

Greater Twin Cities Golden Retriever Club

September 22, 2018

General Meeting Minutes

Karen Ander called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm, Saturday September 22, 2018, at Helping Paws in Hopkins. In attendance: Karen Ander, President, Charney Petroske, Vice President Sarah Gaalswyk, Treasurer, Joanne Dalby, Performance, Laurie Hanson, Conformation, Judy Super, Field, Dar Yoho, Field, and Cindy Engler, Secretary. Absent were: Lisa Bugman, Performance.

Meeting minutes were not posted on the website from our last general meeting, Cindy will send the minutes to Alyssa Taylor.

Membership:

Deb Rahm, Membership, noted that we had one perspective member, Jacqueline, making her first visit to one of our meetings. Pam, a new member, had her second visit at this meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking	16,852.76
Outstanding Checks	6,123.53
Outstanding Deposits	1,773.06
Checking - Current Balance	12,502.29
Savings	10,050.44
CD	27,455.16
Total	50,007.89

Outstanding Expenses/

Food	9.63
Trial refunds	50.00
Sec Fees	5,403.00
Ribbons	188.69
Prizes	98.25
	5,749.57

Outstanding Deposits

Field	1,483.06
Conformation	290.00
	1,773.06

Conformation

Prizes	30.53
Laurie Hanson	108.13
Jan Specialty	73.88
	212.54

Field

PortaPotty	96.42
Refund - BIS	65.00
	161.42

Outstanding Checks 6,123.53

Conformation:

August:

Laurie reported August specialty numbers really are getting low. Specialties are dropping overall. It rained that day, in buckets.

January:

Laurie reported: "We are in need of two stewards for this event in the afternoon. Time would be 1:00 on Friday. We would cover parking and lunch."

Instead of a raffle in January we will do what's called 'chuck a duck'. Dar mentioned the idea of doing a rubber duck toss at the Specialty as a fundraiser. Sarah mentioned that we could look into doing a shirt/apparel fundraiser.

August 2019:

Laurie reported we need a chair for conformation for August. If we don't get a chair for this event we may need to cancel. Mindy is not going to chair conformation. Problem we have is we need to know judges by October 1st for next August.

Performance:

CCA, very interested in doing CCA. Mary Leonard and Judy Super will volunteer but need a secretary. Judy was going to talk to Shirley about it.

LuAnn Runkle suggested cooling it on trophies and just do ribbons. Lake Minnetonka has conformation in June with same issues as August. Mary Leonard brought up Hutchinson, but apparently they do not do a specialty.

Scent Work Trial October 27 & 28 will be at Fusion Pet Retreat in Minnetonka. Mary Leonard said everything is on track. If you volunteer you get to run first. Information will be posted on facebook about the event.

January Agility is going to held at On the Run January 18th, 19th, and 20th.

Field:

Dar reported the Fall Hunt Test had 22 dogs entered, 19 dogs ran.

Dar said thank you to all of the club members that volunteered for the event.

Judy is looking into doing another Hunting Seminar in 2019.

State Fair:

Ed Pheifer reported that the new facility should be really nice next year. The grounds this year were really wet and soggy.

A German Shepherd from St. Paul police had bitten someone so the St. Paul Canine Group was cancelled this year. The Mayor from St. Paul made the decision to pull the group from the fair.

Ed Pheifer did a wonderful job as MC. Ronda Christian from the MN State Fair asked Ed to start his dialogue by speaking on how to greet a dog.

If you are volunteering for the State Fair event and for some reason you can't make the event, you should contact Ed or whoever is chairing the event to return your admission tickets to see if someone else can use them.

There was a live feed of our demonstrations going on by Children's Hospital.

WCCO filmed a morning demonstration and posted it on Facebook.

Very popular event indeed!

Responsible Dog Ownership Day -

Laurie and her husband had a booth at Responsible Dog Ownership Day. Laurie supplied fun facts about Golden Retrievers. Due to their fantastic work, she received \$50 for the most educational booth. Will use the money towards an upcoming holiday party. This event is always held the first Saturday after Labor Day.

Health Clinic - May 4, 2019, Joanne Dalby and Lisa Bugman will be chairing a health clinic at Inver Grove Heights Pet Hospital.

Will need a lot of volunteers.

Included in the testing will be:

Eyes

Hips, elbows and patellas

Heart

Thyroid (Blood work)

Taurine (Blood work)

Inver Grove Heights will be able to do echos that day.

LuAnn Runkle mentioned a better way to check in and out might be to give colored cards to determine who has paid or not.

National Specialty:

LuAnn Runkle made a beautiful gift basket for National's, an elevated dog feeding station with two bowls that were filled with gifts: one bowl for human, one bowl for dog.

Other Business:

Dar, Laurie and Karen are ending their terms on the board in March 2019. We need to get a nominating committee together to find their replacements.

AKC has matched \$250K funding for taurine research. Flat Coated Retrievers donated \$25K.

Future Meetings:**October Meeting:**

October 27th, Halloween Party. Pizza Party, Helping Paws.

December Meeting:

December 1st, Helping Paws

Dr. Stauthammer - chief veterinary cardiologist at the U of M - taurine deficiency. Will need to speak before or during dinner.

February Meeting:

February 2nd, at Helping Paws

Meeting adjourned 7:23 pm, Ed proposed adjourning, Pam seconded it.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Engler

Secretary