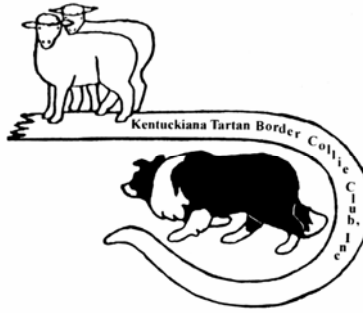


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IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN... DUES ARE DUE BY MAY 31ST!

Please send to: Mary Somerville, 2525 Allentown Road, Sellersburg, IN 47172

Please make checks payable to: KTBCC (Individual: \$15.00; Family/Household: \$20.00)

If you just became a member this year (or in 2003), you do not need to send anything in.

April 24, 2004 Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm with the following members present: Nick Edmonds, Linda Mitchell, Robbie Phillips, Mary Moulton, Ronni DeLay, Pat Kerschner, Nancy Keller and Debbie Willoughby

Minutes from February Meeting: Motion made by Pat to accept the minutes, 2nd by Mary M. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: No report at this time.

Secretary's Report: Correspondences received –

We received photos of Winners at our March Specialty compliments of Kim Booth. Linda will send a thank you note on KTBCC's behalf; LKC will be having a Sanctioned B/OB All Breed Match (Conformation, Obedience and CGC Testing on May 22, 2004 at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, KY; Evansville Obedience Club will be having a seminar by Diane Bauman on August 7-8, 2004; BCSA approved our request to donate funds for our Herding Trial in May. They sent us a check for \$200.00; The Bluegrass Classic Dog show sent a letter regarding the 2005 All Breed Cluster event. They are contacting us to see if we would be interested in holding a specialty show at the location. It was decided that we would decline; AKC sent a letter regarding the Arbitration Op-Out Language, approval of our March 12th event, application and forms for our 2005 March Specialty Show (Linda will get together w/ Ronni to go over the application), and a form regarding our next election and our officers. We will discuss at the next meeting; We received another postcard regarding insurance for our club.

Membership Committee: Report from Robbie regarding the Red Cross First Aid Seminar; it was decided to have it in July. Robbie will contact the Red Cross Rep and check to see when she is available. Linda will contact GLTC about using their facility once a date is established.

Old Business:

Obedience/Conformation Show (March 12 & 14, 2004) – We should be receiving a check from Onofrio sometime next week.

Herding Trial (May 7-9, 2004) –

Confirmations will be sent out on Tuesday. The entries are as follows: Friday, May 7 – 2 HT, 4 PT; Sat., May 8 – First trial: 16 A, 14 B and Second trial: 16 A 14 B; Sun. May 8 – 15 A, 15 B and 1 alternate. No food will be provided but there is a food court close to the trial location. Ribbons will be picked up this week and the trophies are done. Set up will be on Sunday, May 2 at 10:00am at Pat Greenwell's place. Drinks and Donuts will be provided.

Calendars – See below from Kelly Whiteman:

It's time to plan the 2005 KTBCC Border Collie Calendar. Each month will feature a full color picture and list the dog's registered name, all titles, breeder and owner. The cost to purchase a month is \$30.00, and specific months will be assigned according to the pictures submitted. Please indicate if you would like your photo to be considered for the cover. The Calendar Editors (Linda Mooradian, Ronni DeLay and Kelly Whiteman) will choose the cover photo from those submitted. If your photo is chosen, the cost to you will be an additional \$15.00.

The KTBCC board decided to offer KTBCC members who were not included in the 2004 calendar first option to purchase a month for 2005, and then offer members who were included last year a chance to participate again before offering months to non-members. Each person is limited to only one month. The sign-up schedule is as follows:

From Now until May 15, 2004 – KTBCC members who did not participate in 2004

From May 16, 2004 until May 22, 2004 - KTBCC members who did participate in 2004

Then, if any months are left, from May 23, 2004 until May 29, 2004 - Non-KTBCC members

Pictures must be high-quality and in a horizontal format (wider than tall). They can be sent via e-mail or snail-mail. If sent snail-mail, the original will be returned at the time the calendars are distributed. KTBCC reserves the right to reject any photos it feels will not reproduce well or that have inappropriate content. Win pictures are not suitable.

To purchase a month, contact Linda Mooradian at Brackenhil@aol.com. Checks or money orders should be payable to KTBCC and sent to Linda at 410 Bunkerhill Road, Nassau, NY 12123.

All proceeds of the calendar support KTBCC club activities.

New Business:

We are looking into doing a Herding Clinic by Lyle Boyer this Fall (first part of November). Ronni is still checking into Lyle's about her availability.

New Member – We received an application from Barbara and Richard Chandler for a family membership (sponsored by Linda Mitchell). They were voted into the membership unanomously.

Braggs:

Terre Haute, IN Show:

Thursday, April 15 –

Kelly Whiteman's "Derry" received Winners Dog and Best of Winners; Debbie Willoughby/Kelly Whiteman's "Myst" received Winner Bitch and BOS; Kelly Whiteman's "Darcy" received Reserve Winners Bitch.

Friday, April 16 –

Kelly Whiteman's "Derry" received Reserve Winners Dog; Debbie Willoughby/Kelly Whiteman's "Myst" received Winner Bitch and BOS; Kelly Whiteman's "Darcy" received Reserve Winners Bitch.

Sat, April 17 –

Kelly Whiteman's "Derry" received Reserve Winners Dog; Debbie Willoughby/Kelly Whiteman's "Myst" received Reserve Winner Bitch; Kelly Whiteman's "Darcy" received Winners Bitch and BOS; Debbie Willoughby and "Lachlan" received 2nd place w/ a 195.5 in Novice B.

Sun, April 18 –

Kelly Whiteman's "Derry" received Reserve Winners Dog; Debbie Willoughby/Kelly Whiteman's "Myst" received Reserve Winner Bitch; Kelly Whiteman's "Darcy" received Winners Bitch, Best of Winner and BOB.

Condolences:

Our condolences are sent out to Nancy Keller as "Bucky" passed on to the Rainbow Bridge in April.

Our next meeting will be held on Saturday, June 5, 2004 at Debbie Willoughby's house at 1:00pm.

Directions to Debbie's: Take Interstate 64 West towards St. Louis and get off at exit 118 (Georgetown) take a right go about 10 miles until you come to 335 take a left onto 335 then go about 3/4 of a mile and take a right onto Motts road once on Motts road go straight after you cross the bridge (do not turn right) that puts you on Ragains Rd follow the road you will dead end into our farm.

Motion to adjourn made by Linda, 2nd by Nick. Meeting adjourned at 2:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Mitchell
KTBCC Secretary

President's Message:

Congratulations to all the members who earned legs and/or titles at the Second Annual KTBCC Spring Herding Extravaganza! And, thank you to all the members and volunteers who worked so hard to put on a spectacular event.

From a financial perspective, my rough calculation is that we either barely broke even, or we lost a little. The clinic definitely lost money because it didn't fill. That's a shame, because the handlers who attended made significant progress in their skills - which translated into better performance at the trials. Additionally, the HT/PT entry did not justify the extra expenses involved in having it on its own day (motel and food for an Extra night).

This was only our second year, and I think that we did a better job than last time. But, if we are going to continue to improve, and if we are going to be able to afford good events, we need to keep reviewing what works and what doesn't.

My ideas (off the top of my head): we need to try to cut down on the "extras". If judges are traveling long distances, we should check to find the cheapest airfares possible. (Are any of our members travel agents?) If judges prefer to drive, we need to tell them in advance that we will only reimburse up to the cost of airfare. We also need to turn current expenses into fund-raising opportunities. For example, if a few members would be

willing to set up a table selling food, we could buy some luncheon meat, chips, bread and side dishes and feed our workers, plus sell lunches to the exhibitors. Another fundraiser which needs additional manpower is a raffle. We know from past experience that raffles raise money, but it takes someone willing to put the effort into soliciting donations ahead of time and selling tickets at the event. We also need to revisit the idea of doing a barbeque there at the site for our dinner - like lunches, that turns an expense into a potential source of income.

We might also try to solicit financial support the way we do for the cluster, i.e., different levels of sponsorship in exchange for advertising in the catalog. This is especially true if we are going to have to continue to pay for extra help (course tear-down, stock handling, etc.). Finally, I can't stress this enough - we need more members helping. Members who are not exhibiting can make such a difference by performing some of the fund raising activities that members who are exhibiting don't have time for. Those who are exhibiting can help with advance work (making things come out "even").

Let's all give this issue some thought before our next meeting so that we can discuss ideas at that time.

Kelly Whiteman
President, KTBC