



The Lost Coast Howler

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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 2024
Debra Lake, President

Hello Lost Coast Kennel Club Members,

It is that time when I have to put pen to paper for my President's message to you.

I have had a conundrum about continuing to be your president. I did say I didn't want to do this job again. It is a personal concern. I felt defeated. I felt like I was not up to the level of performance I feel a president should provide.

I have had a month to think about it. I decided I will not be intimidated or bullied. I will not let any of you be bullied, either. Nor will I tolerate bullying.

So putting my own issues aside, I promise to do a better job for the LCKC.

The solid and wonderful people of LCKC helped me make that decision.

Sometimes my message waxes nostalgic. Today I am being open and vulnerable.

I welcome input. I make mistakes. I strive to improve.

Will you step up and stand up with the principles that I have listed below? I know you will make that choice if you want.

Paradoxical Commandments of Leadership

1. People are illogical, unreasonable and self-centered - Love them anyway.
2. If you do well, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives - Do well anyway.
3. If you are successful, you win false friends and true enemies - Succeed anyway.
4. The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow - Do good anyway.
5. Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable - Be honest and frank anyway.
6. The biggest people, with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest people with the smallest minds - Think big anyway.
7. People favor underdogs but only follow top dogs - Fight for a few underdogs anyway.
8. What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight - Build anyway.
9. People really need help, but may attack you if you do help them - Help them anyway.
10. Give the world the best you have and you may get kicked in the teeth. Give the world your best anyway.

I am forever grateful to you,

Deb Lake

President LCKC



MINUTES OF THE LOST COAST KENNEL CLUB

September 17, 2024, via Zoom

BOARD MEETING

The Board meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 6:33 p.m.

Present:

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

Non Board members: Ann Burroughs, Bill Clawson, Jessi Chiaudano, Janeann Erickson, Beverly Morgan Lewis, Tina Moulton, Beth Rogers, Cathy Wright.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the August 20, 2024, Board meeting were approved as published. (Marilyn/Michelle)

Report of the Treasurer: Kris **presented the attached summary of the treasurer's report for Jill, who was feeling ill. Jill added that our bookkeeper Andrea needs the event transaction sheets from every event chair in order to know how to enter expenses and income. Perhaps the blank forms could go up on the io group files section. MSAC to approve the Treasurer's report (Patty/Marilyn).**

Unfinished Business:

- Adorni Center 2025 – Due to drive time and difficulty of the drive during winter, and the success of attendance at the remote meetings, the Board will recommend to the membership that we go to all Zoom meetings for 2025.
- Upgrade of canopies – Discussion of going with multiple 10x10 pop ups, less weight and easier to handle. Beverly said the headroom is better in the 10x20s. Patty suggested putting the decision off until next year and see how are finances are. Tina said the research should be done before that. Beth said there is an Amazon Prime Day in October we could take advantage of. Cathy said they should be 10x20s, and we should get them before spring.

New Business:

- Agility Gate program for Scent Work Trials – Marilyn said using Agility Gate would make things run better. It needs 4 iPads, there are people who will loan some for the events. Would cost about \$600, plus a daily fee during use. The Scent Work Committee will bring a proposal to the Board at October's meeting.**
- Holiday Party – Jill said we need to get on the Fellowship Hall schedule if we want to do it there again. Discuss at regular meeting.**

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING:

The Regular meeting was called to order by President Debra Lake at 7:01 pm.

Present: All of the above plus Sara Borok, Kim Gradin, Susan Hutchison, Suzi Martin, Tricia Morgan, Kurt and Bobbi Pires, Deb St Myers, Berti Welty, Lauren Wendt.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the August 20, 2024, Regular meeting were approved as published, with the correction of “Team Challenge” to “Teen Challenge”. (Marilyn/Michelle).

Report of the President: Deb Lake said she took an ethics course from AKC as part of becoming a judge, which had to do with doing the right thing. We had a closed Board meeting having to do with an inappropriate post to

the i.o. group; action is pending.

Report of the Secretary: Kris said she sent a thank you note to the Cooks for their donation. Jill reported that we have received the policy for officers and directors insurance. The invoice will come later. Kris will not be at the October meeting, so Cathy will take minutes.

Report of the Treasurer: Kris **presented the attached summary of the treasurer's report for Jill. Our book-keeper Andrea needs the event transaction sheets from every event chair in order to know how to enter expenses and income. The Event Transaction Form will be put in in the i.o.group files.**

Report of Committees:

PRACTICES

Kris said there will be one more scheduled practice, for Fast CAT, at the Fairgrounds September 29. When asked if there will be more conformation practices before the Harvest Moon Cluster in Santa Rosa, Kris said if someone else would like to step up to do the physical part, she will send out the information. Barn Hunt practices at the Lakes' will start next spring. Susan said there might be Scent Work practice in a house if it becomes available.

B-OB SHOWS/RALLY/Fast CAT 2025:

Shows: Tina said the MB-F contract is signed. We need someone to step up to be Grounds Person, which involves a commitment for set-up day and all three show days. We have photos of what it should look like. It's a critical position – we can't have the shows without a grounds person. Patty said there is a new campground host. For the show, we take over the parking for the Fairgrounds. Show judges – we have two couples and one single, need 3 groups for one day, maybe provisionals. Tina would like to have someone step up to be co-chair/trainee for the shows.

Rally/Obedience: Sara said she is working on getting judges. Michelle Dostal will be taking over Rally/Obedience for 2025, a job she did for many years in the past. (Thank-you!) Sara will take over the raffle, which we didn't have this year. (Thank-you!)

