



**BAY DE NOC KENNEL CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

April 13, 2017

Present: Board: President, Pat Beauchamp; Vice President, Tracee Horn, Treasurer, Vicki Sowa; Secretary, Wendolyn Tetlow; Director, Virginia Lewis.

Members: Linda Etten, Martha Kinnunen, Ernie Genaw, Lori Genaw, Coleen Lake, Dick Lyle, Jean Lyle, Arlene Rauschl

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Pat Beauchamp.

Reading of the Minutes: Wendolyn summarized the March 2017 minutes which was accepted as summarized.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Update on Spring Agility Trial, May 20:** Please contact Colleen Owens (towens1@chartermi.net) if you want to volunteer. At the time of this meeting, there is no course builder for the trial. **If no one volunteers to be the course builder, the trial will be cancelled.** The judge designs the course; the builder just follows instructions the judge provides.
- 2. Nosework Match, June 24:** Please contact Vicki Sowa (vickilsowa@gmail.com) if you would like to **volunteer** to help at the Nosework match. Vicki needs seven volunteers.
- 3. Agility Fun Games** will be held on Saturday, April 15, 2017, 10 a.m. at the club's facility.
- 4. Status of Grant Applications:** A formal request was sent to the Foundation to request an extension on disbursement of the grants monies awarded last fall (\$1,500). The club is requesting an extension to see if additional monies are available from Hannahville before beginning the fencing project.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Notice to members to volunteer to clean the building:** Before the cleaning schedule is sent out in July, Tracee Horn will send out a request to members to ask if anyone wants to volunteer to clean on certain dates. Once everyone has the opportunity to request dates, the final cleaning schedule will be drawn up for July-December.
- 2. Need **volunteer** to fill dispensers in Escanaba.** Ruth O'Toole, who has been filling the dog bag dispensers in Ludington Park in Escanaba, is moving from the area and will no longer be able to fill the dispensers. This volunteer work involves putting dog poop bags into the dispensers periodically to keep the dispensers full. The job begins

June 1st. Please contact Pat Beauchamp if you are interested to doing this task.
patbeau@chartermi.net

3. **Temporary Fencing in the area between the two buildings.** Pat Beauchamp said that the club has some fencing materials that can be put up to keep dogs off the seeded ground between the two buildings. Owners need to “potty” their dogs in a different spot. Since the grassy area between the two buildings will eventually be permanently fenced, it’s a good idea to begin getting your dog used to going elsewhere.

4. **Animal Shelter Cleaning Day:** The club needs a **volunteer** to coordinate workers for a cleaning day, Tuesday, May 9, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. This is a chance to earn work hours! The club needs someone to organize a cleaning group to clean out the former Animal Shelter. Please contact Pat Beauchamp if you are interested. Even if you don’t want to be the organizer, but want to help clean, please contact Pat.
patbeau@chartermi.net

5. **Need **volunteer** to handle registration for classes:** Lori Genaw is requesting that a volunteer handle registration for classes, as the registrations are submitted via the website. Tracee Horn volunteered for this job.

6. **Need **volunteer** instructors to teach Obedience and Rally:** The next Beginners Obedience class will begin May 2 and run for six weeks. The Genaws will not offer another class until the fall.

Per Lori: This Beginner’s Obedience class is not a competitive obedience class; it instructs owners to teach their dogs to be good companions. The class is based on the techniques used in basic obedience since these techniques form the basis of a well-mannered companion dog. This is a good class to follow Puppy Class.

The Advanced Obedience Class is more geared for competitive obedience or for those who just want to further their dog’s training. These classes emphasize the subtleties of dog/handler interaction and proofing the dog’s responses.

Lori said, “There are many members of BDNKC who would make great instructors in all the various disciplines. There are many ways and styles to teach dogs and it’s good to draw on everyone’s knowledge and experience. We are hoping some of the other members would like to start helping or becoming an instructor for some of these classes. If someone would like to teach a class, I’ll be glad to help with any handouts, etc.”
lorilee.g@charter.net

Lori suggests that the club set up a committee to handle registrations for classes and class progressions to keep the interest and enthusiasm of new people who want to continue to work with their dogs.

