

The Lost Coast HOWLER

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Next meeting: Tuesday, September 20th at the the Adorni Center

(Address is at bottom of page)

Join Us!
Everyone is welcome!
BOARD MEETING
6:30 PM
REGULAR MEETING
7:00 PM

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month, alternating between the Adorni Center in Eureka 1011 Waterfront Drive, in odd numbered months and at The Clubhouse at The Meadows,

2520-90 Hubbard Lane, Eureka in even numbered months.

No meeting in December.

President's Corner

As we move in to Fall, we won't be exactly hibernating. Although our biggest events are done for 2016, there is still a lot to do and to look forward to. The Farm Store Pet Fair is coming up very quickly. If you have some time on September 24, join us at the LCKC booth. It's a chance to spend time with your fellow club members and mix with the larger community of dog lovers here in Humboldt County. And the annual club dinner is also coming up soon, October 13. Stay tuned for details.

In November, you are going to be asked to vote for President... twice; once at the polls on November 8 and then again at the LCKC meeting one week later on November 15. Your nominating committee of Emily Dalton, Cathlyn Wright and Jill Otto are busily working to provide you with a slate of officers. Nominations will close at the end of our upcoming October meeting. No nominations can be accepted after that. Please let a member of the Nominating Committee know if you would like to nominate someone (with their permission, of course) or if you yourself are willing to serve.

One of our major discussions at this month's meeting will be the debriefing on our Agility Trial. Do you have any thoughts on what you would change or what we could be doing better? This discussion is important to help us keep improving our events. One decision we will need to make this time is whether or not to keep our trial Saturday through Monday or change it to Friday through Sunday... or maybe even change to a 4-day trial Friday-Monday. Come help us make that decision.

Our September meeting is 9/20 at the Adorni Center with the Board meeting at 6:30pm (all are welcome) followed by the membership meeting at 7:00 pm. Be there or be square.

Thanks Sara Borok for these pics from the August Barn Hunt at Redwood Acres







Have you heard?



From Beverly Morgan Lewis:

On September 4 at the Rogue Canine Agility trial in Medford, Oregon Pictsie finally finished her Open FAST title. Now she is in Excellent classes across the board and she and Druid are competing on all the same courses. Fewer courses for me to memorize!!!

From Tina Moulton:

"Bisous" Jo-Na-Da's Black Cat Kisses at Rovente was Winners Bitch for two points under judge Gabriela Viega at the Mensona Kennel Club show from the 9-12 puppy class.

The judge was very complimentary. She also earned Owner Handler Best of Breed.



From Emily Dalton:

I am proud to report that Maya is now titled in Open Jumpers





A new attraction we are looking at for 2017!



PEE WEE CLASS SPECIAL ATTRACTION **Procedures and Guidelines**

A Club must submit a Special Attractions Form (http://images.akc.org/pdf/mespl2.pdf) to conduct the Pee Wee Class Special Attraction. The request must be approved by the Event Operations department.

The Pee Wee Special Attraction is a pre-Junior Showmanship class. The Pee Wee class is geared toward children 5–9 years of age. Safety is a primary concern.

Each Pee Wee unit consists of the child, his/her parent/guardian/responsible adult, and the dog. Only one Pee Wee unit is in the ring at a time. This is not a competitive class, but rather a fun, learning experience for the child and the adult.

At an All-Breed Event the judge must be an AKC approved All Breed Junior Showmanship Judge. A Group Club or Specialty Club may have a Limited Status Junior Showmanship Judge that meets the criteria. The Judge MUST like children, be patient, kind, and have a sense of humor!

This Special Attraction must be listed as such in the premium list and in any public announcements which will include the following information:

- A dog must be at least four months of age to enter the Pee Wee class.
- Bitches in season will not be allowed to participate. If pre-entered, a dog may be substituted that meets the eligibility requirements as specified by the club.
- All dogs entered must have the proper lead and collar.
- A responsible adult must be present with the child both inside and outside the ring. The adult is to maintain control of the dog outside of the ring.
- At a Group or Specialty Club Show the dogs must be of the breed(s) eligible for the event.
- At an All-Breed event, all AKC fully recognized and Miscellaneous Class breeds must be allowed to enter, including dogs with a PAL listing.
- At an All-Breed event, it is up to the host club to decide if FSS breeds not in the Miscellaneous Class and All-American dogs are allowed to enter.
- It is up to the host club to decide if a dog must be registered to participate.
- How entries will be accepted is up to the host club. In addition to an entry, a release must be signed by the child's parent or legal guardian. Please contact Event Operations at eventplans@akc.org to request the current version of the Pee Wee Release of Liability.
- The entry fee, if any, shall be specified.
- Clubs may specify a limit on the number of children allowed to enter the class.
- Clubs must submit a summary report to AKC including number of entries and feedback to the Sport Services Department.

The safety of both the dogs and Juniors inside and outside the ring is a primary concern. Outside of the ring, the dog is to be controlled by the adult accompanying the child. An additional lead, provided by the Club, will be at the Judge's table. At the Judge's discretion based upon the size of the child and the dog,

for safety purposes the adult may be asked to attach a second lead to the dog so both child and adult will walk the dog together.

It is essential that the club hosting this Special Attraction provide the support and time to greet the participants and make them feel welcome and be able to answer any question that may arise. There should be a minimum of three club members to assist participants, monitor the ring for safety, and one may act as the steward. Club members must be patient, pleasant, and willing to dedicate as much time as needed to create a pleasant experience for the young Junior and his/her adult. This is vital to the success of this program.

Each of these club members assisting should make themselves familiar with the Junior Showmanship Conformation Regulations, Guidelines for Judging Juniors in Conformation, Juniors in Performance Event Regulations booklet. It is recommended that these Regulations be available to those junior entrants at the show along with the Pee Wee class procedures and guidelines. (The club may download the PDF of the booklet or order from the Order Desk.)

Although the word "judge" will be used, this is designed to be a learning and mentoring experience—no Junior will be "judged" but rather will be mentored with the age-appropriate amount of information to help prepare them for what they will be expected to know about AKC regular Junior Showmanship once they reach 9 years of age. Obviously, the older children can absorb more detail than the younger ones. The children will be mentored one child, their adult, and dog in the ring at a time. Each child will receive a participation ribbon or rosette to commemorate the experience. The club may select the color of the ribbon and may wish to add a small gift for the child or the dog to take home. It would be an added plus if the Judge were to be available for individual photographs with the show or club photographer which would serve as a memento and reminder to both the child and the adult of the fun experience and remind them to return again next year!

The Judge should explain the process of showing the dog to the Junior and the responsible adult in the ring including breed specific presentation. Depending on the size of the dog and the child, the adult may be asked to lift a table breed on or off the table, or the Club may mandate that the adult should do it regardless. Neither the youngster nor the adult should be asked to show the bite.

Consider either holding the Pee Wee Special Attraction at lunchtime, which would give the child and the responsible adult time to get to the show; or the Club may wish to schedule this before the groups, when rings may be available. It is important to maximize spectator attendance as this is a huge crowd pleaser! Ideally, a designated ring for this Special Attraction would allow more time for one-on-one mentoring for each child and adult. If that is not possible, then a ring that is vacant, preferably centrally located (perhaps near the Club tent) for maximum viewing by the greatest audience.

Some clubs offer a pizza party or cake in a separate location after the classes are over for the children and adults to make new friends and share this new common interest.

Minutes of the Lost Coast Kennel Club August 16, 2016, at the Meadows, Eureka

BOARD MEETING: Called to order by President Beverly Morgan Lewis at 6:33 p.m.

Present: Sara Borok, Emily Dalton, Susan Dean, Beverly Morgan Lewis, Jill Otto, Kris Smith, Deb Tull, Cathy Wright.

Minutes of the Last Board Meeting: Approved as published.

Report of the Treasurer: Susan distributed the Treasurer's Reports. She has mailed our charitable donation checks, each with a letter. Discussion of getting an 'additional insured" for Redwood Acres for the January Obedience and Barn Hunt events. The show only made about \$4.

Unfinished Business:

- Arcata Police Dept K9 equipment request: They may still need funds; HumDOG is giving \$300.
- Event Committee: Has responded to AKC's request for clarification of questions.
- Annual Dinner will discuss at the regular meeting.
- Letter to the HumCo Fairgrounds regarding their use of unsecured rat poison has been signed.

New Business: We need a Nominating Committee; and a candidate for President.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:58p.m.

REGULAR MEETING: Called to order by President Beverly Morgan Lewis at 6:59 p.m.

Present: All of the above Shirley Groom.

Minutes of the last meeting: Approved with the following correction: Change "Sunday" to Monday" in the Agility/Barn Hunt section under set up and take down..

Report of the President: Big thank-you to all who helped at the Agility Trials and Barn Hunt, with special thanks to the "core four" – Deb St Myers, Chris Irvin, Marlene Jurkovich, and Irene Hetrick. It was pointed out that Beverly should be included.

Report of the Secretary: Mail: Thank you note from: the Warrens of MyDogPhoto with a check for \$150, Companion Animal Foundation, Guide Dogs for the Blind, Hospice of Humboldt Co, Humboldt County Fair (with 4 VP fair passes).

Report of the Treasurer: Reports were distributed. Preliminary show report says we made \$4.90, plus the \$150 from the Warrens. We had no income from trophy sponsors this year because the list of trophies did not get recorded by MBF and so were not in the premium list. They listed cash in the amount of the trophy sponsorship, so it all went to exhibitors. Cathy had a loss from the Barn Hunt, and needs to submit a reimbursement form, which will be uploaded to the Yahoo Group files.

Report of the Committees:

Ring Practice: Nothing new.

Newsletter: Tina was congratulated on a nice double issue.

Website and Yahoo group: The 2017 dates are up. Will be adding new members.

Membership: Nothing new this month.

B-OB Show: Wrap up of 2016 Show: Emily shared a Thank You note from judge Diane Malenfant. She shared some of the statistics from MB-F regarding the entry. We went through MB-F's questionnaire, and answered all positively except for the handling of the trophy list, which did not make it into the premium list.

Suggestions for next year:

- Designate parking spaces for judges.
- We should have the same start time every day.
- There should be rosettes for Owner Handler Group instead of just flat ribbons.
- We should do Owner Handler and Puppy Groups again.
- There should be a handler van area.
- Take the reference to the Bandon shows off the premium list and catalog, since they are no longer the next weekend.
- Raffle (see attached report): Some suggestions are draw the local gift certificates on Saturday so out-of-towners can use them; have higher priced tickets for the big items; try a 50/50 raffle (takes a lot of labor); try live and silent auctions (the group felt these were better for specialties, not regular all-breed shows).

Shirley will type up a list of donors, and Cathy and Sara will put them in the Journal, because the raffle letter promised a public thanks for donors.

Thoughts about 2017 Show: Cathy would like to try:

- Foundation Stock show within our show will need someone to be in charge of it.
- Pee Wee class for young handlers, 5-9 years old. Emily's practice will sponsor it.
- Coursing Ability Test: Discussion of who would do it, the IW Club? Terry Burchett doesn't want to do it, but we could ask him to work with someone else to do the paperwork, etc. Perhaps a CAT on one day and a Fun Run on the other. Discussion of whether we should ask for a percentage of the take from the Fun Runs.
- We need one more judge suggestions were offered.

Agility Trial/Barn Hunt: Preliminary comments

The groundsman wanted a T-Shirt – Deb L will deliver one.

- Date change? Our dates have been coordinated with Medford, but they lost their dates, so that is no longer a consideration. Discussion of changing to a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday format instead of Saturday, Sunday, and Monday. Beverly will ask agility folks on Facebook.
- The ribbon and clothing inventory binder will be put in the shed.
- Barn Hunt: The paid workers really helped, but they were expensive.

January Obedience Trials and Barn Hunt:

Secretary will be Debby Best; Megan will be coming. The Secretary can show. The judges will be arranged soon. We need an "additional insured" for Redwood Acres. The cost for the facilities will be \$600. A new premium is needed for Lori's website. Election of New Members: The following were elected to membership: Alan Wilkinson of McKinleyville, and Teri Cuzetto of Gresham, Oregon.

Unfinished Business:

- Woofstock was held on August 13. Thanks to Sara, Jill, Emily, Marilyn, and Tina. We need more participation for the booth. We should have photos up of companion events.
- APD K9 Request: We gave, \$500, HumDOG gave \$300 Kris will see if they need more.
- Event Committee: See above. The whole history was explained.
- Annual Dinner: We have been going to Banana Hut on Cancer Awareness night, but we want to try something different. MSAC to have the annual dinner this year on October 13 at Chapala's.
- The Board has signed the letter to the Fairgrounds objecting to the use of unsecured rat poison.
- The Farm Store Pet fair will be September 24. Sara will put together two raffle baskets.

New Business:

- A Nominating Committee must be seated by next month to name a slate of officers and Board members for 2017. We need a new President. Emily Dalton, Cathy Wright, and Jill Otto volunteered to be the Nominating Committee.
- Jill said that the Companion Animal Foundation is using our donation for a CPR dog dummy. They have volunteered to bring it for a demonstration and talk.
- Emily will research the conference room at Hospice of Humboldt as a possibility for our meetings.

Announcements: The LCKC logo tote bags were brought for sale to members.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary