

The Bulldog Club of Greater Seattle
Monthly Meeting Minutes – May 11, 2019 – Marymoor Park, Redmond, WA

Members Present: Dave Harrington, Tricia Whitney, Len Whitney, Joan Johnson, John Barry, Mia Carper, Ron Carper, Sandy Fisher, Brian Seymore, Melissa Seymore, Citty Brugalette, Anthony Ortega, Paula Brockway, Suzi Crickmore, Abby Crickmore, Ashley Wall, Mark Chan

Guests: None

Educational Instruction: None

Meeting Called to Order: approx.12:42 pm

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING: Approved

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS:

Report of President: David Harrington: Thanks to everyone who came to our first Spend A Day With Your Bulldog event. We had a great turnout. We may try to do this annually. The Trick Class was great and one of the bulldogs, Noel Crickmore, tested and passed her Novice Trick Dog test and will receive her title. We will be doing Trick Dog testing at our Specialty Show in August.

Report of Vice President: Trish Whitney: Thanks to everyone for coming, participating and having a good time!

Report of Secretary: Brian Nolan: Absent. Dave read a letter from Division V regarding the Slate of Officers. See below for more information.

Report of Treasurer: Sandy Fisher: The club received it annual insurance renewal notice (\$550 – no increase) which is due in August. Motion was made and approved to pay the renewal. For the year, we are showing a \$140 profit.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Website (David Harrington): Dave said that he might have two people interested in taking over the website. He recently viewed the Colorado Bulldog Club website and thought it was a nice website and had some great ideas we could incorporate. If anyone has ideas of what to include, please let us know.

Social Media (Mia Carper): If you have anything that you would like to include on the Facebook page, please let Mia know. A suggestion was made that we have a monthly contest where our Facebook subscribers could submit their bulldog photos for the honor of being the Cover Photo for the month.

Legislation Liaison (Brian Nolan): No update.

Newsletter (Tamara Marcotte):

Advertising (Vacant):

Bulltique (Vacant):

Public Education (Vacant):

Ways and Means (Vacant):

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS: None

ELECTION OF NEW BREEDERS TO THE BREEDER REFERRAL PROGRAM: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Spend A Day With Your Bulldog at Marymoor Park on May 11th: The event was wonderful and everyone had a great time. The weather was a little warm but with many members bringing fans and wading pools full of water, the dogs were all comfortable. Kim Dailey of Lake Stevens K9 Academy, an

AKC Evaluator for CGC and Tricks, led a class for many very inspired bulldogs and their owners. Many of the tricks from the novice title listing were demonstrated and props (such as a tunnel, table, box, wobble board, jump, hoop, etc) were on hand to try out. Kim also tested one bulldog, Noel (Suzi and Abby Crickmore) and Noel successfully passed and is eligible for the TKN title with the AKC. Yay! Noel got a ribbon and huge round of applause. After the Tricks Class, the club held a Hot Dog BBQ for all attendees. Thanks to all of the members who donated the hot dogs, buns, condiments, chips, soda and water. After the BBQ, a Fun Match was held and we had bulldogs from novice to experienced that got to show off in the ring. There was a trophy for first place and fun poop bag holders for second through fourth place. Congrats to the winners: 1st Place: Rosie (Melissa & Brian Seymore); 2nd Place: Hilo (Austin Debord); 3rd Place: Emmett (Trish & Len Whitney); 4th Place: Noel (Suzi & Abby Crickmore). Roses were donated to help all the fur moms celebrate National Dog Mom's Day! Thanks to everyone who attended, participated and donated to make this a wonderful event. The club is hoping to make this an annual event!

Running with the Bulldogs at Emerald Downs on June 9th: The club was approached at the Seattle Kennel Club show to have a booth and sell our shirts at this event. This can be used as an educational event for the general public. Would love to have some volunteers assist with this.

International Dog Show in Enumclaw on June 15th and 16th: Looking for club members to go to this show. In addition to earning an International Title, they award beautiful ribbons and you leave with a written evaluation of your dog.

Kissing Booth for Breed Booth: No update

August 2019 BCGS Specialty Show:

Volunteers Needed: Volunteers are still needed for many of the committees that help make the Specialty Show a success. If you are interested in helping out, please contact Winn Ryman at winnryman@gmail.com.

Advertising: The show ad was submitted and appeared in the latest Bulldogger.

Trophies and Ribbons: If you are interested in sponsoring the trophies and ribbons, please contact Joan Johnson. There is also a form on the Facebook page listing all available categories or you can go to www.paypal.me/BCGSdonation and make a donation. Your name will appear in the Show Catalog for each category you choose to sponsor.

Judge's Gifts: Tamara Marcotte is handling this and a \$150 budget has been approved.

Saturday Night Dinner and Seminar: Anna Sullivan is coordinating the dinner. Dr Cindy Smith, DVM will be holding a seminar on bulldog breeding. More details to come.

Auction: From the Auction Chairperson, Anna Sullivan: The auction for the BCGS/OSBC show, Aug. 2-4 at the Red Lion in Olympia will feature silent auction tables with new, unique items, each day along with a fabulous Last Chance Raffle. And we need your help with donations and volunteering.

Auction Donations - This year we are focusing on a few (10-15 from each club) new or pristine, and unusual items for the auction. Right now, we have a copper bulldog weathervane to enhance your roof, and a literary bulldog lamp for your den. What cool item can you donate? (If you are making items for the auction, you can donate more than one and we will feature them on different days.) We are also looking for items donated from vendors (a year of dog food, a great dog bed, a case of wine, a hotel stay, a kayak trip, a restaurant gift certificate, etc.) I will be contacting businesses for those items, but if you have

contacts with any businesses who might like to donate please get the information from them and let me know. If you have an item for the auction or need more information, please contact me at bulldogams956@gmail.com or 360-464-4514. I can pick up items if you are in the South Puget Sound area. If not, you can take a good photo of the item and, with a written description and its value, then send that on to me so we know what we have to offer. And then just bring the item to the auction desk at the show. Deadline for donations (or letting me know that you are donating) is Aug. 1.

Auction Volunteering – I am asking for help from four volunteers for the auctions on Sat., Aug. 3 and Sunday, Aug. 4 in the morning and afternoon (about 3 hours each shift). There are lots of other opportunities to help with the show. I know there will be tons of people raising their hand to empty that poop bucket ringside so get your name on the list quick! But seriously, contact the show co-chairs if you want to volunteer. It is a great way to get involved and hang around with the best dogs in the world.

BCA Fundraiser: Jeff Ryman is asking all members to start collecting donations of bottles for the BCA fundraiser bottle toss...unopened wine and beer bottles, dog shampoo, etc.

NEW BUSINESS:

Change to frequency of the Newsletter: Tamara has proposed that the newsletter be allowed to be published quarterly rather than monthly. Motion was made and approved. Meeting minutes should still be sent out via email each month.

Division V Slate of Officers for the 2019 election: This is a BCA Division V election year. Per the BCA Constitution and By-laws, the Division V Board members make up the nominating committee for this election each odd-numbered year. Our current Division V Board members met on February 17, 2019 to discuss and nominate by majority vote one resident member of Division V for each of the officer, governor and councilor positions. These nominations were approved as the official Division V slate of officers for the 2019 election:

President: Linda Kilgore

Vice President: Joan Johnson

Secretary: Jeff Ryman

Treasurer: Beth Stephenson

Governors: Missi Hanson, Cathy Harrington, Janice O'Neill, Erica Peters, Winn Ryman

Councilors: Ed Harris, Neil Koeniger

At this time, each BCA Division V Member Club has the opportunity to make additional nominations. The clubs may not amend or delete any of the existing nominations, but they may make one additional nomination for each or any office. In addition, an individual resident member of BCA Division V shall be placed on the ballot if he/she submits a petition signed by 20% of the paid members of Division V. All additional nominations are due in writing (email or postal mail) to the Division V Secretary by July 1, 2019. Any nominations received after that date will not be considered.

No nominations were made at this meeting but will be discussed at the June meeting.

Rally and Obedience Trial –December 2019: Jeff and Winn Ryman would like to add a day to the rally and obedience trial for a BCA Nationals fundraiser. Jeff will find a judge and just want to clear it with the club. Jeff will be training someone in Oregon to do the same thing. This is something all the other clubs in Division 5 are going to be doing as a fundraiser. The club has asked for more information and will discuss at the June meeting.

Portland BCGS/OSBC Rose City Specialty Show 2020: Jeff Ryman asked the club if we would like to co-sponsor this event as we did in January 2019. The dates are January 10 & 11, 2020 and we would need to secure a judge. The club has asked for more information and will discuss at the June meeting.

BCGS Specialty Show 2020: The club is looking for someone that would like to be the Show Chairperson for this show.

NEW APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

NEW BREEDER REFERRAL APPLICATIONS: None

MEETING ADJOURNED: approx. 1:30 pm

UPCOMING SHOWS AND EVENTS:

Next BCGS Meeting will be in June. Date and location to be determined.

Bell Vernon Kennel Club, Lynden, WA, May 17-20

Spokane Kennel Club, WA, May 25-26

Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, May 27-28

Ellensburg, WA, June 1-2

Coeur D'Alene, ID, June 7-9

Canby, Oregon, June 22-23

Redmond, OR, June 28

Puyallup, WA, July 6-7