

# The Lost Coast HOWLER

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#### LCKC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Sara Borok Deb St. Myers Emily Dalton

#### Next meeting: <u>Tuesday, August 18th</u> at the The Clubhouse at The Meadows

(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

Well, we did it. Only three weeks after pulling off a thoroughly successful conformation show and obedience and rally trials, we put together another successful agility trial and barn hunt. Our numbers were down a smidge this year, which gave us an opportunity to try out a new class called Premier. One of the big differences with the Premier class is that the courses can be more technical, with more European-style handling challenges presented to the exhibitors. We had a good entry for both Standard and Jumpers Premier classes, so we'll be watching to see where this Premier adventure takes the AKC agility community. I am so grateful to our very involved members who come out and support the events and work at the trials and tests, even if they are not themselves competing. Our core workers went above and beyond. I hate to start naming names at the risk of leaving anyone out. But this year I'd like to single out Marlene Jurkovich and Chris Irvin for all they did to make sure our event was a great experience. We had beautiful weather, great courses and the best dogs and people you could ask for. We had a great turn out of local handlers, and I'm thrilled at how many people came from far and wide to do this great sport with us. I don't think it gets any better than getting to spend the weekend with friends while playing with your dogs.

Our Barn Hunt filled on Saturday, but some of the folks that couldn't get in on Saturday were able to participate in the Friday fun test and got in to the test on Sunday. While I was happy to see a large local entry, the filled entry on Saturday is testament to the fact that we drew from out of the area. A special thank you to Patty Mendes and her crew for pulling off a great event.

We will be doing a full debriefing of the June conformation show and obedience and rally trials at our August meeting. We'll then be doing the debriefing of the July agility trial and barn hunt at the September meeting. It's important that if you have feedback or input on any of these events, that you come to the meeting and share your thoughts. If it is impossible for you to attend the meeting, then please send your written comments to one of us to bring to the meeting.

The August 18<sup>th</sup> meeting is at the Clubhouse at the Meadows. The Board meets at 6:30 and everyone is welcome. The general meeting starts at 7:00. Be there or be square. Please be sure to drive past the Clubhouse before you begin looking for a parking place.

Beverly

# Club Activities



# Woofstock



# Our Condolences

### From Deb St. Myers:

Is Nosework an activity you would like to know more about? Would you be interested in attending a day or two of nosework activities? Please contact Deb St.Myers if so. Would like to bring a qualified person up to offer a weekend of nosework study in the Spring. Email Deb at deishavoo@icloud.com if interested.





We offer our condolences to Deb St. Myers at the loss of her little singleton, Kep. Breeding is complex and challenging. After all the difficult and involved considerations that go into the decision to breed, to then lose that cherished little life is heartbreaking.



Have you heard?

# Wonderful feedback for our agility trials:

Hi Beverly and all the members of the Lost Coast Kennel Club. I want to thank you all for such a wonderful weekend in your lovely town! I crew chief for Abba Dog trials many, many times over the year and want to tell you all what a pleasure working for your club was. So many of your locals, members, non-members, first time competitors and experienced weekend warriors stepped up and manned the rings, making my job of volunteer coordinator a pleasure!

Add to that the perfect weather and the great location, it truly was a great trial!

Thank you, thank you, THANK YOU Beverly and all the members of the Lost Coast KC.

Pat White

# From Kris and Bayard Smith :

Best Opposite at the Scottish Deerhound Club of America Western Specialty in Lompoc on July 24 in Lompoc, and then Select at the supported entry the next day.

At lure coursing, he was beaten by a hot new runner who will be the next big coursing hound in California.

Eight and a half year old Tillie managed a third place in the open stakes.



Have you heard?

# From Tricia Morgan:

Austin finished his RE at the LCKC show in June!





# **From Tina Moulton:**

Our Madonna got her first taste of barn hunting in Ferndale last month. She passed her Instinct test easily, but Novice was another story. She decided she would hold a show stack for the better part of two minutes. Much more practice is needed. She did not seem to be a fan of jumping on hay bales. We will keep at it, though.

### From Sara Borok:

Karma and Hildy winning legs in Barn Hunt in Ferndale!



Agility Trials



Above series of Emily and Maya photos by Terry Tuttle Photography. You can see more photos by Terry at <u>http://www.photographybyterrytuttle.com</u>

Following photos by Emily Dalton





**Agility** Trials













Top 4 photos by Tina Moulton Bottom 4 photos by Debra Tull



















#### Thanks to Sandra Gould for sharing this important info:

#### Minutes of the Lost Coast Kennel Club July 21, 2015 at The Adorni Center, Eureka

BOARD MEETING: Called to order by President Beverly Morgan Lewis at 6:40 p.m.

Present: Sara Borok, Beverly Morgan Lewis, Jill Otto, Kris Smith, Deb St Myers, and guest Judy Nielson.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: Approved as published.

<u>Report of the Treasurer:</u> Sandra was not present. Preliminary show/obedience revenue and expenses were discussed, but we need a more detailed report to come to any conclusions.

Unfinished Business:

Trinity Co. Police Dog: Nothing new.

- Riding mower: The transfer has been finalized, the treasurer should track the monthly payments from the buyer.

New Business:

- Trailer storage:
  - Nick Mendes doesn't want to store the LCKC trailer over the winter, plus we will need it in January. It is currently at the Smiths' in McKinleyville, and can stay there indefinitely. Board will recommend to the membership to give the Mendes' a gift card in the amount of \$500 as a thank you for storing the trailer for 10+ years.
  - The agility trailer is at Miranda's Rescue; they have asked for a donation toward wine and cheese for their fundraiser. We have not donated for a few years. Board will recommend to the membership to donate \$200.
- HUMDog spay neuter raffle at the August agility trial: Board will recommend to the membership to donate (2) \$25 gift certificates.

- Humboldt County Fair Sponsor form: Sara will find out if our March donation applies for fair sponsorship (it did last year). The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

#### **REGULAR MEETING:** Called to order by President Beverly Morgan Lewis at 7:05 p.m.

Present: All of the above plus Emily Dalton, Shirley Groom, Chris Irvin, Tina Moulton, Kathy Sobilo, Debbie Tull.

Minutes of the last meeting: Approved as corrected (under B/OB, filling in, change "flowers" to "trophies").

Report of the President:

- Beverly thanked everybody for their work on the show, said everything came together well. The show report will be in August.
- She thanked everyone for their part in making the agility trial a success. Entries were down a little, probably because, due to a conflict between the AKC calendar and fair calendars, we were not the weekend before Medford this year. Expenses were roughly the same. The hired help was a success, and the Barn Hunt was a big success. The Agility report will be in September. Leftover chocolate bars will be sold at Woofstock. (Pause while members bought some.)

<u>Report of the Secretary:</u> Mail: Insurance renewal, bank statement, Ferndale Chamber of Commerce renewal, thank-you and a check from the Cooks, Fair sponsor form, payment for mower, info for Woofstock.

Report of the Treasurer: Sandra was not present, Beverly reported that the show probably made about \$2000.

Report of the Committees:

Ring Practice: Nothing new.

**Newsletter**: Tina was congratulated on another nice issue. Next issue will be the Agility Trial. She will try to get photos from the Barn Hunt.

Website: Everything is up to date.

Yahoo List: Up to date with new members.

B-OB Show: We will ask Sandra for a show report comparing 2015 with 2014.

Reflections on the show: Emily said it went well, and to send her suggestions for next month's report. We need a bathroom monitor to keep them supplied and tidy. Things to consider: Do we want to offer Owner/Handler and Puppy Groups? Discussion of potential motels for next year – Best Western, Victorian Inn, Bear River. We need to clarify how we want to split the parking fees. Vendors did well; offering raffle tickets for purchases probably helped. The judges liked the food (hot, cold, and healthy choices).

Agility Trial/Barn Hunt: Beverly led the preliminary discussion, including:

- Agility entries were slightly down, probably because we were not the weekend before Medford this year.
- The Barn Hunt was way up in entries. We need to be mindful to offer the same things to barn hunt exhibitors and staff as we do for trial participants.
- There were more complaints this year. Most were minor. One had to do with rudeness to exhibitors by the trial secretary.
- T-shirts (applies to the show as well): Next year we need Larges and Extra Larges, and some XXL, no more smalls and no new colors. There was a suggestion to use one of our members as the shirt vendor.
- We take care of our workers, and they respond with good work and entries big novice entry this year.
- The days were very long. Discussion of how to reduce time. No conclusion.
- The hired workers were expensive but worth it.
- Canopies: The new pop ups are not holding up to the wind, the fabric is not strong enough and the stress points are not reinforced. We will keep the old ones.

- While she was here, the trial secretary checked out Redwood Acres for the January trial and approves. She needs to get entry info up on her website.

<u>Election of New Members</u>: Joyce Maire of Fortuna and Jennifer Eichstedt of McKinleyville were accepted for membership. <u>Unfinished Business</u>:

- Woofstock: August 8, \$25 booth fee, \$5 entry fee (we get 2 entries). Sara will go.

- Farm Store Pet Fair: September 26. Sara will put together a raffle basket, mostly from what we have.

New Business:

- MSAC to donate (2) \$25 gift cards (face value) to the HUMDog spay neuter fund at the CPE trial.
- MSAC to give Nick and Patty Mendes a \$500 gift card as a thank you for storing the LCKC trailer for 10+ years.
- MSAC to donate \$500 to Miranda's Rescue with thanks for storing our trailer. Wording something like: "hope this will help you have a successful event, and thank you for storing our trailer..." Chris will do this.
- Nick had suggested a donation to the Frontier workers for putting up our welcome sign, so they were given a \$50 gift certificate to Ferndale Pizza.
- Chris Irvin pointed out that we will eventually have to look at replacing the agility trailer.

#### Announcements: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary