

Greater Portland Old English Sheepdog Club Minutes of the July 2009 Board Meeting

The meeting was held July 13, 2009 at the home of Jeff and Priscilla Menzel in Beaverton, Oregon.

Present:

Board Members: Jeff Menzel, Matt Alston, Marsha King, Sylvia Lindman, Dianne McKee-Rowland, Joanna Smith, Junior Director Hanna Menzel

Club Members present: Priscilla Menzel, Lita Long, Theresa Kamper

President Jeff Menzel called the meeting to order at 7:15p.m. The minutes of the June, 2009 Board meeting were read. Marsha moved, Dianne seconded approval without change.

The usual order of agenda items was changed for this meeting because of the length of the report on the Specialty.

Reports

Vice President

The AKC is mounting a campaign to make sure that all eligible dogs are registered with the organization. Matt said that it was important for the breed to have dogs registered and is a misconception that this is only for show dogs or dogs who will be bred.

Matt offered his house and property for an event. All agreed that the first part of September would be ideal as the weather is still good enough for the dogs to run outside.

Secretary

A sympathy card for Bo Wu and Helen Xie was passed around for those present to sign. Joanna will mail the card to them to acknowledge the loss of their beloved OES, Terry.

The Oregon Boxer Club is sponsoring a "Canine Reproduction, Whelping & Puppy Intensive Care Seminar" August 12, 2009, at the Camas Public Library. Their website, www.oregonboxerclub.com has the details and registration form.

Joanna sent an update on our club activities and a copy of the electronic version of The Pinkertongue to Secretary Pamela Ellis of the Old English Sheepdog Club New South Wales. Since we have not heard from the Club for a few months, Joanna also asked about the status of the proposed sister club relationship. She added that www.oldenglishsheepdogclub.com.au seems to be the club's new website.

Treasurer

Dianne noted that her report was subject to update because of a computer outage. Nevertheless, she presented a summary of the monthly expenses along with this list of total assets:

General Fund \$ 635.10
Rescue \$2578.11
Specialty \$ 544.56
Cds \$3512.86

Rescue

Lita reported that Ben will be neutered Tuesday morning. Because he is afraid of veterinarians, Lita had to search for the right Dr. in a clinic with the right atmosphere to reduce the stress on Ben. There is a lead on a possible home for him in Idaho.

Otherwise, the rescue scene here is quiet. This is not the case for the Northeast or Midwest rescue groups.

There is an OES reported missing from Vancouver since July 1. "Crumpet" has a collar and tags, and is microchipped. Lita will monitor the situation.

Pinkertongue Editor

The first electronic edition of The Pinkertongue was sent out. Sylvia was complimented on her lead article about member and artist Judy Keller whose print of an OES with a blue ribbon will be the image for the upcoming Specialty.

Jeff said some members had problems receiving the newsletter. Jeff and Joanna are working to resolve these. After talking with some members, Joanna said it seems that the newsletter landed in the "spam" or "junk mail" box and that most problems are fixed by putting gpoesc@gpoesc.com in the "contacts" or "address book " so the ISP doesn't see the mailing as spam.

Specialty

Jeff said there are 32 entries (23 dogs) for the morning show and 29 entries (22 dogs) for the afternoon. The tile art trophies, Metallix trophies, ribbons, and judges gifts are on hand. The judging program and catalog will be ready on Tuesday. Several picadilly items were brought to the meeting. More picadilly items and the auction items will be brought to the expo center.

Priscilla gave everyone a long list of tasks and who was responsible for each one. Each item was discussed. Everyone agreed on the set-up time Thursday evening and the arrival time Friday morning.

Open Discussion--Old/New Business

Jeff felt that because the Specialty was on everyone's mind that additional discussion items should be covered at future meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanna Smth
Secretary