



The Barker

NEWSLETTER OF THE SOUTHERN COLORADO KENNEL CLUB

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From The President's Pen

AHHH...Fall...what a lovely time of the year! September means change, changes in weather, activities etc. A very busy time of year! Please make sure you don't forget to plug in the club activities into that busy calendar.

Fall Training classes are here with lots of exciting classes offered. If you haven't taken advantage of the classes yet, fall is a great time to start. Check the website for the schedule and talk to Pat Lester – there's always room.

We are again anticipating success at our upcoming dog shows in November, but we can't do it without YOU! There will be sign-up sheets for volunteers at the September club meeting so please make it a point to attend and sign up to help.

The annual Awards Banquet is upcoming in January and we need someone who will take lead in planning this event. If you have any questions please give me a call.

Another reason to come to the meeting this month is to check out our new mirrored wall!! WOW! What a difference 30' of mirror makes! This change will help tremendously as we train for competition. The company that installed the mirrors put extra supports on the back to help insure stability and they are ¼" plate glass, which is as strong as they make. **BUT, please** do not throw any training devices such as dumbbells in the direction of the mirrors, and do not lean on them or allow your dog to jump on them as damage can still occur. And if we don't touch them, the volunteer cleaning crew will not have to wash them as often.

Happy Fall! Your servant, Renee

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SCKC Schedule

September 19th – Membership Meeting

October 4th – Board Meeting

Aug 13th- SCKC Summer Picnic

October 18th- Membership Meeting

Brag!!!

Laura Krause finished an UKC championship on her Aussie, Seeker at UKC shows in Longmont in July. Seeker won at 2 of the shows to finish his championship.

Misty and Hagen Davis' Boykin Spaniel, Paisley, has qualified for the AKC/Eukanuba Championship show in Orlando Florida in December. Paisley was Winners Bitch in Houston three days in a row and on the third day went Best of Breed over the #1 Boykin bitch in the nation (who was also BB at Westminster.) This was from the 12-18 month class.

Natalie Blood's Labrador, Willow, won 4th place in the speed division of Dock Diving and 5th place in the Distance Division. Both placings earned Willow legs towards Dock Dog titles. This was Natalie and Willow's first try at Dock Diving.

From the Greeley shows:

Kerri Kent's Cocker, Ch Miabi's Master of Seduction (Gordo) was select dog for 2 points at the Greater Denver Area Cocker Spaniel Specialty on Friday. On Saturday at the Greeley Kennel Club show, Gordo was BOV, for another 5 point major, and a GROUP 4 for 312 all-breed points. On Sunday Gordo was BOV for another 5 point major. His sister, Miabi's Mistress of Seduction (Naomi) was BOS for a 3 point major.

Hagen Davis was Best Junior at the Cocker Specialty on Friday showing Kerri's Ch. Miabi's Starlight Gala.

Renee Wolfe's Chessie, Bridget, was BOS on Saturday and Best of Breed on Sunday.

Nancy Russell's Malamute, Ch Storm Kloud's Kindred Spirit was Best of Breed both days. Her Storm Kloud's Up To The Task was Best of Winners and BOS from the 6-9 month old puppy class on Sunday. Her co-owned Storm Kloud North Wind Star was Winners Bitch on Sunday.

Tim and Crystal Messersmith's Yorkie, Ch Paradise She's A Party Girl was Best of Breed on Saturday and Select on Sunday

Taylor DeDuca was 2nd in Open Junior Showmanship on Saturday.

Hagen Davis was 2nd in Open Junior Showmanship on Sunday.

September Book Review by Diana Werner

A Dog's Purpose, by W. Bruce Cameron. New York: Tom Doherty Associates, 2010. \$22.99, available at Pueblo library.

W. Bruce Cameron, author of *8 Simple Rules for Dating My Teenage Daughter* and other books, has written a dog novel. More like an extended parable, actually, for as he considers a dog's purpose, he is also considering a human's.

Bailey is not just one dog, but three -- at least -- because Bailey is reincarnated. We see each life through Bailey's eyes.

His first life, a short one, is that of a nameless feral dog. He is born in the wild, one of a litter of three. Rescued from life in the woods by a kindly but impoverished hoarder, he is rescued from her by animal control but is soon euthanized. The next thing he knows, he is a newborn puppy again. In his next life, he lives the quintessential dog's life, meeting and being devoted to a boy. In his third life, he meets the boy, now grown old and lonely, again. Since he is able to remember his past lives, things he learns in each help him in the next. The joyful and redemptive ending echoes Cameron's own conviction that everything has meaning, that everything, every creature, and every event is here for a purpose.



AKC NEWS

The Coton de Tulear will move into the Miscellaneous Class effective June 27, 2012.

The Russell Terrier will be eligible to compete in the Terrier Group effective June 27, 2012.

The Spanish Water Dog will move into the Miscellaneous Class effective June 27, 2012.

German Shorthair Pointers, German Wirehair Pointers, Vizslas and Weimaraners will be allowed to enter the Retriever Hunting Test. Titles earned by these breeds in Retriever Hunt Tests will have a "R" front of the title to differentiate the title from those earned in Pointing breed hunt tests.



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July 19, 2011

General Membership Meeting

Called to order at 7:05 PM

Members Present: Diana Anaya, Ruella Anderson, Dee Dunlap, Lisa Golob, Milli Goodman, Ann Haley, Pat Hill, Jane Hollandsworth, Felicity Holloway, Carol Kuhns, Marsha Littau, Katherine/Celestina Lynch, Crystal Messersmith, Marnie Pixley, Diane Preiss, Bob/Nancy Russell, Jennifer Sams, Kathy Seley, Michelle Short, Connie Smalley, Karen/Kurt Stecco, Jessica/Rachel Storm, Kat Walden

Minutes from June meeting reviewed and approved.