Volunteers are requested to help with the May Beginner’s Obedience class, beginning May 2. Please contact Lori: lorilee.g@charter.net

CGC Test: This is the AKC Canine Good Citizen Test which will be held Tuesday, April 18. Registration begins at 6 p.m. and testing concludes at 7:30 p.m. First come, first serve. See the BDNKC website for more information.
www.baydenockennelclub.com

7. **Suggestion about Brags and Bitches:** Wendolyn will send out an email to members to ask if they have any Brags they would like to submit to the monthly minutes. Members are encouraged to post their Brags on the BDNKC FB page. Wendolyn will follow up with congratulations. Brags and Bitches will continue to be offered at the monthly meetings. It's important to publicize members' successes in competitions. These accomplishments serve as encouragement to new members and help to validate the expertise and commitment of the club's members, judges, and instructors.

STANDING CLUB ITEMS



Classes, practices, and tests:

1. **Beginner's Obedience:** The class begins on May 2. Lori and Ernie are instructors. The Genaws are looking for a volunteer to help with the class.
2. **Nosework:** This class begins April 19. The instructor is Jean Lyle.
3. **Puppy Class:** There are lots of new puppies showing up every week. Walk-in registration is available weekly for \$5.00.
4. **CGC Test:** This test will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., first come, first served. (See above and the website www.baydenockennelclub.com)
5. **Therapy Dog:** Four of the Therapy Dog group participated in a Christian Park & Village Nursing Home celebration of the volunteers at the Casino on April 13. The Bay de Noc Therapy Dog group were acknowledged with a Certificate of Appreciation and little bags of goodies for the dogs.
6. **Barn Hunt Practice:** Practice will begin in May, weather permitting per Dani Beauchamp. Wendolyn will send out an email.

New Members/Acceptance of Applications:

The club accepted the application of Diane and Emily Culter. They have a bulldog and KerryBlue Terrier.

Last month the club accepted the application of Debra and Guy LaPorte. Debra and Guy have a doodle. Membership will be voted on when the LaPortes attend a meeting.

BRAGS AND BITCHES

On April 1, 2017 at the Northeast Wisconsin Dog Show Classic in Manitowoc, **Robert Morin (Bobby)** showing One Loves Makeda Marley dat a Mi Gyal, an Afghan, took Winner's Bitch, with a 4-point major over **14** Afghans. Bobby's mom, Amy, took Reserve! Congratulations, Bobby and Amy. These are big wins!



On Sunday, April 2, at Manitowoc, **Amy Morin**, showing her Afghan, One Loves Imani Marley Island Dreamer, took Winner's Bitch, a 4-point major! Amy bred both bitches that took WB and both now have 4-point majors. Afghans are a highly competitive field of dogs to compete in!!! Woo Woo!!! Many, many congratulations!!!

At the Northeast Wisconsin Dog Show Classic in Manitowoc, March 30-April 2, 2017, **Lori and Ernie Genaw** showed their Japanese Chins and Cavalier. **Buzz**, Japanese Chin, is now a New Grand Champion (GCH), and he also took Group IV, which is a big deal! Congratulations! **Armani**, also a Japanese Chin, took 3 major-point wins. He has 13 of 15 points required for the Champion, and he is only 8 months old. Wow! Congratulations. **Oliver**, the Genaw's Cavalier is a new Champion. Congratulations!



On April 1st, 2017 at the Northeast Wisconsin Dog Show Classic in Manitowoc, **CH Lutz Von Skaer CGC RN RATO**, took Best of Variety (dachshund's Best of Bred). He now has five points left for the Grand Champ title. Thanks to Kathy and Lori who handled Liesel in Specials!



The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Submitted by Wendolyn Tetlow, Secretary

Next General Meeting: Thursday, May 11, 2017, 7 p.m.

Friendly Reminder: Don't forget to send a picture of your dog to be posted on the BDNKC website. Please submit a picture of your dog(s) to Andrea Jackson at karlandandrea_jackson@yahoo.com