

# JCAC April Meeting

April 10, 2017

## Meeting Highlights

- For the last session, the entire Foundation Class is moving on to Beginner 1.
- New lights at the Patch.
- Next meeting: May 8, 2017

## Minutes

- The formal meeting was called to order by President Alice Nicholson at 7:02PM with 6 attendees.
- **MOTION:** A motion was made and seconded to approve the March Membership Meeting Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

## Treasurer's Report

The treasure's report was not available during the meeting, but was provided soon thereafter and is included here for reference.

	March	April
<b>Membership</b>	206	207
<b>Checking Account</b>	\$5,171.39	\$6,892.05
<b>AKC Fund</b>	\$2,511.09	\$2,631.19
<b>Jr. Handler Fund</b>	\$1,592.11	\$1,952.18

- Funds will be drawn down to make the May 1 land loan payment.
- We are at a typical level of funding for this time of year.

## Merchandise

- Merchandise can be viewed on the Jumping Chollas website:  
<http://jumpingchollas.com/merchandise/>
- An example of the new windbreaker was available to view/touch at the membership meeting.
- Windbreakers are \$40
- Suggestion that windbreakers are not stored in the trailer over the summer. Billie would be willing to have them stored in her home over the summer.

## Equipment

- A hand truck is now available for use by the club. Typical uses would include moving garbage cans, tables, or potentially tunnels... or anything else. This is in addition to the flat bed carts. The hand truck can go in the trailer for shows.

## Availability of Equipment for Beginning Students

- All of the equipment made from the last equipment day has been sold.

- Some additional equipment has been stored off-site. Alice will retrieve it and make it available for sale.
- Maida has agreed to hold an equipment day in October to make equipment for the Beginner I students to accommodate a new method of the “Value of a Jump”.

#### *Teeter Trainer*

- Discussion regarding the pros and cons of potentially using a teeter trainer rather than a chair for training the teeter.
- The teeter trainer is commonly used on the opposite end of the teeter (the down side) which leaves the dog having to jump (or be lifted) off of the end.
- A suggestion was made to use the teeter trainer in the same manner as the chair (on the up end) so that there would be multiple levels to graduate a dog through. The dog would still be placed on the teeter at the beginning and ride the teeter to the ground to get off. The distance to the ground would start out smaller and then grow.
- Billie will research the idea.

#### *Tunnel Bags*

- Need to have enough tunnel bags at the Patch to set a tunneler's course-- at least 18 sets (36 bags) are needed.
- Over the summer, bags from the NADAC trailer could be used. Inventory of the trailer will be done again at the beginning of the season.

#### **Patch Maintenance**

- Alex began installing the new LED lights April 10th. They should make a big difference at the Patch.
- Connie LaBuhn had the weeds sprayed at the Patch, and an emergent applied as well.
- Ron Boe provided an estimate to fix the tunnel shed on the advanced side (\$75). The shed leaked during the last rain storm such that water got into the shed and over the tunnels and floor. Ron has been given the go ahead and will fix the shed before the next monsoon season.

#### **Classes**

- There are 175 dogs registered for the last session of the season. This is a good number given that many winter visitors have gone.

#### *Foundation*

- Billie, Myra and Ilyse met to discuss the restructuring of the Foundation Class.
- Increased focus on focus work and impulse control.
- Foundation will no longer end with Beginner Test, so that the focus for the end of the class can be preparing for Beginner 1 rather than for the test.
- Beginner agility test will occur with Beginner 1 class instead.
- Ilyse will be rewriting the foundation plan between now and August.

#### *Beginner 1*

- There are 22 students in Beginner 1. This is the first time that EVERYONE from Foundation is moving on to Beginner 1. Additionally a few other students will be in the class.
- Students will need to park closely due to the large number of cars that will be there on Thursday night.

### **Seminars**

- Stacy Goudy will do 8 days of seminars this year, 4 days in each of two weeks. Topics have not been determined yet, but the dates will be:
  - January 22-26, 2018
  - February 5-8, 2018
- Paula Goss is confirmed for NADAC week
  - February 16-18, 2018

### **Shows**

- Applications are in for all shows through next April other than the April AKC show with the Golden Retriever Club.
- Security has been arranged
- Will work with the church closer to the show times (at their request).
- Since EGC is gone, should we still have 2 mini trials in NADAC week? General consensus of "yes".
- NADAC week will have the Beginner Test on Tuesday, Mini Trials on Tuesday and Wednesday, and Seminars Friday Saturday and Sunday.

### **Summer Plans**

- Yvette is finalizing the summer classes and fun runs. Most will be scheduled on Wednesdays and Thursdays.
- Still try to have Hoopers and Barrelers on same night as there will be enough time.
- Diane Kramer will have the ribbons over the summer.
- Open Patch could be held on Tuesday evenings, or weekend evenings.
- Verification that Billie still answers the answering machine over the summer.

### **JCACGP (AKC) Club Meeting**

- A vote was taken regarding the 75% charitable donation of the net profit of the January show.
- The money will be split evenly between Valley Fever Vaccine Research through the University of Arizona and Soldier's Best Friend.

### **Pet Expo**

- This Friday and Saturday
- Billie will help set up
- Carol Ketcherside will help breakdown and will take the supplies with her.

### **Officers**

- Nominations for officers can be made in May.

- Vote will happen at the June meeting.

#### **VT Runs**

- Tentative schedule is up on the calendar at the Patch
- Expanding number of judges/course builders to include Yvette and Craig in addition to Ann and Roger. All 4 will coordinate with one-another.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:37PM.**

**NEXT MEETING: May 8th at 7PM at Alice Nicholson's home.**