



The Lost Coast Howler

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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

Dear LCKC members,

I have my first year under my belt as your President. I am up for continuing in that role for the club in 2024. Our club has accomplished so much this year thanks to our volunteer efforts.

Our numbers are up at our shows. We moved the agility show to a new site on the fairgrounds. We repaired our trailer.

We closed out the year with a conservative estimate of 2942 volunteer hours for 2023. This equals \$73500 of in-kind value.

A huge round of applause to all of us.

Whether you're spending tonight in front of the television, engrossed in a good book, sharing a meal with a friend, or something a little more debauched, take a moment to reflect on the positives in this short and precious life.

Cherish moments of calm, celebrate the people and dogs you love, and find joy in the present.

I wish you a joyful start to the new year. Thank you for being an integral part of our journey, and here's to making an even greater impact together in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Deb Lake (and Garbo)

President LCKC

Lost Coast Kennel Club
President's Letter
January 2024

It is the start of a new year. Full of dreams and expectations. Or will it be status quo with the same old thing all over again? Not a hard choice.

As I write this I am waiting for Garbo to whelp. She is due in a couple of days. Puppies tend to brighten up my day. With new life comes new adventures and new goals.

Our club is trying a new project event this year. We are putting on an Obedience and Rally event in conjunction with the Shasta show in Anderson. New beginnings with hopes of success and fulfillment. Come and join the dedicated group. Some of us aren't bringing dogs. Our event chairs are laying the groundwork for our shows this year. Tons of paperwork and meetings to get things squared away.

Speaking of our events, Lost Coast Kennel Club is searching for a Vender Chair and a Raffle Chair for the All-Breed Show July 5-7th. Who will step up to add their own talent for these two positions? You will be coached and helped. Vendors are an essential part of the show.

Let's go shopping.

Our raffle is a nice fundraiser for the club. It is a great position to visit with lots of people. Simple organizing skills are needed to set up the items. Then a team of raffle volunteers staff the tables selling the "winning" ticket to some lucky person.

I want to keep the promise of goals and dreams alive for the Lost Coast Kennel Club. Don't you?

Happy 2024! Let enthusiasm and success abide.

Do you want to showcase your dog and our wonderful breed at the HumDog Expo?

It is March 24, 10-4pm at the Redwood Acres Fair Grounds.

Rabies or titer certificate for your dog required to attend. I have to submit it to HumDog with our booth application as much as possible.

We can have up to 3 dogs at a time in the booth. X-pen and crate recommended.

We can take shifts if we have enough participants.

Lots of fun to be had promoting Miniature American Shepherds.

Please reply to me as Reply to Sender. I will put together a group email just for Dog Expo.

Looking forward to everyone's reply
Deb Lake and Garbo



MINUTES OF THE LOST COAST KENNEL CLUB

November 21, 2023, Adorni Center, and via Zoom

BOARD MEETING

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

Present:

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

Non Board members: Bill Clawson, Susan Hutchison, Mike Lake, Sarah Lindgren-Akana, Tina Moulton, Beth Rogers, Cathy Wright.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the October 17, 2023, Board meeting were approved as published. (Deb T/Jill)

Report of the Treasurer: Jill presented an abbreviated Treasurer's Report, since we have nothing from the bookkeeper this month. Some event costs and donations are still going out. Membership dues are coming in. Full report will be presented and approved next meeting.

Unfinished Business:

- Repair of the agility trailer – The welding has been finished and it's back at Nilsen's, needs to go to Reynolds for rims. Discussion of getting it to Reynolds. Marilyn will contact Michael.
- Rally at Shasta KC – There is a contract, and Sara said we will need an additional insured. We will pay \$50 per day for the rings. She has one judge and needs one more. Fees need to be submitted to AKC. MB-F will be the trial secretary. The Board approved paying related fees.
- Bartow Field for 2024 Membership Picnic – Reserved and paid for. September 21.
- HumDOG Expo – March 24, Redwood Acres. Discussion moved to regular meeting.
- Storage of the agility trailer – Marlene is going to ask about a possible location.

New Business:

- Continue hybrid meeting at Adorni Center? Jill said the cost works out to \$56 per meeting. She said she feels it's good for the Board to meet in person. Reduce from 6 to 4/year? Deb T would still have to set up Zoom. Discuss at regular meeting.
- Formation of Junior/Youth handler mentorship – moved to 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 Beverly Chang, Michelle Dostal, Kim Gradin, Beverly Morgan Lewis, Griffin Mancuso, Suzi Martin, Trish Morgan, Jane Patterson, Sherry Pavlich, Jean Sapunor, Berti Welty.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: The minutes from the October 17, 2023, Regular meeting were approved as published. (Cathy/Jill).

Report of the President: Deb Lake it's been a busy month, and she appreciates people stepping up when she wasn't available. Keep her in the loop. Our finances are good, we have some new young members – "new can be fun".

Report of the Secretary: Kris said we have received the invoice from Great American for Director's insurance, and thank you cards/letters for donations to HCSO (K9 acquisition participation), Hospice, CHF. Donation request from AKC's Humane Fund – will consider for next year's donations.

Report of the Treasurer: Jill said there is no report from the bookkeeper this month, so a full report will come next meeting. Dues are due by January 1, unpaid membership lapses March 1. Tina reminded members that if you spend money on events, email Andrea and Jill, and be specific about what it is for.

Report of Committees:

PRACTICES

Nothing scheduled at this time. Maybe Jan-Feb in preparation for Anderson. Put suggestions on the group email, will discuss dates at the January meeting.

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

Shows: Tina said she has paid AKC fees for all events (except FastCAT). The judging panel is almost done; we need 3 breeds for one day. Looking for a provisional.

Rally/Obedience: Sara said she has a second Ob/Rally judge.

FastCAT: Applications have been submitted and approved for both weekends.

Beverly C asked if we want to do a Farm Dog certification after ob/rally is finished. Friday and Saturday. Club has 3 qualified evaluators. Yes, the club wants to do it; Tina will contact the AKC.

AGILITY, BARN HUNT, FASTCAT 2024 (July 18-21):

Agility: Beverly said the applications are approved, she has all the judges. The new tunnels and bags have been received.

Fast CAT: Applications approved. The AKC rules say we can have 12 tests per year so we can't add any. Club approved raising entry fee from \$20 to \$22.

Barn Hunt: Mike Lake said the contracts have been sent to Sunnyside.

SCENTWORK TRIALS 2024 (Labor Day weekend August 31 – Sep 2))

Susan said we have all the judges and a trial secretary. The AKC applications are submitted. School rental application is ready to submit. Cathy said the Fairgrounds asked about our May SW date (from Seminar/Trial). She kept it open in case someone wants to pick up an event. Beverly C is interested in a SW event. May 25/26. Limited area is available.

Marilyn suggested that we offer a TDI (Therapy Dog International) evaluation. Will discuss later.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC 2024 - Bartow Field again, September 21.

FIT DOG – Kim said they had a nice walk at Fortuna Riverwalk. Another is scheduled for Saturday in Fern-dale; Fireman's Park at noon. Perhaps December 16 in So Hum, Sylvandale area.

NEWSLETTER: Newsletter will be out on Thursday.

WEBSITE: Up to date.

CHAT GROUP: Tina cleaned up the group, deleted non-members. There are 16 members who have not joined the group, so she has to email them separately about club business.

MEMBERSHIP: We have 92 members. 18 have paid 2024 dues. Tina will put the membership list in the group files with notation if they have paid. Make sure to ID yourself when you pay via PayPal.

BYLAWS: Nothing new; looking at changes.

Election of Officers and Board for 2024

MSAC (Jill/Cathy) to approve by acclamation the following slate of officers and directors as decided at the October 17 meeting:

President: Deb Lake

Vice-President: Patty Mendes

Secretary: Kris Smith

Treasurer: Jill Otto

Board members: Marilyn Cottrell, Michelle Dostal, Debra Tull.

The new officers take over now. Thank you to Sara for her time on the Board. Welcome to Michelle. Thank you to the returning Board Members.

Election of New Members: No applications.

Unfinished Business:

- Agility trailer repairs – Marilyn will contact Michael Ives about getting the trailer from Nilsen's to Reynolds for the remainder of the repairs.
- AKC Reunite Emergency trailer committee – nothing new.
- Rally/Obedience 2024 Shasta KC show – Sara will need 10 stewards, hopefully from people who are already there. Beverly C, Deb L, Michelle are available. If you are interested in sharing a rental, contact Deb L. Cathy said we need a policy and procedure to follow if we are going to put on an event for another club. She will do a draft as a starting point. "Policy and Procedure Handbook" could be created for things we have voted on which aren't in the Bylaws, including what we have had to take out of the Bylaws per AKC.
- HumDOG Expo (March 24) – Beth asked if we should have a club booth, Susan said we can, perhaps manned by someone who isn't there with dogs. Individuals can have information about their sports. \$20 fee for individuals. Parade of Breeds needs a variety of breeds. Need raffle donations. Demo coordinator is Sherry Pavlich. There will be a kid's scavenger hunt which will ask some breed questions. Set-up Saturday 12 – 5.
- Holiday Party – December 9 at the Unitarian Fellowship Hall, set-up 4-4:30, potluck starts at 5. Cathy said the club will provide a ham, plates, and drinks. Jill said so far 28 have signed up. Cathy, Tina and Kris will do games. All information is on the invitations. There is a new ventilation system which filters germs.

New Business:

- Hybrid Meetings at Adorni Center – we will go to quarterly meetings at the Adorni, schedule TBA. Tina and Cathy will help Deb T set up.
- Committee formation for Junior/Youth Handler mentorship – Beth said the club could benefit from reaching out to juniors. Cathy is interested. Contact Beth.
- Event contracts for Humboldt County Fair – Patty, Cathy, and Tina met with Jill Duffy, Fair manager, who has reorganized the contract protocol. The pre-contract application will inform the contract. Tina said all event teams need to fill them out by January. Be as detailed as possible. All events for one weekend need to be on one application. 10% increase in facility fees. Increase in RV fees. Patty said they are adding a hotel tax. No RVs on the midway. Food vendors will have to apply to the Fair and pay them. Fair takes 10% of their proceeds. The extra race days will not effect our events. Form should also be filled out for shed rental and practices.

Announcements: none

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Kris Smith, LCKC Secretary

The holiday party was enjoyed by all



Marilyn Cottrell:

Bayley recently earned her FitDog Bronze Title and her Turkey Trot Medallion necklace to finish up her 2023 accomplishments. The Medallion is very pretty. Bayley is a very good and pretty girl.



2024 Practice Schedule

- February 11: Ferndale Fairgrounds – 1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
March 3: Ferndale Fairgrounds – 1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
April 7: Ferndale Fairgrounds – Fast CAT on track at 11 am
1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
May 5: Ferndale Fairgrounds – Fast CAT on track at 11 am
1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
May 19: Ferndale Fairgrounds – Fast CAT on track at 11 am
1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
June 2: Ferndale Fairgrounds – Fast CAT on track at 11 am
1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
June 9: Fairgrounds not available, maybe ring practices at Ridgewood School.
June 16: Ferndale Fairgrounds – Fast CAT on track at 11 am
1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
June 23: Ferndale Fairgrounds – 1 pm, Midway Lawns - Conformation, Ob/Rally, Scent Work (?)
- Tentative Fast CAT practices on September 15 and 29.

**Beverly Morgan Lewis:
On 11/25 at the PWD trial in Rancho Murieta, Hooligan earned his MACH4.
Such a good boy!!**



**Links for dues are on this page from the club website:
<https://lostcoastkc.org/members-only.html>**



WORLD GALGO DAY - WE ARE THEIR VOICE!

January 27th or January 28th (weather dependant) walk at the Arcata Marsh to end abuse of the Galgo Espanol in Spain. Meet 11am at the G St Parking Lot. A picture will be taken which will be posted around the world on social media. This walk can also be used as a group FIT Dog walk.

Here is the story of the galgo:

<https://www.galgorescue.org/spanish-galgo>

Tell the Spanish Government to include galgos and other hunting dogs in the animal cruelty regulations and to enact breeding laws to regulate over breeding. An estimated 100,000 hunting dogs are disposed of every year, some in the cruelest way imaginable.

First Humboldt County, CA, USA Galgo Walk at Arcata Marsh. 6 people, 8 dogs



This will be the 3rd year that members of Lost Coast Kennel Club, along with other community members, participate in World Galgo Day which is commemorated every year on February 1st.

February 1st is the end of the hunting season in Spain.

Second Humboldt County, CA, USA Galgo Walk at Arcata Marsh. 18 people, 20 dogs. Let's beat the record this year! Spread the word.



We will go to El Chipotle Mexican Restaurant for lunch after the walk. 850 Crescent Way. Off Bayside Rd and Samoa. I will send out an email on the io group to confirm the date on Wednesday or Thursday before the walk. Just let me know if you need a separate email to keep informed.

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Thank You. Cheers. Beth