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Presidents message

by Julene Mathews

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Hello to all of you!

The Specialty has come and gone now, and everyone's help and input was greatly appreciated! To those who came and helped set up and take down, I don't want it to be a thankless task. Thank you!!! Overall the show went smoothly and with a few glitches like people not getting their confirmations, and a couple of class fixes, things went great. Thanks in particular to Kevin and Cheryl who were show chairs, Cindy Wilkinson and Shanna who chaired the Obedience and Rally. Thank you to Sarah and Steve Bagdonian who did a lot of work behind the scenes. I felt bad I forgot to thank them at the dinner. Sarah took an entire day off to help and did so just to help at our show! Thanks so much. I'd like to recognize Tomi Hamblin who worked on both Trophies and the Raffle which was integral in the success of the making ends meet dept and Tricia Harris who did a wonderful job on trophies and ribbons. I know everyone was thrilled! Ava Pickering deserves recognition for the outstanding job of hospitality. She made sure every detail was covered with the judges and the snack table. Ava also helped us out by doing the printing of both the catalogue and the premium which was very big this year! We really appreciate it! Mike Cornella did a fantastic job of taking care of the finances in a very competent way, which is so important to the overall measure of the show. Thanks to Doug Sorenson who spent the day ring stewarding and a non club member Katie Garner as an outside ring steward. Finally, without our support from all who entered their beautiful dogs this year, I think we made a lasting impression on our judges. It was tough competition! Every dog and bitch I saw I wanted to take home!

Thanks to you all! I'm glad it's over for a year now.

We are already working on next years specialty so speak up and tell us where you can help. Really, and I know where you live.

This months meeting is coming right up! **Meeting will be held at Alta Groomery at 700 East 8048 South, Sandy, Utah** It's small, but free. We'll be moving the trailer to behind the groomery for now as well because it is for the time being, free as well. We are trying to find way's to save money and this is two way's we can. The building we were meeting in has gone up in price and we were told there were not dogs allowed. We can go to the parks in summer time or go to the groomery, either is free. Bring a chair and the dogs are welcome. We'll see how that goes and lets look for a free place to meet that people won't have to buy food...

We should have a breakdown of the show and how we came out, see you at the meeting!

Julene Mathews

BOARD MEETING MARCH 2010

USSA Board Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2010

In attendance: Mike Cornella, Julene Mathews, Sarah Bagdoian, Jim Melton, Tomi Hamblin and Cherie Hyde. Cheryl Sorenson excused – out of town, Kathy Cain did not attend.

Meeting called to order 6:20p.m.

Julene asked if there were any corrections to the February minutes (no meeting held in March due to Nationals). Motion made by Mike to accept the February minutes and seconded by Tomi, motion of minutes passed.

President's Report: Julene has a packet of information and letters ready to deliver to the Utah Attorney Generals Office regarding the money Jim Newman has possession of. It was suggested that the Utah State Tax Commission and IRS also be sent information on the missing money.

It was brought up that a club member may prefer charges against another member for alleged misconduct prejudicial to the best interest of the Club. See Article VI of the USSA Constitution and By-Laws regarding discipline sections 2,3 and 4. It was also mentioned that once the Club takes official action we can report this to AKC for them to take official action against Jim. Per Article VI (Discipline) of the Constitution and By-Laws - Julene as a Club member will write a letter related to Jim owing the Club money from the 2009 Specialty. This letter will be presented to the Board Members for their vote in deciding whether or not to take action on the charges relayed in the letter. Julene will also make a check out for \$25 to USSA per Article VI Section 2.

Julene is also very busy getting ready for the Specialty.

Incorporation Issue: Julene mentioned that the Club's incorporation or business license as a non-profit had expired, but that Doug Sorenson took care of filling out the paper-work for reinstatement. To avoid missing the licensing deadline in the future it was suggested that the board vote on making Doug Sorenson an Agent of the Club (standing position) for the Utah Inc. This way he can fill out the license annually on behalf of the Club. Jim Melton motioned and Board voted unanimously to accept Doug Sorenson as USSA Agent to continue to keep our license current.

Vice Presidents Report: Tomi said that a representative from Blue Buffalo could come in June or July for an educational seminar on nutrition. Other education suggestions were: vaccination schedules and ring steward.

Treasurers' Report: Mike reported the finances from January to April 2010. Mike also reported to the Board that he tried to cash in the CD based on the Boards previous recommendation to pay for the Specialty (see January 20, 2010 Board meeting minutes.), however the bank required more authorization from the board before Mike could cash in the CD. Julene as President will write a letter of authorization on USSA letterhead and Mike will also present the bank the minutes from Jan 20, 2010 where the board voted to cash in the CD to use \$2,500 toward the Specialty and redeposit the other \$7,500 in 6, 9 and 12 month CDs in \$2,500 increments.

