors must be off the floor unless you have a special pass. You are NOT allowed to stay in our booth area on the floor without a special pass, so no reason to man our booth once the night's entertainment begins (Coliseum is dark as well and you can't hear a thing). This means you can't leave your dog to go check out the fair grounds as you will not be allowed back into the exhibit area until the concert is finished. And since it gets almost unbearably loud in there at times, you would not want to leave your dog there anyway.

If you do want to stay for a concert and are working the last shift right before the concert, you will be able to just go up in the stands at no extra charge to yourself. If you want to do that I would advise against bringing your dog with you as your dog cannot go up into the stands.

The most important times I need covered are on the weekends and during the school type visits. There will be a lot of children and while that means some do want info, reality is they tend to sweep through and can wreak havoc on booth material if someone isn't there to keep things in order. Often the best person to give info to is one of the teachers or escorts so they can use the info when they get back to the school. The other reality is that the most "stuff" is taken during the first weekend and then it settles down quite a bit after that.

The mid-afternoon time frames Mon-Fri (say 1-4) can be quite slow, so if you want to help but perhaps don't have a dog to bring, this can work out fine. And don't think you must have a dog with you to work at our booth – having a dog there does tend to draw people, but it is not a requirement.

I will bring the schedule to the September meeting, but wanted to send this out so you can look at your own calendars to see where you can work. I do ask that you only sign up for a time if you are certain you can be there so we don't end up with an unmanned booth and a wasted ticket.

I will send out an updated schedule as people sign up so you can see what time frames are covered and where I still need help. As I might not be able to get to the Coliseum every day, I do ask that each person make sure the booth is straight and cleaned up (no trash laying around, no food/drink on the tables, water spills wiped up). If there is a certain reproducible flyer that is running low, try to let me know so I can make the copies and bring with me to replenish. The booth will have two chairs there so you don't have to stand the entire time also.

Please don't let people set drinks on the literature tables as one spilled drink can ruin a ton of material.

And one last thing – please do not place private business cards on our tables advertising businesses, services, etc. The board considered this and so as not to endorse particular businesses or create the appearance of favoritism, the only business cards that are to be on our tables is for the club itself.

It's actually a lot of fun and we all should probably keep a running list of the crazy questions we are asked, and the wild guesses you will get as to the breed of your dog.....

Just holler if you have questions. I'll have my contact info at the booth, but just in case – my cell phone Number is 334-324-9431; work is 334-567-3377; home is 334-252-1002.

Rea Cord

Fri, 5 Oct
4-6 PM:
6-8 PM:

Sat, 6 Oct
9-11 AM:
11-1 PM:
1-3 PM:
3-5 PM:
5-7PM:

Sun, 7 Oct
11-1 PM
1-3 PM:
3-5 PM:
5-7 PM:

Mon, 8 Oct (CBS 8 Day / School Day)
9-11AM:
11-1 PM:
1-3 PM:
3-5 PM:
5-7 PM:

Tues, 9 Oct (Kindergarten Students 9am-12pm)

9-11 AM:

11-1 PM:

1-3 PM:

3-5 PM:

5-7 PM:

Wed, 10 Oct (Special Friends (Disabled) Day 9am-2pm)

9-11 AM:

11-1 PM:

1-3 PM:

3-5 PM:

5-7 PM:

Thurs, 11 Oct (3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Students 9am-2pm)

9-11AM:

11-1 PM:

1-3 PM:

3-5 PM:

5-7 PM:

Fri, 12 Oct (3rd, 4th & 5th Grade Students 9am-2pm)

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3-5 PM:

5-7 PM:

Sat, 13 Oct

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3-5 PM:

5-7 PM:

Sun, 14 Oct

11-1 PM:

1-3 PM:

3-5 PM:

5-7 PM:

Website: Titles always wanted for website:

If you have titled your dog in AKC – Conformation, Obedience, Rally or Agility in 2007 please e-mail the information to me so I can post it on the website. Please put the following in the subject line:

2007 MKC – Titles send e-mails to keepsaketollers@msn.com

The information I need for the website is:

Dogs Registered Name:

Title(s) Achieved

Date Title Achieved:

Owners Name:

!!!!BRAGS, BRAGS, AND MORE BRAGS!!!!

Breeder Diane Cauble, Owner Amie Perez (Milly's Sister), Caublestone's Dixie Windjammer took 2 points and BOV on Friday in Monroe, Louisiana. **Susan Barmby**

Cisco wants everyone to know she can do weaves!!! She can do on and off side weaves. To really prove it to mommy she got a score of 95, a 1st place ribbon, and her 2nd leg toward her open Jumpers with Weaves title. Clipper says he wants to get down on the course and run because it looks like fun. **Susan Barmby & Rosemary Coyle**

Tanasi's Serene Tsunami went to Raleigh, N.C. with Debbie Coggin for a 5 day show from August 30 to September 3. Serene took the point on Thursday and Friday, 2 points on Saturday and Sunday and BOB over a Special!!!! Debbie didn't show her on Monday, (Serene is almost 6 yrs old and was tired out), she was afraid no one would show up after 4 days of winning!! She now has a "CH" in front of her name!!!! Her breeder, Pat Lane, would be very proud of her! We are!!! **Pamala Minor**

Conformation Classes: Our first class was a large one with about 15 dogs! It was a little chaotic but fun! If the next class has this many dogs we will need to split the class, so I will need someone to help teach. I still have not received any volunteers to help with extra classes each month. Without volunteers the classes won't be beneficial to everyone wanting to prepare for the fall show season. Please e-mail me if you would like to help with the classes. The scheduled classes are:

Wednesday, September 26 @ 7 PM

Wednesday, October 24 @ 7 PM

Wednesday, November 14 @ 7 PM (*This class will be the 2nd Wednesday of the Month due to our November show*)

Hope to see you there!

Pam Minor

EDITOR'S NOTE: To ensure that the Newsletter is sent out in a timely manner, please send all brags and/or information for the "Tailwagger," in to me by the 25th of each month.

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Puppies for Conformation
and Obedience**

Dogs Complaints about People

1. Blaming your farts on me...not funny....not funny at all.
2. Yelling at me for barking...I'M A FRIGGIN' DOG, YOU IDIOT!
3. Taking me for a walk, then not letting me check stuff out. Exactly whose walk is this anyway?
4. Any trick that involves balancing food on my nose...STOP IT!
5. Any haircut that involves bows and ribbons. Now you know why we chew your stuff up when your not home.
6. The sleight of hand, fake fetch throw. You fooled a dog! Wooooo Hooooo... what a proud moment for the top of the food chain!
7. Taking me to the vet for the "big snip", then acting surprised when I freak out every time we go back!
8. Getting upset when I sniff the crotches of your guests. Sorry, but I haven't quite mastered that handshake thing yet.
9. Dog sweaters? Hello.....Haven't you noticed the fur?
10. How you act disgusted when I lick myself. Look, we both know the truth, you're just jealous!

Now lay off me on some of these things! We both know who the boss is here! You don't see me picking up your poop, do you?



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