**CKCSC NENY SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

September 21, 2024

1:00pm

Attendance: John Ioia, Barb Ioia, Pat Hicks, Laura Calabrese, Adrienne Sherman, , Carrie Cronin, , Marlene Ember Maclean, Patricia, Jane Davies Lane, Lenore Gallo, Amy Cox, Phyllis Lasser, Mary Pat Brunson, Vanessa Weber, Deb Mattice, Wes Shave

1. Welcome, opening remarks –
   1. Meeting called to order at 1:04.
   2. Approval of minutes – Jane motions to approves. Deb seconds. Minutes approved.
2. Officer Reports
   1. President’s Report –John – Welcome! Thanks to everyone for your presence at the show and all you did over that weekend.
   2. Vice President’s Report – Katie – no report
   3. Secretary’s Report – Adrienne – Latest newsletter article has been submitted.
   4. Treasurer’s Report – Pat – Checkbook has $8900. All bills have been paid. Paypal account has $5500. Have been keeping it in there for any donations, but they prefer checks now, so will be transferring $3000 back into the checkbook.
3. Committee Reports
   1. Membership – Pat will send out an updated list. Changed Ann Knauss’s email address, removed Jane’s work address, will make sure there are no further changes and will then finalize the list for Amy to post on the website. No new applications. Dues must be paid my January.
   2. Show Committee Reports –
      1. John –
         1. Thanks to everyone who played a role. Every job is important.
         2. We were badly hurt by the CDC ruling, with our entry numbers unusually low. Just broke even, slightly positive ($56). Much different than in the past.
         3. If we go through P & L, we paid 1/3 of the cost of the judges’ expenses (airfare, etc). The judges did not charge for the actual judging. This is important because next year we will have a judge (Katie Sloan from Europe) who won’t work the circuit at all, so there is no one to help share the cost. We will pay the full cost of her airfare.
         4. Paid for two golf carts (as always).
         5. Shows themselves came off superbly, no complaints. Moving forward – should put out the carved numbers for 1st – 4th place.
         6. Judges for next year have been approved. Katie Sloan for Friday. Saturday is Evelyn Gregory, we hired her two years ago. Also have someone planned for 2026 if things work out.
         7. Lisa May will judge Sweeps on Friday. If anyone knows someone who needs a Sweeps assignment, it is open for Saturday.
         8. Suggestion for the future is to pull back from having a live auction. Will discuss this with Darlene. Instead, have two silent auctions. Jane observed at a few shows she has been to, bidding on the Silent Auction was way down. On the other hand, people are more likely to engage in bidding wars and raise prices at a Live Auction (although, we do pay the auctioneer). Could consider putting a few items out every day, that could be sold that day, for people who don’t attend the dinner. Discussion for the National has been to just put one piece of artwork up to be auctioned every day. Will discuss this further at the next meeting.
      2. Pat –
         1. Food is one of our biggest problems. Spent $1000 more on food than what we collected. Laura is planning to increase the price of lunches from $7.50 to $10 next year to help balance this. Suggestion to not spend club money on lunches moving forward. Raising the prices should help with this.
         2. Silent auction - $2057, similar to last year. Live auction – much less.
         3. Trophies was $300 over budget. Some of that was due to class trophies that didn’t get sponsored. It is the same people who are donating each year. People are very generous, but it’s still hard to collect money for every single thing. This year, we used Laser Lights products for trophies and this is pricier than some other gifts.
         4. Did not raise the price of entries this year. Should we increase entry fees?
         5. Price of Sweeps did increase, as there is money in prizes going back to contestants.
         6. No Jr Puppy class next year – second time we’ve tried and only one entry.
         7. AKC entries are up overall, but each club is making less, because there are more events. Hoping numbers will rise next year with our Canadian contingent back. Have to consider costs for Canadians to come here due to exchange rate.
         8. There was no vacuum, trolley, or high-ticket item for a raffle this year. Could consider this next year or a 50/50 raffle where tickets could be sold to everyone at the All-Breed show.
      3. Wes –
         1. Legacy wall photos were left behind. Fairgrounds picked them up and saved them – Wes now has them. Should they be saved? Mary Pat & Lisa printed most of them out, they can always be printed again, recommend throwing them away.
4. New Business
   * 1. Jane – Heart Clinic coming up on Oct 6. Currently have 19 Cavaliers registered. It is almost full! Amy has volunteered to help onsite. Looking for other club members who may be willing to help.
     2. John - ACKCSC is full club name, but this is a discrepancy with ACKCS Rescue Trust. Cannot change the name of the trust due to 501(c)3 status. Trust has awarded $700k in research grants, $350k in last 5 years. Please go to new website – we are trying to drive traffic.
5. Old Business
   * 1. Storage – had a discussion re: getting a storage shed, to avoid things being stored at people’s homes. Wes has been in touch with the fairgrounds, there is a good possibility we could rent a year-round storage area there. Management is checking with their committees; Wes should have some info within a week or so. This would be preferable to a trailer, which would need to be registered, inspected, and kept at someone’s house. Would have year -round access to items, on limited hours & days. The grounds are open year round. Will postpone this discussion until Wes hears back.
6. Review Items
   * 1. Next meeting – Saturday November 9 at 1:00 via Zoom. January date is January 11 at Turf Tavern. John will be in Florida.
7. Brags
   1. Email brags to Adrienne! [Shermanam@yahoo.com](mailto:Shermanam@yahoo.com)
      1. Jane’s 2nd grandchild due at end of January! Had a great time at Cavalier National in Canada. Topper got an Award of Merit on Friday and won Stud Dog Class on Saturday. Topper’s daughter from Nova Scotia was best puppy in Specialty. Topper got Select Dog and Vincent was Best Puppy in Specialty.
      2. Adrienne’s Paige is trialing in Scent Work and almost finished with Advanced titles.
      3. Vanessa’s Sterling (who won Winner’s Dog with us under Ted Eubank) finally finished championship!
      4. Deb – packing the Airstream for Wine Country 😊
      5. Phyllis – is back to showing, had a few Winner’s Bitches with her girl Angel in Disguise, won WB and BOS and BOW against 2 dogs with professional handlers.
      6. Marlene’s Ronin is new to the show ring – no brags yet, but stay tuned!
      7. Amy – Dash was RWD both days at Specialty, Turq got a Group 4 in OH in the All Breed.
      8. Mary Pat – very proud of Marlene and Ronin 😊 Will be at Wine Country!
8. Meeting adjourned at 2:09