Guest Presentation: Pueblo Police Officer Dusty Dodge brought his new K9 Narcotics dog and stated that the Humane Society had already donated the funds he needed. He and the dog are working towards the needed certification. He is no longer asking for our financial support but wanted to come and have us see his dog.

Treasurer's Report: not submitted this month due to treasurer's temporary absence. No problems are reported.

Correspondence: none

Committees:

Training : New series of classes will begin in September. Discussion occurred regarding how instructors can best communicate with members regarding cancelling of classes. This was noted to be a problem with drop in classes especially for people who drive a long distance to come to a class. Suggestions include a website bulletin board but no decision was made. Show: Lisa Golob is working on getting advertisements for the catalog, cost is \$20-\$50. If you know of any businesses that might be interested, please let her know.

Unfinished Business: Pat Hill may have access to a cart that can move heavy objects. She will discuss in more detail at the next board meeting. Discussion continued regarding getting coverings for the Grand St. windows.

New Business: Motion made and discussed to donate \$200 to the State 4H organization for state fair prizes. The motion carried. Carol Kuhns asked for volunteers for stewards for the 4H State competition Aug 27-28. Discussion occurred regarding the possibility of a communication network for people who might have to evacuate and temporarily place pets in the event of a fire evacuation. CSU reportedly is hosting a webinar on the subject and we will get the information out to the membership. Membership: First reading for Diana Behling (single), second reading on Brittany Rosco (family). Votes counted, Rosco family accepted.

Adjourned at 8 PM. Respectfully submitted by Milli Goodman, Secretary



SCKC Board Meeting
August 2, 2011
Board Meeting

Called to order at 6:45 PM

Members Present: Renee Wolfe, Lisa Golob, Connie Smalley, Milli Goodman, Will Hughes, Pat Hill

Treasurer's Report: reviewed. No problems noted. We are functioning "in the black".

Building Update: Continued discussion regarding how to effectively cover the windows on Grand St. at a reasonable cost. We are awaiting a bid to get mirrors hung up on the north wall. Agility equipment will need to be moved. Cigarette butts have been seen near the main door. Smokers need to stay at least 20 feet away from the building. We may need to put up a sign. Discussion regarding how instructors and members can best communicate about attendance at drop in classes. Will agreed to look into options we can use on the website.

Summer Outing. Aug 13th in Pueblo West. RSVPs need to be in by Aug 10th. Club will supply the main dish (chicken) and members will bring pot luck side dishes and desserts.

Show Committee: David Anaya has volunteer to transport judges as needed from the airport. We will be having some vendors in the grooming area this year due to interest from some vendors we have not had before.

New Business: New members are reportedly not getting emails and updated information. Milli agreed to work on a better system of tracking and passing on contact information as new members join. Discussion regarding treats at the general meeting; could we discontinue this practice? We may just see if the practice fades out on it's own.

Adjourned at 7:40 PM. Respectively submitted, Milli Goodman, Secretary

SCKC
September 6, 2011
Board Meeting

Called to order at 7:20 PM

Members Present: Renee Wolfe, Lisa Golob, Milli Goodman, Pat Hill, Flo Andrews

Treasurer's Report: reviewed. Income from training classes is up from last year. The tax return is filed and all is in order. We received a reminder from the credit union that any club member is eligible to set up an individual account with them

Building Update: Mirrors are installed on the north wall, cost approx. \$1700.

Most of the fall classes will begin the week of Sept 12. All trainers are reminded to close the breaker box door, close the window, and keep the emergency exit clear of any equipment.

Show Committee: Sign up sheets will be at the next general meeting for club members to sign up for working the show. The Premium list is finished. The Jr. handling class fees were reduced to \$15 per entry. Prizes are taken care of. Renee will reserve a rental van for transporting judges. Measurements will be taken of the Rally site and sent to the judge so she can set up her courses. Lisa presented a draft of the advertisement flyer for the show.

New Business: Discussion regarding the need for a specific club member who's duty it will be to manage the training center building. Renee has been overseeing the building and agrees to continue the role after her tenure as club president is completed. Board member changes: Crystal has stepped down as vice-president but agrees to continue to be the health information liason. Will Hughes volunteered to take over the vice-president's position for the duration of the current tenure and the Board accepted his offer. Milli will review all recent new memberships to determine which ones need to pay additional dues for 2011.

Adjourned at 8:20 PM. Respectively submitted, Milli Goodman, Secretary

Upcoming Events

Sept. 29th –Oct. 2nd Grand Valley Kennel Club, Grand Junction Co. Breed, Obedience and Rally, Onofrio Supt.

Oct 8th -9th = John Rogerson Canine Aggression Seminar. Denver,
(www.zinndogtraining.com/seminarjohnrogerson)

Oct. 8th-9th UKC show, Sagebrush Dog Club, Calhan, Breed, Obedience and Rally (sagebrushdogclub@yahoo.com)

Oct 8th -9th – ASCA show, Elbert County Fairgrounds, Kiowa, 4 conformation shows, 4 stock trials, 1 all-breed obedience trial and 1 all-breed rally trial.

Oct. 13th-14th Sangre de Cristo Kennel Club, Los Lunas, New Mexico, Onofrio, Supt. Breed

Oct. 15th -16th – Valencia Kennel Club, Los Lunas, New Mexico, Onofrio, Supt. Breed, Obedience

Oct. 20th -23rd – Rapid City Kennel Club, Rapid City, South Dakota, Onorio Supt. Breed Obedience and Rally

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