

Pacific Rim Bloodhound Club
2015 Annual Club Meeting, with ABC General Meeting, both held in conjunction with
The ABC Northwest Regional Specialty, Hosted by PRBC
Friday, August 14, 2015, at the Enumclaw Exposition Center, Enumclaw, WA

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order

PRBC President Lynn Harty called the PRBC 2015 annual meeting to order at 7:32 PM on Friday, August 14, 2015, at the Enumclaw Exposition Center in Enumclaw, WA.

2. Introduction of Members and Guests

ABC Members and/or PRBC Members—Lynne Aguirre, Kim Bialkowski, Aldo Branch, Diane Branch, Eva Dunkel, Janis Hardy, Lynn Harty, Janet Kelly, Becky Irving, Suzi Paine, Stacey Poler, Betty Seigal, Lyn Sherman, Marie Taylor, Sheri Whetstine, and Cindy Wolfrom
Guests—Gregory Allen, Emily Dobler, and Ted Taylor

3. Approval of Notes from the Previous Annual Meeting (August 2014)

Minutes from PRBC's general membership meeting held August 16, 2014, were reviewed. A motion was made by Suzi Paine and seconded by Betty Seigal to accept the minutes as written. This motion passed unanimously.

4. Report from the American Bloodhound Club by Lyn Sherman, ABC Second Vice President

The ABC general meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Lyn Sherman, presiding officer. This meeting was held as part of the PRBC Regional meeting. The new ABC Board has taken office as of August 1, 2015.

President's Report—Camille McArdle sent no formal report, but would like the membership to submit ideas for reaching out to and communicating with members of the club.

Recording Secretary's Report—Janet Kelly reported on the makeup of the new ABC Board and on the current vacant director position.

Corresponding Secretary's Report—Suzi Paine reported that the most recent correspondence with the AKC concerned "Meet the Breeds" at Eukanuba, and that the ABC Board has approved sponsorship of medallions at Eukanuba for Breed, Obedience, and Rally competitions. It was mentioned that Kent Delaney has returned to judging after a serious illness caused him to miss his judging assignment at the 2015 ABC National. Suzi will send him a note. Lyn Sherman thought it might be nice for the ABC to do something for him, and will discuss this at the next ABC Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report—Lynne Aguirre reported current ABC assets of \$44,110.64. She also reported that the ABC Boutique is online with many nice embroidered and stamped items for purchase. Items are available for a wide range of prices. Many are available with the ABC logo or with a trailing logo in your choice of color of dog. Judy Walker has done an outstanding job with the Boutique, so please check it out and support it.

Membership Report (from Cindy Andrews)—Lynne Aguirre reported a current ABC membership of 356, 19 pending, and 23 honorary members, with a grand total of 390 with 249 renewed to date. Lynne encouraged all to pay their dues and renew their ABC memberships if they have not done so.

AKC Delegate's Report—A report was submitted by Mary Lou Olszewski, but due to time constraints, it was not delivered. Members in attendance were encouraged to check the ABC Newsletter and Bulletin for information regarding new plans from the AKC.

The ABC segment of the PRBC meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM. Respectfully submitted,
Janet Kelly, ABC Recording Secretary

5. Secretary's Report by Sheri Whetstine, PRBC Secretary

No report.

6. Treasurer's Report by Cindy Wolfrom, PRBC Treasurer

The balance in PRBC's checking account is \$7865.03 (general balance \$7370.15, rescue balance \$494.88), and savings is \$10,002.28

7. Standing Committee Reports

Regional Specialty (Chair Sheri Whetstine)—There will be an informal lunch gathering tomorrow, Saturday, beginning at 2:30 PM at the Historic Mint Restaurant and Alehouse, 1608 Cole Street, Enumclaw, WA 98022. Go west on 410 (SE 448th Street/Roosevelt Ave E.); go right at the junction of 164/Griffin Avenue. The Mint is 6-7 blocks up at the intersection of Griffin and Cole.

Membership (Chair Marie Taylor)—A current PRBC membership roster was not available for review; however, the current paid membership stands at 25 paid members as of June 2015.

