



Meeting Minutes – June 26, 2012

Meeting Called to order at 8:04pm by President Nancy Colson

Members present: Candice Boysen, Nancy Colson, Elizabeth Ellis, Thelma Garcia, Patricia Mims, Karen Murray

Guests Present: Mark & Melissa Sworab

- **Approval of March 17, 2012 Meeting Minutes** – In the March Minutes in the 2013 Show Committee Report the March judge was erroneously reported as Aubrey McMillan. The Judge for March 2013 is Aubrey Nash. **Motion** made by Thelma Garcia and seconded by Elizabeth Ellis to approve the minutes of the March meeting as corrected. **Motion passed.**
- **President's Report – by Nancy Colson**
 - None
- **Secretary's Report – by Patricia Mims** (correspondence attached)
 - AKC Correspondence Regarding Membership List 4/18/2012
 - Michelle Claycraft request and response 4/10/2012
 - AKC Liability Insurance 4/12/2012 & 5/16/2012
 - Meet the Breed 5/14/2012
 - Baytown Kennel Club 6/17/2012
 - Earthdog Regulation Change 6/17/2012
 - A&M IVDD Program 6/19/2012
 - Fun Match 6/19/2012
 - Reliant Booth Workers 6/19/2012
 - Animal Planet Notice 6/19/2012
 - George Davis 6/25/2012
 - Obedience Stewards 6/25/2012
 - Club Insurance Certificate
 - Thank You from Linda Zawarski



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• Treasurer's Report

- Account Balances Report – \$XXXX.XX
- CD's at Chase Bank closed on 6/4/2012 by Trish Mims. The bank would not talk to anyone other than Trish or the club President. Checks for \$2153.21 & 2138.27 delivered to Karen Murray at this meeting.
- **MOTION** made by Elizabeth Ellis and seconded by Thelma Garcia – The Signatories on the club bank account shall be the sitting President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary. The club instructs the Treasurer to be sure that any other signatories are be removed each year following the Annual Election in the event of an officer change. **Motion Passed.**

• Old Business

Report of Field Trial Committee – Nancy Colson - Chairman

From: Ken Hagmueller [mailto:kenhag@mytocon.com]

Sent: Monday, June 25, 2012 12:46 PM

To: Ken Hagmueller; Patricia Mims; Karen Murray; Nancy Colson

Subject: Re: Kirbyville FT

Dean called me today with dates here they are

Sept. 22 & 23, 29 & 30 - *Likely too hot.*

Nov. 10 & 11, 17 & 18 – *CyCreek & Brazoria Kennel Club's at Farm and Ranch*

Dec 15 & 16, 22 & 23, 29 & 30 – *No conflict on any of the December Dates*

Feb 2 & 3, 16 & 17, 23 & 24 – *Feb 16 & 17 Guadalupe Dog Fanciers, Feb 23 & 24 would be the DFW Corresponding date for their Spring Earthdog Test. That is the date we were considering taking over.*

Our trial last year 30 & 1, so the corresponding dates would be 29 & 30.

Also would we like to run 2 weekends maybe in Feb. DFWDC will not be holding an earthdog test in Feb and they most likely will stay with the March date for their spring trial.

Let me know and I will pass it on to Dean.

Thank, Ken

- **MOTION** made by Candice Boysen and seconded by Elizabeth Ellis – The Club will use the December 29 & 30, 2012 date for this year's field trial. **Motion Passed.**
- It was the consensus of the members present that since we do plan to hold our first earthdog test this spring we would not hold a second field trial in the spring.
- Club Documentation Committee – Trish Mims
 - The only outstanding binder to be completed is the Secretary's Binder.
- Trophy Chairman – Trish Mims
 - Trophies are packed and ready to go for July 2012



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- We have sufficient trophies in stock – purchased on sale – for the field trial in 2012 all 2013 Events
- The BOS long challenge trophy was retired in March. I didn't get the info out to the retiree in time for a new trophy to be acquired before the July 2012 Event.
- Earthdog – Trish Mims
 - Suggest moving towards our first ED test on Feb 23 & 24, 2013. That would be taking over the spring ED date that DFW is abandoning. We will need to get a permission letter from DFWDC to use this date since it is their old spring date.
 - Recommend doing two tests on Saturday and one on Sunday. DFW is going to this format in October for one weekend of tests.
 - The location will be Apple Creek Farms assuming there are no issues with the AKC in approving this site.
 - We will plan to hold a fall practice as well as a practice on Sunday of the dig in weekend which will be February 16 & 17, 2013.
 - Correspondence attached on change in Earthdog Regulations
 - **MOTION** made by Thelma Garcia and seconded by Candice Boyson that we hold our first earthdog test on February 23 & 24, 2013 with two tests on Saturday and one on Sunday. **Motion Passed.**
- Report of 2012 Show Committee – Trish Mims
 - March 2012 show complete – budgets and final income statement below. \$297.90 check from Houston Combined given to Karen Murray at this meeting. Close out report with information to file March 2013 AKC Applications has been received and will be given to Nancy Colson, 2012 Show chairman along with the July 2012 paperwork once it is received. Email Report sent to membership 4/25/2012 as follows:



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MARCH 16, 2012 Show Budget

EVENT # 2012011601

INCOME

25 Entries	\$ 25.00	Show Entries	\$ 625.00
14 Entries	\$ 20.00	Puppy & Non Regular	\$ 280.00
0 Entries		Veterans	
0 Entries		Juniors	
11 Entries	\$ 15.00	Sweepstakes	\$ 165.00
		Trophy Donations (\$280 total for 2012)	\$ 140.00

TOTAL INCOME \$ 1,210.00

EXPENSES

		AKC - Show Application	\$ 50.00
		Judge Expenses - Danelle Brown	
39	\$ 3.00	Check #1161	\$ 117.00
		Meals (1 day)	\$ -
		Gas/Mileage - 400 Miles	\$ 70.00
		Hotel	\$ -
		Airfare	\$ -
		Other	\$ -
		DCA Trophies Ck #1143	\$ 173.00
		Sweepstakes Judge - L Zaworski	\$ -
		Judges Gifts -Not to exceed \$50/Judge	\$ 34.26
39 Entries	\$ 9.05	All Non-Sweepstakes Charges	\$ 352.95
11 Entries	\$ 5.55	Sweepstakes Charge	\$ 61.05
39 Entries	\$ 3.00	AKC Event Fee	\$ 117.00
39 Entries	\$ 0.50	AKC Listing Fee	\$ 19.50
		Sweepstakes Prize Money	\$ 110.00
		Gift Certificates/Prize Money	\$ -
		Advertising Pages	\$ -
		Advertising Photos	\$ -
0	\$ 37.25	Extra Premium List Pages	\$ -
24	\$ 3.40	Rosettes	\$ 81.60
0		Ribbons	
	\$ 12.60	Rosettes 9 Streamer	\$ -
		Judges Hospitality	\$ 20.00
		Other Prizes - Bags w/ leash & Pickup bags	\$ 79.23
		BOB - Embroidered Blanket	\$ 10.00
		BOS to BOB & BW - Club Medallions	\$ 40.00
		Insurance	\$ 150.00
		AKC Superintendent Fee	\$ 10.00
		Misc Expense - Stewards Table Supplies	\$ 8.36

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 1,503.95

TOTAL INCOME/LOSS Paid on HCS Ck #2587 \$297.90 \$ (293.95)



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Patricia Mims

To: Houston Dachshund Club
Subject: March 2012 Show Budget & Combined Specialty Meeting Notes
Attachments: HCS Budget March 2012.pdf; Budget March 2012.pdf

The final budget statement for our March 2012 show is attached. We received a check from the Combined for \$297.90 last night at the meeting. Our total profit/loss statement is included on the attached document Budget March 2012. The HCS Budget March 2012 document is the statement from the Combined Specialty that details how they determined our show income/expense from Onofrio. After our judge expenses, insurance, trophies and AKC application fees were factored into this event we ended with a loss of (\$293.95) for the March show. The original projection was for a loss of about \$475. We did a great job of holding expenses to a minimum despite the low entries. Special thanks to all the club members who came to the show and helped to make it a success.

Notes from the 4/24/2012 Houston Combined Specialty Meeting
March 2012 Events –

No real issues raised for the March 2012 event. There were some complaints about the condition of the restrooms in the back of the facility. Those restrooms will be locked and inaccessible at the next show. There were also complaints about the mobile homes taking all the front parking places. This is likely not going to be addressed – or resolved.

The March 2012 Combined Specialty netted a profit of just over \$200 this year. There will likely be a raise in parking fees next year to keep the events from running in the red next year. Low entries, and increased costs were blamed for the poor income at these events.

July 2012

Everyone needs to remember – there will be NO DRIVE IN UNLOADING on Wednesday July 18th. All drive in unloading will be Tuesday July 17th from 1pm to 8pm.

Volunteers to help tape the grooming spaces and get set up for the show need to be at Reliant on Tuesday, July 17th at 8am. Enter through the back gate off of McNee.

This report will be officially included in our next Club meeting minutes. It is being sent today as a courtesy to keep the membership up to date on recent events.

Trish Mims, Secretary
Houston Dachshund Club
www.houstondachshundclub.org

- July 2012 - Preparations for show complete. Contacted Dan Harrison about final arrangements. He has decided to fly in rather than drive. All arrangements for him have been taken care of. Trish will pick him up at the airport upon arrival and he will take a cab back to Hobby on Friday morning for Departure. Hotel reservations are at the Crown Plaza across the street from Reliant – rate \$99 a night.
- We do need ring stewards for July 2012. I have emailed Sara Hill to see if she is willing to do inside stewarding. Candice Boysen agreed to do outside stewarding.
- HCS is soliciting volunteers for obedience ring stewards and people to work the information booth. If you feel you can volunteer, please see the attached correspondence and contact the coordinator.



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- Meet the Breed will be Friday or Saturday again this year – schedule is not yet out. Any club member who can attend with dogs for people to pet is invited. We would like to have all coats and sizes represented.
- Houston Combined meeting is tonight. I have notified Larry Chu that we need a start time for Sweepstakes of 11:30am. Judy Brown has a flight out to an assignment in Portland that I OK'd.
- Judging Order requested Longs, Wires, then smooths.
- We will have a post show dinner at Marco's on Kirby again this year. Information will be available at the show.
- REMEMBER – DRIVE IN UNLOADING ON TUESDAY ONLY!

- Report of 2013 Show Committee – Nancy Colson
 - Judges have been hired – Aubrey Nash for March and Ken Levison for July 2013. Hiring letters will be sent out shortly.
 - Applications for these events will be made as soon as the July 2012 show is closed out with the AKC.

- Constitutional Review Committee - Nancy Colson, Trish Mims, Kellye Slatton
 - Nothing to report.

- **New Business**

- Based on budget results from 2012 events Patricia Mims recommends that we set entry fees for 2013 events as follows:

March 2012 – Sweepstakes & BBE - \$22.00, Regular Classes \$28.00 – 2012 was \$20 & \$25

July 2012 – Sweepstakes & BBE \$23.00, Regular Classes \$28.00 – Same as 2012.

- **MOTION** made by Elizabeth Ellis and seconded by Karen Murray to adopt entry fees for 2013 shows as recommended. **Motion Passed.**

- **Membership Applications** – none



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- **Crys & Brags** – Earned \$10

Elizabeth Ellis brought home a new dog from Russia – Lenny!

Fanny got a select and needs 3 points and one other judge to finish her GCH.

Mona is VERY pregnant and due this week

Elizabeth is 2nd in the nation with one of her miniature horses.

Nancy Colson won BOB with Max at the DFWDC Specialty

Trish Mims – Tony earned 2 more points at the Baytown KC shows

Mark & Melissa Sworab finished a New Champion – Annie – Ch Rabows 3G

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- **Motion to Adjourn** – Trish Mims, Karen Murray – **Motion Passed**

CORRESPONDENCE



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Patricia Mims

From: Club Relations [clubrelations@akc.org]
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 7:51 AM
To: phantomdach@earthlink.net
Subject: Electronic Submission of Membership Lists

To make sure you continue receiving AKC emails, please add clubrelations@akc.org to your email address book.



AMERICAN
KENNEL CLUB

Electronic Submission of Membership Lists

Dear PATRICIA MIMS, Corresponding Secretary for Houston Dachshund Club, Inc.,

Communication between AKC and its affiliated clubs is crucial to the success of your club's business, planning/approving its events, and keeping each other informed of "breaking news" as well as legislative initiatives in the sport of purebred dogs. The fastest, most efficient and cost-saving way to accomplish this goal is to have up-to-date email addresses for club officers, especially the President and Corresponding Secretary, as well as all club members for larger outreach on important issues to purebred dog owners.

So far, more than 1,000 AKC clubs are enjoying the ease of submitting their annual membership lists (as required in the Rules) by using the electronic submission forms on AKC's website.

After January 1, 2013, a fee will be initiated for the processing of membership lists which shall be waived if the membership list is transmitted electronically.

As you know, your club's membership list will only be used by AKC to conduct AKC business relating to events, club relations, legislation, and other outreach by AKC to its affiliated club members. **The names and email addresses on the list will not be provided to government agencies or sold to third parties.** After electronic submission of the club's membership list, all club officers of your club will receive an email from the AKC confirming the submission of the list.

Clubs can submit their membership information by uploading either a Microsoft Excel or CSV formatted file from the Club Membership Lists page [here](#) or navigating to http://www.akc.org/club_membership/ and using the access code provided below.

Your Access code as the Corresponding Secretary for Houston Dachshund Club, Inc. is:
275605

Also, at any time updated officer lists including complete contact information (name, address, phone number, and email address) can be sent to event-ops@akc.org.

In preparation of this move to electronic submission of membership lists, we are asking that all the clubs which have not already done so within the last twelve (12) months to submit an electronic membership list by April 30, 2012. If a club finds that it is unable to submit an electronic membership list, please contact us so that we can render the assistance necessary.

Houston Dachshund Club, Inc. last submitted a membership list on: **02/03/2012**.



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If you have any questions please contact us at listquestions@akc.org.

Thank you,
Michael A. Liosis
AKC/Director of Club Relations
260 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10016
(212) 696-8237





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THE DACHSHUND

March 15, 2012

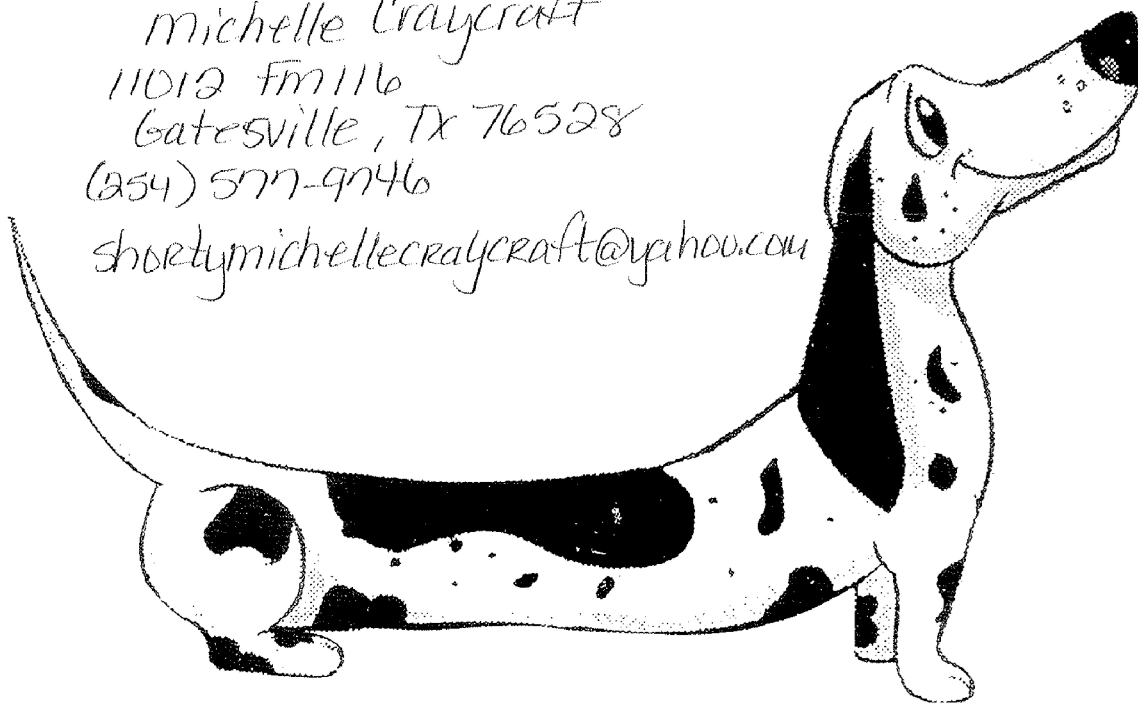
Ms. Nancy Colson,

Hello my name is Michelle Craycraft I own 3 mini dachshunds. We would like to join your club, could you send information. We are interested in show, obedience, Rally. We thank you for your time.

Thank You,
Michelle, Short Stuff, Levi, Abbie

Michelle Craycraft
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Gatesville, TX 76528
(254) 577-9746

shortymichellectraycraft@yahoo.com





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Patricia Mims

From: Patricia Mims [phantomdach@earthlink.net]
Sent: Tuesday, April 10, 2012 8:44 AM
To: 'shortymichellecraycraft@yahoo.com'
Subject: Houston Dachshund Club

Michelle,

Thank you for your letter to Nancy Colson with regard to joining the Houston Dachshund Club. Our club membership information and requirements are on our website. Let me know if you have any questions once you review that information.

Given your location in Gatesville you would be much closer to the Dallas Ft Worth Dachshund Club. They also offer obedience, field, and earthdog competition as well as agility competition. Their website is www.dfwdachshund.com. Ken Hagmueller is the President of the Club and you can contact him at kenhag@mytocrn.com. He and his wife Sandi live in Waxahachie which is much closer to you than Houston.

The Dallas area has many active organizations for agility, obedience, rally, tracking etc, and the DFW Dachshund Club is active in field and earthdog competition. Your dogs will be eligible to compete in all of these if they are AKC registered. If they are not, you can get a PAL registration from the AKC to allow them to participate in all these events except field trials. Here is the link with information on a PAL registration with the AKC - http://www.akc.org/contact/answer_center/faq_dogreg.cfm

I'd suggest you email Tracy Freeling in Ft Worth – freeling@sbcglobal.net She should be able to give you contact information for the groups in that area that train and host the events I've mentioned above.

Let me know if I can be of any further assistance to you. I'll be happy to help you in any way I can.

Have a wonderful day.

Trish Mims, Secretary
Houston Dachshund Club
www.houstondachshundclub.org




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Patricia Mims

From: Jim Crowley [jxc@akc.org]
Sent: Wednesday, April 11, 2012 9:01 PM
To: phantomdach@earthlink.net
Subject: Protect, Prepare, and Prevent

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AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

COULD YOUR CLUB SURVIVE A LIABILITY CLAIM?

In today's litigious society, no organization or individual is immune from lawsuits or liability claims.

Accidents involving injury to spectators or participants can happen at club activities. In these cases, club directors and officers may be held personally accountable for a loss since they are "acting on behalf of the club."

Is your club prepared to pay a claim? Even if you are not found to be legally liable, defense costs can be significant. No matter what type or size competition or event your club puts on, you must **Protect, Prepare & Prevent**.

Protect Yourself and Your Club:

- Obtain [sufficient insurance coverage](#). Many insurance carriers also provide bonding for Club Treasurers. Most venues holding events require proof of liability insurance. If you have insurance related questions please contact Equisure, Inc. Contact information for Equisure, Inc. can be found by clicking the link above.
- For Event related questions contact the Events Department at 919-816-3579 or email event-ops@akc.org

Prepare & Prevent:

- Use an [official AKC show entry form](#) for all applicable competitions and/or AKC sanctioned events. <http://www.akc.org/pdfs/masterform.cfm>. This is required* for many competitions. The form contains the liability waivers and certification that the dog entered is not a hazard. The form must be signed and the club should retain the entry.
- Incorporate a liability waiver within any entry or application form for club functions (especially ones with public access) and require participants to sign the waiver. Parents or guardians should sign for minor children.
- Prominently display the liability waiver at your event.

*Ch. 1 Sec. 2 of Match Regulations states: All of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, and the Agility, Tracking and Obedience/Rally Regulations will apply to sanctioned matches, except those which specifically make reference to license and member events and except where otherwise stated in these Regulations. *Ch.11 Sec. 4 of Rules Applying to Dog Shows states: To be acceptable, an entry must be submitted with required entry fee and be on an Official American Kennel Club entry form.



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Patricia Mims

From: Patricia Mims [phantomdach@earthlink.net]
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2012 8:53 AM
To: 'Carol Williamson'
Cc: 'Nancy Colson'; 'Karavel@comcast.net'; 'Elizabeth Fuselier'
Subject: FW: [HoustonCombined] RE: Meet the Breed

Carol,
The Houston Dachshund Club will participate this year. See below for our info.

Nancy, Elizabeth and Karen,
I've completed the response form. It's at the bottom of this notice. We will notify the membership at our next meeting.

Trish Mims, Secretary
Houston Dachshund Club
www.houstondachshundclub.org

-----Original Message-----

From: Carol Williamson [<mailto:Carol.Williamson@kirbycorp.com>]
Sent: Sunday, May 13, 2012 6:30 PM
To: Carol Williamson
Subject: FW: Meet the Breed

Greetings. 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.



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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.

If you want to participate this year, please complete and return the form below. 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 we contact if we see a problem in the ring.

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 will be accepting a spreadsheet from us which lists the club(s) to be credited with the participation; however, if you want one, we will also be emailing a participation letter to you following the show.

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 DACHSHUND

Club Name HOUSTON DACHSHUND CLUB



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Coordinator *[Trish Mims]* PATRICIA MIMS

Phone(s): HOME: 281-344-9407

Cell Phone: 713-703-2006

E-mail: *[Trish Mims]* PHANTOMDACH@EARTHLINK.NET

Special Requests: SATURDAY AFTER BREED JUDGING IS COMPLETED. FRIDAY IF SATURDAY ISN'T AVAILABLE.

(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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Baytown Kennel Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 201, Baytown, TX 77521

June 6, 2012

Dear Houston Area Specialty Clubs:

The 2012 “Aloha Baytown” weekend shows were a huge success. Placing two rings on the concrete patio in the front of the Crosby Fairgrounds, and expertly packing the dirt surface in the arena made a huge impact on the shows. Exhibitors and judges loved the casual atmosphere, the Hawaiian shirts, and breezy weather. We have great news for 2013. The Baytown KC dates will now be Friday (obedience & rally trials) April 26, and All Breed Dog Shows with obedience and rally trials on Saturday and Sunday, April 27 and April 28, 2013 at the Crosby Fairgrounds.

Since the Fairgrounds are set up and ready by 1:00 PM on Friday, we would like for you to join us by holding an Independent Specialty Show on Friday afternoon or evening. There would be no charge for using the ring equipment or facility. Onofrio Dog Shows offers a “package deal” for specialties, which makes it very affordable for clubs. We have had clubs do this in the past, and we would be glad to explain it to your club. Or your club could have its own show secretary, if you prefer.

If your club already holds a specialty at another time of the year, we would like to invite you to hold a “Sweepstakes” on Saturday and/or Sunday, as part of the all breed show. (Specialty clubs are allowed to hold up to eight sweepstakes events each year.) Sweepstakes are a good way to increase the entry in your breed, and hopefully create majors. The BKC would absorb all the costs associated with holding a sweepstakes. We would help you complete all the necessary applications to hold such an event. Just contact us.

Your club could also hold an Independent Specialty Show (limit of 50 dogs) after Best in Show on Saturday. Several clubs did this when our shows were held at Ford Park in Beaumont. Each club was able to get majors at their specialty, and also at the all breed shows. This could mean three (3) majors in one weekend.

The BKC is planning to continue the “Aloha Baytown” theme in 2013. By moving the shows to Saturday and Sunday, instead of Friday and Saturday, we anticipate having a much larger entry. We will also continue to have interesting vendors, a great food concession, and the exciting raffles each day.

Please contact one of us, and we would be glad to come to your club meeting and explain what we have to offer; and explain how the Onofrio “package deal” works.

Yours truly,

Tim Robbins, President
Robbsdale@aol.com
832-984-967

Alan Leff, Show Chairman
Shibaboyz1@aol.com
832-433-4305





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(2) **Yorkshire Terriers.** Please welcome the Yorkshire Terrier to the sport. Yorkies will be eligible to participate in Earthdog events starting August 1, 2012.

Should you have any questions or comments, please e-mail earthdog@akc.org.



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Patricia Mims

From: Linda Stowe [notification+zt_s4tc9@facebookmail.com]
Sent: Monday, June 18, 2012 5:44 PM
To: Lets Talk Show Dachshunds
Subject: [Lets Talk Show Dachshunds] I received this from Dr. Jon Levine at Texas A&M...

[Linda Stowe posted in Lets Talk Show Dachshunds](#)



Linda Stowe

5:43pm Jun 18

I received this from Dr. Jon Levine at Texas A&M They are doing several different IVDD studies there. This might be a way to help with those surgery costs, if you are near A&M

I hope everything is going great. Well, good news – the TAMU US Department of Defense canine spinal cord injury study is open as of June 18th (Monday). This is the first of 2 study parts and focuses on urinary voiding following surgery in the hope of helping troops with these issues. Here's a brief summary and in advance, thanks so much for your help!!

For those that are not aware, the US Department of Defense has funded a large spinal cord injury study for dogs with disk herniation at Texas A&M University. The study is a wonderful opportunity for clients/dogs to help military personnel with injuries and offers significant benefits for participating clients. The first part of this study will be open Monday June 18th and essentially provides imaging, surgical treatment, rehab, medications, hospitalization for 7 days, and recheck for a fixed price of \$3000. This part of the study is examining urinary voiding parameters in dogs with surgical thoracolumbar disk injuries. FYI, here is a brief summary of the study:

Inclusion Criteria:

- T3-L3 spinal cord injury
- Male or male castrated
- 5-15 kg
- 24 hour or less duration
- Only non-ambulatory paraplegic or paraparetic dogs with intact nociception. Deep pain negative dogs cannot enroll.
- Surgical treatment

Study Procedures

- Sedated urinary studies prior to anesthesia for work-up, 3 days post op, 7 days post op, and 42 day re-check
- No alpha blocking agents, skeletal muscle relaxants, or muscarinic agonists can be used during hospitalization. Examples of such drugs include prazosin, phenoxybenzamine, diazepam, and bethanecol.

Financial incentive

- Free re-check and fixed price \$3000 work-up, surgery, and rehab

Jonathan M. Levine, DVM, DACVIM (Neurology)
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Patricia Mims

From: HoustonCombined@yahooogroups.com on behalf of claudonscots [claudonscots@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2012 9:23 AM
To: HoustonCombined@yahooogroups.com
Subject: [HoustonCombined] Fun Match at Paws on Jackrabbit Road

From "Trish at Paws" <pawsonjr@sbcglobal.net> (edited by Claudia Leffler)

NEXT FUN MATCH
FRIENDS OF CORGIS ALL BREED FUN MATCH
Entry form/Circle one(s) you are attending

Dates/times

June 23, 2012; Saturday night; Check in 4:30 – 6:00pm; Judging starts 6:30pm-?

Classes: (dogs and bitches) 3 - 6 mos, 6 - 9mos, 9 – 12 mos, 12 – 18 mos, open (Dogs w/o titles only)
If not enough dogs showing in puppy classes, classes may be combined. Judges Decision

\$4.00 per dog for pre-entry: \$5.00 per dog day of show
(send entries to Trish Wilson, 8110 Jackrabbit Road , Houston , TX 77095

Breed _____ Variety _____ Sex _____

Dog Show Class _____ Class Division _____

Full Name of Dog _____

AKC No. _____ Date of Birth _____ Place of Birth _____

Breeder _____

Sire _____

Dam _____

Signature of owner or his agent _____

Address: _____ State _____ Zip _____

By signing this Registration, I agree I will not hold the Friends of Corgis, The Greater Houston Pembroke Welsh Corgi Fanciers, or Paws On Jackrabbit Road responsible for any accidents or harm that may come to me or my dog(s).



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Patricia Mims

From: HoustonCombined@yahoogroups.com on behalf of sherry wallis [sherry@sherob.com]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2012 7:39 PM
To: HoustonCombined@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [HoustonCombined] Information Booths--Fri., Sat., Sun

It's that time again! I'm starting to call and write people about working at the Information Booths at Reliant one of the days of the all-breed shows. These are located where the public enters from the lobby, one by the agility ring and flyball and the other just before the show office and various show committee booths. The number and length of the shifts really depends on how many people are working, so the more people who sign up, the less anyone has to do!

Don't worry if you think you don't know the answer to the questions you get asked. They are ALL in the book. It's a notebook which I compile every year, and you'll be able to look up whatever you need. If you can't find the answer there, it's above our paygrade and needs to be referred to someone else. <VBG>

We start the shifts about 30 minutes before the show starts and end them about 30 minutes after groups start. If you're not showing or are finished, you're welcome to have lunch, and, of course, we'll keep you supplied with drinks and coffee, maybe even some snacks.

Yes, I know that no one knows what time they're going to be showing, so what I need from you now is a commitment to work, what day you'd like to work, and what you are showing and/or want to watch. Same thing if you're planning to go to a seminar. When I make out the schedule, I'll look up all that and work you around it. If you're already doing something on the day your club has a show, please don't volunteer for that day. IOW, Beaumont members need to be working for the Beaumont club on Saturday. Galveston and Houston members should be doing the Information booth on that day, etc.

We normally have two or three people working at the booth, so if you haven't done it before, you won't be alone. You'll probably be very busy and the next shift will seem to start almost right after you arrive! People are very appreciative of your help and information. As Tom once said, "The public has questions, the dog people have issues." :-)

If you're interested in a fun, fast hour or so helping make our shows successful, email me back or give me a call. (713-465-9729)
sherry@sherob.com

I need: Your name



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Your phone number
Your email address
Breeds you are showing/watching/meetings, etc
Days you can work

Thanks so much.

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Sherry E Wallis
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From: DCA_BULLETINBOARD@yahooogroups.com on behalf of Anne [annecarson@mindspring.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 19, 2012 4:49 PM
To: DCA_BULLETINBOARD@yahooogroups.com
Subject: [DCA_BULLETINBOARD] Animal Planet's Too Cute Season 3

The following was sent to Lisa Warren, Public Relationship Chair.

My name is Michael Scher and I'm the Casting A/P over at Animal Planet. I'm currently looking for amazing breeds for our show 'Too Cute'. Its a documentary series following a mother and her beloved Dachshunds litter over a 10 week time frame to see how their personalities, physical features and dynamics change over time. Likewise, capturing their first moments within their new environment.

If for some reason your animal becomes pregnant and is expecting from now until the end of July, we'd love to feature her on our show. Also, if you know of any other dog breeders who might be interested and has puppies due at any moment, feel free to pass along our contact information. Thank you in advance.

Here are some video clips from prior episodes for you to preview:

<http://animal.discovery.com/tv/too-cute-kittens/>

Best,

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From: HoustonCombined@yahooogroups.com on behalf of Jeanine Wright [gspfriend2@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, June 22, 2012 6:06 PM
To: HCS email group
Cc: BJ Kolb; Melinda Giles Meyer
Subject: [HoustonCombined] stewards

It's that time of year again, stewards are needed for obed & rally for clubs that are having these events. We need at least 2 from each club & this is minimal for these events to continue. Even if an exhibitor is showing, they can help in classes they are now showing in. If your speciality is not at the same time, pls offer to help in obedience, no experience is needed. There will be experienced people available to give you direction.

There will be 3 rings, 2 for obedience & 1 for rally.

We will need to have stewards lined up by Wed, July 18 & assignments made.

Even a portion of the time is helpful but we need at least 3 stewards in each obedience ring for the entire event & at least 4 in rally.

Thanks Jeanine Wright, 281 656 2072

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