

Kruisin Kanines Board Meeting January 6, 2016

Location: Point Pleasant Firehouse, 6500 Point Pleasant Pike, New Hope, PA 18950

Next board meeting: Thursday February 4th, 2016 at 6:30pm, Wegman's , 1405 N Main St, Warrington, PA 18976

Members present: Jeanie Burton, Cindy Everett, Dina Melendez, Judy Eckenrode, Linda Goldman, Teresa Koziatek, Tony Luzynski, Diane Carney, Carole Allen. **Absent:** Konnie McCaffree

Minutes: The December 14, 2015 board minutes were approved.

President's Report (Jeanie Burton):

The first Run Thru for 2016 is complete. There were approximately 150 runs with a total profit of \$750.00. \$730 from run thrus and \$20 from money donated for food. We received many positive comments and there were requests for more run thrus.

Cindy is going to put together a system for the barn that will allow members to leave notes identifying items that need to be fixed.

Alan would like to order a case of florescent bulbs for the overhead lights in Ring 1 and 2. Board approved.

Treasurer's Report (Tony Luzynski): Please see attachment for Tony's spreadsheet.

Tony presented a spreadsheet of an analysis across 2013-2014-2015 which shows the declining financials of the club. Our Training revenue is dropping and needs to be reviewed. He will be doing a more in depth analysis in the future. The billing system needs to be reviewed, it currently doesn't provide the flexibility Tony feels is needed for the club.

Tony feels it's critical we invest more in our instructors. He will be discussing this further with Carole Allen.

Training Director (Carole Allen)

Training classes start next week and all classes have students in them however class counts are very low.

There is a seminar this weekend at the Kruisin barn with Kaitlyn Dreese for "Young/Green Dogs; Experienced Handlers". All working positions for both Saturday and Sunday have been filled. **(Carole, is this correct?)**

Carole would like to have one seminar at Kruisin a month. Special interest is April, the Mid Atlantic Showcase will be at 'In The Net' in Harrisburg and July when the EO team will be training in NJ. These two events will bring top competitors to the area who may be interested in giving a few seminars.

Carole will be reaching out to Kruisin members to attend special interest groups to discuss the possibility of classes other than agility. Some of the classes are: Nose Work, Rally, K9 Manners, Puppy Classes. It was suggested that Carole contact Anna Burbank about having a Trick class.

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AKC Report :

Linda Goldman is working with the food vendor Herding Smoke Barbecue for the July trial. They asked if there was a vendor fee, the board decided there would not be a fee. They also asked how many people we anticipated attending our trial and we approximated about 130.

UKI Report (Teresa Koziatek):

Teresa is preparing the Saturday March 5th premium and will have it completed by Monday January 11th. The trial opens on Monday January 18th. Advertising will be done thru Facebook, NJ Agility, Open Agility, run thrus, etc.

Old Business:

Due to time limitations items 1-6 are being held for the February board meeting:

Kruisin' Kanines Old Business from 2015 never concluded:

1. 5/15 - Need Advertising Head to create and distribute press releases about events and classes at Kruisin.
2. 6/15 - Request for information about how to get club apparel from Caldwell Embroidery, someone was assigned to address this but it has never been done.
3. 9/15- Dina & Bernie were to do an IN HOUSE AUDIT
4. 9/15- Discuss about adding mandatory club requirements for which credits are not awarded: examples: work at least one day of a trial each year, be a member of a committee
5. 9/15- Ways to pay instructors in lieu of credits
6. 9/15- Revisit the list of credits that can be earned and the number of credits earned for each task.

When we were nominating Leigh for Lifetime Membership through emails it was suggested that there might be a couple of other individuals that should be considered for this honor in the club and that it should be discussed at a later date. **Any additional nominations for the Lifetime Membership award will be addressed after the meeting via email in time for the banquet on February 6th.**

New Business:

Due to time limitations items 7-11 are being held for the February board meeting:

1. Banquet gifts (instructors and assistants) and other awards.
 - **\$25 Clean Run certificates for Instructors and \$15 Clean Run certificates for Assistants. There will be no member gifts, instead the cost of the banquet will be \$30 per person.**
2. Sabrina Andrews has inquired if Kruisin rents our facility to outside clubs for events. She is planning an ASCA trial in April. Thanks to Sue Thompson for suggesting she contacts us!
 - **Board approved and Carole will look into rates and Jeanie will send the first email with Tony then following up with Sabrina**
3. Need to fix the bottom of the sliding doors in the main training area to block the wind and inclement weather from coming in. The existing fix is no longer working.

- **Since Glenn no longer handles the Barn Maintenance we are looking for a person/persons to step into this position. Jeanie may reach out to Will and Bob to see if they would be interested in fixing the barn door during the next Work Day.**
4. Is the club interested in taking inventory of the existing agility equipment and selling off any excess?
 - **The board agreed we should do this but we need to identify a fair way for the members to bid on the equipment being sold.**
 5. Alan has requested that we purchase a new Pause table. The existing tables all have issues which have caused problems during the previous trials. We do need a functional table for our AKC one ring trial in July.
 - **Board approved. Jeanie is going to email MAD Agility and see if they have any used tables available.**
 6. Due to possible liability the "Facility and Use Forms" and Waiver forms" need to be kept updated and on file. Previously the Treasurer handled this; however should the Membership Chairperson handle this since these forms are only signed once a year?
 - **For 2016 Tony Luzynski will keep the event waivers.**
 7. Updating of committees.
 8. Training Director in the past was a non-voting member of the board is this still the case? In the past the Training director taught classes therefore was awarded maximum number of credits and no credits were given for being the director. Should this be changed?
 9. Prior to Leigh resigning she requested that the calendar on the Website be changed to a Google calendar so that the calendar maintenance and keeping it up to date could be shared with others without them having access to the administrative dashboard of the website. Also rather keeping a separate calendar for Teeter Tales this calendar has also been linked to Teeter tales. This has been done now it needs to be decided how to divide up the shared responsibility of the calendar. It would make sense to have the club secretary and the training director to share this responsibility as part of their job since between the two of them they have access to all the club dates and there would be no third person involved trying to collect the data and keeping everything update when changes occur. When a date change occurs and it is put on the calendar it will immediately show up on the club calendar on the website. These individuals can forward notices from the Google calendar to the Yahoo group as they deem appropriate.
 10. In February Don and Judy will be working on hopefully making the website more viewable on mobile devices. In Dec. there was an update made available for WordPress and our theme that should address this concern. Don is in North Carolina until late January when he returns we will be working on it. Also if there are any other changes in regards to layout and such, please let Judy know.
 11. Are we going to continue with the OPEN AGILITY PRACTICE?
 12. Blake Rivas has a need for 3 months of barn use when she is on Summer vacation from college. Her need is not in sync with our billing cycle. Tony is requesting the board's permission to handle this off cycle.

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- **This will be discussed later since further discussion is required.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Diane Carney
Secretary