8. Old Business/Report of the President

Bylaw Changes—PRBC bylaws were amended last year to delete the associate member category. This change, which was approved by a vote of the membership and reviewed by the ABC board, allows all members, regardless of their geographic location, to be full voting members of the club.

Rescue—PRBR (Pacific Rim bloodhound Rescue) has transitioned from a physical rescue to a virtual rescue, as there is no facility or physical location where rescue dogs can be housed. Our goal is to assist and facilitate appropriate placement of acceptable rescues into foster and/or new permanent homes. We cannot accept the liability associated with problem dogs and, therefore, cannot accept them into rescue but are happy to offer assistance to the current owners in finding a good canine behaviorist. In 2014, PRBC had a total of 16 rescue dog contacts. To date in 2015 we have had 11 rescues, most of which have been successfully rehomed. There are currently three females in long-term foster care: Stella and Dinah with Jewlz Lane and Dancer with Deb Blake.

2015 Clyde Reed Memorial Trailing Trial—The decision was made to move the trailing trial west and hold it in conjunction with the Regional for convenience of entrants who would like to enter both events. Ten trails were offered, and all trails filled.

9. New Business

Election of Club Directors: Report from the Nominating Committee (Janet Kelly)—The 2015 PRBC Nominating Committee consisted of Tina Kocar, Chair; Jewlz Lane, and Janet Kelly; Janis Hardy was the alternate member. PRBC's 2016-2017 slate has the four officer positions ending 12/31/2015; the three directorships (Janis Hardy, Marie Taylor, and Becky Irving) are continued and will end on 12/31/2016. The following officer slate has been submitted:

President—Lynn Harty (WA)--1/1/16 to 12/31/17

Vice-President—Stacey Poler (ID)--1/1/16 to 12/31/17

Secretary—Sheri Whetstine (WA)--1/1/16 to 12/31/17

Treasurer—Cindy Wolfrom (WA)--1/1/16 to 12/31/17

Additional nominations made be made by October 15, 2016, for the officer positions, providing they are made in accordance with the PRBC by-laws, Article IV, Section 4. If no additional nominations are received by October 15, the slate is considered elected and will assume office on 1/1/2016.

Regional or Supported Entry in 2016—Discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of hosting an independent regional versus a designated regional versus a supported entry for 2016. The general consensus was that, with PRBC's hosting of the ABC National in 2017, the most financially feasible

option would be a designated specialty with either the Olympic Kennel Club (OKC) or the Western Washington Hound Association (WWHA). Janis Hardy mentioned that several PRBC members are also WWHA members, and it would be easier on those members to keep the ABC/PRBC regional with OKC at this time. As well, this might prevent PRBC's losing its "space" with OKC for independent regionals in the future. Suzi Paine made a motion that the 2016 NW Regional Specialty be a designated specialty with OKC. Janet Kelly seconded, and this motion passed unanimously. ABC Nationals, Hosted by PRBC, in 2017—The 2017 ABC National will be co-chaired by Lynn Harty and Suzi Paine with show committee members Janet Kelly, Cindy Wolfrom, and Lyn Sherman. The dates of the National are tentatively slated for September 17 – 23, 2017, at the Shilo Inn in Ocean Shores, WA. Lynn Harty stated that hosting a national requires significant financial underwriting and asked the PRBC membership to provide manpower and approve financial underwriting for the 2017 National event. A motion was made by Sheri Whetstine to provide manpower and approve financial underwriting for the 2017 National. Janis Hardy seconded the motion. This motion passed unanimously.

ABC-Sponsored Agility Trial—Cindy Wolfrom reminded the membership of next weekend's agility trial. A minimum of five ABC members are required to be in attendance on Saturday and Sunday to work the trial and assist with tear-down. Cindy Wolfrom, Lynn Harty, Suzi Paine, Becky Irving, Janis Hardy, and Sheri Whetstine have committed work to both days. Cheryl Cromeenes has committed to working on Saturday.

10. Adjournment

With no further business, Becky Irving moved to adjourn the 2015 PRBC annual meeting, and Marie Taylor seconded. PRBC's 2015 annual meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM.