



The Lost Coast Howler

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JOIN US!

Meetings are held online &
sometimes in person
the 3rd Tuesday of each month

Everyone is welcome!

BOARD MEETING 6:30 PM

REGULAR MEETING 7:00 PM

Hi all,

**Just a reminder that LCKC dues for 2023
are due no later than March 1st.**

**After that, you would have to re-apply for
membership in the club.**

Thank you to all who have already renewed.

We really appreciate your continued interest in LCKC.

-Jill Otto, CKC Treasurer

Dues can be mailed to:

LCKC

PO Box 6808

Eureka, CA 95502

Or you can send via PayPal to

paylckc@gmail.com

or use one of these links:

For individual membership

[PayPal.me/lostcoastkc/15](https://www.paypal.com/lostcoastkc/15)

For household/family

[PayPal.me/lostcoastkc/25](https://www.paypal.com/lostcoastkc/25)

Please make sure you add a memo that the payment is for dues.

We appreciate getting the renewal forms sent back too.

If you prefer a PayPal invoice be sent to you, let me know

- don't reply all here please.

Send a message to me at lostcoastkc@gmail.com

Thanks,

Tina Moulton

Membership

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Happy Birthday to all our February dogs and people.

The importance of volunteers has been a subject of conversation lately.

The foundation of any club or organization is its volunteers.

Lost Coast Kennel Club is no exception.

The monetary value of the hourly rate of a volunteer is now \$29.95/hour.

In the volunteer world that represents one huge lot of money to leverage for in-kind worth.

In this regard we are really fortunate.

I am curious to know how many hours a year we collectively donate.

Since we are a not for profit entity, I am curious what special grant moneys are out there for use.

In-kind volunteer hours act as virtual money to offset grants that require matching funds. The

emergency trailer comes to mind. All we have to do is keep track with dates, time used and

persons participating, a volunteer log of sorts. That knowledge can be leveraged in a grant

application.

One thing I really like about the Lost Coast Kennel Club organization is how we are rewarded. I

love the Volunteer Appreciation Party at the end of the year. I love how we work on feeding the

Volunteers at our club events. Could we do better? Probably. Will we do better? Of course, it is

how we roll.

As a Volunteer what do you need?

1. Value the role of Volunteers. Ask for input

2. Track Volunteer hours

3. Find ways to show appreciation

4. Don't wait to start asking for help

5. Inquire more than once

6. Start small by asking previous Volunteers at events

7. Talk to people directly

8. Be specific. Let Volunteers know exactly what they'll be doing. Train them beforehand.

9. Show enthusiasm. Explain the importance. Let Volunteers know their efforts directly impact others

10. Follow up after the event. What went well? What could work better?

Let's pitch in this year. An hour here or there makes the load lighter.

Onward to our dogs shows in 2023.

I am so excited.

Deb Lake

LCKC President



MINUTES OF THE LOST COAST KENNEL CLUB January 17, 2023, Zoom/Adorni Center

BOARD MEETING

The Board meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 6:34 p.m.

Present: Board members: Marilyn Cottrell, Deb Lake, Jill Otto, Kris Smith, Deb Tull.

Non Board members: Bill Clawson, Susan Hutchison, Kimber Gradin, Tina Moulton, Sherry Pavlich, Beth Rogers.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the November 15, 2022 Board meeting were approved as published (Jill/Deb T).

Report of the Treasurer: Jill presented the attached Treasurer's Report, as prepared by Jill and Andrea. **MSAC (Marilyn/Deb T) to approve the Treasurer's Report.** Tina will check with Andrea to see who has paid dues.

Unfinished Business:

- By Laws – The new/continued committee will be Jill, Tina, Kris, and Marilyn, chaired by Kris.

New Business:

- Volunteer organization person – We need someone to organize volunteers for each event – will discuss at the regular meeting.
- Annual awards program – Deb L introduced the idea of an awards program for the holiday party to recognize members' achievements with their dogs. Will discuss at the regular meeting.
- 101 Show Chair/Club growth zoom meeting – AKC show mentor will do an hour and a half meeting with us about putting on a show, for chairs and others interesting in learning how it works. We need to pick some dates.
- AKC fitness program – Individuals and their dogs log their walking to earn titles. It's not overseen by the Club, but we can help organize walks (like Beth has been doing), and maximize opportunities.
- Marilyn pointed out that the donor letter for the raffle at the shows names all our events, not just showing, so it should be a separate income category which is divided up between the events, not just go to showing. Discussion – The accounting for each event shows income and expense for that event, but all the income and expense comes into and out of the same checking account so profits from the raffle might end up supporting expenses of other events. Bill commented that the Club is required to and does maintain separate income and expense line items for each event to monitor which events are making or losing income, and that there is no "General Fund." Also, the Raffle is scheduled for a specific time (Month and Day) each year and for this year it is scheduled for the Conformation Show in July, but we could schedule additional Raffle fundraisers for the other events if the Club wishes to. The current method of including raffle proceeds in show income just shows where it was generated. The donation letter can be looked at to see if it needs adjusting. Agreement to look at keeping raffle income separate.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING:

The Regular meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 7:07 pm.

Present: All of the above plus Beverly Chang, Teresa Chase, Daniel Frederick, Adrienne Quiros, Debra St Myers, Jocelyn Tipple, Berti Welty, and applicant Amber Boyd.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the November 15, 2022 Regular meeting were approved as published. (Jill/Tina)

Report of the President: New President Debra Lake introduced herself, and talked about the organizing the meetings and agendas, and protocols for the Zoom component. Teresa suggested that when we talk, we say our name and the name of our dog.

Report of the Secretary: Mail received: Membership renewals; thank-you cards from HumDOG, Guide Dogs for the Blind Eureka Puppy Raisers, Friends for Life; the usual catalogs and promotional mail; the invitation from the Fair for the Annual Director's Dinner. Kris will contact Patty about that. Discussion of mail handling protocol. Andrea will pick it up and consult with Jill, Kris will pick up what needs filing.

Report of the Treasurer: Jill presented the attached Treasurer's Report.

Report of Committees: President Debra Lake seated chairs of committees as shown:

- ☐ Practice: Kris Smith - The following dates have been reserved at the Fairgrounds for practices:
 - March 12: FCAT and ring/SW practices
 - April 9: FCAT and ring/SW practices
 - May 7: FCAT and ring/SW practices
 - May 27: LCKC Scentwork trial and seminar. FCAT practice will be in the afternoon and open to SW attendees.
 - June 4: Ring practices only
 - June 11: FCAT and ring/SW practices
 - June 18: Ring/SW practices
 - June 25: FCAT and ring/SW practices.Barn Hunt practice will begin in May. Agility practice will no longer be conducted as part of LCKC. Jocelyn said she is willing to help with the onsite organization of practices.

☐ B-Ob Shows/Rally/FCAT 2023:

Shows: Tina Moulton - Tina said the MB-F contract is done and the Fairgrounds contract is coming. Show committee – Emily will do Judges Liaison, but we still need somebody to do Judges hospitality food on site, Beverly Chang will do vendors. Soroptimists will do day parking, Nick and Patty will do RVs. CC Catering was suggested for hospitality food. Judges are lined up and assignments are getting worked out. Trophy Sponsorships (Tina for Cathy) – if we get all trophies sponsored, we will have enough for the trophies and a cushion (about \$4K). Wants to do fudge again for some placings and gifts. Trophy sponsorship letters were handed out. We shouldn't be asking the same businesses for trophy sponsorship and raffle donations. Went over the list of previous business trophy sponsors. Sponsor fees: BIS/OHBIS (+Reserve) - \$125, All Groups - \$65, Rally HIT - \$65. If you send in money be sure to put in the memo exactly what it is for. The group agreed to use the Chocolate Fudge Box for Groups 1-4. We need another ramp so we can have one inside and two outside. **Motion made and seconded to look into the purchase of a show ramp, to spend up to \$1200 (Jill/Jocelyn).** Vote will take place at the February meeting. Raffle – Marilyn will head it up again this year (thank you!) and would like an assistant. Susan will help.

Rally/Obedience: Sara Borok - Sara said she has one judge, Carl Lentz, and is working on finding the second.

FastCAT: Deb Tull - (Both weekends) Nothing to report about the Tests. She shared a design approved by the FastCAT participants to put on LCKC FastCAT t-shirts to identify personnel, from Bonfire (part of the proceeds get donated to a designated non profit), to be bought by individuals. Discussion followed about whether these would be strictly for identifying volunteers (that would mean wearing the same shirt all days in all weather), or available to others. Should these be for general support or just for workers on the shift they are working? Perhaps other ways of identifying workers (vests) could be used. Concern was expressed that having shirts for one event singles that out over our other events, and encourages members to only support some events. No decision was made. Tina encouraged FCAT members to help with other events.

Agility Trial/Barn Hunt/FCAT 2023:

Agility: Beverly Morgan Lewis - Nothing new to report about the trials.

Barn Hunt: Susan Hutchison - Susan said she has contacted Janet and Terry from Dog Sports, who were at our event last year, and they provided a list of what they can provide. Also looking into a few other possibilities.

FastCAT: see above.

Scent Work Trials 2023: Susan Hutchison and Marilyn Cottrell) – The committee has had its first meeting. Date will be Labor Day weekend, Sept 2 - 4 at Cutten Elementary School. The contract has been submitted and approved. There will be a limit of 10 dry camping RV spots. The school will charge the club \$100 for having the RVs. The club will charge participants \$25/night. Still working on a Secretary. Have three judges so far. Sara will do the volunteer drawing. Need someone to do hospitality. Hoping to get a fencing donation for line-of-sight instead of the canopies.

Spring Scent Work Trial and Seminar: Deb St Myers - May 27/28 at the Ferndale Fairgrounds. Deb said the AKC application is in for the trial and the Fairgrounds have been paid. They will have a meeting before the next club meeting.

Newsletter: Emily Dalton - Emily not present. Send news to lckcnews75@gmail.com, not her personal email.

Website: Tina Moulton - Tina said the new website has been updated - events, officers, club status, calendar.

Email/Chat Group: Tina Moulton – Tina reminded members that you can reply to sender only so you don't have to reply to the whole group.

Membership: Tina Moulton – Please renew by the end of February, otherwise you will have to reapply.

Bylaws Committee: Kris Smith – New committee is Kris, Jill, Tina, and Marilyn.

Election of New Members: The following applicants were elected to membership: Kyomi Bird and Rosalind Hussong of Eureka, and Amber Boyd (Langford) of Fortuna. Daniel Frederick of Laytonville was reinstated to membership. One application still pending needing a sponsor or to attend a meeting will have his fee refunded.

Unfinished Business:

- Annual donations: Discussion about donating to Veterinary Care Foundation will happen when we look at 2023 donations.
- AKC Reunite Disaster Trailer – do we want to try to get one here? AKC would send one here, but roads may be impassable. It requires a considerable donation. Discussion but no decision.
- Dog trail ethics signs – Jocelyn said there’s nothing new, inquiries are in progress.

New Business:

- Volunteer organization person – each event needs a list and description of volunteer spots needed for the event, and an organizer to fill those spots and who can direct volunteers to their jobs on the day of the event. Sherry and Beth will help event organizers find a coordinator for their events.
- Annual awards program – do we want to have an awards program for the holiday party or picnic to recognize members’ achievements with their dogs? Members would submit their dogs’ achievements to get a club award. No decision.
- The batteries on our defibrillator need replacing. Deb SM will take care of it.
- Jill said the shed at the fairgrounds flooded in the heavy rains. She has requested that they redig the diversion ditch.

Announcements:

- Tina encouraged anyone who wants to designate our show as supported entry for a specific breed to get in contact with your breed club and get the request to Tina before the end of February.
- Redwood Agility Dogs (Beverly ML) will be starting new foundation classes in March at Redwood Acres.
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The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary

The Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Lecture Series continues on Wednesday, February 15 at 7:00 PM as a hybrid event, offered both in-person and on Zoom. This month’s speakers are presenting virtually, and the Zoo will host a watch party. Jennifer Hartman and Heath Smith will share about working with scent detection dogs on wildlife conservation projects in their talk entitled, “Working with Detection Dog Teams: A Wildlife Conservation Methodology.” The event begins with a Zoo update slideshow at 6:45 PM. The lecture starts promptly at 7:00 PM. Attendees are encouraged to ask the speaker questions after the presentation. The Conservation Lecture Series is sponsored by Papa & Barkley.

-Bertie

VINNIE, HILDY AND I GOT A SECOND PLACE AT THE SIERRA NEVADA DOG DRIVERS CHESTER DOG SLED RACE. VINNIE RAN IT LIKE A PRO! HE CHASED WHEN WE GOT PASSED , HE PASSED WHEN WE CAUGHT OTHER TEAMS AND HE WAS ABLE TO KEEP RUNNING RIGHT THROUGH A CROWD OF SPECTATORS.

SARA



**On February 4th some 19 people and 21 dogs strolled through Arcata Marsh. We walked about 3 miles. We also acknowledged World Galgo Day and made the local news. Fun was had by all.
Beth Rogers**





Toby is the new addition to our family
-Emily Dalton



For those of you wanting to start out in Scent Work.-Kris Smith

From: Steve Bettcher <steve@k9sniffers.com>

New Online Scent Work Classes Coming up Soon

Would you be kind enough to share this with your members?

New Online Scent Work Classes Coming Soon:

Online Novice Handler Discrimination

AKC Scent Work Handler Discrimination is a sport where the dog finds the handler's scent in a variety of settings and environments. Scent Work is a positive , challenging activity that allows dogs the opportunity to use their strongest natural sense..

Starting Thursday March 9, 2023 at 7 PM PST

7 Online Lessons for \$175

Online Novice Scent Work

“AKC Scent Work is a sport that is based on the task of working detection Dogs to locate a scent and communicate to the handler that the scent has been found. Detection is done in a variety of environments and often during changing conditions. Scent Work is a positive , challenging activity that allows dogs the opportunity to use their strongest natural sense...” AKC Rules Chapter 1

Starting Wednesday March 8, 2023 at 7 PM PST

7 Online Lessons for \$175

Steve Bettcher is an approved Scent Work Trainer at The San Lorenzo Dog Training Club in San Leandro, CA and an AKC Scent Work Provisional Judge. This online Novice Scent Dog Training class will prepare students to compete in the AKC Scent Work Novice Division.

Steve Bettcher
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Angela and
Missy
-Patty Mendez



Membership Renewal for 2023

(Club Year is January 1st to December 31st)

Thank you for renewing your membership in Lost Coast Kennel Club. To help us keep our records up to date, please fill out this form and return it with your check to LCKC Treasurer, P.O. Box 6808, Eureka, CA 95502. This form is fillable so you may complete and sign it without printing it out. You may pay via PayPal to paylckc@gmail.com. Please identify payment as 2023 membership renewal, then complete the renewal form and mail, or email to treasurer.lckc@gmail.com with the notation that you have paid via PayPal. If you are not able to print out the form or fill it out without printing, you may mail your check with the information asked for on the form, including your signature.

Name(s) _____

Phone _____

Mailing address _____
Street/PO Box City Zip Code

E-mail address _____

Type of Membership you are renewing:

- Regular (\$15)
Associate (15)
Junior (\$5)
Household (\$25)

Breed(s) _____

LCKC has a Breeder Referral person who keeps a list of members who are willing to talk to people about their breed. Would you be willing to be contacted for information about your breed? Yes No Are you a breeder? Yes No

I/we agree to continue to abide by the membership provisions of the Club's Bylaws and membership policies, and continue my consent to communicate with the Club electronically. All household members must sign.

Signature Date

Signature Date



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**TITLED IN EXCELLENT STANDARD AND IS NOW IN
MASTERS. SHE TOOK FIRST PLACE IN BOTH
STANDARD AND OPEN FAST
DEB ST.MYERS**