GENERAL MEETING MARCH 2010

USSA General Club Meeting Minutes March 21, 2010

In attendance: Mike Cornella, Julene Mathews, Sarah Bagdoian, Jim Melton, Tomi Hamblin and Cherie Hyde. Cheryl Sorenson excused – out of town, Barbara Edelberg, Kevin Mathews.

Meeting called to order 7:20p.m.

President's Report: Julene has a packet of information and letters ready to deliver to the Utah Attorney Generals Office regarding the money Jim Newman has possession of.

Julene as a Club Member will write a letter of charges against Jim Newman to have him expelled from the club over the \$2,050 Jim owes the Club for the 2009 Specialty. This letter and \$25.00 will be presented to the USSA Board for their vote, see Article VI, Sections 2,3 and 4 of the USSA Constitution and By-Laws regarding Discipline. This formal complaint by a Club member against another member will then be voted on by the Board, and then the charges can be sent to the AKC for their action.

Incorporation Issue: The Board relayed to club members that they have voted to make Doug Sorenson an Agent of the Club listed with the state to continue filling out annually the necessary non-profit forms with the State for our business license and club incorporation.

Treasurers' Report: Mike reported the finances from January to April 2010. Kevin motioned and Sarah seconded Treasurer's report, motion passed.

Specialty Info

Raffle Chair: Tomi said the raffle is coming along, so far she has the following: Sheltie art cabinet, a de-bark certificate from Dr. Caine, Carol Cane's artwork.

Kevin to contact Liz Coates regarding number of entries.

Be at South Jordan Equestrian Center Tuesday night, May 4th at 5:00p.m. to set-up.

Julene will bring Club Banner

Clean-up after show 8:00p.mish.

Dinner approximately around 7:00p.m., but this depends on how fast shows go.

There are still un-sponsored trophies.

Mike has medallions

We need 3 flower arrangements for judges tables.

We are the only specialty that Wednesday. Sarah to call Julene or Kevin and Mike to verify numbers for the caterer and where they should set-up for dinner.

New Business: Julene brought up the monthly bills the Club is paying for both renting this Centennial Park Pavillion to hold our monthly meetings and the monthly dues at the Equestrian Center to house the trailer. The Centennial Pavillion went up to \$57/month and now we cannot have dogs due to the remodel. Also the building has to be rented from a Sandy resident only. The Equestrian fee to house the trailer is \$27/month. Julene suggested to save the club more money that we look for another place to hold meetings that allows dogs and might be free or cheaper than \$57/month. She will also re-check with her boss regarding housing the trailer in the lot behind Alta Groomery. This could save the club over \$80/month.

Cherie nominated Sarah and Tomi to investigate alternative places to hold the monthly meetings, with a place that accepts dogs. The Board will recommend to the Club that the trailer be moved after the Specialty to the lot behind Alta Groomery (pending this is okay with owners of the property).

Adjournment: Motion made by Mike to adjourn meeting, seconded by Kevin, motion passed, meeting adjourned 8:05p.m.

BRAGS, ODDS AND ENDS AND FOR SALE....

BARBARA VANN IS LOOKING FOR A NICE RETIREMENT HOME FOR A COUPLE OF HER DOGS IF ANYONE KNOWS OF A FEW FOREVER HOMES LET HER KNOW....

CLUB MEETING THIS MONTH IS TOMORROW MAY 19TH.... BOARD MEETING IS AT 6:00 PM AND GENERAL MEETING IS AT 7:00 PM... THE MEETING IS BEING HELD AT ALTA GROOMERY...

8048 SOUTH 700 EAST... JULENES WORK.... BRING A CHAIR AND YOUR DOGS...

Hi all,

This month I have excerpts from an interview done at a Salt Lake City radio station. Both men are animal rights activists and are considered leaders of the modern animal rights movement in America. The interview is of Peter Young who lives in Salt Lake City and Dr. Steven Best PhD who is an Associate Professor of Philosophy and Humanities at the University of Texas, El Paso. This interview was done on March 31st, 2010 on KRCL radio, which is 90.0 FM on the radio dial.

Utah has serious animal rights activists living in the area that may result in danger to purebred dogs as well as to the outright ownership of pets. An appointed Legislative Liaison would keep everyone informed on local AR issues – and coordinate efforts to oppose animal rights legislative efforts to limit ownership or make it more expensive or difficult to own dogs. It's my belief that our own efforts in our area have made our dogs safer and ownership of our dogs safer from the incursions of the animal rights activists.

I think you'll see through this interview that these two AR activists actually do care about animals -- but at the same time (even though they've toned it down) they have a human self hatred -- that has been described by some as a self loathing. In my own experience with getting to know some of our local AR's, that human self loathing is a constant with ALL of the active AR's. What does not come up in this interview is another constant AR philosophical view -- that humans should not own animals.

I have shortened the complete interview to about a third of the original length. For the complete interview, please follow the links provided.

David

<http://vegina.wordpress.com/2010/04/19/steven-best-and-peter-young-on-radio-active/>

<http://tinyurl.com/y5r9znc>

