



GREATER VICTORIA DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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MEETINGS

September 23, 2009 General Meeting

EXECUTIVE 2008-2009

President	Judy Currie	479-7474
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a great weekend we had for the CKC trials. Lovely weather, great competitors, super help, fun and fair judges, nice prizes and lots of titles earned. Add a monster cake for the 60th anniversary and could we have wished for more?

It truly was great to see the number of members out to help at the trials. It is so nice to see the jobs shared out amongst many rather than only a few "old standbys". Our new runners and stewards all seemed to really be keen to do it again. Our judges felt they had very competent help. Amalie is amazingly unflappable.

Hats off to everyone who made "OUR" weekend such a success.

The search for members to serve on the Executive for the coming year has not been overly successful. We are still trying to fill some positions on the slate of nominees. Perhaps there will be nominations from the floor but we cannot count on this. If you or a member you know wishes to stand let myself, Carmela Romano or Adele Matte know.

For myself I have found the past four years as your President a positive experience. The Executive committee members have been very efficient and worked well together to carry on the business of the club. I have been privileged to work with some awesome people who brought a wealth of knowledge to the jobs they did. This made my job so much easier. Some issues have been contentious but this is a democratic club so all views are heard and decisions made from that. None of the club's Executive took on the positions to get involved in petty politics. We all wished to see the club go forward and remain a positive influence in the community for many more years.

On June 9th please come out and take part in our Annual General meeting. As a member of GVDOTC it is part of your right and duty to vote for an Executive that serves the memberships needs. Input in a meeting setting is the only way we can act upon those needs.

May you all enjoy a wonderful summer of relaxation, dog activities and good health, and pleasant company. It is nice to have a break

but I really do miss seeing many of you and your dogs weekly.

See you in September.

Judy

TRIALS REPORT

Our CKC trials were held May 29th, 30th and 31st and as many of you know, this year we celebrate the 60th year of our club. Many thanks go to our judges, Isobel Hutton and Eva O'Keefe, Rally O on Friday and Obedience on Saturday and Sunday, Margaret Chandler Rally O Saturday and Sunday and Leslie Gardiner who judged our unofficial classes.

There were 136 entries in Rally O over 4 Trials, 91 entries in Obedience over 4 trials and 12 exhibition entries, Veterans class 5 entries and 2 in brace class.

We heard many kind comments from both judges and competitors who enjoyed our trials. Much of the thanks go to Amalie Bush for all her work organizing these trials, the entries and for the great job she did as Trial Secretary!

As always none of this is possible without the help of many volunteers.

Many thanks go to our ring stewards and runners for your energy and enthusiasm:

Jim Fathers, Brenna Litwack, Sue Fukuyama, Aleda Bates, Gillian Anglin, Mary Christian, Blair Kilgour, Randy Street, Barb Bracewell, Tuck Brennan, Gord Kifiak, Peggy York, Sonja Morris, Lois Gass, Michael Boissevain, Adele Matte, Deb and Tom Vaida

Judy Currie for her hard work in organizing all the prizes, and to the club members who donated prizes.

Jean Barrick for making all the cards that go on the prizes.

Bill Blair, Mary Harkness, Gillian Anglin and Carmela Romano, Liz Taylor, Adele Matte for help setting up and take down.

Bill Blair and Andrew Coss for reconfiguring the rings for obedience.

Bill Blair as our resource, answering many questions on how things were done.

Gillian Anglin for making and delivering the welcome baskets for the Judges

Peggy York for arranging all the lovely flowers. They always brighten up the Barn!

Erin, Lorna, Tuck and Anita for their work in the kitchen, the good food, treats and feeding the judges and stewards.

Thank you to Kathryn Bush (Amalie's Mom) who has come to our aide many times over the last 4 years, from bringing forgotten items, finding a photocopier at 8:30 on a Saturday morning or helping us tidy up at the end of the day.

