

General Meeting , August 25, 2020
Marion Alachua Dog Training Association

The meeting was called to order by President, Mary Riley at 7:01 PM.

There were 26 members and 5 guests.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the General Meeting Minutes of June 16, 2020.
Motion passed.

President's Report: Mary Riley reported that the Florida Association of Kennel Clubs, which we support, currently has no delegate from MADTA, and asked if the club would like to continue it's support, and, if any member would like to be our delegate. The club did want to continue support and Sandy Wells volunteered as our delegate.

Introduction of Guests: Shirley Baker and Cole _____ were attending their second meeting and were voted in as new members by the association. Three other guests were introduced.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Sharon Stark reported that the Obedience Trial on January 22-24, 2021, has received AKC approval.

Treasurer's Report: Melanie Magamoll reported the club's account balances. She announced that an Internal Audit checklist had been made. She explained the process of checks being written by the President, rather than the Treasurer.

Training Director's Report: Carrie reported on the revenue for the current session. She announced that the last 7 week session of training would start the week of Oct. 5, and that there would probably be a short (4 week) session before the end of the year. There had been a successful CGC and Tricks testing on Saturday, August 22. There would be a short introductory seminar on FCAT coursing, October 10, with a small course set up for attendees to try.

Incident Reports: Sharon Stark reported that there had been no reported incidents.

Committee Reports:

Membership: Cheryl Donaldson and the club welcomed the newly elected members. It was also announced that the Board had allowed Gillian and George Kutz, long standing volunteers at the AKC FCAT Trials, to become members during the time that we did not have General Membership Meetings.

AKC Agility Trial: Entries close on September 18. There were currently 627 entries for the October Trial. The purchase of new equipment was discussed.

AKC FCAT Coursing Events: Melanie Magamoll reported that October 24 would be our first trial, and, that entries were coming in for all the trials, including Lakeland's.

AKC Obedience and Rally: Beverly Capstick reported that the September Trial had been approved. Crating areas were going to be assigned. Carol Harrison was coordinating the volunteers.

UKC Trial: Bob Saputo reported that the November 7-8, trial was approved for Obedience, Rally and Agility. There was discussion about a possible seminar on changes for Rally rules. There was a debate about the requirement of pre-registration, not normally done at this trial, but, now part of the MADTA COVID policies.

Training Committee Report: Carrie Solomon reported that the committee had met that day. There were working on ways to improve curriculum on all levels. Agility at the beginner levels would be added, and, due to the heat, some indoor classes in agility would be scheduled.

AD HOC Committees:

Nominating Committee: From Jennifer Edwards, we now have a complete slate and there were no nominations from the floor. Voting is at the September meeting.

Publicity Committee: Katrina Philipps has designed a new Canine Cash format to replace MADTA Bucks.

Programs Committee: This committee needs a new chair. There was discussion as to whether or not to continue with it.

Grounds Committee: The agility field is not being moved weekly. Josh Hunt and George Kutz are taking over this committee.

Building Facility Manager: Lee Bass reported that the AC filters had been replaced and that members need to be sure that lights are not left on in daylight.

By Laws Review Committee: Elaine Hagar reports that the document will be sent to the Board shortly.

Unfinished Business:

Member's Page on Web Site: It is up and problems are being addressed.

Floor Matting: Tabled for the moment.

Light Poles: They are paid for and installation will be scheduled.

Bad Checks: We will be asking for Driver's License numbers to be put on all checks, so that we can follow up on them. Money orders may be used in lieu.

New Business:

Canine Cash (Formerly MADTA Bucks) was discussed. There may be some changes before final publicity.

Youth Fair: Regina Compton reports that classes for Youth Fair participants were start Oct. 1, at 5:45 PM. She and Lee Bass will be working with the Obedience competitors. Becky Stewart will take the Agility group, and Aline Brisendine will work with the Rally group.

Motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion passed at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlotte Trentelman
Recording Secretary