



The Lost Coast *H O W L E R*

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NEXT MEETING:

TUESDAY,

JULY 16th

at the

ADORNI CENTER

1011 Waterfront Drive

Eureka

Board Mtg. - 6:30 p.m.

Regular Mtg. - 7:00

Join us!!!

All Welcome.

President's Corner...

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to all who helped make our Breed-Obedience show such a huge success. We are a small club, so it takes all of us - and we did it!

Entries were up, we received lots of compliments, and many people said they would be back next year. Good job everyone!

I'd like to say we could relax now, but we have one more to go. We need everyone's support at the upcoming agility trial, July 21-23. Any help you can give will be appreciated - and the trial is so much fun to watch while you are working. Please contact Beverly if you can help.

Thanks again to all.

Jill Otto

GREAT BRAGS and WAGS

CATHY WRIGHT'S bouncy 7-month old Parson Russell Terrier, **Dolly**, went **Best of Breed - twice** at the Gridley shows...both times over a special! Young Dolly went BOB and earned a 4-point major one day from the 6-9 Puppy class over an entry of 8. She again went BOB, this time from the Bred-By Exhibitor class, for an additional 2 points. Cathy reports that the heat worked in their favor, as it was so hot in Gridley that Dolly behaved herself!

Also, Cathy's Parson Russell Terrier, **Dandy**, qualified for her last leg of **Earthdog**... one of only two to do so out of 25 entries. Dandy now holds the title of **Junior Earthdog**. Dandy also earned her first **Rally Novice** leg.

Then, at the Brookings shows, **Dolly** once again went **Best of Breed** the first day - this time over an entry of 14, including two specials. The second day Dolly went **Best of Winners/Best Opposite Sex**.

Congratulations to Cathy and Dolly and Dandy!

BEVERLY MORGAN LEWIS' Pembroke Welsh Corgi, **Puck**, earned his CGC on May 14.

Then, on May 25-28, **Puck** made his agility debut in Dixon, earning his **Novice Standard** and **Novice JWW** titles with an incredible **six First Place** runs...five of those runs with **perfect scores of 100!!!**

After a bad start on Friday at the same trials, **Beverly's** Pembroke Welsh Corgi, **Fern**, started catching up. **Fern** earned **three Double Q's** for **119 points**. **All** of her Standard run Q's were **First Place!**

And as if the weekend had not been great enough, to top it all off, Beverly won a set of training weave poles in the fundraising raffle.

Congratulations to Beverly and Puck and Fern!



Pictured above is Puck demonstrating his winning form.

HANDLING 3 (Continuing series...)

IMPROVING YOUR TIMING

Here is a way to practice getting your Stack/Timing down to TEN SECONDS or less.

Play this game:

Have someone count to ten (or do it in your head) while you stack your dog.

Then Move around (down and back, or around in a circle, or just out of a stack).

Then STOP, count to ten rather quickly, and stack your dog perfectly (or semi perfectly) in that ten seconds.

Then move around again.

Practice this till you can get a Ten second stack with your dog!

This will prove to be an invaluable tool.

Include this game when you train. (Better yet engage another person to be your counter & have them evaluate your stack.) Also, I would do this in such a manner that you end up in front of your training mirror.

Don't look in the mirror until your ten seconds are up, and then take a look at what you created (you might be pleased or you may even be shocked!).

In fact, if you have a video camera, you can practice this game at multiple venues and have someone tape you. You learn a lot from watching yourself on video! You don't want to just get good at home in front of the mirror. Be creative. Don't cheat!

Play and replay this video for yourself (in fact, video yourself at different speeds of moving, and free baiting as well.) Watching one's self is an invaluable lesson IF you can do it objectively.

Thus you will get a real look at just what "Picture" you are presenting when you are in the ring.

Remember, quickness without roughness is essential if you want your dog to respond, too.

Practice, practice, practice makes 'perfect'.....

By Michelle Santana.

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Editor's Note: Michelle Santana very ably handled her most impressive Doberman Pinscher, **CH FOXFIRE'S LOVE MONSTER**, to **Group 1 both days** at our very own [LCKC](#) shows this year, and took **BEST IN SHOW** on Saturday. What a perfect example of the success of her own training philosophy.

LOST COAST KENNEL CLUB MEETING MINUTES

June 19, 2007

Board Meeting: Called to order at 6:43 PM

In attendance: Nick Mendes, Patty Mendes, Jill Otto, Deb St. Myer, Diane Silva, Cathy Wright, Deb Enns, and Irene Hetrick.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Approved **MSAC**

Report of Treasurer: The paper is being filled out for **Jill Otto** to be able to sign checks for the club. **Patty Mendes** gave a report on the financial status of the club. We are financially OK going into the show at this time.

Unfinished Business: Do not renew with the Chamber of Commerce of Fortuna at this time. Run a Breeder Referral ad in the Northcoast Journal when the TriCity ad runs out.

