

HMKC PAWPRINT NEWSLETTER

HELENA MONTANA KENNEL CLUB*SEPTEMBER 2016 ISSUE

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WOW – What a fabulous Fall Roundup Cluster. Thank You, to all who worked to make it such a success. We had many special activities that were greatly appreciated by our exhibitors too. Did you see that Quilt that Connie Leatherman made for the raffle and all the other Raffle baskets, beds, the chair and blow dryer, and it looked like there were lots and lots of raffle tickets sold, congratulations to the raffle committee. As Adele pointed out in her thank you note, our stewards were fabulous, the judges were very complimentary. I also want to offer a huge thank you to the Fairground staff and the Extension office for all they did to make the facilities and grounds ready for the event, we couldn't do it without them.

Now we must move quickly on to the agility trial coming on Oct 7, 8 & 9. The entries have closed and Catherine and Barb are finalizing all the entry information. There will be a need for folks with trucks and or trailer to help move the agility equipment from the Kanine Condo to the fairground for the trial, Patty Mott, Jean Norderud or Monique Prevel (one of the three) will be coordinating that effort, please contact them if you can help. There will be reports at the meeting on Oct 4 about the trial setup plans.

Did you know – This month I would like to highlight a few members and friends of the kennel club who have been very instrumental in the animal rescue cases over these past 13 years. Linda Owen and her sister Louise, Jeanette and Monique Prevel, Candy Kirby and several other friends of the kennel club were there to help all the Collies (about 180 dogs) in the Shelby rescue. They were also there to help all the Malamutes in the local Clancy rescue with well over 70 dogs. These ladies took time out of their everyday lives, for many months, to care for the dogs in these rescues; feeding, grooming, exercising and socializing. Working on these criminal case rescues is a delicate balance between caring for the animals and preserving the criminal evidence. It requires endurance and discipline; you have to keep secrets so as not to jeopardize the prosecution of the case. It requires compassion to focus on the dogs and their needs and to prepare them for adoption to their potential new homes. It requires self-sacrifice, taking time away from your own family and dogs. Here is a tid-bit that you may not know, here in Montana the county in which the rescue is housed endures the cost of that rescue and they usually do not have sufficient funds to cover that whole cost. So donations and contributions to those rescue

efforts are truly needed. Not everyone has the time and fortitude to work at a rescue, but one thing you can do is to encourage your national and local breed clubs to support these rescues.

The Oct Meeting - Again, we have a busy agenda for the meeting on Oct 4. I hope to see all of you. The big topic on the agenda will be the upcoming agility trial. Everyone in the club should be willing to help make this event a success. I am sure there are plenty of tasks that will be topics of conversation at the meeting. If you have never done these jobs before there will be guidance and training.

Respectfully submitted,

Thea Sperline, President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

(Subject to Approval)

HELENA MONTANA KENNEL CLUB

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

Those present: Ted Brodowy, Allyn Ann Cummins, Tommie Dahl, Barb Delaney, Adele Delp, Janice Frisch, Caroline Hudnall, Nena Kruger, Connie Leatherman, Catherine LeCours, Chris McGonigle, Desiree Moffett, Patty Mott, Nancy Nicholson, Jean Norderud, Linda Owen, CJ Puotinen and Thea Sperline.

Thea opened the meeting and asked for approval of the minutes, Jean moved for approval and Nancy seconded, all approved.

Thea noted that Marion was absent due to being in Billings for her husband's medical treatment.

Thea announced that in October we will come up with a Nominating committee. She then called for the Treasurer's report, which Catherine furnished. Thea said that she has been watching the budgeting and will start working on the new budget.

Thea called for committee reports:

CLUSTER: Barb reported on status. Adele is still looking for volunteers for stewarding in conformation rings. Barb mentioned that we need EMT's, and nurses.

- Vendors-Caroline advised that she probably will not be doing vendors for the 2017 show and that anyone that is interested should get in touch with her as this would be a very good time to shadow her and learn what is involved.
- Memorial Trophy-Thea showed the membership the trophy that was secured for the Caroline Hattersley memorial Jr. Handler award.

The AKC Seminar application is being sent in tomorrow provided we have enough to hold the seminar.

AGILITY: Jean reported, practices at K-9 Kondo are being held earlier and earlier due to the daylight hours. The upcoming trials are in pretty good shape and we do need workers. We will be hauling equipment on Wednesday before the trial. We need someone to take care of distributing ribbons and also to sell raffle tickets. We will start at 5Pm to move equipment. Catherine advised that we need entries and if someone wants to enter after the deadline to please phone her.

COMMITTEES: Need committee chairs for practices and classes, we have a need for a coordinator.

Obedience and rally practices is Saturday PM. We will leave Rally practice at 4PM. We will have a CGC workshop and testing in November.

Jean advised that the Connie Cleveland seminar is coming along.

OLD BUSINESS: Discussion on the agility equipment that Shawna has, Jean has seen the equipment and was able to answer some questions about it. Jean moved to purchase the equipment for \$ 1800.00 and they deliver to Susan Engle's Barn, Ted seconded and all approved.

The old equipment will be sold by closed bid.

Discussion on the ramp for conformation practices. Alice got a bid from a carpenter to build one for \$ 200.00. It was decided to see what BaRay Events have when they come for the Show.

The brag can collected some funds.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted Caroline Hudnall, Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Call or email Nancy Nicholson/Newsletter Editor if you don't get the newsletter please let her know, it is generally sent out the week prior to the meeting date.
- Send Tommie Dahl any Brags & photos you may have of your dog's accomplishments so she can post them on our Facebook page.
- Fall Cluster Show Trophy sponsorship-if you committed to sponsor a trophy and have not paid yet, please bring your check/money order to the Oct. 4th meeting so we can close the books on this.
- Chris McGonigle would like the word circulated that she still has one male English Springer pup left from her recent litter of 7/11/16, liver & white, that she would like to place in an appropriate home. Many hunting and show titles in this little guy's pedigree.

Fee: \$1,100. Spread the word and she can be contacted at 406-443-7624 or isabell349@bresnan.net for serious buyers only.

Title pins for 2016 from Jeanine Blaner HMKC will once again recognize your dogs' title achievements for 2016 with title pins. The criteria is the same as last year: HMKC will pay for title pins for 2016 for full members only, and with a 2 PINS PER PERSON LIMIT. CGC (Canine Good Citizen) pins are also included. If you would like more than 2 title pins, or if you are an associate member, you may order the pins with HMKC's pin order at cost (approx. \$6-\$8 per pin, TBD based on the total pin order). If you are unsure of your membership status, please check with Thea. Even if you do not want title pins, please send me your title info so that I can compile the title/brags page for the website and newsletter. For your dogs' titles, please e-mail the following info to j_9b@hotmail.com [j_9b (at) hotmail (dot) com]: your name; your dog's call name; ALL titles your dog earned in 2016; and titles for which you would like title pins, no later than Thursday, Nov. 17. Please be specific on titles (venue, level, etc.). Including the letter abbreviation is helpful. Pins & title announcements will be presented at the HMKC holiday party

UPCOMING HMKC SPONSORED AGILITY TRIAL OCT. 7-9, 2016

The Fall Agility Trial is scheduled for October 7, 8 & 9, 2016 at the Multi-Purpose Bldg.(MPB) at the Lewis & Clark Fairgrounds. We will load equipment at Kanine Kndo Wednesday, October 5th at 7:00pm. Helpers are Needed! This equipment will get unloaded at the fairgrounds Thursday, October 6th at 5:00pm. We also have equipment at our training bldg. that needs to be taken to the MPB. Contact equipment and gating gets taken over from our storage shed as well. We need a volunteer to pull our Club Trailer from our building to the east side of the MPB. **Needless to say-HELPERS ARE NEEDED.**

During the trial we can always use ring crew, raffle ticket sellers and hospitality helpers. Thea has stepped up to the plate to offer assistance as Hospitality Chair, but she is one handed due to her shoulder surgery and could use a helper or two. Desserts donated from Club members are needed as well. Come on you bakers!!!

Then there is Sunday. We should finish by early afternoon. We need help taking the equipment/trailer back to the building, shed and transporting to our barn location for the winter.

We hope to see many of the Club members there making this event happen.

Patty Mott & Jean Norderud, Trial Chairs.

SUBMITTED BY ADELE DELP

VACCINE TITER CLINIC
SATURDAY OCTOBER 15TH, 2016.

9:00-11:00 am

845 Sunny Vista Rd., Helena MT

TO REGISTER CONTACT: Adele 406-439-0373 delp@mt.net

or Deb 406-202-0363 dsattler@TNC.ORG

NO DROP IN'S, this clinic is by pre-registration only. 20 spots available

VETERINARIAN: Dr. Jillian Dougherty

COST per dog: Add \$20.00 per dog for DVM fee. This will be a separate payment

Combo Vaccine Panel (Note: Allow 21 - 28 days testing time for Rabies titer.)

Rabies, Parvo & Distemper Titers (comes with Dr. Dodds' interpretive comments)

\$117.50

Rabies Vaccine Titer (Note: Allow 21 days testing time for Rabies Titer)

\$83.30

Parvo & Distemper Vaccine Titers

\$44.20

THIS CLINIC is almost \$100 less than you would expect to pay in a veterinary office, and some pet insurance companies will pay for all or most of the fee. We are working to make TITERING affordable so there are more safe options in your pets health care!

Laboratory We will be sending the samples to Dr. Dodds lab, HEMOPET, because HEMOPET is a non profit we can get a great rate, and a discount for clinics with 10 or more dogs.

For more information about vaccination titers go to: <http://www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/titer-testing>.

or

<http://nebula.wsimg.com/1080ecf379864d7507bf8351e1be8763?AccessKeyId=589521FC5F0F430C2245&disposition=0&alloworigin=1>

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY FOR CONFORMATION TRAINING

BRAGS.....

- Rocky got 2 Best of Winners/2 majkors for 6 additional points and Echo got 1 Winners Bitch for 2 points. Submitted by Janet Kosnik, MT Black and Tans
- Zuzu took Best of Opposite Sex 4 days in a row for 4 points towards her Grand Championship. Submitted by Nancy Nicholson, TianTian CSP

CLUB MEETING AGENDA – Oct. 4th, 2016

6:30 - Call the meeting to order

- Introductions
- Minutes of the last meeting

6:33 – Secretaries report

6:40 - Report of the President/Vice President

6:45 - Treasurer Report – Catherine

6:50 – Report of the Committees:

- Cluster Committee – Show Report - Barb
- Agility Trial, Oct 7,8 & 9 - Monique
- Agility Committee – moving equip. to Susan’s Barn after the Trial - Jean and/or Patty
- Agility practice coordinator – any Volunteers????
- Agility Classes – are we going to have any???
- Obedience Committee – Obedience class schedule Caroline

7:10 - Old Business

- Delivery of rubberized Agility Equip.
- Conformation “Ramp” for practices for breeds such as Basset Hounds, Bulldogs, Chinese Shar-Pei, Chow Chows.

7:25 - New Business

7:30 – BRAGS - Marion

7:45 – Adjourn (time is an estimate)