



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

May 11, 2017

Present: Board: President, Pat Beauchamp; Vice President, Tracee Horn; Secretary, Wendolyn Tetlow; Director, Barbara Tardiff; Director, Virginia Lewis.

Members: Judy Akkala, Diane Culter, Emily Culter, Ernie Genaw, Lori Genaw, Coleen Lake, Katrina Lessard, Dick Lyle, Jean Lyle, Colleen Owens

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

Reading of the Minutes: Wendolyn summarized the April 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** to work for this trial. The trial will be held at the Escanaba Recreation Center in Escanaba.

Note: Entries for this trial are half of what they were last year. There was some discussion about why this is (lack of agility classes, etc.). There was a suggestion that perhaps offering only one agility trial a year would be better than two.

Important: Members attending the meeting decided that because of the limited number of week nights when classes can be offered, Thursday nights can now be available for classes (not practice groups). This decision does not violate the By-Laws. The once-a-month club meeting (Board and Regular meetings) can be held in the Animal Shelter building or elsewhere to avoid space/time conflicts. By making Thursday nights available for additional classes, the club has more flexibility and opportunity to introduce new activities and levels of classes. **Please volunteer** if you are interested in teaching classes. The club generates revenue by offering classes and competitions.

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 still needs volunteers. This is a great opportunity to learn about Nosework as an activity for your dog.

3. Status of Grant Applications: Pat Beauchamp received an email from the County to call the Admin office. Wendolyn will follow up. Earlier in the week, Wendolyn called David Rivard about the status of the grant, but there was no word from Hannahville.

4. Work Hours: The Board expects the Work Hours to be mailed to the members next week. The Larsons, who are compiling the data, are on the road back to the UP now and will complete the calculations next week.

5. Temporary Fencing: Pat Beauchamp said that she and Dani will set up temporary fences this weekend to keep dogs off the grass between the Shelter Building and the Club building.

Please “potty” your dog across the road from the club building on the margins of the ball fields. PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

Why are we changing the potty area? We hope to use the grounds between the two buildings for trials/competitions and classes, and we don’t want our dogs to be distracted by potty sniffs! By holding trials on our own grounds, we can eliminate the cost of renting space elsewhere for trials/events.

6. Status of volunteer work: There are many activities you can become involved in to help the club survive. Once the grass begins to grow, we need a **volunteer** to cut grass. Please note yellow highlighted areas in these minutes for opportunities to volunteer. This summer we will announce additional opportunities to earn your hours and to help make our club a better place.

7. Update on cleaning of the Animal Shelter Building: Well, it was touch and go, but the building is now clean. A series of mishaps kept the cleaning crew on their toes. The cleaning began when the alarm in the building was inadvertently set off. Then the electricity was interrupted, and then there was no water—in either building. Then there was water everywhere! After a lot of team work, the volunteers resolved the problems. Many thanks to Ernie Genaw who stepped in and fixed the leak and some other issues.



Thanks to the ten volunteers who showed up with buckets and gloves and other cleaning implements to help. Some volunteers came from over an hour away to help! Barb Tardiff was the forewoman of the workers.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Lure Coursing: Barb Tardiff offered the use of her generator to operate the coursing mechanism. This generator will be available until July. If you would like to organize a Lure Coursing practice, please let Pat Beauchamp know right away.
patbeau@chartermi.net

STANDING CLUB ITEMS



Classes, practices, and tests:

1. **Beginner's Obedience:** There are 14 teams in the class. Lori and Ernie are instructors. The next Beginner's class begins on August 1 and lasts six weeks.
2. **Advanced Obedience:** There are 5 teams in the class. Lori and Ernie are the instructors. See below in the text box for information about the follow-up CGC test on June 6.
3. **Drop-in Rally and Conformation practices:** Lori reports that there are 3-5 teams participating in Rally practices on Tuesday nights at the same time as the Obedience classes. There are also 3-4 teams participating in the Conformation practices right before the Obedience classes begin. These practices have resulted in wins and placements for dogs and their handlers. Practicing works! Contact Lori if you want to join in the fun lorilee.g@charter.net
4. **Puppy Class:** There are lots of new puppies showing up every week. Walk-in registration is available weekly for \$5.00.
5. **CGC Test:** This test will be held on Tuesday, June 6, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., first come, first served. (See below in the box, and also the club website www.baydenockennelclub.com)
6. **Therapy Dog:** On April 26 three members of the Therapy Dog group participated in the Bishop Noa Nursing Home spring celebration of volunteers. The Nursing Home was very gracious about the club's visits to the home. Bishop Noa also invited the BDNKC TD group to demonstrate dog's skills to the Home's residents and staff during an annual resident's event, but the TD group had to cancel this year because of scheduling conflicts. Last year, the BDNKC TD group demonstrated obedience, agility, nosework, tricks, etc.,
7. **Barn Hunt Practices:** Two practices have been offered so far, with seven dogs participating each day. More practices will be scheduled in June and July. Watch your email. Thanks to Dani for her fearless rats.
8. **Agility:** Members continued the discussion about reviving agility classes (see Old Business, #1 above). For the club's agility trials to survive, we must offer regular classes and be supportive of new members who want to train and participate in practice groups. There are many experienced and talented members in the club. Please **volunteer** to teach an agility class. Thursdays are now available to schedule classes. Contact the Board if you want to teach.

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

New Members/Acceptance of Applications:

The club voted on the application of Diane and Emily Culter. They have a bulldog and will soon have a KerryBlue Terrier. *Welcome to the Club!!*

BRAGS AND BITCHES



1.) On April 18, 2017 at the club facility, Colleen Owens' **Remy**, a Golden, earned his AKC CGC Certificate (Canine Good Citizen). Good dog! Congratulations.

2.) Barb Tardiff's **Skye**, a German Shepherd, earned her AKC CGC Certificate (Canine Good Citizen) at the club facility on April 18, 2017. Congratulations!

3.) Lori and Ernie Genaw have many brags after attending the National Show for Japanese Chins and a Cavalier Special. **Katie**, Cavalier, earned her NAJ; **Madison**, Cavalier, earned her NA; **Woody**, Japanese Chin, earned his GCH and took second in Owner Handler Group II and first in Owner Handler Group 1. **Armani**, Japanese Chin, is now a Champion. **Amelia**, Cavalier, now has two legs in Rally Novice and took one second place. **Coco**, Japanese Chin, took Puppy Group III and **Genie**, Japanese Chin, took BBE Group IV. WOW!! Many congratulations!

4.) Tracee Horn bragged that on May 3, 2017 **GCH CH Northpoint's A Little Bit of Bee, MH** earned her CD at the German Shorthair National Speciality Show. Congratulations!



5.) Tracee Horn also bragged that on May 2, 2017 **GCH CH Diadem's Mr Secret Agent Man, JH** was awarded, Award of Merit at the Regional GS Speciality Show. Excellent!

6.) Kathy Baij said that at the Northeast Wisconsin Dog Show Classic in Manitowoc on April 1, 2017 **Tifari's Brave At Heart** aka **Gryffin** took first in Rhodesian Ridgeback puppy and third in the Hound group. Congratulations!

If you have a brag you would like me to add to the monthly minutes, please email me at wtetlow@ameritech.net

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by Wendolyn Tetlow, Secretary

Next General Meeting: Thursday, June 8, 2017, 7 p.m.