

August 4, 2016

Thursday, August 4, 2016 12:08 PM

Prior to meeting, TOTC, Angela Hudson spoke to the club about pet-sitting services and things to consider when looking for a pet-sitter.

Meeting was called to order at 6:45

**Review of previous minutes:**

A motion was made by Cheryl Ethridge that was seconded by Monica Adkins -- with unanimous approval to dispense with the reading and approval of the minutes.

**Treasurer's Report (Don Ethridge):**

-July money was mostly from the Pat Gannon seminar and Longview Obedience show.

-made approx. \$3000 on obedience show;

-any member may see Don for more details

-A motion was made by Pat Gannon that was seconded by Cheryl Ethridge-- with unanimous approval to accept the Treasurer's Report.

**Vice President Report (Angela Hudson):**

-2 upcoming events to remember:

-December meeting/awards dinner booked at Holiday inn--more details to follow

-picnic in September (not August as previously stated)--it won't be BBQ this year; Angela will get word out soon so people can pick what sides they want to bring

**Training Director Report (Daryl Hall):**

-Daryl presented board-approved class and schedule changes

-for first fall session, we will offer one Nosework class, then next session Katie McCullough will offer a Skills class; starting in January, Nosework classes will start with beginning level and students will stay together and move up; so if you want to start Nosework, it must be in January of 2017 or wait until the next January.

-for agility, we will have 4 levels offered. Students will pay on a monthly basis. In order to move up to next level, students must meet specific criteria. Descriptions of each level will be listed on the website. Agility classes will be offered on Tuesday nights, and Thursdays will be used for supervised practice. This allows for better communication between instructors. Students can join a class at any time and move up as needed.

-for obedience and other "inside the building" classes, start times will be on the hour at 6, 7 and 8 for 50 minutes each...will need a timely turnover for smooth flow. We will be moving to 2-3 pet class sessions per class session.

-See the website for what classes will be offered at what time each session

-August 30th at 6:30 for Train the Trainer session for any that are going to teach or assist, or who might be interested in teaching or assisting; especially important this time due to curriculum changes

**Training Secretary Report (Monica Adkins):**

-nothing new at this time

**AKC agility trial (Angela Hudson):**

-nothing new to report

- December show is on for weekend right before Christmas. Lauren Duckworth will judge.

-Board decided not to hold September show due to hot temps last year and competing show at another

indoor/AC location

**USDAA Agility Trial (Cheryl Ethridge):**

- nothing new to report
- next event scheduled for Feb 2017

**AKC Obedience Show (Mary Dick):**

- Show was held this past weekend July 29-31 in Longview at Exhibit Bldg
- Mary received lots of complimentary feedback, from competitors and judges alike
- thanks so much to all who came out to volunteer
- now passing the torch on to Don Ethridge who will chair next year's event; he already has several committee chairs in place; looking forward to it already

**Old Business:**

- (Stephanie Jones) WCRL rally show for October 22-23 (WCRL is rally but with different signs from AKC); 2 judges are secured (including Provisional Judge John Rainey); won't need many volunteers; \$15-20 entry fee; see [www.rallydog.com](http://www.rallydog.com) for more info about WCRL; Stephanie will probably teach a small seminar prior to this October show. Stephanie has committee members set already. **June update:** need a few volunteers to work as leash runners, etc.-**August update**-if you have any questions, please see Stephanie
- TX Agility Shoot-out weekend of August 20th in Ft Worth; TOTC is a sponsor; Don will send out an email with all the details; kind of a mash-up of AKC, CPE, USDAA; in the A/C with grandstands and 2 rings
- Heeling practice/Rally practice sessions scheduled for the summer; dates/times are on the TOTC calendar on the website-**August update**-went very well

**New Business:**

- East Texas State Fair-Wednesday, Sept 28th; will do a drill team presentation, along with obedience and agility demos at 6, 7 and 8; sign-up going around (needed for fair parking and entry tickets)

**Applications for Membership 1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**

- Nancy and Elton Sanders from White Oak; has Belgian Sheepdog, True; has completed Intro to Jumps and Novice Agility
- Alisa Ledkins from Mineola; has a GSD, Emmy; has completed puppy and 4-8 month puppy
- Riouri Payn from Palestine; has a Belgian Malinois, Nikki; coming in on title (IPO III)

**Membership Applications Read for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:**

- Denise and David Rasco from Tyler; has standard poodle, Lucy; has completed last 2 puppy classes
  - Sonia Asido made a motion to accept Denise and David that was seconded by Cheryl Ethridge with unanimous approval
- Amy Guthrie from Flint; has GSD, Stella; has completed 2 TOTC classes (older puppy and Pet manners)
  - Cheryl Ethridge made a motion to accept Amy that was seconded by Sonja Asido with unanimous approval

**Miscellaneous Member discussion:**

- none at this time

With all business concluded, Monica Adkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Kelly Barnes with unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.

Upon conclusion of the meeting, members enjoyed "brags" and refreshments.