

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Meeting Agenda – April 7, 2018 – Berliner Pub

Members Present: Sandy Fisher, Melanie Trichler, Tammy Thresher with Ozzy, Mia Carper, Paula Brockway, Len & Trish Whitney, Jeff Ryman, Brian Nolan, Dave & Cathy Harrington, Aline Phillips-Emery and Lynn Emery with Della

Guests: None

Educational Instruction: None at this time

Meeting Called to Order: 1:20pm

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Approved

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: David Harrington: Welcome everyone. Thank you for coming. March has been another busy month with Cathy raising a litter of puppies. It has been wild. I truly appreciate all the support you have given me. I know I say this every month, but feel I cannot say it enough. You are all a great team to work with. With weather getting better I would love for someone to come up with ideas for a bulldog walk. Or maybe a get together that we can ask our pet owners to come to.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: I tripped over a puppy pen and injured myself and had to have surgery. Am slowly recovering and will be going back to work soon. Nice to be here.

Report of Secretary: Tamara Marcotte: Absent

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: Filed the Annual Report with the Secretary of State. Renewed the Trailer License tabs and mailed them to Ed & Gail Harris. Sent deposit and payment to Puyallup Valley Dog Fanciers for Specialty Show. I am happy with the t-shirt sales so far this year and look forward to having this be a good fundraiser for the club. Thanks to everyone who purchased a shirt and supporting the club!

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Advertising (Melanie Trichler): Made flyer for the Handling Class. Revised Specialty Show flyer and it is posted on Facebook. Sent emails to eight West Coast clubs with Specialty Show flyer and T-Shirt Sales flyer and asked them to share with their members and publish in their newsletters.

Bulltique (Vacant):

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): Some information on the AKC website regarding definition of Hobby Breeders (3-5 litters/year).

Newsletter (Tamara Marcotte): March newsletter has been emailed and it looks great! Lots of good content.

Public Education (Vacant)

Ways and Means (Vacant):

Website (David Harrington):

Social Media (Mia Carper): Set up a new group page on Facebook and will phase out the old business page as it was not as interactive. However, we have over 1,000 followers/likes on old page and less than 100 have transitioned over to new page. Will keep the old page and change the new page to an open group.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: Aline Phillips Emery/Lynn Emery

ELECTION OF NEW BREEDERS TO THE BREEDER REFERRAL PROGRAM: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CGC and Tricks Titles Classes: Sandy had been trying to coordinate an AKC Canine Good Citizen and Tricks introduction or classes for members and guests. However, her trainer had a huge career opportunity come up and will not be able to participate. Sandy is looking into some other options such as sharing details of the programs with members and others on Facebook or at a BCGS event in the hopes of having an AKC Evaluator at Slobberfest in September. Will reach out to Kim Dailey and Cheryl Knapp in regards to testing and teaching.

2018 Meeting and Events Schedule and Calendar: Still need to schedule events and meetings for the remainder of 2018. Listing of tentative and scheduled dates and open dates needing to be confirmed.

- May: Monthly Meeting – May 6th at 6pm – Call-in Meeting. Details to be emailed.
- May: Handling Class begins in Snohomish – Thursday evenings at 7:30pm starting on May 10th
- June: Monthly Meeting - Date and Location TBD
- July: Monthly Meeting after bulldog judging on _____?
- July: Specialty Show in Puyallup, July 6,7 and 8
- July: BBQ at Decoursey Park in Puyallup from Noon to 3pm
- August: Monthly Meeting - Date and Location TBD
- August: Picnic and Fun Match – August 25 in Snohomish
- September: Monthly Meeting after Slobberfest
- September: Slobberfest at Marymoor Park in Redmond on Sept. 8
- October: Monthly Meeting after Halloween Party
- October: Halloween Party – Date and Time TBD
- November: Monthly Meeting - Date and Location TBD
- December: Monthly Meeting and Christmas Party – Date and Location TBD

Awards for Champions/Titles: BCGS would like to award plaques annually for new Champions and Titles. Jeff Ryman is trying to locate the vendor that has the old cast of the BCGS medallion. Used to be located in Ballard. Mia found a plaque on Amazon for \$30 plus shipping. Will continue to look for better pricing. Let Tamara Marcotte know when your bulldog has achieved a championship or performance title.

2019 Show Back to Red Lion: For the 2019 show (to be held first weekend of August 2019), we are teaming up with OSBC for the specialty shows at the Red Lion. The cost will be split between clubs.

- Jeff and Winn Ryman have signed a contract and have made a \$300 deposit
- Jeff presented a list of judges and the list was narrowed down to three options. We will open up for more nominations and vote in May.
- Jeff and Beth (OSBC) are donating companion airline points with Alaska so if the judges are couples, it will help with costs.

Running with the Bulldogs Specialty Shirts: We spent \$1,901 on 105 Running with the Bulldogs shirts (\$1,327) and 50 Mosaic Bulldog shirts (\$574). To date, we have sold 52 Running with the Bulldogs shirts (incl. pre-orders) and 13 Mosaic Bulldog shirts for a total of \$1,785. Our profit is \$927 on those sales. Our remaining inventory of 90 shirts would provide for sales of \$2,435 with profit of \$1,270. We also sold 3 Slobberfest t-shirts at the SKC booth and we have 11 of those shirts remaining. We are posting flyers on Facebook and advertising with the Division clubs. Some people have been asking about another special order so they can get sweatshirts. Once we sell more of our inventory, we will look at this again. We would have to order 75-100 to get screen-printing and an acceptable price. Jeff Ryman is going to check with Gail and Ed Harris about taking the BCA Medallions and our shirts to the Denver and Utah shows to sell.

Breeder Referral Program: So far, there are 4 Breeders that have paid the fee, however we are still awaiting an application from one. Has the website been updated yet to reflect this? Also, the Breeder Referral Application needs to be revised. Dave Harrington will send this out once it's done.

2018 Specialty Show:

- Ribbon upgrade: Dlanor Kennels have said they will help pay for ribbon up grade. Cost is \$250 for the 2 days. It was decided to order them with no dates on them for the class placements but have dates for all others. This might save on costs for future years. Dave Harrington will order them this week.
- Trophies/Rosettes for PVDF Show: Do we want trophies for the PVDF show? If we do, they will provide rosettes. This is just for the BOB, BOS, BOW, WD, WB, RWD, RWB SD and SB.
- Supported Entry: We are a supported entry for this show. Jeff Ryman will notify the sponsoring club.
- Dog Dishes for Supported Entry: We will be supporting all 3 shows so 15 dog bowls are needed.
- Dave Harrington brought up the idea of getting some dog toys for all of the dogs that are entered in the show. Someone had done that at another show he was at and the dogs really enjoyed it. Some ideas were discussed but no decision was made.
- Dave Harrington sent out an email to members to ask for volunteers for all aspects of the show. He will update the list and resend.
- Show Funding Raffle/Auction Donations: Mia Carper, Cathy Harrington and Paula Brockway will work on putting together raffle baskets. If anyone would like to donate items, they can be brought to any meeting, show or event or you can contact any of the above. Raffle baskets and silent auction items will be on display at the show and then raffled and finalized at the picnic. Len & Trish Whitney have donated bulldog puppy throw pillows that can be used for fundraising. Melanie Trichler has donated an 8x10 custom print.
- 4-6 month Puppy Class: There will be a 4-6 month puppy class with Zack Lane as the judge.
- Show Advertising/Publicity: Melanie will be responsible for advertising the show.
- Trophies: Would like to do towels with our theme on them. Dave looking into the cost. Presenting the Linda Borden Memorial for Best Puppy on day one of the specialty show.
- Looking for volunteers to transport judges to and from the airport and show. Otherwise, judges' transportation used by WWC is Semper Fi Chauffeur and the cost is \$55 per judge per trip. Dave Harrington will put together a schedule of arrivals and departures to help with scheduling volunteers.
- Judges Gifts: Joan Johnson has volunteered to be responsible for Judges Gifts.
- Barbeque for Saturday: DeCoursey Park has been paid and secured as the venue for the BBQ. The cost is \$60 for a 10 am – 3pm time frame. Club to pay for hot dogs and hamburgers. Need Volunteers to set up. BaRay will try to have the bulldog judging completed before 11:00.
- Insurance: Need a copy of the Insurance to give to the PVDF show secretary. Dave Harrington and Jeff Ryman have been provided a copy of the insurance policy.
- Premium List/Catalog: Need someone to work with BaRay on the show to set up timetables for premium list and catalog copy.
- Cleaning Deposit: Sandy Fisher sent the refundable cleaning deposit of \$150.00 and the EMT and extra table to Cindy Carriegan, Specialty Liaison.
- Hotel Reservations: Hotel reservations at the Fairfield have been made.

Handling Class: Jeff Ryman and Ashely Wall have put together a handling class. Handling Classes will be held to encourage conformation showmanship for Bulldogs and French Bulldogs. Free to all Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle and French Bulldog Club of Puget Sound members & guests. This class will be open to all levels and is intended to be practice for dogs and handlers needing ring time. New handlers, kids as well as puppies are welcome. Time: 7:30 – 8:30 PM Thursday evenings on May 10, 17, and 31 and June 7, 14, 21, and 28. Additional summer dates may be added based on continued interest and participation. Location: 8313 Riverview Rd, Snohomish WA 98290. Hosted by Jeff and Winn Ryman (25+ year Bulldoggers and AKC Bulldog Judges). BCGS Member Ashley Wall has graciously provided this location. This is a private residence and there are no restrooms available on site.

Summer Picnic: Ashley Wall offered her home in Snohomish for a picnic on August 25th. The Sammamish KC show is that weekend so would plan for the picnic/fun match to happen after bulldog judging.

NEW BUSINESS:

Bulldog Haven NW Bulldog Ball: The Bulldog Ball is a major fundraiser for Bulldog Haven NW and will be held on May 5th at Meydenbauer Center in Bellevue from 6:00 to 11:00 pm. This is a dinner and auction for ages 21+. Tickets are \$75 and available to purchase until April 21st. It would be nice to be able to have some BCGS representation at this event since we are working with them on some events. We can request seating at the same table. Let's support bulldog rescue and attend!

Insurance Policy: The current insurance policy with Sportsmen's is set to renew in August. We need to look at other options to try and get the cost down.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: None

MEETING ADJOURNED: 3:05 pm

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

April 14-15 Moses Lake WA	April 20-23 Lewiston ID
April 28-29 Pendleton OR	May 5-6 Elma WA
May 10-13 Klamath Falls OR	May 18-21 Lynden WA
May 26-27 Spokane WA	May 28-29 Coeur D'Alene ID

Weekly Handling class begin Thursday, May 10th through June 28th – Snohomish – 7:30-8:30pm