

**Marion-Alachua Dog Training Association**  
**General Meeting Minutes**  
**October 17, 2017**

Call to Order by President Mary Riley at 7:08 PM. A quorum was declared with 38 members in attendance.

**Approve Minutes** – Minutes of September 15, 2017 were presented for approval. **MOTION** by Linda LaFrance was seconded to approve the minutes of August 15 meeting. **MOTION** carried.

**President's Report** – Mary Riley

Mary reported that the Board had approved the purchase of Wild Apricot, an all-in-one membership management software program for small associations, clubs and non-profits. The program will replace the club's obsolete Microsoft Outlook contacts for club communications and coordinate membership information, events and the webpage. Cost is \$40 per month. Connie Adams will coordinate initial data input. Mary Anne Fitch will continue to serve as Membership Chair.

Mary reported that she had received information about FL 153 regarding the control of unregulated trafficking of rescue animals into the state.

The University of Florida School of Veterinary Medicine is holding a pet health seminar Monday, October 23, in Gainesville. A brochure is available.

**Corresponding Secretary's Report** – Sue Veres

Sue reported that she is updating the corporate books for the club.

**Treasurer's Report** – Lisa Forbes

Lisa presented the club balances to date.

**Training Director's Report** – Brenda Allison

Brenda reported one trip and fall incident. A Beginner student became tangled in her dog's leash and then tripped on a mat. She later reported an injury and will not return for remaining sessions. Brenda will follow up.

Brenda will also follow up on a dog-on-dog incident reported at the MADTA Rally Trial in September.

**Committee Reports**

- Membership (Mary Anne Fitch) –
- AKC Obedience (Jennifer Edwards) – No report. Trial is scheduled for January. Progress will be reported next month.
- AKC Rally (No Chair) – Carol Harrison reported that she will assist a new Trial Chair when appointed and that she will find judges for the upcoming June and September trials.. She reported that the September 2017 Trial made \$1,012.68 over expenses.
- AKC Agility (Joan Stewart) – MADTA is hosting a 3-Day Agility Trial at SELP February 9-11, 2018. Judges are Victoria MacVicar and Oksana Syrkin and the Trial Secretary is Lori Patterson. The premium will be out shortly, as will an on-line sign-up sheet. Final figures for the October Trial are not yet complete, but the Trial did very well financially.
- AKC CAT Events (Melanie Magamoll) – Melanie reported that the Fast CAT Test last weekend cleared \$2,700, ran well and had an excellent food vendor. MADTA has been invited to provide Lure Coursing testing (CAT or Fast CAT) at a February 4-day cluster event in Winter Haven. Participation has been approved by the Board. A Fast CAT Fun day will be held November 18 at the Nasiverra residence.
- UKC Trial (Bob and Lee Saputo) - UKC Obedience, Rally and Agility Trials will be held November 11-12 at MADTA. Desi Lerro is working on volunteer schedules and Karen VanGunst is working on the process for working the trial without a software program. A Committee meeting is scheduled at 2:15 October 25 to work out final details.
- Training (Brenda Allison) – No Report
- Publicity (Tammy Goughan) – Plans for the Ocala Christmas Parade on December 9 are shaping up. Regina Compton and Desi Lerro are organizing MADTA's participation.
- Awards (Jennifer Edwards) – Jennifer reported results and asked for recommendations for next year. Tentative plans are for a July Awards Banquet.

**AD HOC Committees**

- DACOF (Joan Stewart) – MADTA's DACOF team finished 16<sup>th</sup> of 45 agility teams competing at the annual event in September. We will need a new DACOF chair to take over next year's event.
- Conformation (Leslie Pope-Hall-absent) – No report.
- Sunshine (Sue Veres) – Much activity but nothing to report.
- Grounds (Janet Barber) - No report.
- New Home Property Search – No report.

#### Unfinished Business

- Aline Brisendine will coordinate MADTA's DCOF Team next fall.

#### New Business

- Melanie Magamoll reported that our CAT event hosts in Ocala are sponsoring "Hot Cars and Cool Cats," the annual Fall car show at their property on November 11. Proceeds benefit EARS (Endangered Animal Rescue Sanctuary) of Ocala.
- Karen VanGunst noted that we are in need of more "Easy Up" tents used at CAT, UKC, and other events. **MOTION** by Karen VanGunst to approve the purchase of two "Easy Up" Tents was seconded. **MOTION** carried unanimously.

**MOTION** to adjourn by Brenda Allison was seconded. **MOTION** carried.

Adjourned at 8:35 PM

Joan Stewart  
Recording Secretary