Fast CAT: Deb T said applications will go in for both weekends soon, and we need names for positions to fill out the app. Question about comparing income between the two weekends – more entries on the show weekend.

Farm Dog: Tina said Beverly Chang will chair, and Jamye will be the Secretary. There is interest in adding AKC Fetch to the weekend. It would be low cost and would have a draw.

AGILITY, BARN HUNT, Fast CAT 2025:

Beverly ML asked how we can portion expenses that all events use at one cluster, like porta potties, for the purpose of determining expenses for each event. It varies, so chairs should decide how to proportion.

Agility: **Beverly ML said the contracts for the judges are done. She still needs someone to step up to co-chair with her and train to take over in a few years.**

Fast CAT: See comments from first weekend.

Barn Hunt: Deb L said the same people (Sunnyside Dog Sports) will do it. Judges would like to come back.

SCENT WORK TRIALS 2024 (Labor Day weekend August 31 – Sep 2):

Susan said the SW Committee will meet in a few days for a debriefing on how the trials went. We can't have the events without the wonderful volunteers to help set up, work the trials, take down, and wrap up. People want to come back and will be telling others about it. There were requests for expanded offerings. It was very close to full each day. We offered a discounted rate for people who signed up for multiple runs. The judges thought we could probably use the school again. Thank you to Vicke for keeping cost down for hospitality. Thank you to Sara for doing the volunteer drawing. There will be some purchases necessary for next year. Jill

said the qualifying rate was 63% for Saturday and 67% on Sunday. Deb SM said the missing ribbons were found in the shed.

MEMBERSHIP APPRECIATION PICNIC: September 21, Rohner Park, Bartow Field, Fortuna. 10 – 4. Coming right up! We're all ready for it, 39 RSVPs. Set up at 9, take down help will be needed as well. Jill is getting supplies, Beverly C and Sara are doing the volunteer drawing.

FIT DOG – Kimber said there is nothing planned right now. The Alzheimers Walk on October 19 welcomes dogs, so is a possibility.

NEWSLETTER: Emily is giving up the newsletter, so we will need a new newsletter editor in January.

WEBSITE: Tina said she is updating 2025 dates. No Rally/Obedience in Anderson this year.

CHAT GROUP: Almost everybody has joined. Discussion of number of members on the list.

MEMBERSHIP: Current list has been distributed. 2025 membership dues will be payable starting October, should be paid by January.

BYLAWS: Even though we are busy, now is the time we need to get going on this.

Election of New Members: **none**

Unfinished Business:

- Adorni Center rental for 2025 – Discussion about whether to keep our 4 hybrid meetings. Not many people come in person. Travel distance and difficulty in the winter are effecting many members. Maybe we should have one annual hybrid meeting? Needs more discussion. MSAC (Kris/Patty) to not renew our contract with the Adorni Center for a meeting room for 2025.**

New Business:

- Nomination and Election of officers and directors for 2025 – Need to form a committee which will ask current officers if they will continue and find nominees for vacant seats. Candidates will be announced at the October meeting, and nominations can be taken from the floor before the end of the regular meeting. Committee – Cathy Wright, Chair, Marilyn Cottrell, Jessi Chiaudano. Anyone who is interested in an officer or board position, email Cathy or Marilyn.**
- Agility Gate for Scent Work – Marilyn said it is hard to continue at the present level or expand without it. The Committee will bring a proposal to the next meeting. It will need iPads.**
- Holiday Party – Discussion of dates and locations. December 21st or January 4th during the day. Location TBA**

Announcements:

- Deb L said there will be a Novice/Intermediate AKC Fetch Test with 3 judges on September 28 at the arena at Miranda's Rescue. On October 5 there will be a Disc Dog trial, with costumes! Followed by a demo of novice level freestyle.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary



Dues now payable for 2025. Due by January 1st.

Individual - \$15

Household / Family - \$25

Folks can mail dues checks to

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Or they can use the paypal buttons on our website - a \$1 online convenience fee is added.

link: <https://lostcoastkc.org/members-only.html>

Third option is to email me at lostcoastkc@gmail.org and request a paypal invoice - this option allows payment by credit/debit card without having a paypal account..

Thanks,

Tina Moulton and Jill Otto

**Suzi Martin:
Mariah earned her FETCH Novice
title in grand style on her first
try!!**



**My Border Collie Davy
earned his FCAT5 at the ABBADOG event at
Brookside Equestrian
Center September 22.**

Janeann Erickson



**Here's Libby, (TempusFugit Liberty Justice For
All)**

**She is 8 months old and finished her Novice
FETCH title in 2 out of 2 runs.**

**The event was held at Miranda's Rescue Arena
in Fortuna CA.**

Way to go for my first Bred By.

Debra Lake

Susan Hutchison

After 2 fun days at the Klamath Dog Fanciers Agility Trial in Klamath Falls, OR, Jenna (Brassfire's When Calls the Heart to Jenna) takes some time to relax after achieving 2 new titles: Open Standard and Open Jumpers, 3 first places. Now onward to Excellent/Masters in both elements.



Patty Mendes

Missy (GCH RIV Mischievous Wife) Got an Award of Merit at Hatboro, Pennsylvania. No points but a very prestigious win in a Best of Breed class of 20 Champions which included 14 bitches. With limited showing this year she is still a top winner for Russell Terriers..Missy is sired by our Rex (GCH Misty Bridge Rowdy Rocket)

