

PRBC Meeting Minutes: Puyallup, WA
January 13, 2008

Minutes recorded by Sonnya Crawford.

Roll Call:

Members present: Tina Kocar, Kim Bialakowski, Betty Seigal, Sonnya Crawford, Suzi Paine, Janis Hardy, Katie Cole. Guests present: Larry Law, Janet Law

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by Susan Paine.

Minutes of the Last Meeting:

Susan Paine read minutes of the most recent general meeting, held August 4, 2007 at Argus Ranch Facility, Auburn WA. Katie moved to accept the minutes and Janis seconded.

The minutes were accepted.

New Banner Discussion

Katie asked for discussion on a topic from the previous minutes and Susan approved the discussion. Katie asked about the new banner and why we are keeping the same colors. Tina said that her Aunt Sharon or Aunt Lavonne at Siglers would be willing to give us a bid and probably give us a good price on a new banner. There was a lot of lively discussion about design, color and size. Tina will send Suzi her Aunt's email and Suzi will pass it on to Kris so he can contact her to get another bid if the project is not yet finished. Everyone seemed to be in favor of the new banner being stark black and white or white with dark green print.

Report of the President:

Susan Paine announced that since January 1, 2008, when the new officers began their term, the following has been accomplished:

- Janis Hardy has been elected as the new board member to fill the position vacated when Susan Paine moved into presidency.
- Membership Chair, Marie Taylor, has been appointed in accordance with the new bylaws. (Kay & Stacey are writing job descriptions based on the duties that they have been fulfilling related to membership and sending those to Marie).
- We now have 38 members! PRBC was established in 1996 with 7 members.
- A challenge donation has been made for the 2008 Nationals (This has been done in the past to help raise funds for Nationals --one regional club makes donation and challenges other regional clubs to meet or beat that donation). The Challenge will be posted in the next ABC Newsletter.
- A meeting schedule for 2008 has been set.

Goals for the new year include improving our outreach to new members (a welcome letter included with the membership card was suggested), successfully hosting the scheduled events (trailing trial and Regionals) and helping with the 2008 Nationals. Suzi feels that it is really important for us to support California to host the Nationals because they have supported us and many of those same people are members of our club.

The Meeting Schedule is as follows:

- Sunday, January 13 - 10:00 AM, meeting at Suzi Paine's house, 8810 East G Street/Tacoma WA.
- Saturday, May 3 - (time to be announced) meeting and BBQ at Sonnya and Tim Crawford's house in Montesano, WA. We're hoping to host all our Rescue Adopters at this event and plans for possible CGC and EECT testing are in the works.
- Saturday, May 24 - (time to be announced) our 3rd annual Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Event, meeting and get-together at Lynn and Sid Harty's house in Valleyford, WA. This is always a fun weekend of trailing, anyone who is interested in what Bloodhounds were meant to do, should attend this event - a great time and lots of learning are guaranteed.
- Saturday, August 2 - (afternoon, exact time to be determined) This is our PRBC Annual General Meeting, held at Argus Ranch Facility in Auburn, WA, in conjunction with our Regional Specialty Show event.
- We also will hold a club meeting in Long Beach, California, during the 2008 ABC National Specialty (September 29 through October 4, 2008). This will be another opportunity for all of our Southern members to attend. The exact date and time of this meeting will be determined after the National events are in place; we'll find a short space of time to get together and conduct any business as needed.

Report of the Secretary:

The secretary, Stacey Poler, was absent but submitted her report in writing, which was read by Susan Paine:

“Hello Fellow PRBC Members:

I am very sorry and disappointed that I could not attend today’s meeting. I hope you were all able to view the December issue of the PRBC Pawprints. I look forward to working on the newsletter this year and hope to return to four issues for the upcoming year. In my first year, 2006, I was only able to get 3 issues out to the membership, but made up for that in 2007 with 5 issues being published. Please do not hesitate to contact me with brags, articles, and fun facts to be included in the newsletter. Please also let me know of any updates for the PRBC web site as we will be working on that in coming weeks as well. I look forward to passing the membership management portion of the Secretary’s position to the newly board appointed Membership Chair. Lightening the load for both the Secretary and Treasurer will allow them to contribute in other capacities. If you have address updates, or membership concerns please contact Marie Taylor, at maindoor@msn.com!

I have volunteered for several small jobs for the upcoming 2008 National in our neighboring region. I encourage everyone to try and contribute to our friends in any way possible. Upon working on some of my small jobs the issue of a generations class in sweepstakes has been discussed. I think that our club should consider offering such a class at upcoming regional specialties. This class would include a series of dogs, a minimum of three generations, competing in a single class not dependent on gender. It is too late to offer such a class in 2008, but I think it would be both fun and have a potentially good entry in 2009!

I am very excited about the upcoming year for PRBC and look forward to seeing everyone at various events!”

Lively discussion followed regarding Stacey’s idea of the Generations Class and possibly putting in Sweepstakes between Veterans and Puppies. Everyone was extremely enthusiastic about this idea. It was requested that Suzi contact AKC to see if we can still do it this year, otherwise we will do it in conjunction with the 2009 Regional.

Report of the Treasurer:

The treasurer, Kay Schmitt, was absent but submitted her report in writing, which was read by Susan Paine:

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance as of 08/01/07 \$5,582.31

Total income: \$2,843.64

Expenses:

Total expenses: \$3,771.17

Balance at of 01/12/08 \$4, 654.78

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Balance as of 08/01/07 \$1,520.75

Interest \$2.45

Balance as of 01/09/08 \$1,523.20

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Balance \$10,923.21

RESCUE COMMITTEE

Treasurer's Report 01/09/08

CHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance as of 08/01/07 \$4,206.51

Income:

Total income: \$1,350.00

Expenses:

Total Expenses: \$3,192.70

Balance as of 01/09/08 \$2,363.81

Katie moved to accept the treasurer's report and Tina seconded. The report was accepted.

Committee Reports:

Rescue Committee – Sonnya Crawford, Janis Hardy, Laurie Adomite, Susan Paine

Sonnya Crawford read the Rescue report:

- Fat Suzi is still with us, although she has been put on a diet and has lost weight. (106lb to 93lbs)
- We took Buster out of Bloodhound Rescue and adopted him through GHVS as he was more of a "mixed-breed" bloodhound. The donation that his owner made when he was released to GHVS went to PRBC Rescue.
- Buster found a home last week with Charlotte Yarkoni from Gig Harbor.
- Annie was fostered and subsequently adopted by Larry and Janet Law
- and joins their other Rescued bloodhound Elliott.
- Redd, adopted by the Zimburean family, had some aggression episodes and was returned to Rescue where he was humanely euthanized
- We received an extremely aggressive BH, Jack, into Rescue in November, 2007. He was immediately euthanized as he was too aggressive to safely feed or care for.

- We were called by PAWS in Lynnwood to pickup a liver and tan female bloodhound, “Daisy”. Nancy Seanor picked her up last week and is fostering her for us.
- We have been in contact with Chris Toepell, Jake Handley and Gail Yandell who all have bloodhounds that they are considering putting into Rescue. As of yet, none of these have materialized, but they are certainly possibilities. The Yandell dog has been bounced around in Oregon for at least a year that we are aware of. The Handley dog has been in and out of at least one other home and has aggressive tendencies.
- We use old carpeting in the dog houses for the hounds to sleep on and have to cut up new pieces every few weeks. Tim recently went to the landfill and begged them for throw-away carpeting. We did get some, but they don’t typically let people take it. If anyone has a contact for
- used carpeting, please let us know and we will pick it up.
- Harnesses: GHVS is selling Easy Walk harnesses with \$5 of each sale going to Rescue. We have currently sold 20 harnesses (\$100).
- Toys: We have been selling toys at GHVS that Central Pet donated with all funds going to Rescue. We are almost out and would love to get more. Tina was asked if she could contact Central Pet about donating more toys.
- Janis Hardy’s report: She is trying to reach Adam Yandell who she has talked to multiple times in the past. She also said that the Rest Area fundraiser garnered \$170 and Janis would like it to be used to help pay off the debt to the Crawfords. Kim seconded.
- Kim Bialakowski has a 9-yr-old Rescue in Canada that needs a home and would like us to help. She is getting desperate to place her. This is a Black and Tan female.
- A lively Discussion about the backyard breeder, Rebecca Hungerford ensued, as she has a new litter and we get a large number of her dogs into Rescue.
- Janis advised that Rescue needs new business cards.--- Sonnya will work on this.

2008 Trailing Trial Committee

Lynn Harty was absent but submitted her report in writing which was read by Susan Paine:

“I regret not being with you for the January 2008 PRBC meeting but send my best wishes and warm regards to you. Here is an update on our 2008 Memorial weekend trailing trial. Clyde Reed was a life member of the American Bloodhound Club, an honorary deputy sheriff in Pierce County, Washington, and a founding member of the Northwest Bloodhound Search and Rescue organization. His dedication to bloodhounds, participation in mantrailing, and support of beginning and veteran dog-and-handler teams will long be remembered.

In honor of Clyde’s life and his contributions to mantrailing, and in conjunction with Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club and Inland Empire Bloodhound Search and Rescue, Sid and Lynn Harty offer the Third Annual Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial, a two-day trailing event on Friday, May 23, and Saturday, May 24, 2008 (ABC trailing trial committee approval received, ABC board approval pending). The trailing trial will be based at the Hartys’ home: 13711 S. Sands Road, Valleyford, WA 99036 (8 miles SE of Spokane, WA). MT, MTI, and MTX trails will be offered; EECTs will be accommodated by request and judges’ availability. Judges Suzi Paine, Keith Pikett, Sid Harty, and Kim Bialkowski will be on hand to test the mettle of dogs and handlers alike.”

Premium lists will be available online at the Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club web site (www.pacificrimbloodhoundclub.org) in late March 2008, and an advertisement for the trailing trial will be published in the next ABC newsletter.

2008 Regional Specialty Committee – Suzi Paine, Janis Hardy, Sonnya Crawford

Regionals will be held Aug 2 in conjunction with the hound classic. We are very excited that two bloodhound people will be judging our show. The hound show will be hosting a bloodhound sweepstakes this year. Sonnya needs to talk to Tim Whetstine to see if he will commit to cooking dinner again. We will be taking 4 camping sites this year w/ Crawfords to rent 3 spots and PRBC renting 1 spot. Lunches will be box lunches (probably from Jennifer Loso—to be confirmed).

Old Business:

New Appointed Position/Membership Chair – In accordance with bylaws, we have created a Membership Chair position to handle all the membership duties formerly done by our secretary and treasurer. Marie Taylor has accepted this position and the duties are being transitioned currently.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Tina will be showing her own dog, Hollywood. Congratulations to Janis and Follie on Follie's first major today at the Puyallup show.

Adjournment: Sonnya motioned to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned