



# The Lost Coast Howler

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Meetings are held  
online & in person  
the 3rd Tuesday of each month

Everyone is welcome!

BOARD MEETING 6:30 PM

REGULAR MEETING 7:00 PM



## Lost Coast Kennel Club President's Message May 2024

Dear Members,

This month's message is brief as my days are filled to the brim. Our twice-weekly Barn Hunt practices at our place, training sessions with a spirited 4-month-old puppy, and the meticulous planning for our breed Nationals—a mere two weeks away—are just the tip of the iceberg. Add to that the creation of memorial pet rocks for owners in mourning, and you'll understand why the list is ever-expanding.

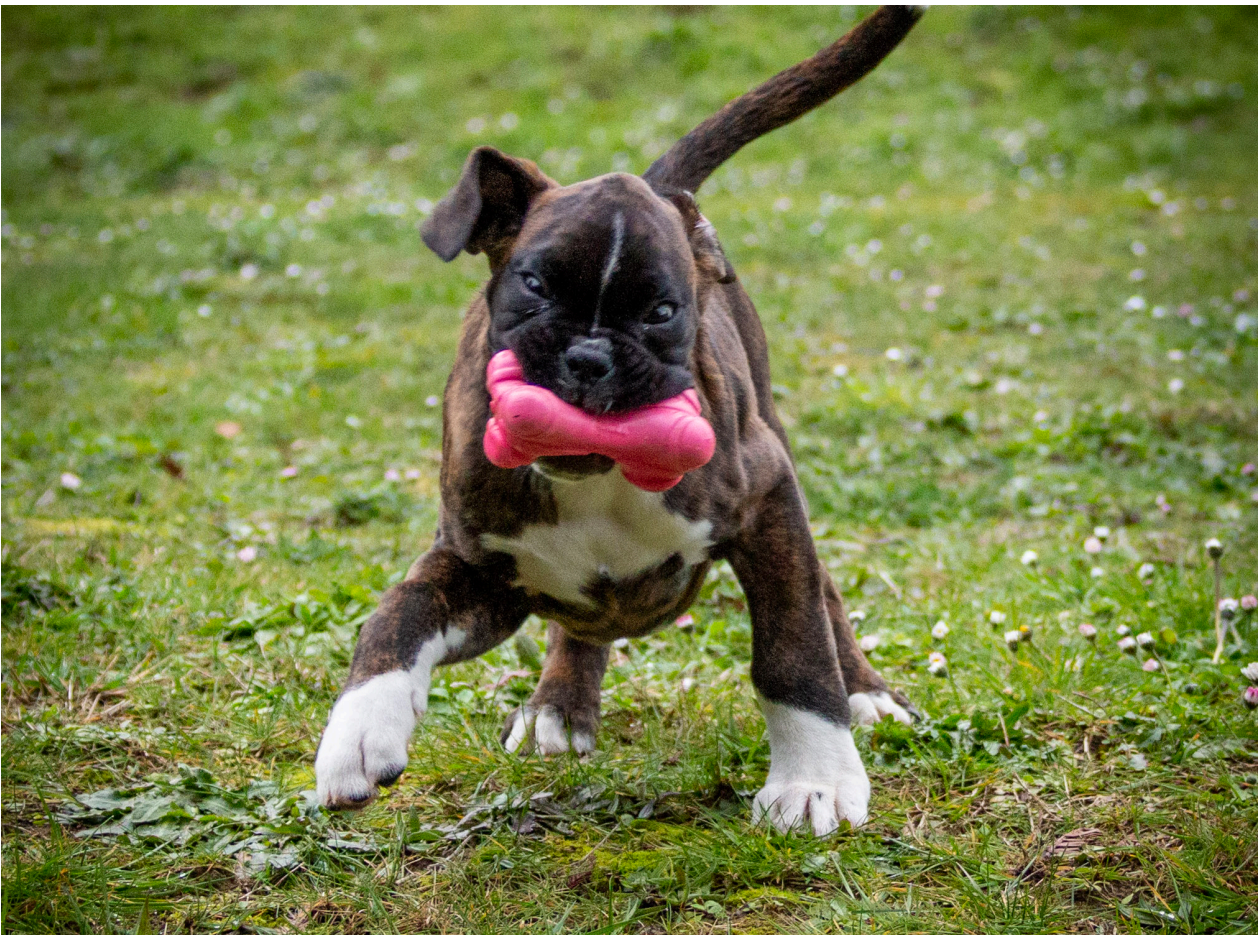
Yet, in this whirlwind of activities, I am reminded that I am not alone. Our dedicated show chairs are piecing together the intricate puzzle of our upcoming July shows. To them, I extend my heartfelt solidarity—my heart is truly with you.

