



Helena Montana Kennel Club

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Message from the President

I am humbled to be the president of your Helena Montana Kennel Club. It will be different sitting at the front Table during our meetings. I promise to listen and hear you when you offer comments and to work diligently to the benefit of you, the members. Our club members participate in many different dog related activities and I am very proud to be a part of such a diverse group of devoted enthusiasts. We have already had our first board meeting of the year. I will share the results of that board meeting at the February Club meeting. You should have received our treasurer's profit and loss statement for the calendar year 2014, which was better than we expected, we will talk about some of the reasons for this pleasant surprise. We also have a budget for the 2015 year which will also be reviewed at the meeting.

The new year has obviously started and there are many activities on our WEB Calendar. I hope you will occasionally review our Web page for activities that you and your dog can enjoy. There are several Basic Obedience classes scheduled, a CGC Evaluation Scheduled for Feb 28, Rally

practice sessions coming in

February every Saturday Afternoons, agility practice sessions every Wednesday evenings etc.

Our Spring Agility trial is coming April 24, 25 & 26. As you know workers and helpers are always appreciated at our events. I hope you will mark your calendar for that important weekend and plan on spending some time at the trial helping.

The agenda for the February meeting is included in this newsletter. I look forward to seeing you at the club building on Tuesday Feb 3.

Thea



New Titles Earned in 2014

This year, 14 club members reported earning 95 titles on 20 dogs. They are-
Adele Delp & Bandi (RN);

Barb Delaney & Rogue (NF);

Patty Mott & Rio (AXP, AJP);

Thea Sperline & Vixen (CDX, GN, RE, NA, NAJ, NF, OA, OAJ, OJP, OFP,

NJC, WV-N, TG-O, OAC) & Heidi (NFP, NJP, GN, RAE);
Chris McGonigle & Tenley (BN, NAP);
Jeanine Blaner & Ivan (RAE, OA, AXJ, HXAsM, AX, MXJ, HIBs, XF) &
Dravko (PT);
Catherine LeCours & Terra (NATCH3, MXF, MX, MXJ);
Marion Erp & Finn (RATN) & Wyatt (RA, RE, OA, OAJ, OF, AXF, OJC, S-
NCC, O-TG-N, S-NAC, OAC, O-OJC, S-TG-N, S-TN-N, HP-N);
Peggy Duezabou & Audrey (PT) & Munchkin (HSAs) & Snicket (OA, OAJ);
Desiree Moffett & Pecos (HTADg-I);
Susan Bouse & Kai (NAC, NJC, OAC, OJC, TN-N, TN-O, TG-N, WV-N, WV-
O);
Sandy Smallwood & Rebel (MXB, MXS, MJS, RA, NJC, OJC, NAC, OAC,
EAC, TG-N, TN-N, WV-N, WV-O);
Kim Sullivan & Elise (MJP, OFP, AXP, O-OAC, OJC, WV-O, TG-O, TN-N,
HP-N) & Harmony (CGC);
Deirdre Kane & Belle (CD, PT, RA, RE, JHD).

Submitted by Jeanine Blaner.

~Deirdre Kane
Blossom II CD RE PT "Belle"
bred by Margaret Duezabou
received an invitation to
compete at the AKC Rally
National in the Advanced level.



~Shawna Noyd

Juliet, Rookie and myself attended the Puyallup WA shows where both dogs were entered one day. Juliet was Winners Bitch to put her at 8 points toward her championship.

We continued to the Rose City Classic, where Juliet again won Winners Bitch, and Best of Winners for 2 more points, and the following day went Best of Breed over top winning specials to finish her championship. Rookie also won Best of Opposite Sex! What a thrill to have both of my dogs recognized by the same judge, and to get to step into the group ring my first time at the Rose City Classic.



Legislative Policy

The Helena Montana Kennel Club does not take part in the legislative process. If a member attends or participates in legislative meetings or hearings they do so as an individual. Members are not empowered to act as representatives of the club's interests or preferences. If called to testify or comment to the legislature or news media, a member may describe themselves as a member of the Helena Montana Kennel Club with the caveat that they are not representing the club or its membership.

Use of the club's membership list to distribute a call to action for legislative matters is prohibited.

Obedience Run Throughs

Feb. 14

10:30a – 2p

FMI: Dianne di@montanapets.org or 443-6488

Send advance registration to Dianne.

Walk in sign up closes at 12:30p.

Run throughs will end at 2p as there is an obedience class at 2:30p.

~Dianne

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HELENA MONTANA KENNEL CLUB

MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF DECEMBER 2, 2014

Those members present: Ted Brodowy, Barb Delaney, Alice Elliott, Marion Erp,

Janice Frisch, Caroline Hudnall, Catherine LeCours, Chris McGonigle, Doug and Sandy

Morgan, Patty Mott, Linda Owen, Thea Sperline and guests: Nina Krugar and Cyd

Charlie.

Barb opened the meeting and asked for minutes of the November meeting be approved. Patty moved for approval and Ted seconded, all approved.

The Vice President was not present to give a report, the Secretary did not have a report but the Treasurer did state that at the January meeting she will have a yearend report.

Barb reported from the Board meeting:

Barb reported that we received conformation from our tax accountant that the club is a 501©(4).

The accountant provided Catherine with additional requirements for the club to become a 501©(3). After discussion the Board agreed that it would be hard for us to meet the 501©(3) requirements.

Also from the Board: a suggestion had been made to look into money market account vs the Club's CDs. Catherine checked with several banks and learned that the money market accounts

currently are earning less than our CD's.

2015 Budget, Thea volunteered to prepare budget templates for the various committees and send them out to chairs for them to prepare their 2015 budget.

The Board approved sending a card and a \$ 25.00 donation in Vicky Whitney's memory.

The Board approved adding additional documents to the website like, class registration forms, bylaws, application packet and the renewal form.

There was also a Cluster show meeting in mid-November, all agreed to leave things as they were last year (2014).

AGILITY: the workshop made \$ 300.00. Beginners class starts on 1-12-2015.

This coming Friday the agility application must be submitted. There is a need for committee chairs for the April 24th thru the 26th trials. Chair for the April trial will be Monique.

TROPHY: Thea reported that over ½ of the trophy pledges have been collected.

NEW BUSINESS: Nominating committee report, Patty submitted the report and for each position asked three times if there were any other nominations.

Those recommended by the nominating committee are:

President, Thea Sperline

Secretary, Caroline Hudnall

1 board position for three years, Alice Elliott

These positions will be voted on at the January meeting.

Holiday party, date and chair is needed. After discussion it was decided that Friday, January 9th at 6:30PM would be the date and Monique or CJ would be asked to chair.

Food was discussed and it was decided that whoever is the chair would have the job of what kind of food, etc.

Brag was the next and last item on the to do list for tonight.

Respectfully submitted

Caroline Hudnall, Secretary.

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MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 9, 2015 MEETING

Those attended: Jeanine Blaner, Wendy Brenden, Ted Brodowy and Sue Near, Sue and Wayne Ceerle, Allyn Ann Cummins, Tommie Dahl, Barb and Rob Delaney, Adele and Gail Delp, Alice Elliott, Marion Erp, Janice Frisch, Caroline Hudnall, Carla Huitt, Deidre Kane, Janet Kosnik, Chris McGonigle, Desiree Moffett, Doug and Sandy Morgan, Jean Norderud, Linda Owen, CJ Puotinen, Arlyn Roller, Thea Sperline and guest Cyd Charlie.

Barb brought the meeting or order and because of this meeting also being the Holiday Party, the minutes and some other reports were not given. That also included the treasurers report and the membership was advised that at the February meeting the treasurer will give a year-end report.

COMMITTEES:

Agility., Jean reported on the practices. She also advised that the Spring Trial still needs a chairperson. Catherine is currently teaching a 4 week class on Equipment.

Obedience, Thea reported on the Rally class and also that Basic Obedience/Puppy class is starting on January 17th. There will be a February Class starting on February 5th and taught by Caroline, she will also teach the March class.

New Business , Elections

Patty gave a report from the nominating committee. Thea Sperline for President, Caroline Hudnall for Secretary. Alice Elliott for a 3 year term on the Board and Marion will finish out Thea's term (2 years) on the Board. Because there were no others nominated at the December meeting the election of those was by an acclimation of the members in attendance. The awards were presented by Thea and Jeanine read out the names of those receiving awards. A special thank you to Barb for being our President for several years, she was presented with a

Gift Card and thank you card.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded and everyone retired to the Chinese Auction.

Fun was had by all!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Caroline Hudnall, Secretary

AGENDA
Helena Montana Kennel Club
February 3, 2014, 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Minutes of the last meeting

Report of the President

Web-Page Changes

Report of the Secretary

Report of the Treasurer

Account Balances

Year End P&L

Report of the Committees:

Agility Committee – April Trial

Obedience Training

Cluster/Sept Show Committee

Old Business

New Business

2015 Budget

Grants Committee



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