



# General Meeting Minutes

April 16th, 2024

**Time:** 7:00 pm

**Location:** on Zoom with 41 participants

**WELCOME:** Robin Burket called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm with a shout out to the Dock Diving Day this past weekend that was great fun.

## **REPORTS:**

**Secretary** – Cindy Patz called for any changes to the March minutes, but none were brought up so Robin Bowen motioned to approve the March minutes, Julie Wangelin seconded and the motion passed unopposed.

**Treasurer** – Robin Bowen reported on the current financials and that there were no significant changes.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Conformation Handling Training** – Robin Burket, Camille Nasca and Ann Rowe all discussed the success of the training evenings and reported that the training sessions will continue weekly on Thursdays from 6:30 – 7:30 at Ann Rowe's home in Sorrento, FL. If you have any questions, please message Robin Burket or any of the other organizers.

**Dock Diving Fun Day** – Jordyn Vanscoy was at the morning session and reported what a beautiful location Central Florida Canine was and that there were 12-15 dogs in the first session. Ann Rowe was at the afternoon session and reported that the dogs had the opportunity to make 3 separate jump sessions and that the facility also hosts FastCat events so will look into hosting another Fun Day there. Jordyn will post pictures from the day on SmugMug site.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Robin Burket reminded members that we are always looking for guest speaker ideas, so please share with us if they have any suggestions.

- Robin Burket reported that Jon Kim a UF hemangiosarcoma researcher who we donated to last year will be joining our General Meeting next month to present an update on his research
- Julie Wangelin discussed having a speaker from Oncotect attend our June General Meeting to discuss their urine test that can detect 4 types of cancer in Golden Retrievers.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Christine McDaniel introduced the following 3 people as prospective new members:

1. Lynn Laing in Hernando County
2. Carol and Michael Fitzsimmons in Jacksonville, FL
3. Joseph Hellebrand

All 3 prospective members were voted in unopposed.

**Upcoming events** – Robin Burket discussed the need for volunteers for the upcoming events and announced that a new volunteer coordinator email will be created soon so the members will know where we need help and how to volunteer.

- CCI Dog Fest Fundraiser April 20<sup>th</sup>: Robin Burket discussed how to attend the event and announced that the club has raised \$1336 of \$1500 goal! A question was raised about why club funds aren't being used instead of doing it as a fundraiser and Robin Burket said that it was decided that \$1,500 was a big ask for a first time event and they would revisit the option of a donation rather than a fundraiser or some combination of the two for next year's event.
- Field Training Day April 21<sup>st</sup> in Dunnellon: Kristin Sipus reported that this month's training day would be held at her home because Brian Parker is away at Hunt Tests for 2 weekends. The Training Days will return to Brian's place next month.
- Heart/Eye Clinic May 4<sup>th</sup>: Camille Nasca reported that we still have some spaces available and if you have already registered, she will send a schedule out when we are closer to the event date.
- CCA/Breeder Ed. Seminar May 5<sup>th</sup>: Robin Bowen reported that they are hoping to videotape the Breeder Education Seminar to post to the membership and Robin Burket and Camille Nasca both volunteered to bring the equipment to do that.
- Summer Specialty July 6<sup>th</sup> (and raffle): Michele Panetta reported that she has purchased gold water buckets as prizes and she is having ruby colored stickers made for the buckets in honor of the club's ruby anniversary. She also reported that she has been in contact with the judges and that she is planning on having a pull apart cake to share. Prizes are going to be brushes and cutting boards and rosettes will be ordered soon.
- Obedience Trial August 9<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>: Camille Nasca reported that they are starting to put together the chief volunteers.
- Agility Trial: Robin Burket reported on the efforts to hold 2 agility trials at Dog On It in the next year and that we are unable to secure two dates that will have favorable weather since they are outdoor rings with no cover and the Spring date was 98 miles from the nearest club (less than the 100 mile rule) and the club that held that date was not willing to allow the exception. The club will look into holding an Agility Fun Day instead. A suggestion was made for holding an agility trial at the facility in Sorrento, but it was noted that they only have 1 ring and really need to have 2 rings to be successful.
- Volunteer Rewards Program: Robin Burket reported that they are looking into holding another Obedience Seminar

**GR News ad in Field Issue (November)** – Robin Burket announced that the club will send out an email request to send photos and information about your dog's accomplishments this year. Noting that the photos need to be high resolution photos.

**Bragg:**

A few club members mentioned their recent accomplishments including Jenny Ford who has earned bronze level owner handled and is starting therapy visits. Tracy Church also mentioned that her golden did his first sporting dog event and loved it.

Next Board Meeting is May 7<sup>th</sup> on Zoom at 6:00pm

Next General Meeting is May 14<sup>th</sup> on Zoom at 7:00pm

Ann Rowe motioned the meeting be adjourned with a second from Camille Nasca and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.