OBEDIENCE

High in Trial 1

Robert Scott 199.5 in Open B

High in Trial 2

Keltie Lang 200 in Open B

High in Trial 3

Gillian Anglin and Raffi 198.5 in Novice B

High in Trial 4

Keltie Lang and Kip 198 in Open B

Mary Harkness and Leo the Golden earned their CD

Gillian Anglin and Raffi the St. Poodle earned their CD (with four High in Class ribbons and a High in Trial!)

RALLY-O

Pat Kean with Zak the Min. Fox Terrier earned their Rally Novice (RN) (with two 4th Place ribbons)

Fran Lindquist and Suds the Westie earned their RN and two legs towards their Rally Advanced (RA) and their second leg towards their CD! (With a 3rd place ribbon in Rally Novice A and two 2nd's in Advanced A)

Maralyn Redford and Dante the Golden earned their RN (with two 1st place ribbons, and 3rd and a 4th)

Andrew Coss and Ready the Golden earned their RN (with three 1st place ribbons!)

Erin Finlayson and Riley earned their RN (with three 2nd place ribbons)

Carmela Romano and Catcher earned their RN

Kim Bialkowski and Miki the Bloodhound earned their RN

Mary Harkness and Soleil the Golden earned their RN (with a 1st place ribbon, two 3rd's and a 4th)

Judy Currie and Spice the Soft Coated Wheaton earned their RN

Janet Parker and Molly the Newf earned their RN (with a 2nd place ribbon)

Jane Beauchamp and Gemma the Ridgeback earned two legs towards their RN

Philippa Sloan and Tag the Aust. Shepherd earned a leg towards their RN

Judy Currie and Ruby the Soft Coated Wheaton earned two legs towards their RN

Terry Gains and Lira the Lab earned their RA title and two legs towards their Rally Excellent (RE) (with three 1st place ribbons and a 2nd)

Terry Gains and Bubbles the Lab earned their RA title and one leg towards their RE (with a 1st place ribbon and two 4th's)

Bob Greydanus and Rusty the Nova Scotia Duck Toller earned their RA and a leg towards their RE (with a 2nd, and 3rd and a 4th place ribbon)

Bob and Gill Greydanus with Gemma the Nova Scotia Duck Toller earned their RA and a leg towards their RE

Diana Wilman with Grace the Newf earned their RE (with a 3rd and a 4th place ribbon)

Diana Wilman with Nick the Newf earned their RE (with a 1st place ribbon)

Angela James with Evan the Newf earned their RE AND CDX! (with a 2nd and a 3rd place ribbon in Rally)

Andrew Coss and Honour the Golden earned their RE

Andrew Coss and Quest earned their RE.

UNOFFICIAL CLASSES

In veterans dogs receive an extra two points for every year over 7 years of age they are.

In the Unofficial classes we had 5 club members competing in Veterans and the following qualified.

Pam Wilson and Isis the Belgian Malinois - 190

Janey Turner with Bryn the Golden - 193.5

Andrew Coss with Quest the Golden - 185.5

Gillian Anglin with Themba - 203!

In Brace we had two teams compete and qualify

Janey Turner with Roan and Bryn - 193

Bob Greydanus with Rusty and Gemma - 188.5

I hope everyone has a great summer and look forward to classes and trialing in the fall.

-Tora Thyvold

BRAG

Amalie Bush is once again proud to pass along a brag about her Weimaraner Dibley.

At 10 1/2 years old, Dibley earned his first two Agility titles at the Tyee Kennel Club trial May 8-10th. Dibley earned his Agility Novice Selected (Selected means a lower jump height division) and his Agility Novice Jumpers With Weaves Selected. To make it even more special his finished both those titles on Amalie's Birthday!

So Dibley is now:

Bartland's Victor of Dibley CDX TDX DD
RAE AGNS AGNJS.

His name now takes up two lines on CKC entry forms!

Congratulations Amalie and Dibley

NEWSLETTER

Our yearlong term as Newsletter Editors has come to an end. The Executive will be looking for a new Editor for our new year. If you are interested please speak to someone on the Executive.

It is easily put together and we are willing to explain it to anyone interested. A computer is required as most of the Newsletters are sent out by e mail.

A big Thank you to everyone that has contributed to the Newsletter over the last year.

Margaret, Bruce and Pat