

General Meeting Minutes March 16, 2021
Marion Alachua Dog Training Association

The meeting was called to order by Vice President, Niki Bouland at 7:05 pm.

There was a quorum.

A motion was made by Sandy Wells and seconded by Brenda Allison to approve the Minutes of the February 16, 2021 General Meeting. Motion passed.

There was no President's Report.

The following guests were introduced: Matthew Wells, Gary Richardson, Randy Donaldson, Karen Willbrandt, Harris Pometti, and Jeffrey Beldrosc.

Matthew Wells and Randy Donaldson were voted in to membership.

There was no correspondence to report.

Treasurer's Report: Beverly Vic reported the club's accounts and balances.

She asked that Trial Chairs send financial accounts to her so that they can be reconciled.

She announced that the club is acquiring a bank card for purchases.

Training Director's Report: Carrie Solomon reported that the next session would start the week of April 26. The classes in the current session were mostly full.

Incident Report: Beverly Capstick fell and broke her femur at a recent conformation class. A replacement has been found to take over her classes.

Committee Reports:

AKC Agility Trial Update: The February Trial had lots of positive comments from the competitors. Mary Riley will stay on as Trial Chair for October. Jackie O'Neill will be the Trial Secretary. The first weekend in December MADTA is planning to have a 3 day Agility Trial at the MADTA property.

AKC FAST CAT Coursing Events: Melenie Magamoll reported that she is retiring as Chair and Tammy Gaughan is stepping in. Karen and Peter Van Gunst are no longer with the FCAT Committee due to health reasons. Cheryl Donaldson and Mary Riley will be taking care of Karen's position and Randy Donaldson will be our new Huntsmaster. Our next FCAT trial is March 27 and 28.

AKC Obedience and Rally Report: The AKC judges and event were approved for the two rally events on June 19, and, two on June 20, 2021. Lisa is working on the premium. She is

also working on revamping our premium lists for easier reading and less repeating to cut down on pages and use space better. No team or pairs events are offered. No raffle baskets are offered. Volunteers are needed for the Set up and Take down Committee; the Rally Ribbon Committee; and the Parking Committee. Chair Beverly Capstick thanks the Board for allowing her to be trial chair, but, announced that she will be resigning January 31, 2022.

Youth Fair Classes: Regina Compton reported that all of the students in the MADTA classes placed first in their categories at the fair. There was a need to develop more depth in their program.

UKC Trial: Lee and Bob Saputo reported that everything is going along as expected. They are in the process of ordering the remaining ribbons and making 2 Grach Bars. Run thru's will be starting: Obedience and Agility, Friday, March 19, 26, and April 2, and 9, at 5 to 7 pm. Rally run thrus with Aline will be held March 11, 18, and April 1, and 8, at 7 to 8 pm. Volunteers are needed. Dianne Bryant offered to help assign volunteers.

Training Committee: Carrie Solomon reported that the committee is working on a new curriculum for Competition Puppies.

Building Facility: Lee Bass reported that the dampness on the floor was drying well. He also outlined the dates that other club's have rented the building.

Grounds Committee: No action was taken this month. Fertilizer will be applied in April. The question was brought up as to replacing dead trees, possibly in a different place to ensure their survival.

AD HOC Committees:

Budget and Business Plan: Beverly Vic presented a handout detailing the Profit and Loss Previous Year Comparison/Proposed Budget.

Discussion was the need for more educational seminars and volunteers for committees are as follows:

Agility: Dianne Bryant, Chair; Danatte Weaver, and Beverly Vic.

Obedience: Brenda Allison, Chair; Danatte Weaver, and Shirley Baker.

Conformation: Sue Hares volunteered to Chair and form a committee.

A suggestion was made for a Junior Handling class for conformation. No action was taken.

A possible Scent Trial was discussed. It was decided to try to field a "Sniff and Go" Fun Match first. Beverly Vic and Danatte Weaver will look into this.

Under Proposed Expenses discussed:

A motion was made by Beverly Vic and seconded by Brenda Allison to obtain a Waste Dumpster. The motion passed unanimously. (The cost of the dumpster is \$46 per month.)

Lee Bass explained the need for a water conditioner and outlined two estimates, one from Culligan and one from Adams Water. Culligan was less expensive and offered maintenance.

Culligan's estimate was \$3,546.00, including installation and maintenance with an additional \$120 a year for needed salt. Adams's estimate was for \$4,290.00, but with additional installation fees and no maintenance. Lee felt that the Culligan estimate would be less expensive in the long run.

A motion was made by Beverly Vic and seconded by Lee Saputo to take the service offered by Culligan. The motion passed unanimously.

The need for a professional vacuum was discussed. The general feeling was that this needed to be researched. Randy Donaldson volunteered to do this.

On the need to fence the perimeter of our property, to define property lines and for safety of dogs, a committee was formed to ask for estimates. Dianne Bryant, Bob Saputo, and Lee Bass will work together as a committee.

There was a discussion about the possible need for more storage inside the building for Obedience and Rally classes. A committee was formed with Danatte Weaver, Josh Hunt, and Bob Saputo. They would like to hear ideas from the group.

Unfinished Business:

The Board wanted to honor Bob and Lee Saputo with Lifetime Memberships. The Membership voted unanimously to accept them.

Flooring Update: The new mats will arrive in April. They will be easy to unload and easy to carry. Volunteers will be needed to help installing them.

New Business:

Dianne Bryant gave a report on the number of volunteer hours since the start of the year. Our members have donated over 1,000 hours.

The suggestion was made to hold another public event, like the Open House we held when we opened the building. No committee was formed. No motion was made.

A motion to adjourn was made by Carrie Solomon and seconded by Charlotte Trentelman at 8:26. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlotte Trentelman
Recording Secretary