There's a unique joy in the hustle and bustle, a sentiment I'm sure many of you share. To our newest members, a warm welcome to the fold. Your decision to embark on this canine odyssey with us is greatly appreciated. The wealth of knowledge that has been cultivated over decades within our esteemed ranks is a treasure trove waiting to be discovered. By volunteering for our practices and shows, you not only gain invaluable insights but also contribute to the collective wisdom of our community.

Whether you're taking your first steps in the dog world or you're a seasoned aficionado, your presence is a gift to us all. My door remains open for any inquiries, discussions, or shared musings about our beloved dogs and the club that brings us together.

In the spirit of camaraderie,

Deb Lake, President, Lost Coast Kennel Club





# MINUTES OF THE LOST COAST KENNEL CLUB

April 16, 2024, via Zoom

## BOARD MEETING

The Board meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Board members: Marilyn Cottrell, Michelle Dostal, Deb Lake, Patty Mendes, Jill Otto, Kris Smith, Deb Tull.

Non Board members: Sara Borok, Susan Hutchison, Mike Lake, Griffin Mancuso, Beverly Morgan Lewis Tina Moulton, Beth Rogers, Cathy Wright

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the March 19, 2024, Board meeting were approved as published. (Jill/Marilyn)

Report of the Treasurer: Jill said that Andrea was busy with taxes so her part of the treasurer's report will be for February, March, and April at the next meeting. Jill has turned in checks for the hats, membership fees, and entries. She has written checks for judge expenses, porta potty rental, and other expenses. Financials regarding the Anderson rally/obedience trials have been given to Andrea. Will be filing a report to the state in May. PLEASE – anybody who pays for a club expense via check or credit card, please notify Andrea via email with a CC to Jill with information about how much and what it's for. Deb Lake wrote checks to the Fairgrounds for 2024 contracts; show weekend - \$3020, agility weekend - \$1730, shed rental/practice - \$200. **The treasurer's report will be approved at the May meeting when we have the financials.**

## Unfinished Business:

- Repair of the agility trailer – Michael forwarded a report from Reynold's, detailing more repairs that need to be done. Via email, the Board approved another approximately \$800, and approved a repair to the jack.
- AKC Reunite Disaster Trailer – moved to Regular meeting.
- Fairgrounds contracts – All contracts have been signed and paid. Deb L, Tina, Patty, and Kris met with Moira at the Fairgrounds on March 28 to discuss contracts. We were warned that fees will go up a lot next year, and we will have to pay staff labor (Nick does most of it, but there will be some). At the show, we need to make sure only a few people can ask the staff to do things, probably Nick and Tina. We can tell the staff to direct people to them if they ask for something to be done.

## New Business:

- Tina introduced information about Carol's Critters, a fundraising event put on by local radio stations for animal rescues, at the Blue Lake Casino, from 12 – 4:00 on June 29. There are sponsorship packages that would get us PR on air and websites for our events. We can also have a booth there for a fee. All agreed to recommend to the membership that we buy a \$500 sponsorship.**

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

## REGULAR MEETING:

The Regular meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 7:06 pm.

Present: All of the above plus Bill Clawson, Teresa Chase, Kim Gradin, Suzi Martin, Sherry Pavlich, Deb St. Myers, Berti Welty, Cathy Wright, and applicants Jeanette Duncan, Robin Garber, and Sumer Lindsay.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the March 19, 2024, Regular meeting were approved as corrected (in the B-Ob weekend report, Cathy checked out motel rates, not Tina.). (Patty/Marilyn).

Report of the President: Deb Lake has been busy with fair contracts, going through the shed looking for fencing, and PR. The mother of one of the Fairground staff might be someone who could run the raffle; Marilyn will talk to her. Discussion about if a non club member can do it, and if she understands the scope of the job.

Report of the Secretary: Kris said we received applications, and the usual junk mail/catalogs in the mail. In email, she sent notification to AKC Reunite of the pass through donation sent to the Crescent City PD, and got a Thank-You in return. She sent welcome emails to new members, and some judging contracts for 2025 and 2026.

Report of the Treasurer: Jill explained that, due to Andrea being busy with taxes, we will have a February/March/April treasurer's report next month. She has submitted everything she had to Andrea. See Board report for details.

Report of Committees:

## PRACTICES

Kris said the April 7 practice had good attendance. Fast CAT was late starting due to the missing fencing, which had to be replaced with multiple strands of survey tape. We used the grass, as the track was not suitable due to shavings from the arena being placed there. We may need to keep using grass. Patty said there are lots of depressions in the midway lawns, the judges were complaining about it. We need to fill them with silt/sand. Kris and Tina will meet with the staff. Barn Hunt practice is ongoing at the Lake's, Tuesday and Saturday. In May, Susan will start BH practice at her house, and will send out a notice via email. The next practice is May 5. The May 19 Fast CAT practice will start early (10:30) with a lesson from Dr Schroeder on how to do an inspection.

B-OB SHOWS/RALLY/FastCAT 2024 (July 5-7):

Shows: Tina said the premium draft will be sent back in by the end of the week. Griffin said he has emailed people about being vendors, waiting to hear back. He needs a membership list. Vendors need to have a license, pay taxes, and have insurance.

Rally/Obedience: nothing new

FastCAT: Beth said there is one more entry, and encouraged members to pre enter, it helps her as Secretary.

Farm Dog: Nothing new

AGILITY, BARN HUNT, FASTCAT 2024 (July 18-21):

Agility: Beverly ML met with Moira and the RV host at the Fairgrounds about RV parking and that is all clarified, porta potties are ordered, ribbons ordered from a new vendor, rooms are reserved at the Red Lion. It's the same weekend as the Fortuna rodeo, so rates aren't low. Need a food vendor. Lori Abbott will supply food for volunteers, but not exhibitors. Lions Club? The Premium list is being finalized. Needs consensus on equipment – getting the old stuff out and sold, and getting the new stuff put away. Nilsen's says we can do a silent auction there. **MSAC (Teresa/Sherry) to hold a "No Room in the Trailer Sale". April 27, in the afternoon after the Rhody Parade. Deb SM asked if there is a place under cover to store the trailer – club is working on it for next season. It is parked on pressure treated boards now.**

Barn Hunt: Mike said entries open June 1. There will be two rings running simultaneously. The straw is lined up – 100 bales from Nilsen's. There will be two judges Discussion of location of the second ring – will look at it at the next practice.

Fast CAT: There are three rolls of fencing missing from the shed. They were last used at the last fall practice. A number of people have looked extensively for it, and checked with the Fairgrounds. The Board has approved replacement via email.

SCENTWORK TRIALS 2024 (Labor Day weekend August 31 – Sep 2):

Susan said contracts need to be signed. The SW committee will be meeting soon.

FIT DOG – Kim reported on the last walk, March 30, on the Eureka Waterfront trail. There were 25 dogs, and some earned their titles. Nothing else is planned right now. Some members are walking in the Rhody Parade with the HumDOG entry – they can have an evaluator sign a form for that walk. You can log your own miles for walking/running as well.

NEWSLETTER: Emily is out of town.

WEBSITE: Up to date for all events.

CHAT GROUP: Tina will invite new members.

MEMBERSHIP: Tina will update after this meeting.

BYLAWS: Nothing new; looking at changes.

**Election of New Members: MSAC (Marilyn/Jill) to approve Dessie Bartlett and Sumer Lindsay for Regular membership, and Robin Garber and Jeanette Duncan for Associate membership. One application was held back for lack of a sponsor.**

Unfinished Business:

- Agility trailer repairs – The trailer will get final repairs, then be at Nilsen's on April 27 for a silent auction of old equipment.
- FastCAT Scoreboard – Beth said we have the scoreboard, and it will be stored at Sherry's house. We need people to research how to display it (on a stand, on a canopy?) and how to protect it and the battery operated interface from the weather when in use.
- AKC Reunite trailer and HCART – Michelle went to the HCART meeting where the AKC trailer was discussed. The AKC program is similar to the K9 Cop program which we participate in. They raise the required donation, it would pass through LCKC, and the AKC would put up their part. It has enough supplies and room for 65 dogs and cats. HCART will open to membership soon. Discussion of other rescue efforts and location of other AKC trailers (none on the coastal area). If we had one, it might be deployed to another close by area. The AKC specifies that it would need to be brought out to events for the public to see. If there is overlap with other disaster rescues, that's OK, because Humboldt County is so big. Jeanette said the Humboldt Animal Shelter has a disaster trailer through the OES. It's under the County umbrella, associated with the Community Animal Rescue Team.

New Business:

- Carol's Critters sponsorship – Tina explained about **Carol's Critters, a fundraising event put on by local radio stations for animal rescues, at the blue Lake Casino, from 12 – 4:00 on June 29. (Carol was a DJ at The Point who loved animals.)** There are sponsorship packages that would get us PR on air and websites for our events. We can also have a booth there for a fee. **The Board recommends purchasing a \$500 sponsorship. MSAC (Michelle/Marilyn) to sponsor the Carol's Critters fundraiser at the \$500 level. Discussion about whether the rescue organizations receiving are just for dogs. It's for all animals, and will probably change organizations year to year. Discussion of how this will appear as a line item in our financial records. Not a donation, but a purchase, under marketing. It will provide PR for our events and our club.**

Announcements:

- Jeanette said there will be a fundraising event for the Humboldt County Animal Shelter on July 13, and LCKC can have a booth.

□ Jill reminded everyone that the May meeting is hybrid, in person at the Adorni Center and via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary

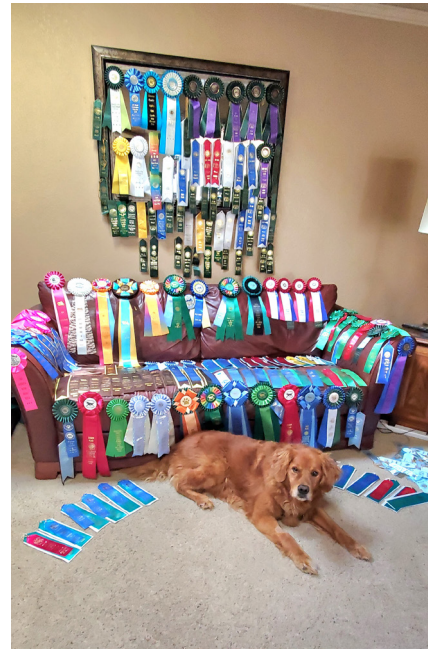


GCHB CH Fernhill's Opal SC GRC ORC

2/11/2015 - 4/15/2024

On April 15, we said goodbye to Opal. It was just nine years ago that we first saw her in her Canadian breeder's hotel room at a national specialty in St Louis.. She was a dream come true, a star both in the ring and on the field. She is the only Deerhound to win a specialty in both lure coursing and, two years later, conformation. But most important, she has been our silly, affectionate, stubborn friend; the tail wagging smiling alarm clock, and the Queen of the household. Her nine years were full and rich, but too short. She suffered from liver disease, then osteosarcoma appeared and delivered the final blow. When she told us it was time, our vet daughter came and let her go, at home, surrounded by her family.

Kris Smith



In memory of Jag (Just A Guy)

Susan Hutchison

June 1, 2012, was a beautiful day. Household chores were being done and your mom, Tessa, was expecting anytime. Laundry was being done and put away, and as I exited the bathroom, I noticed your mom in a peculiar stance - then I saw you emerging out of the womb (halfway out) and I quickly caught you before you landed on the carpet. You were a handsome baby boy, dark golden and red, the lone survivor of three. Boy did you have the energy! Once you were on the ground, there was nothing stopping you.

We named you Jag - AKC named: Goldensplash Just A Guy From BC Roamer. As you grew, you found joy in agility, rally, tricks, barn hunt, scent work and fast cat. You accomplished numerous titles in the previously mentioned activities (OA OAJ XF TKP TKE RATS CZ8B DCAT SWN SWA CGCU RI SCE SIE SEE SEM SCM). Two of the most meaningful to me were your Elite Performer Tricks Title and your Scent Work Master Exterior Title (SEM). Obtaining the SEM title qualified you to enter the Detective level of scent work. In September 2023, you entered your first Detective trial. It was so exciting to watch your focus on finding those odors. Although we did not qualify, the opportunity and education were remarkable. The judge (Suzanne) marveled at your search technique and allowed us to continue searching a variety of locations just for the experience. You certainly took on the challenge. Your perseverance in scent work also came through in all your activities.

As I was in the beginning, I was there with you on May 6, 2024, dad too, holding your head and kissing your cheek. You were courageous in the cancer fight but it took its toll. Nothing is harder than saying goodbye to a special creature that God created for us to experience. We will miss you my sweet Jag! My heart is broken, but you gave us so many special memories! We will always love you!

### Jocelyn Tipple

Fun was had at the 2024 Keeshond National in Sacramento in May catching up with friends and making new ones from around the nation and other countries. Another rally excellent leg for Haha and making it into the group stays. In the breed ring, against stiff national competition, Viva won 4th Open bitch in the California Sierra Keeshond Club regional and 3rd Open bitch in the Keeshond Club of America's National. Haha and Viva also enjoyed socializing and helping me with my vending booth.