New Business:

- Legislative Liaison: **Jeannie Breslin** has volunteered to do this. The Board agrees that it is a good idea and will make a recommendation for the club to approve her for it.
- Yahoo Group: **Jeannie Breslin** has volunteered to spearhead this. The board approves of it and recommends that this group be utilized by the members. **Irene Hetrick** will send the link out to all the members.
- Logo Cards: **Irene Hetrick** volunteered to make 250 cards with the club's logo on them for general correspondence. LCKC to reimburse her for materials used.

Adjournment: 6:58 PM

Regular Meeting: Called to order at 7:06 PM. In attendance: All of the above plus Chris Irvin, Barb Stelz, Deb Hopkins, Jim Wasetis, Danielle Reed, Rose Kessler, Beverly Morgan Lewis, Linda Harrison, and Scott Harrison.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Approved **MSAC**

Report of President:

- Spay/Neuter ordinance: The local Ordinance is on hold until the state decides on AB 1634. **Jill Otto** talked about the ordinance.
- Show Entry: We have a good entry this year proving good judges draw exhibitors. MB-F apparently didn't send out Premium Lists to LCKC members. It was decided to wait until after the show to complain. **Cathy Wright** said she will read the contract with MB-F to see what was filled out on it pertaining to sending the Premium Lists out.

Report of Secretary: Nothing to report.

Report of Treasurer: Same as above.

New Member Applications: Three new member applications were received. All were voted on and approved. Welcome to the Lost Coast KC - Gemini Herzog, Linda and Scott Harrison, and Carol Neal!

Report of Committees:

- Ring practice: There will be a ring practice Sunday June 24th. It will be the last one before the show. Turnout has been very good and 3 rings are being set up. **Cathy Wright** put an announcement for it in the Eureka Reporter. All participants need to be sure to sign in. We need this done for insurance purposes. The club would like to give a special thank you to **Shalisa & Geoffrey Neely** for stepping in to pinch hit as judges for the practice.
- Newsletter: The club would like to thank **Barb Stelz** for the wonderful newsletter. She asks that members please send her some candid pictures of their dogs. Articles of interest are also very welcomed.
- Club Apparel: **Rose Kessler** brought the items and distributed them out at the meeting.
- 2007 Conformation/Obedience Show: **Beverly Morgan Lewis** volunteered to pick up on Friday and return on Monday the projector screen from the Party Place that we need for the seminar. **Chris Irvin** volunteered to check on the Exchange Club dinner progress. **Cathy Wright** handed out parking passes. **Irene Hetrick** volunteered to call in the flower order of one large and one medium. She also volunteered to get the ice needed each day. The club would like to extend a huge Thank You to **Shirley Groom** for the beautiful embroidery work she did on the trophy items. The club voted, **MSAC**, to have LCKC provide the lunch for the workers setting up the show on Friday. It was mentioned that the LCKC should send a Thank You to the Humboldt County fairgrounds for having the field in such great shape this year. **Cathy Wright** volunteered to be the club member in the win photos. **Deb Hopkins** listed all the places she contacted for the PR on the show. Thank you **Deb!** **Deb Enns** will be picking up all the food for the hospitality at Costco. She will also get tearable duct tape if they have it. Show set up is set for 8 am on Friday, June 29. **Shalisa Neely** volunteered to be the show announcer if needed. The fairgrounds gave us permission to use the Turf Room for the seminar if needed.
- 2007 Agility Trial: **Jim Wasetis** volunteered his wife **Abby** to manage the ribbon table at the Agility Trial all 3 days. The club voted (**MSAC**) to have LCKC pay for the workers lunches on Friday for the setup crew. Setup will start at 9 am on July 20, a Friday. Takedown help is also desperately needed for July 23. **Chris Irvin** will try to find some kids to help. The club voted (**MSAC**) to have **Beverly Morgan Lewis** buy the needed electric fence posts, temporary fencing, and survey tape needed for the trial. **Deb Hopkins** has the entire PR work done on the trial. **Deb Enns** graciously volunteered her husband, Cory, to cut out all the vouchers for the agility trial.

(Minutes continued...)

Unfinished Business:

- 2008 Conformation/Obedience Show: **Ardith Dahlstrom** has almost the complete panel done.
- 2008 Agility Trial: The judges for 2008 have been assigned, Dan Butcher and Lucy Miller.

New Business:

- **Deb Enns** may need to step down as a Board member in August due to conflict on meeting days. Someone will need to step forward to take her place. She is still interested in becoming the Show Chair for 2008 if people will help her.
- Legislative Liaison: The club approved **Jeannie Breslin** for this position. Thank you **Jeannie!**
- Yahoo Group: The approved for **Jeannie Breslin** to set this up. Thank you again **Jeannie!**

Adjournment: 9:01 PM

This says it all...

