

TOTC MEMBER MEETING

April 5th, 2012

Meeting called to order at Lucky Dog Training Center at 6:40pm.

President's Report by Kathleen McCullough: Kathleen read a letter from Cornelia, a member of her last pet class, thanking her and TOTC for making Penelope her Amer. Bulldog a better dog.

Secretary's Report by Robin Visniski: Motion made to dispense with the reading of the minutes of last meeting. An upcoming events list, a name tag list and a membership roster was made available to the members. Flyers for Susan Garrett's Seminar, Red River Match and Bonnie Norris Agility Seminar were passed around.

Treasurer's Report by Don Etheridge: Members from 2011 who have not renewed were removed from the membership roster. The Club remains in sound financial condition. A full report is available to any member upon request. Report accepted.

Vice President's Report by Mary Dick: Quarterly member participation award of \$100 was won by Robin. Mary encourages everyone to come to more events and teach more so they can earn more tickets in the drawing. Quarterly Charity Donation of \$100 went to Dogs Against Drugs.

Training Director's Report by Cheryl Etheridge: Teachers Certificates from last month were given out. The CGC test will be on April 17th at 6:30 at Lucky Dog. The next Show N Go will be on April 15th at Lucky Dog from 9am – 4pm and 4-6pm for rally. We will need volunteers to help. Tell Mary D. if you can be there to help. Agility Classes just started. We will extend the classes 1 week due to bad weather last week. May 8th a new pet and puppy class start. We need teachers.

Training Secretary by Phyllis Hagen: TOTC shirts are available, both 25th Anniversary, Regular & Come-Sit-Stay-Train shirts.

Obedience Committee by Sonja Asido: July 28th & 29th. Sonya has all the judges and committee chairs. Our application has been approved. We will have a C-Match on Friday and Saturday night. Kathleen passed around the prize sign-up sheet. Vendors this year are Nature's Select Foods, Photographer, and Teezin More (photo promo items). Ads are available to put into the premium for anyone interested. Our 25th Anniversary logo will be on the front of the premium. We will not have food concessions this year. Just drinks for the judges and workers.

25th Anniversary Party by Don Etheridge: June 2nd, Saturday, 1-4pm. Please invite any old members you know. We need pictures from the past to display. We will give away 25th Anniversary medallions to anyone attending. We would like to also have vendors if any are interested.

New Members:

1st Readings: Joan & Wayne Crews, Debra Edens, Charles Lucas, Lisa Range, Denise Tayntor

2nd Readings & voted into membership: Elizabeth Bruce, James Wade Jensen, Bradley & Brittany Pirtle, Cathy Schmidt.

Old Business:

Quitman Vet Clinic Demo – April 28th, Sat. Noon – 2pm. All members are invited to participate. We need dogs at all levels of training. Don will send an email with directions to the event.

Hideaway Vet Clinic Training Classes. Held 3 sessions with 17 – 12 members in each. Hopefully we will get members and class participants from this. If you want to do this at your vet's clinic, organize it and members will come out to help.

New Business:

Klein Animal Shelter has asked TOTC to do a demo at their spring event. May 5th, 11am-4pm. We will need someone to organize this. Mary J. said she may be able to do so.

May 11-13th is the World Agility Games in Ft Worth. Participants from all over the world will be there to compete. This is the 1st time this event has been in the USA. Robin is organizing a car pool to go to the event on May 12th. If you are interested in going along, let her know. We believe the tickets are \$5. per person.

Agility Events. April 21st & 22nd in Shreveport. May 5th & 6th in Frankston, for anyone wanting to go and watch.

AKC Canine Hero Award. Don has applications for the award if anyone wants to submit a dog. Police, search & rescue, therapy dogs, assistance dogs, or any other dog that does a special job are eligible. Winner receives a \$1,000 plus a trip to Orlando for the National AKC Show.

Kathleen will present a program on clicker training after the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35pm

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Visniski
TOTC Secretary