



Bearded Collie Club of Maine
Board Meeting
September 1, 2008

Attendees: Maryann Groves, Pat Maloney, Val Maloney, Karen Norteman, Kathy Walsh, Kenny Walsh

President Val Maloney called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM.

Membership Report

Pat reported that we have five new memberships pending. He and Val met two more potential new members (including one who spins dog hair) at the Union shows. Because of the rain at the BBQ and other factors, we didn't get as many membership renewal checks that day as we usually do. Pat will send out membership reminder cards. Karen will send out an email and a reminder to the Yahoo group.

Annual membership renewals are due September 1, but we'll accept renewal checks for a couple of more weeks.

Pat distributed copies of the updated Membership List and said he would contact Connie to check who had already renewed and who didn't.

Treasurer's Report

Connie was not able to attend the meeting in person, and did not send a report. Maryann reported that she had a number of checks for deposit from herding clinic reservations. Val and Pat took them so Connie could pick them up in Scarborough.

Secretary's Report

Karen reported that she is the BCCA Board liaison for BCCME. Pat McDonald is the Minuteman liaison.

We will be setting up a table at the Meet the Breeds event in Scarborough on September 13. Karen will be doing CGC testing at that event. It was decided not to attend the Paws in the Park event the next day. Karen will contact Kathleen Fobear at ARL and let her know.

Holiday Party: It was decided to have a holiday Party on Saturday, December 13 at Val and Pat's

house. There was a nice group gathered at last year's pre-Christmas party, though not very many people came to the Valentine's Day party.

Matches: YCKC will have a sanctioned match on October 26, probably at Mousam Saddle & Harness in Kennebunk. Minuteman is having a fun match on October 18, on the same weekend as the Springfield shows.

Supported entries: YCKC and Vacationland might not cluster for 2009, though they are still talking about 2010. We will still have a supported entry at YCKC and wait to see what those clubs decide in the future.

Regional: It was decided that a Regional based in Maine might not draw very many entries. based on the entries for the Penobscot show (the show we were considering using for the Regional)

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Karen distributed the breeders' cards for the FMDC directory. She will fill out and return the Rescue card.

Fundraising:

Kathy suggested that we order some things from Cafepress or Zazzle to have available for purchase. We can also put up some new designs. Maryann has a full Cafepress store, and Zazzle allows unlimited designs.

Val has some fleece lobster dog beds, and showed samples of painted paper Christmas ornaments.

Activities

Herding Clinic/Instinct Testing with Terry Workman: Maryann reported that all working spots for the clinic were full, and that she had a waiting list. Two people had requested an instinct test and a working spot, so she needed to figure out how to handle that and how much to charge them.

Maryann will call the Sanford Inn to make reservations for Terry's hotel room. Karen will call Stoney Road Portables for a porta-potty for the site. Karen will also call The Weathervane about the Saturday dinner, and will arrange for the coffee and donuts.

Kathy will give Maryann a copy of the waiver form that Minuteman used for their herding event.

There will be some setup work that needs to be done the day before. Karen will pick Terry up at the airport, and requested Terry's itinerary from Maryann. Maryann will need help setting up fencing and parking signs. We need EZ-Ups and tables. Val suggested a Beardie bake sale with dog and human cookies available.

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Old Business

BCCME Banner: Not discussed this time.

Antique Chair Auction: Not discussed this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Norteman
BCCME Secretary