

JCAC January Meeting

January 9, 2017

Meeting Highlights

- Membership dues were Due January 1
- Applications for the next session of classes are posted
- Worker raffle items needed for Paws show
- Assistance needed Feb 25th to help 4H at the Patch
- Potential Nick Sparks seminar the weekend of March 12
- Next meeting: February 13th

Meeting Opening

- Meeting was called to order by President Alice Nicholson at 7:04PM with 6 attendees.
- **MOTION:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the December Membership Meeting Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Julie Grant provided information for January (December information provided for comparison):

	December	January
	200	200
Checking Account	\$4,652.33	\$1,516.54
AKC Fund	\$9,510.71	\$9,510.87
Jr. Handler Fund	\$1,572.05	\$1592.07

- Turf loan was at \$43,000 last year and is now down to \$26,000.
- A discussion will be held at the AKC meeting regarding the possibility of moving some of the AKC fund money back to the JCAC account. The AKC bylaws indicate that excess funds will go to JCAC.
- Decrease from December to January in checking has to do with paying down annual bills.

Membership

- Membership numbers stand at 200. Membership dues are \$20 individual and \$25 per family.
- Reminder notices will be sent out soon for those that have not paid their dues yet.

Merchandise

- Ilyse has been working on getting a provider for a purple JCAC jacket with embroidered logo.
- The place we ordered previous jackets from a company that no longer exists. Deanna Mooney suggested using High School students to come up with ideas for the logo.
- Stephanie's daughter designed the logo for USDAA, it's possible we could reach out to her as well.

- Concern that anything involving many colors may cost more.
- It is possible that with more sophisticated sewing machines driven by software, the cost would not be as high for multiple colors.
- Alice to check out what tools Karen Edgar might have in terms of a multi-needle sewing machine.
- Merchandise can be viewed on the Jumping Chollas website:
<http://jumpingchollas.com/merchandise/>

Equipment

Wall Jump

- Wall jump was prevalent at USDAA Cynosports, and we will be seeing them at local shows.
- Billie will get with Alex to see if he has some ideas on how to build a wall jump to be used for training purposes.

Gates

- The feet on the large (8 foot) gates have been repaired by Scott Bagger.
- The feet have been attached by adhesive and screws, they are stationary.
- The gates are naturally brittle and can break easily. Please handle the gates with care so that they can last a long time.
- Gates should be stored along the fence and stacked no more than 3 deep.

Tables

- AKC needs more tables for shows to set up properly.
- It is possible that some of the coolers need to be replaced.
- MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to purchase 3 tables for use at AKC shows. Additionally, the motion included permission to purchase 2 coolers should it be determined that they are needed at the PAWS show. The motion passed unanimously.
- Tables will be stored in the AKC only trailer.

Shows

Toilet Paper

- Toilet paper has been an issue at Paseo Verde Park shows. Paseo Verde is not used to having heavy restroom use. Billie has talked with the folks at Paseo Verde and they should be supplying more toilet paper at future shows. That said, we should re-evaluate after the next show to make sure we have enough on-hand if JCAC needs to supply the toilet paper.

Lunch Food

- There have been enough volunteers to handle food to cover the next several shows through April.
- Anyone else who is interested in volunteering to handle lunch food for shows can contact Billie.
- JCAC lunch is a separate volunteer duty from the hospitality food.

- Each trial has its own nuances to consider for food (i.e., if the trial finishes by noon on one day means no lunch that day).
- Food left over can be (and has been) provided to the homeless or a foodbank.

AED

- There have been some questions about where the AED is stored and how to use it.
- There is a sign on the common trailer which is where the AED is located during the winter months.
- In the summer the AED goes with the trial secretaries along with the computers so that they can be stored in air conditioning.
- The AED does not belong to the club, it belongs to the agility community and it is specifically for shows. Donations were collected from the community to purchase the AED.
- Anyone interested in how the AED works can look at it at a show.
- When used, the AED walks the user through the steps.
- A youtube video on AED and its use can be viewed here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xfvu5FCQs6o>(this particular video was put out by California, but it covers useful information)

NADAC Show Format

- Feedback requested on the 4 runs on Friday for the last show and the upcoming show.
- Concern that intro people were running in the dark was the only issue reported.
- Originally the plan had been to run double format on Fridays, but this was initially turned down by NADAC.
- Billie will revisit with NADAC for future including the feedback provided.

Paws for a Wish

- Billie will meet with the National Canine Cancer Foundation (NCCF) representative following the Paws trial to determine what NCCF wants to do in the future.
- Once NCCF's stance is known, then JCAC can decide what to do.
- It is possible that JCAC could do a fundraiser to assist with Canine Cancer independently from Paws.
- Set up assistance is needed on Friday. Anyone assisting with set up of the courses/trial can set up their personal space at 3PM. Everyone else must wait until 4PM.
- More items are needed for the worker raffle. Contact Ruth with items.

Discounts

- Suggestion was made to allow anyone entering a NADAC trial for the first time be able to enter at a reduced price. The same to be offered to a NADAC handler that has not competed in NADAC for 3 or more years.
- It is possible that it would increase the number of people attending the shows.
- The cost to the club is minimal, could offer 1/2 price entries and cover additional costs.
- This would apply to the handler (not the dog)
- No one in attendance objected to the idea.

- Language will be captured from premiums of others that have used this as an incentive in an upcoming trial for which the premium has not yet been approved.

Rottie National Agility Trial 2020

- Planning is underway for a Rottweiler National Agility Trial in 2020 for 8 days in Chandler
- They would like to do an all breed trial, but can't do it at the same time as the JCAC trial, and they were targeting the weekend of the JCAC April trial.
- Resolution: JCAC chose not to give up the April 2020 date.

Classes

- Applications have been posted for the next session of classes.
- Letters have been sent out for foundation.
- Jean White's distance classes have added a second class. Distance classes are now held on Monday night at 5:30 and Wednesday night at 6:30.
- Matt Porter, Lisa Hansen and Mike Hansen are willing to teach on Tuesday night.
- Sue, Myra and Billie met to discuss changes to help smooth the transition between Foundation and Beginner 1.
- There was some discussion between Sue, Myra and Billie about whether to offer the Beginner Agility as a test or as a practice. Decision was made to continue to offer it at a test.
- Sue Boe will resign from Foundation classes at the end of this year, and JCAC will be looking for a replacement for the Fall Season.

Seminars

- Nick Sparks is a NADAC judge from Nashville TN. Nick had a dog who was suffering from cancer which was cured by a research doctor from a Tennessee University and is now working to raise money to assist the doctor with future cancer research.
- He has offered to provide a seminar for JCAC if we could get at least 5 participants. Nick would expect to receive \$40 per person and the club could tack on additional fees.
- The seminar would be on one day and on a second day four fun runs would be offered in three different styles: NADAC, AKC, USDAA.
- Recommendation that we find out if Nick can come the weekend of March 11-12.
- This date would conflict with AKC trial in Tucson, but is still the best date to hold this at the Patch.
- General consensus that JCAC would charge \$80 for the seminar. JCAC might choose to donate an amount in addition to the \$40 due to Nick.
- Nick would not charge for his travel.
- JCAC would provide location and equipment.

4H at the Patch

- February 25th the 4H group will be at the Patch
- Assistance is needed to help them set up and to help them put things away at the end of the day
- Generally JCAC has had one person present all day and then additional assistants at the beginning and end of the day.

- Anyone willing to help out for the whole day or beginning and end should contact Billie.
- Generally the day has begun at 7AM and ended around 5PM.

Website/Calendars

- The fundraiser at Paseo Verde Park February 10-12 needs to be posted on the JCAC website.
- It should click through to "Click to Run"
- Billie to contact Wendy Wells on the Paseo Verde fundraiser.
- There is an Arizona calendar of agility maintained on the Top Notch website, each club has access to the calendar to post items.

Open Practice

- Monica Garret will be handling open practices.
- Ideally this would happen once a month, but it is difficult to schedule because of all of the activities we have going on at the patch.

Maintenance of the Patch

- Scott Bagger did the leg work to change the JCAC use permit in order to allow a nice plaque to hang on the wall outside the Patch with our name and address. Thanks Scott!
- Priorities of maintenance and upgrades at the Patch were discussed
 - Brighter lights at the patch, perhaps LED with broad disbursement of light
 - Keep weeds at bay
 - Replace jump bars so that they can be seen at night
 - Rubber pellets to maintain the turf
 - 2 years ago did 1/2 of the patch for \$2500 through Sunburst Landscaping
 - Additional ideas can be emailed to Alice.
- A whiteboard has been purchased to post each week's calendar so that those frequenting the Patch will know what is coming up.

Membership Pins

- JCAC is down to one remaining 10 year membership pin and new pins will be ordered from Rapid Rainbow Designs: <http://www.rapidpins.com/>

AV Canine Trials

- Sharon Nelson is starting a new agility sport – AV Canine
- AV Canine is a combination of Rally, Nose Work, Agility, Obedience and other things in a medley type of sport.
- JCAC could become an AV canine club for \$100 while it is getting started.
- Resolution: JCAC will not become an AV Canine club at this point in time.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45PM.

NEXT MEETING: February 13th at 7PM at Alice Nicholson's home.