



The Lost Coast Howler

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Lost Coast Kennel Club

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JOIN US!

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

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

President's Message October 2023

Happy Birthday to our October born
two and four legged members, family and friends.
Volunteer hours for September as reported: 362 hours
Volunteer hours for the year as reported:

2742 hours, \$68,550 in kind value.

It is no secret that this part of being President of LCKC is my
personal difficulty. I mean writing the monthly message. What to
say, how to say it, what matters to the club and what matters to me
as LCKC President.

I agree with our Club Purpose: "To protect and advance all pure-
bred dogs, encourage sportsmanlike competition at AKC sanctioned
dog events, and to provide educational activities and exhibitions
concerning dog ownership, care, training, and recreation."

We have experts in our club at every skill and/or activity. Some are
out in the open. Some are reserved.

We have a wealth of untapped talent within our club's membership.

We have historical knowledge going back to the time before it was
called the Lost Coast Kennel Club. This club is evolving as any viable
organization should. This club is financially secure. It can accomplish
anything it sets its mind to do. Give our members the opportunity to
try new things. Take a chance. Expand our horizons.

Not everything our club does is about making money. Our Purpose,
as stated above, "is to provide educational activities and exhibitions
concerning dog ownership, care, training, and recreation."

Some of those activities and exhibitions will be financed for the dog
ownership, care, training and recreation.

Those willing to lead should have every opportunity to march forward.
Embrace the new. It is made from the old.

Oh, and one last thing, keep your dogs and pets safe this Halloween.

MINUTES OF THE LOST COAST KENNEL CLUB
September 19, 2023, Adorni Center, Eureka, and via Zoom
BOARD MEETING

The Board meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

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

Non Board members: Susan Hutchison, Mike Lake, Marlene Jurkovich, Tricia Morgan, Beth Rogers.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the August 15, 2023, Board meeting were approved as published. (Deb T/Marilyn))

Report of the Treasurer: Jill presented the attached Treasurer's Report. **MSAC (Marilyn/Kris) to approve the Treasurer's Report.** Discussion and clarification of some of the figures.

Unfinished Business:

- Incident Report Protocol. Kris presented the following draft: *If a person is injured during an event sponsored by Lost Coast Kennel Club, persons involved will fill out an AKC Incident Report Form. The Club will send it to the venue, for their information, and then will file it in Club records. If the injured party wishes to take action with the Club's insurance, the Incident Report will be then be available to the insurance company for information about the accident.* The Board recommends to the membership that this protocol be adopted.
- Investing money – shall we form a small committee? Beth (not a Board member but presenting with permission) said some members have been looking into this but are not present. Tabled until the next meeting.
- Agility equipment purchase final approval – Discussion of costs on the list of replacement equipment presented at the August meeting. Board recommends to the membership that the motion on the floor to spend up to \$7000 to replace obsolete and worn agility equipment be passed.
- Repair of the agility trailer – Marlene has submitted an estimate for repair from Mike Walker, at Mobile Diesel Repair, for up to \$3000, dependent on further damage discovered. It is currently stored at his location on West End Rd, Arcata. Patty suggested Brandon Phillips do a second estimate, hopefully in the next few days. Will revisit next month and look into possibilities of getting a new one. Current trailer is 6' x 18', and also needs new rims. It will have to be moved from its current location.
- Nomination Committee – By next month we need a slate of officers and board members to nominate for next year. Referred to the Regular meeting..

New Business:

- Donations – Vet care organization – October meeting.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:1 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING:

The Regular meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 7:10 pm.

Present: All of the above plus Sara Borok, Kim Gradin, Beverly Morgan Lewis, Suzi Martin, Deb St Myers, Cathy Wright.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the August 15, 2023 Regular meeting were approved as published. (Marilyn/Jill)

Report of the President: Deb Lake said that, after a year in this position, she likes where the club is going and the level of member participation. There were over 30 people at the Member Appreciation Picnic. Our finances look good.

Report of the Secretary: Kris said we received a notice from Hanover that they are closing the Cook claim. We got a thank you letter from the Gene Lucas Center for our participation in Dog Days, and a \$2500 donation check for HCSO's Reunite K9 purchase grant. Jill will pursue next steps with Linda. Also received – the usual requests for donations and catalogs. Welcome letters to new members were sent.

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

Report of Committees:

PRACTICES

Two practices are scheduled for FastCAT, conformation, obedience, rally, and scent work – September 24, and the next week, October 1, at the Ferndale Fairgrounds. Kim will set up a rally course. October 1 is also the HumDOG rummage sale. Marilyn will borrow some equipment.

B-OB SHOWS/RALLY/FastCAT 2024 (July 5-7):

Shows: Kris said all the contracts for judges are signed except one obedience judge. Happy with the panel, should draw entries. Eugene Blake, Gloria Kerr, Pat Trotter, Karen Day, Raymond Lariviere, Patricia Nemrovsky de Alsina, and Bonnie Lee (Obedience/rally). Discussion of contracting judges.

Rally/Obedience: Nothing yet.

FastCAT: Nothing yet.

AGILITY, BARN HUNT, FASTCAT 2023 (July 19-23):

Agility: Beverly said the new venue on the infield worked well, with better footing. There were concerns about having the events so close but it worked. Will do a similar scenario next year. It accommodated the vendors well. Question about RV fees – they are collected by Secretary (ABBA Dogs). Judges for 2024 – Mark Upshaw and Susan Leitner (who is judging Western agility this year). The course builders identified equipment needing to be replaced, which we are doing, and it will make participants happy. Will need to park the equipment trailer closer to the rings next year. Susan said better communication between Barn Hunt and Agility would be good so people know when the courses are being walked. There will be an update to Agility Gate, which should help.

Barn Hunt: Susan said everyone seemed to have a good time. Thank you to everyone who helped set up and take down. She will not be the Chair for Barn Hunt next year. Beverly Chang did a great job organizing volunteers. Sunnyside Dog Sports is holding our 2024 date. The location is good. Mike Lake volunteered to be the Barn Hunt Chair (Thank You!!). Susan and the Lakes will be doing BH practices next year.

Fast CAT: Deb T said the location of all three events worked well. There were some complaints about hauling stuff, but there was help with golf carts.

SCENTWORK TRIALS 2023 (September 2-4)

Susan said there was a nice turnout, lots of new titles and Qs. Marilyn had the volunteer positions worked out. Participants liked the judges, who are willing to come back. The SW Committee will meet soon to discuss changes for next year. Good volunteers for set up and clean up. Thank you cards and flowers were left for the teachers in rooms we used. The trial secretary can come back next year. The portable toilet people didn't pick up when stated on the contract. Hospitality – we'll purchase less next time. Thank you to club member participation. Marilyn thanked volunteers, said she tried to assign positions beforehand. There was some confusion at the gates. May be able to use Agility Gate next time. Deb SM said lots of school supplies were donated. The

photographer worked out well. Thank you to Sara for setting up the volunteer drawings.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC Wrap up – September 16, Bartow Field in Rohner Park, Fortuna. It was a wonderful event! Beth sent photos to Emily for the newsletter. It was a nice venue, food was great, games were fun, goodie bags were good. Thanks to the Committee. Thanks to Jill for putting together the goodie bags and checking everybody in, and to Kim and Kris for judging.

FIT DOG – Kim said the next walk might be at Clam Beach toward the end of November. Probably on a Saturday. Marilyn said that the Bark in the Park fundraiser is October 21.

NEWSLETTER: Newsletter will be out soon.

WEBSITE: Nothing new. Cathy said we could change Facebook from a business page to a group page and then members could post on it. Deb L said it's easy to restrict who is in the group.

CHAT GROUP: Nothing new

MEMBERSHIP: Nothing new

BYLAWS: Time to gather reference materials and distribute to committee. (Kris, Jill, Marilyn, Deb L)

Nominating Committee:

Three people needed to put together a slate of officers and board members for 2024 to present at the October meeting. Cathy will chair, will put it out on the i.o. group. A quick poll showed that probably all but one currently on the Board are willing to continue. Will put out a request for others who wish to run.

Election of New Members: Bobbie and Kurt Pires of Arcata were elected to a regular family membership.

Unfinished Business:

- Agility equipment replacement purchase – Vote on motion from last meeting. Board recommends passing the following motion, which was made and seconded at the September meeting: **“To spend up to \$7000 to replace worn and outdated agility equipment.” The motion was passed unanimously.**
- Agility trailer repairs – The Board recommends getting a second estimate on fixing the trailer. Deb SM suggested finding under cover storage for it. Commercial storage is too expensive.
- Annual donations – Done at the October meeting.
- AKC Reunite Emergency trailer committee – Deb L said there would be no financial cost to the club because we are showing with our in kind hours that we can do it. Humboldt County is not well prepared. The trailer would be managed by the local Sheriff's department. The closest trailer now is in Santa Rosa. Patty said we need to talk to HCSO first. Deb L and Jocelyn will be the committee.
- Put on Rally/Obedience at next year's Anderson show – Sara said it is mid-March, would involve a \$300 application fee, \$150 for 3 days for the space. May be able to use MB-F for Secretary. Will take 10 people to help put it on, and a judges fee. Cathy said MB-F should be asked before the club approves going ahead with this. Will update via groups.
- Dog Days of Summer wrap up – August 22, Gene Lucas Center in Fortuna. Everything went well, but room for improvement if we do it again.

New Business:

- Holiday Party – will discuss online.

Announcements: Patty said she had a conversation with the Cooks, and Vicky is doing well.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary

Hello Fellow Club Members,

It's that time to think about officers and board members for the upcoming year. We have a three member nominating committee which is Patty Mendes, Marilyn Cottrell, and myself.

If you wish to make a nomination for any officer or board position for Lost Coast Kennel Club please respond to me directly at cathlynwright@hotmail.com or phone 707-498-0706.

We will be taking nominations from now until and at the October 17th meeting.

Thanks,

Cathlyn Wright

**“RAYA” GCHB CH ROVENTE’S RAY OF LIGHT AT JO-NA-DA
December 26, 2012-October 11, 2023**

When I decided to breed my Madonna, all I hoped for was a little red girl in honor of my first Italian Greyhound “Reva”. Raya was that girl, born into my hands the day after Christmas. She was my dream dog – she did everything I asked of her and more. With limited showing, she took me all the way to the Top 20 and her AKC Bronze Grand Championship – accomplishments I never thought possible with me handling her. She was well on her way to her Silver Grand when Covid hit. She took Best of Breed over specials and earned her first major from the Bred By class her first time in the ring. Later in her career she enjoyed showing with my great niece handling her.

She loved traveling with me, we crossed the country several times by air and on the ground. She enjoyed staying in motels and hanging out with other dog friends. I couldn’t ask for a better travel companion. She was a hit wherever she went.

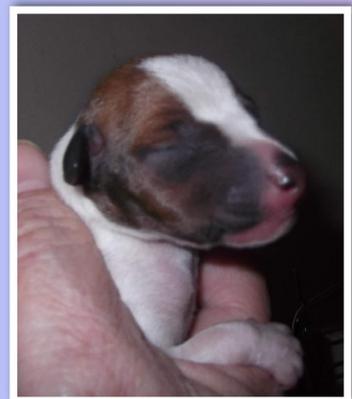
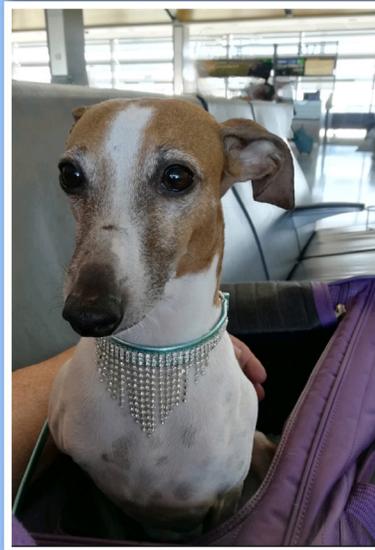
Raya was a wonderful ambassador for the breed, happy to meet new people at the local Dog Expo every year and the official greeter in my vendor booth.

At home, she was my lap buddy, always right there with me. When I lost my Wrapper she stepped up to help fill the void by taking over his spot next to me.

It was a great comfort. She was a kisser, even giving kisses to the vet staff. She was a happy, silly girl who was blessed to enjoy good health most of her life. Unfortunately kidney disease reared it’s ugly head this year, and things suddenly took a bad turn last week. Yesterday she let me know it was time.

She remained bonded with her mother Madonna and brother Riot – a family unit always with Madonna still cleaning her pups and Raya still nuzzling her mom and snarking with her brother.

Special thanks to my daughter Victoria, who was there when we welcomed Raya into the world and when we said goodbye.



with only one year of showing under his belt, Vinnie achieved #7 Lagotto owner handler for this year
-Sara Borok

2023 AKC National Owner-Handled Series Finalist

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*Based on the qualification period of
September 21, 2022 through September 20, 2023*



Jennie B. Spring
President and Chief Operating Officer



AGATE'S RED HOT ZINGER

"ZING" EARNED AT OUR ,LAST NATIONAL ASSOC. OF CANINE SCENTWORK ELITE TRIAL, HER ELITE 3 TITLE. THIS MEANS SHE IS 3/4 WAY TO HER SCENTWORK CHAMPIONSHIP.

THIS IS HER SPORT.

DEB ST.MYERS



**ST.ROCK'S VIVE A'GATA
"ZUZU" EARNED HER
ADVANCED INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR
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AND NOVICE BURIED TITLE AND
SCENTWORK NOVICE TITLE
AND
HIGH IN TRIAL ADVANCED LEVEL
AND
HIGH SCORING
ENGLISH COCKER SPANIEL
ALL AT THE ENGLISH COCKER SPANIEL
CLUB OF NORTHERN CA. LAST MONTH.
SHE IS JUST 1 YEARS OLD.
ONWARD TO MORE SNIFFING AND
AGILITY AND BREED RING.**