



Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2013

Meeting Called to order at 8:05 pm by President Nancy Colson

- Members in attendance: Nancy Colson, Thelma Garcia, Patricia Mims, Karen Murray, Charlynn Sharry, Craig Sharry
- Meeting Minutes for the March 16, 2013 meeting presented. **Motion:** To approve the minutes as published made by Charlynn Sharry, seconded by Karen Murray. **Motion Passed**
- **President's Report – Nancy Colson - none**
- **Secretary's Report – Patricia Mims**
 - Correspondence received – copies not attached:
Happy Stairs Packets
Puppy Stairs Advertisement
Luis Sosa – March 2013 Show Photos
AKC Event 2013011602 – March 2013 – Close out Packet
 - Copies of Correspondence attached:
AKC Email – Outreach Program April 1, 2013
AKC Email – Earthdog Approval April 9, 2013
Houston Combined Specialty – April 25, 2013
AKC Email – Companion Events April 30, 2013
AKC Email – Rally Obedience May 6, 2013
Meet the Breed – May 21, 2013
DCA Close Out letter – Dec 2012 Field Trials
July Health Clinic Notices
June 22, 2013 Dog Show Ring Steward Training
- **Treasurer's Report – Karen Murray**
 - Account Balances Report – \$13787.03
 - Audit of Books for 2012?? Information ready, but haven't been able to get with Jerry Ellis to complete the process.
 - 2011 Taxes – The 2011 Taxes have been filed. Copy of the acceptance of the return attached.

Old Business

- **Report of Field Trial Committee – Nancy Colson – Chairman**
 - Nothing to report until probably June/July 2013
- **Club Documentation Committee – Trish Mims**
 - Nothing to report



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- **Trophy Chairman – Trish Mims**

Challenge Trophy Certificates are ready for July 2013 – presented to Nancy Colson for signature at this meeting. The two trophies that were retired in March 2013 have been replaced and we have the new trophy in the club's possession.

Unfortunately I must resign as Trophy Chairman for the Houston Dachshund Club effective after the July 2013 specialty. I am now employed full time. I apologize to the club, but at this time I have found it necessary to reduce my commitments in order to have time for my personal responsibilities as well as my many other commitments.

Challenge Trophies and other trophy supplies will be delivered to the show site on the day that we can drive in for unloading. It is unlikely that I will be in attendance at the July 2013 specialty. Hopefully other club members will step up and help with getting the trophy table set up before and packed up after the specialty. After the July 2013 specialty another club member must accept this responsibility. Once again I apologize for having to vacate this position, but with all the other activities I am a part of, not only for HDC but other organizations, and the addition of full time employment, I have found I have no other choice.

Nancy Colson has agreed to take over as Trophy Chairman as of the July 2013 Specialty.

- **Earthdog – Trish Mims**

Nothing to report at this time.

- **Report of 2013 Show Committee – Nancy Colson, Thelma Garcia**

MARCH 2013

Event completed. The AKC Close out packet was received and given to Thelma Garcia at this meeting. Final Budget to the right.

MARCH 2013 Show Budget			
EVENT # 2013011602			
INCOME		FINAL	
22 Entries	\$ 28.00	Show Entries	\$ 616.00
17 Entries	\$ 22.00	Puppy & Non Regular	\$ 374.00
0 Entries		Veterans	
0 Entries		Juniors	
0 Entries	\$ 22.00	Sweepstakes	\$ -
		Trophy Donations (\$280 total for 2012)	\$ 140.00
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 1,130.00
EXPENSES			
		AKC - Show Application	\$ 50.00
		Judge Expenses - Aubrey Nash	
		Check #	\$ 587.56
		Meals (1 day)	\$ -
		Gas/Mileage - 400 Miles	\$ -
		Hotel	\$ -
		Airfare	\$ -
		Other	\$ -
		DCA Trophies	\$ 173.00
		Sweepstakes Judge - N/A	\$ -
		Judges Gifts - Not to exceed \$50/judge	\$ 45.56
39 Entries	\$ 9.05	All Non-Sweepstakes Charges	\$ 352.95
0 Entries	\$ 5.55	Sweepstakes Charge	\$ -
39 Entries	\$ 3.00	AKC Event Fee	\$ 117.00
39 Entries	\$ 0.50	AKC Listing Fee	\$ 19.50
		Sweepstakes Prize Money	\$ -
		Gift Certificates/Prize Money	\$ -
		Advertising Pages	\$ -
		Advertising Photos	\$ -
0	\$ 37.25	Extra Premium List Pages	\$ -
22	\$ 3.40	Rosettes	\$ 74.80
0		Ribbons	
	\$ 12.60	Rosettes 9 Streamer	\$ -
		Judges Hospitality (Dinner Friday)	\$ 25.00
		Other Prizes - 39 Dog Toys	\$ 60.00
		BOB - Embroidered Blanket	\$ -
		BOS to BOB & BW - Club Medallions	\$ 40.00
		Insurance	\$ 85.00
		AKC Superintendent Fee	\$ 10.00
		Misc Expense - Stewards Table Supplies	\$ 23.82
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ 1,664.19
TOTAL INCOME/LOSS			Paid on HCS Ck #XXX \$396.25 \$ (534.19)



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JULY 2013

- Ken Levison will be presenting the DCA Judges Education Seminar at the Reliant Judges Education Program. Nancy Colson is coordinating any requirements he may have with him.
- Arrangements have been made for everything necessary for the event.
- Tables for 2013 Trophies – Trish won't be there and won't be able to leave the tables we have been using. They belong to another organization and they will be unavailable for our July specialty. Arrangements need to be made for tables for the Challenge Trophies at this event.
- Meet the Breed – See attached email & guidelines in Correspondence. We are asking for Saturday for Meet the Breed.
- We have requested a start time of 12:30 on Thursday.

JULY 2013 Show Budget			
		EVENT #	PROJECTED
INCOME			
30 Entries	\$ 28.00	Show Entries	\$ 840.00
14 Entries	\$ 23.00	Puppy, BBE & Non Regular	\$ 322.00
0 Entries		Veterans	
2 Entries		Juniors	
10 Entries	\$ 23.00	Sweepstakes	\$ 230.00
		Trophy Donations (\$280 total for 2012)	\$ 140.00
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 1,532.00
EXPENSES			
		AKC - Show Application	\$ 50.00
		Judge Expenses - D Harrison	
		Fee	\$ -
		Meals (2 days)	\$ 30.00
		Gas/Mileage - 1001 Miles	
		Hotel (2 Nights)	\$ 104.13
		Airfare	\$ 464.92
		Other	\$ -
		DCA Trophies - Ck #1143	\$ 261.00
		Sweepstakes Judge - Judy Brown	\$ -
		Judges Gifts - Not to Exceed \$50/Judge	\$ 90.75
44 Entries	\$ 10.41	All Non-Sweepstakes Charges	\$ 458.04
10 Entries	\$ 6.33	Sweepstakes Charge	\$ 63.30
44 Entries	\$ 3.00	AKC Event Fee	\$ 132.00
44 Entries	\$ 0.50	AKC Listing Fee	\$ 22.00
		Sweepstakes Prize Money	\$ 70.00
		Gift Certificates/Prize Money	\$ -
		Advertising Pages	\$ -
		Advertising Photos	\$ -
0	\$ 37.25	Extra Premium List Pages	\$ -
24	\$ 3.40	Rosettes	\$ 81.60
4	\$ 0.60	Ribbons	\$ 2.40
0	\$ 12.60	Rosettes 9 Streamer	\$ -
		Judges Hospitality (Ring Steward Supplies)	\$ 5.00
		Other Prizes - Dog Toys \$166 spent for 2 shows	\$ 88.00
		BOB - Embroidered Blanket	\$ 10.00
		BOS to BOB & BW, Judges - Club Medallions	\$ 60.00
		Insurance	\$ 150.00
1	\$ 10.00	AKC Superintendent Fee	\$ 10.00
		Misc Expense	
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$ 2,153.14
TOTAL INCOME/LOSS			Paid on HCS Ck #xxx \$xxx \$ (621.14)

New Business

Houston Combined Specialty Meeting Report

From: Charlynn Sharry [charysharry@me.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 25, 2013 7:43 AM

To: Karen Murray; Nancy Colson; Trish Mims

Subject: Re: Check for HDC - March 2013

Good Morning!

They are in the preliminary stages of finding out if moving the March show to the 3rd weekend in January is a possibility. The show would be held in the Reliant Arena (old AstroArena). The Combined Specialty shows would be held on Thursday instead of Friday. It sounds like it will be the same all breed clubs that participate in the July show.

Overall it seemed as if the members who were present at the Combined meeting would entertain the idea of the show moving. There are some clubs who do not participate in March as they have conflicts with their National Specialty; however, there are other clubs that have events in January that would keep them from participating. As for the Dobes, we have folks who will not enter March because they do not like the show site.

At this point, it appears that the higher ups with the Reliant Cluster are on a fact finding mission to see what the options are. If the change does move forward, it would be for the 2015 shows. So look



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for more to come. The majority of the meeting was centered around issues with the AKC not approving shows and the fact that if your club's issues are not resolved by May 13, 2013, that Larry is not allowing your club to have a show in July.

Have a great day!

Charlynn

- **2014 Conformation Show – Thelma Garcia & Elizabeth Ellis**

- Nominations for judges for 2014 Events were made in accordance with the club's adopted Judge's Selection Procedures. The following judges were nominated:
David Cochran – March 2014, Jerry Ceresini – July 2014, Peggy Lloyd – alternate
Thelma Garcia will be contacting them to determine availability and fees and will report back to the secretary once the information has been obtained. Secretary will disburse the information to the membership.
Show dates for 2014 are March 14, 2014 and July 17, 2014

- **Animeals Donation – Karen Murray & Nancy Colson**

Copy of Receipt in correspondence

- **Membership Applications –**

Cathy Deily – Application Read and approved.

- **Crys & Brags - None**

- **Motion to Adjourn –**

By: Charlynn Sharry Second: Karen Murray TIME: 9:00 pm



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CORRESPONDENCE & ATTACHMENTS

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Fwd: Your 990N IRS Acceptance Status

From : Karavel@comcast.net
Subject : Fwd: Your 990N IRS Acceptance Status
To : Tom Murray HOME <tmurray24@comcast.net>

Tue, Jun 11, 2013 03:02 PM

From: "William Smith" <wsmith8310@yahoo.com>
To: "Karen & Tom Murray" <Karavel@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, June 11, 2013 11:35:00 AM
Subject: Fw: Your 990N IRS Acceptance Status

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: file990.org <info@file990.org>
To: wsmith8310@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2013 11:30 PM
Subject: Your 990N IRS Acceptance Status

File990, LLC.

Dear William Smith,

The IRS has **Accepted** your return.

Return Details
Type: 990N 2011
Submitted Date: 06/10/2013 9:09 PM
Submission Id: 61538820131610177901

Thanks for using File990.org.

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From: Club Relations [clubrelations@akc.org]

Sent: Monday, April 01, 2013 8:01 PM

To: phantomdach@earthlink.net

Subject: AKC Invites Your Club to Join!

Dear Patricia Mims, Secretary Corresponding of the Houston Dachshund Club, Inc.,

Welcome new members to your club and the sport!

We invite your club to join the AKC Club Outreach Program. Club Outreach enables All-Breed, Group, and Obedience clubs to "opt-in" to share their club's contact information and meeting dates with new AKC dog owners. The goal of this program is to give clubs a direct method of communication with potential club members and help new dog owners find local clubs and training resources in their area.

To make the most of this program and to ensure new dog owners have a welcoming experience into the AKC, we ask that your club prepare by taking some of these suggested steps:

- ☐ make sure your club web site is up to date with events and contact information;
- ☐ please respond to calls, emails, and inquiries about your club generated by this program as promptly as possible;
- ☐ create an introductory or welcome type of membership in your by-laws such as an "Outreach Membership".

This enables new members to enjoy all club privileges, programs and activities except voting or office holding. For more information about amending your club's bylaws to include new membership levels, please see the [Glossary](#) available under the Club Relations link to our website.

Please follow the link below to get your club started today!

http://www.akc.org/club_outreach/

Your Access Code: 472634

Thank you,
Club Outreach

From: Club Outreach [cluboutreach@akc.org]

Sent: Wednesday, April 03, 2013 7:29 AM

To: phantomdach@earthlink.net

Subject: AKC Club Outreach - Action taken (OPTIN)

Thank you for registering for the American Kennel Club's Club Outreach Program on 04/03/13 at

08:29AM. Your club opted-in to the American Kennel Club's Club Outreach Program via the AKC website. According to AKC records, this opt-in was done by Patricia Mims the Secretary Corresponding of Houston Dachshund Club, Inc..

If you have any further questions or need to change your enrollment information, please contact AKC at 919-233-9767 or email us at cluboutreach@akc.org.

Patricia Mims

From: Lisa Carroll [LAC@akc.org]

Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2013 1:23 PM

To: Patricia Mims

Subject: RE: Houston Dachshund Club 2013011605/2013011604 MENTORED Earthdog trials

[As of 3/12 you were officially licensed.](#)

From: Patricia Mims [mailto:phantomdach@earthlink.net]



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Sent: Tuesday, April 09, 2013 10:11 AM

To: Lisa Carroll

Subject: RE: Houston Dachshund Club 2013011605/2013011604 MENTORED Earthdog trials

Any word on this yet?

Trish Mims, Secretary

Houston Dachshund Club

www.houstondachshundclub.org

From: Lisa Carroll [<mailto:LAC@akc.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2013 9:42 AM

To: Patricia Mims

Subject: RE: Houston Dachshund Club 2013011605/2013011604 MENTORED Earthdog trials

They could have gotten separated I don't know.....thanks.

From: Patricia Mims [<mailto:phantomdach@earthlink.net>]

Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2013 10:38 AM

To: Lisa Carroll

Subject: RE: Houston Dachshund Club 2013011605/2013011604 MENTORED Earthdog trials

Wow! Really??? It was attached to the front of the reports we sent in on Monday after the events. You got the post show paperwork from us, so you got the mentor letter. I've attached a second copy for your use. Let me know if you need anything else.

Trish Mims, Secretary

Houston Dachshund Club

www.houstondachshundclub.org

From: Lisa Carroll [<mailto:LAC@akc.org>]

Sent: Tuesday, March 12, 2013 9:11 AM

To: Patricia Mims; Lisa King

Subject: RE: Houston Dachshund Club 2013011605/2013011604 MENTORED Earthdog trials

Pat,

I do not see where we received a write up from the mentoring club. If they did one and you have a copy you can just forward to me and I'll handle it. If not, they will need to e-mail me directly.

Thank you,

Lisa Carroll

Manager Performance Events

From: Patricia Mims [<mailto:phantomdach@earthlink.net>]

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2013 3:34 PM

To: Lisa King

Subject: RE: Houston Dachshund Club 2013011605/2013011604 MENTORED Earthdog trials

Lisa,

I have received our close out letters from the AKC with regard to these three events. Can I assume that we are now fully licensed to host Earthdog Tests for the future? If not, can you let me know what we need to do before we make application for another weekend of tests??

Trish Mims, Secretary

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From: Ruth Crumb [wrcrumb@aol.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2013 8:24 AM

To: phantomdach@earthlink.net

Subject: All Clubs Interested in Companion Events

To: Member and Licensed Companion Events Clubs AKC All-Breed Clubs AKC Parent Clubs AKC Delegates

From: AKC Delegate OTA Committee

Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2013

A few months ago we wrote to invite a representative of your Club to join the Companion Events Group eList. We currently have 375 individuals on the List with new members being added every day.

In this short time this list has had over 1,600 posts with discussion on items such as: (1) **ways to increase entries** (use of practice rings; discounting the fee for a second entry; refunding some, or all, of the entry fee for bitches in season, offering optioning titling classes, not scrimping on trophies/prizes, etc.); (2) **ways to save money** on Trials (sharing expenses for associated specialties, better utilization of a Judge's time, use of volunteer stewards, etc.); (3) arranging for local **publicity** for Trials; (4) publicizing the need for several **Parent Clubs'** need for Agility equipment and/or Trial Secretary for National Specialties, etc.; (4) facilitating the dissemination and subsequent discussion of **changes in AKC Regulations or procedures**; and, more recently, (5) examples of ways Clubs are using to **attract and retain younger members**.

We are happy to see a 9.5% overall growth in entries for Companion Events for the year 2012 over 2011. But we cannot become complacent with this statistic. It is our hope that by the exchange of information relative to all Companion events this figure will grow, that our events will not needlessly suffer financially, and that our dogs and exhibitors will continue to have fun and personal reward by training, exhibiting, and participating in Club events.

If your Club is not yet represented on this List, we invite you to join by sending an email request to: JPrimmer@aol.com.

For the Delegate Obedience, Tracking, and Agility Committee
Ruth Crumb, Chair

From: AKC Companion Events [enews@akc.org]

Sent: Monday, May 06, 2013 9:32 AM

To: phantomdach@earthlink.net

Subject: AKC Board Approved Change to Rally Events

Please [click here](#) to view in a browser.

May 6, 2013

To all AKC Clubs Licensed for Obedience/Rally/Tracking:

I would like to take the opportunity to highlight a couple of changes approved by the AKC Board of Directors that may benefit your club.

AKC RALLY® REGULATION CHANGES:

Effective June 1, 2013 — Rally Trials are now a separate event.

Clubs may now hold Rally Trials without regard to the number of Obedience Trials they are also holding. Rally is now considered a separate AKC event and is not tied to any other AKC event. If a club is licensed for Obedience they may now hold up to 12 Rally Trials per year. Any clubs not currently licensed for Obedience but who would like to offer Rally events will be required to successfully hold a minimum of one Sanctioned Rally A Match. For more information please contact the Companion Events Department at Rally@akc.org. The Regulations for Rally have been changed as shown below.

Chapter 1, Section 1. Application to Hold a Rally Trial. Clubs meeting the AKC requirements that wish to hold a rally trial must apply on the form provided by the AKC and submit the appropriate application fee. A rally trial is a separate event with a separate event number. The event application and fee must be submitted at least 18 weeks before the closing date for entries to the event. The trial may be held as a separate event or in



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conjunction with another event. Clubs may hold no more than 12 Rally trials per calendar year.

Effective Immediately — AKC Rally® National Championship.

The AKC Board approved an AKC Rally® National Championship, and amended the Rally Regulations to provide for it. The first event will be held in the spring of 2014 in conjunction with the Companion Events Extravaganza.

EVENT APPLICATION FEES:

Effective January 1, 2014 — New Event Application Fees.

The AKC Rally®, Obedience, Tracking and Agility event application fees have been changed effective for events held on or after **January 1, 2014** as follows:

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AKC Rally trials with over 30 entries (based on the previous year's corresponding trial) will have a \$50.00 event application fee (a reduction from the current \$100.00 application fee). Regardless of the number of entries based on the previous year's corresponding trial, a minimum event application fee of \$25.00 will be charged for:

- ☐ Rally Trials
- ☐ Stand-alone Obedience Trials
- ☐ Tracking Tests
- ☐ Agility Trials

Sincerely,
Pamela Manaton
Director of Obedience, Rally & Tracking

Sheila Parish, Trophy Chairperson • P.O. Box 17164. Urbana, IL 61803 • (217) 367-0959
dcatrophies@hotmail.com

Patricia Mihms
1603 Windloch St.
Richmond, TX 77406
Club: Houston Dachshund Club
Date: December 29 & 30, 2012
Transmitted via email to: phantomdach@earthlink.net

Dear Event Chairman,

The above referenced event has been completely processed and closed out in my records.

DCA Trophy Program application forms for future events are available on the DCA website:
www.dachshund-dca.org

Thank you for using the DCA Trophy Program and I look forward to working with you on your next event. Please remember to use the new application form for 2011 and that applications are due 12 weeks (3 months) before the event.

Regards,

Sheila

Sheila Parish

DCA Trophy Chairperson



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All Breed Health Clinic

SPONSORED BY THE GREATER HOUSTON BOSTON TERRIER CLUB

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

LOCATION: RELIANT STADIUM DOG SHOW IN HOUSTON, TEXAS

ROOMS: 101/102 EAST END

DATE: SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2013

TIME: 9:00 A.M. TO 4:30 P.M.

Registration and Payment Information

ALL PRE-REGISTRATIONS AND PRE-PAYMENTS

DUE BY JULY 1, 2013

Go to OFFA.ORG to fill out forms for Dr. Freeman with ALL information and bring with you to the Clinic. There will be some extra forms available at the Clinic.

Eye CERF forms for Dr. Hermann will be available ONLY at the Clinic.

WALK-INS WELCOME for an additional charge of \$3.00 per test at the Clinic.

Save Money & Pre-Register!

MAIL PRE-PAYMENT CHECK PAYABLE TO GHBTC & NUMBER OF DOGS/ BREED FOR TESTING TO:

Debbie Kilpatrick; 4517 Lord Road; Crosby, TX 77532

wyndsongcockers@hotmail.com

281-328-8811

PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR CELL NUMBER, HOME NUMBER AND E-MAIL SO YOU CAN BE REACHED IF NEEDED.

Vet Information

BAER * Patella *

Heart

Microchip Insertion

Testing By:

Dr. Mike Freeman,

DVM

612 Private Road 7005

Edgewood, TX 75117

214-676-9784

dogbreedingvet@

yahoo.com

Eye CERF

Testing By:

Dr. M.K. Hermann,

DVM, DACVO

Gulf Coast Animal Eye

Clinic

1551 Campbell Road

Houston, TX 77055

713-461-3132

Cost Per Test

PRE-REGISTRATION DUE BY JULY 1

BAER	\$45.00
Patella	20.00
Heart	20.00
Eye CERF	25.00
Microchip	25.00

WALK-INS (\$3.00 MORE AT CLINIC)

BAER	\$48.00
Patella	23.00
Heart	23.00
Eye CERF	28.00
Microchip	28.00

Scheduling

**You must contact
Debbie Kilpatrick with
a time that is good for
you by JULY 12, 2013.**

THERE WILL NOT BE
A SCHEDULED TIME
FOR YOU UNLESS
YOU LET DEBBIE
KNOW IN ADVANCE.
WE WILL TRY TO
ACCOMMODATE ALL.
YOU CAN COME AT
WHATEVER TIME IS
GOOD FOR YOU.

**ALL PRE-PAYMENTS
ARE NON-
REFUNDABLE FOR
NO-SHOWS ON THE
DAY OF THE CLINIC.**

Test Information

* **BAER TESTING:** Canines must be at least 35 days old. The BAER test (Brainstorm Auditory Evoked Response) detects electrical activity in the cochle & auditory pathways in the brain. **Bilateral hearing passes the test. Unilateral or bilateral deafness fails.**

* **HEART SCREENING:** Cardiac Auscultation is done with the animal standing & restrained. The dog should first be given time to rest & acclimate to the environment. The vet should be able to identify the cardiac valve areas for auscultation. He will gradually move the stethoscope across all valve areas & also should auscultate over the subaortic area, ascending aorta, pulmonary artery & the left craniodorsal cardiac base. Following examination of the left precordium, the right precordium should be examined.

* **PATELLAS:** Exam of knees for patellar luxation.

* **MICROCHIP INSERTION:** AKC Chips

* **EYE CERF:** Canine Eye Registration Foundation; Dog's eyes will need to be dilated.



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From: Mike-1.Simpson@emerson.com [mailto:Mike-1.Simpson@emerson.com]
Sent: Monday, June 10, 2013 4:51 PM
To: karavel@comcast.net; doraenrc@consolidated.net; phantomdach@earthlink.net
Subject: MSCS: Dog Show Ring Steward Training in Houston Sat June 22, 2013
Importance: High

Please forward this announcement to those you think may be interested in learning more about Ring Stewarding.

Information is included below and in the attached flyer.

Mission City Stewards Club is offering Training for Ring Stewards for both Conformation and Obedience & Rally competitions in the Houston area.

Are you interested in learning more about dog shows?

Become a Ring Steward!

Dog Show Ring Steward Training

Houston Area, June 22, 2013

Training Topics:

Competition Routines, Show Ring Procedures, Do's and Don'ts with Judges

Best Practices Time Efficiency, Tools of the Trade, Practice What You Learn Sessions

Compensation for Services

Schedule:	Saturday June 22, 2013	Location:
9:00 am	Obedience and Rally Ring Steward	Wingate Hotel
11:00 am	break	9050 Mills Road
11:30 am	Conformation Ring Steward	Houston, Tx 77070
	Working lunch (provided)	
4:30 pm	Wrap-up	

Please call Mike Simpson at (512) 791-8877 to sign up or for questions.

Training material provided. Lunch included for the Conformation Training.

Costs are \$20 for Obedience and Rally only, or \$50 for both sessions.

Completion is required for membership application to Mission City Stewards Club, Inc.

Mission City Stewards Club, Inc. is a not for profit organization, incorporated in Texas. Most of the contract fees are paid to working membership, and the balance donated for canine care.

For more information, check out our web site.

<http://mcsc.homestead.com/>

Best Regards,

Michael Simpson

Mission City Stewards Club, Inc

512 791-8877

mike-1.simpson@emerson.com



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Dog Show Ring Steward Training Houston Area June 22, 2013

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- Show Ring Procedures
- Do's and Don'ts with Judges
- Best Practices Time Efficiency
- Tools of the Trade
- Practice What You Learn Sessions
- Compensation for Services

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Houston, TX 77070

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IN-KIND DONATION

DONOR NAME: First PATRICIA A M.I. MIMS Last
ORGANIZATION / TITLE (If applicable): THE HOUSTON DACHSHUND CLUB
ADDRESS: 1603 Windloch Lane
Richmond, TX 77406
WORK PHONE: () HOME PHONE: ()
EMAIL: phantomdach@earthlink.net
How did you hear about us / event?
Please circle the item(s) & note quantities you are donating:
Clothing Furniture Appliances Dishes Tools Equipment Pet food
Food Jewelry Toys Books Linens Space rental
OTHER: \$100.00

Special instructions or restrictions for your donation. If any

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MEET THE BREED INFO

From: Carol Williamson [mailto:Carol.Williamson@kirbycorp.com]

Sent: Tuesday, May 21, 2013 1:30 PM

To:

Subject: FW: Meet the Breed

Greetings! The purpose of this email is to see if you are interested in coordinating your breed for our Meet the Breed again.

Attached are copies of our Guidelines and general information on MTB.

The purpose of Meet the Breed is to present good quality specimens to the public, to educate their eye, help a family avoid making the “wrong” breed purchase, and to introduce the public to a few of the responsible members of the fancy to offset some of the negative press out there. Once again, we have made no changes to our guidelines.

First the “No” list:

No sale of puppies in the MTB ring.

No preliminary discussion/negotiations of stud dog service.

No discussion of dogs available for rescue placements in the MTB ring.

Bitches in season are not allowed in the MTB ring.

No personal business cards or personal contact information may be given out.

Now the “Yes” list:

All sorts of breed information is encouraged.

Club information, including meeting dates, location and times, breeder referral, membership list, rescue contacts, training contacts, etc. is encouraged.

We also encourage parent club contact information including rescue contacts and breeder referral contacts.

Young dogs may be changed out or removed if they become tired.

A copy of our guidelines is attached in case you need to review them or in case you want to hand them out to your presenters.

We will be back in touch with you **AFTER THE JUDGING SCHEDULE COMES OUT** with your scheduled time.

As always, the person who contacts us will be considered our primary contact for your breed.

This will be the person we contact for scheduling. This will also be the person was contact if we see a problem in the ring.



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If your club wants to participate but the primary contact MAY CHANGE, that's fine. Just let us know and we can work with you.

AKC no longer requires a letter or spreadsheet from us; however, if you want one, we will be glad to provide one.

For that reason, we really need the correct name of the club to help AKC make accurate notes and postings.

If there is a particular email address where the letter should be sent, we will, of course, need to know that, too.

BREED _____

Club Name _____

Coordinator _____

Phone(s): _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Special Requests: _____

(Due to the number of breeds who normally participate, and our inability to control the judging schedule, we may not be able to meet special requests, but we will certainly try to if at all possible.)

Even if you have already signed up your breed, please complete the info above to let me know you have received this email.

This is an easy way to make sure everyone has received the updated guidelines and we like to verify email addresses.

Please make sure your presenters understand our guidelines.

Thanks for your patience.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks for the help.

/Carol Williamson

RPWSDS Public Education Chair



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MEET THE BREED” A Public Education Presentation of the RELIANT PARK WORLD SERIES OF DOG SHOWS

PURPOSE

To provide an organized function where the public may come, see, and be around dogs from breeds in which they are interested and talk to breeders / exhibitors / and/or specialty club representatives. We believe a well-educated public will make better selections in the puppies they choose. We hope our program will help to lower the number of puppies found in shelters and rescue organizations. We also encourage interest in all aspects of the sport of purebred dogs.

ADVANTAGES TO THOSE PARTICIPATING

- Easy forum to promote good public relations for clubs and breed supporters.
- No cost to the clubs/groups participating except for handouts.
- Information may be disseminated on puppy selection, general breed information; and club meetings, activities, rescue programs, etc., resulting in a better educated public and attracting new participants in all aspects of the sport of pure-bred dogs.

COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

- Organize the activity and schedule breed times.
- Ensure participants adhere to participant guidelines and provide schedule and crowd control, when needed.
- Provide general dog-care handouts and answer very general questions; answer breed-specific questions by forwarding the person asking the question to the Specialty Club Booth (if the club has one at the show); direct other questions to the AKC booth, the veterinary association booth, or dog food booths, as appropriate.

HISTORY

Our Meet the Breed program has proven to be successful from its beginning with over 100 breeds of dogs being presented each year. Several of our success stories involve spectators who found a breed in which they were interested, purchased a puppy, joined a breed club and learned, and got involved in the sport in various venues, including some who owner-handled dogs to championships, and now take their turn presenting dogs in the Meet the Breed ring.



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PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

Committee Responsibilities, the Ring, and Breed Scheduling

Generally, **breeds are changed every hour and are in the ring for approximately 40 minutes at a time.** Breeds should plan to begin exiting the ring at about 10 minutes before the hour and should gather at the ring about 5 minutes before the hour to be ready to enter the ring as soon as the ring is vacated. It usually takes approximately 10 minutes for individual breeds to set up for their presentation.

The ring is “divided” into separate areas for the breeds being presented. Grooming tables are provided to allow the smaller breeds and those dogs which generally draw large crowds, to be presented off the floor. Groupings of chairs will be provided for the large breeds that are presented on the floor. Two large dog breeds and two to three small dog breeds are generally scheduled in the ring at the same time. If there are color, coat, or size varieties of a breed, all of them are presented at the same time.

Breeds are generally scheduled no earlier than 45 minutes following the end of their scheduled judging time. This helps to eliminate double grooming, allows for dogs to be given water and a chance to exercise, and does not interfere with handlers’ normal ring preparation – whether it be grooming, exercise, or mental/bonding preparation with the dog.

The Meet the Breed committee will schedule the breeds, manage the ring usage, and handle crowd control to ensure a space “crunch” does not occur in the ring – either from too many people or from too many breeds during a time change.

An information table is provided. Handouts are encouraged and may either be given out at the breed area while the breed is in the ring or placed on the information table. AKC brochures on such topics as enjoying a dog show, purchasing a puppy, locating a breeder, etc. will be provided. We refer people with specific questions to the AKC booth, a breed club booth if one is available, to the booth for the veterinary organization covering the show, or to dog food vendors, as appropriate.

Participants and Dogs Being Presented

The dogs representing a breed should be good specimens as compared to the breed standard, clean, and of good temperament.

Those individuals presenting dogs in the Meet the Breed ring should be neatly dressed. Remember that first impressions are lasting. The breeders in the Meet the Breed ring will be the first breeders many members of the general public have ever met. If they leave with the impression that breeders are intelligent, clean, neat people who are concerned with producing healthy, well-adjusted puppies, they will look for such a breeder when they are ready to buy. A good impression made now will also help offset unfavorable media press or publicity later. A suit is not necessary. Ring attire or a skirt or slacks and a nice shirt or blouse or sweater are all very appropriate.

The sale of puppies, stud service, or rescue placements is not appropriate in the Meet the Breed and will not be allowed. This includes discussions of puppies or rescue placements not present in the ring. **If someone wishes to purchase a puppy or to discuss a rescue placement, information on the club’s breeder referral contact or rescue chair should be given out.** If there is no local breed club, an individual may give out his address and phone number for breed information but should still avoid discussing puppies for sale while in the ring. **Anyone observed giving out a personal business card or personal contact information will first be warned and then asked to**



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leave the ring if the warning is ignored. Additionally, that individual will not be invited to participate again next year.

Remember: the purpose of the Meet the Breed ring is to sell the BREED – NOT to sell puppies

To keep our committee out of club or breed politics, **the person who first commits a breed to participate in Meet the Breed (or the breed representative designated by that person) becomes the primary contact responsible for gathering the people and dogs together who will represent the breed.**

Breed Presentation Guidelines

As a minimum, a breed should be represented by one adult male, one adult female, and one young dog. If a breed has differences in coat color or coat type, it is very nice to have dogs representing some of the different coat colors or coat types. (The adult male can be one color, the adult female a different color, and the young dog still another color.) This will generally give a good representation of the quantity or type of coat, sizes of dogs, and temperament differences that may be present in a breed.

Many breeds have substantial coat care changes as a dog matures or substantial temperament differences according to the age of the dog. This should be kept in mind when representatives are selected. One breed was represented by a puppy, a 2-year old dog, and a 4-year old dog to show temperament changes within the breed. Although the 4-year old dog was very easy going and sedate, the puppy was quite outgoing and the 2-year old dog, while calmer than the puppy, was still a handful. The breed contact felt that the public should see the three temperament stages.

We can work with any group trying to spotlight a breed-specific problem. For example, Dalmatians are regularly presented and many spectators mention being surprised that the dogs are as active and as interested in everything going on around them as they are. A different impression has been created by the very popular Disney movies.

Breed presentations are not restricted (except where the presentation might impact another breed being presented close by.) Some breeds have presented several excellent representatives and one poor representative of a breed so that people could see the different quality of the dogs side by side, with an explanation being given of the faults in the poor specimen. The breeds that have done this have been very satisfied with the response from the public; however, **all dogs being presented should be clean and of good temperament.**

BITCHES IN SEASON SHOULD NOT BE BROUGHT INTO THE MEET THE BREED RING.

Club Guidelines

Just as we do not restrict breed presentations, we do not restrict breed clubs. Some presenters have chosen to wear appropriate costumes such as kilts for a presentation of Westies. Some clubs have chosen to use their presentation time as an official public education presentation for their club and have put their club's banner behind their breed presentation station or have presented the dogs on a table on which they have placed their club table cover. Such banners or table covers are welcome but must be removed when the breed's presentation time ends.



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Meet the Breed has proven to be a very successful and popular program with owners, handlers, the public, and the dogs themselves! If you are interested in participating in the RPWSDS Meet the Breed program or in receiving more specific information on holding Meet the Breed at your show, please contact:

Carol Williamson, RPWSDS Meet the Breed Chair
7907 Fairdale, Houston, TX 77063
(Phone: (713) 334-0623)

The Reliant Park World Series of Dog Shows is comprised of the Houston Kennel Club, the Beaumont Kennel Club, the Galveston Kennel Club, and the Houston Combined Specialty Association.

MEET THE BREED – PRESENTER GUIDELINES

Meet the Breed serves several very important purposes:

- 1.) It provides an organized function where the public may come, see, and be around good quality dogs from breeds in which they are interested and where they can talk to breeders / exhibitors / and/or specialty club representatives.
- 2.) By educating the public, we help the public avoid purchasing the wrong breed and, thereby, help to reduce the number of dogs who are released to shelters or rescue programs.
- 3.) It helps to create a positive impression of breeders and dog show people as people who are knowledgeable about, and caring of, their dogs and helps to offset negative impressions of breeders created by negative media publicity.
- 4.) Through positive impressions given at Meet the Breed, people can be encouraged to acquire a dog, contact a club, find a mentor, and become involved in the sport.

PARTICIPATION RULES AND GUIDELINES

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Bitches in season should not be brought into Meet the Breed.

Breeds are changed every hour. Presenters should gather at the ring about 5 minutes before the hour to be ready to enter the ring as soon as the ring is vacated and plan to begin exiting the ring shortly before the hour ends..



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Handouts on puppy selection, general breed information; and club meetings, activities, rescue programs, etc. are encouraged and may be given out. Handouts may be placed on the information table when the breed exits the ring, if desired.

SALE OF PUPPIES OR STUD SERVICE

THE SALE OF PUPPIES, STUD SERVICE, OR RESCUE PLACEMENTS IS NOT APPROPRIATE IN THE MEET THE BREED RING AND WILL NOT BE ALLOWED. This includes discussions and preliminary sales negotiations of puppies/rescues not present in the ring. If someone wishes to purchase a puppy, contract for stud service, or acquire a dog from the breed rescue, contact information for the club's breeder referral contact or rescue contact should be given out. **If there is no local breed club,** an individual may give out his address and phone number for breed information but should still avoid discussing sales of puppies, stud service, or rescue placements while in the ring.

Anyone observed not following these guidelines will first be warned and then asked to leave the ring if the warning is ignored. Additionally, that breed may not be invited to participate again next year.

REMEMBER, SELL THE BREED – NOT PUPPIES!