

Meeting minutes of the **Rio Salgado Portuguese Water Dog Club**, March 18, 2004, at Marie Calendar's, Northern Avenue & I-17

Meeting called to order by president Jan Shirreffs at 7 p.m.

In attendance:

Mike and Carol Pleskoff

Gail Harrison

Jan Shirreffs

Pam Barnett

Tina Labash

Cathleen & John Harris

Frank Baucomb

Haven Lane

Pam Coffeen

Lynn Saturno

Lauren McDermott

MINUTES: Mike moved to accept the minutes without correction and Pam Barnett seconded. Motion passed; minutes approved.

REPORTS

President: Jan: People wondered why the annual meeting could not be held at the Supported Entry in February this year. The rules state the annual meeting must be held in March and the Supported Entry ended February 29th.

The Membership Survey results have been tabulated. 64 surveys were mailed out and 16 were returned (24%) which is good, but only 4 offered to volunteer.

Recording Secretary: Lynn (outgoing). No report. Lynn wanted everyone to know she loved the position, it was a great learning experience and good fun.

Corresponding Secretary: Pam: No report.

Treasurer: Frank: Club balance is \$9133.59 or 99 cents.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Membership: Lauren: There were four applications for membership:

Nancy Keller, Jim Whitmer

P.O. Box 5071

Carefree, AZ 85377

Terry Pavlicek

10236 E. Foothills Dr.

Scottsdale, AZ 85255

Olga Keller
5605 N. 41st Dr.
Phoenix, AZ 85019

Ronald and Yvonne Knox
18918 N. 87th Dr.
Peoria, AZ 85382

Lauren moved to approve and welcome all 4 members and Mike Pleskoff seconded.
Motion passed.

Education: Lynn and Carol: Carol provided an informative presentation on the cost effectiveness of pet insurance. She brought in handouts and cited an article done by Consumers Report that basically said it is not a good deal. Some prescriptions are cheaper to buy online than through a plan and that hereditary and genetic defects are excluded.

Website: Stephanie: Absent.

Rescue: Lauren: No report.

Supported Entry: Janis: Absent, no report. Totals were given for the raffle and auction of \$1827.50. In addition, there was a \$50 from California.

Water Committee: Pam: Last year's trial resulted in a profit of \$725. Looking at dates for 2004, the following are possibilities: October 23-24, October 31-November 1, or November 6-7.

Bylaws: Carol: No report.

Golden Oldies: Jan: Scheduled for April 24th at 10 am to be held at Haven Lane's. Janis has requested a bio for each oldie who is being honored. There was a question raised as to whether or not other dogs would be welcome and Jan will have this clarified by Janis.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

New Board: The new board is official as of this annual meeting as there are no new nominations. Jan remains as President, Carol Pleskoff is the new Vice President, Tina Labash is the new Recording Secretary, Pam Coffeen is our returning Corresponding Secretary, and John Murnane is our new Treasurer.

Jan thanked the outgoing board for the time and effort they put into their positions. Thanks to Janis Watts as VP, Frank for his long service as Treasurer and to Lynn Saturno our outgoing recording secretary. Thanks to Pam Coffeen who will continue as Corresponding Secretary this year.

Storage: We still have the problem of storage and trying to centralize all of the equipment, supplies, tents, etc. The options are (1) a rental storage locker, costing between 21 and 42 a month depending on size, (2) buying a storage locker and keeping at a member's house at a cost of approximately \$400, or (3) buying an enclosed trailer—a used one may cost about \$1000. All the options were discussed but no decision was made. Lauren felt the current method of farming it is working fine and is certainly the cheapest. Lauren and Pam will look into inventory and storage. A motion was made by Mike to leave storage it as is pending their investigation. Motion was seconded by Kathleen and motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Newsletter: ? The name of the newsletter was brought up, *The Desert Dog Dispatch*. There was interest in a possible name change that reflected the breed better. Jan suggested *Desert H2O Dog Dispatch*. Lauren suggested *Salty Dog*. It was asked that people email Denise about a possible name change and a “Name That Newsletter Contest.”

Kachina Kennel Club: Jan: The club was contacted to sponsor PWD trophies at the show. It was suggested to sponsor: Best of Breed \$18, Best of Opposite \$15, and Best of Winners \$12. Move to sponsor was made by Lauren and seconded by Mike. Motion passed.

National Specialty: Suggestion was made to sponsor a trophy or donate a basket for the auction. Motion by Pam Barnett was made to donate \$200 to the General Trophy Fund. Have seconded. Motion passed. Mike motioned that \$150 be allotted for an auction basket. Carol seconded and the motion passed.

Brag and cries: Mike and Carol Pleskoff—a cry for Donnie for his vasectomy. A brag from Carol for her retirement from Mayo Clinic.

Kathleen Harris' puppy is housebroken.

Tina Labash had brags for Rohan's first point and taking Reserve at the Supported Entry on two days.

Jam Shirreffs had brags for Sara who took 1st in Jumpers & Weaves on Friday and Sunday at West World and on Monday 2nd Q in reg. Agility, 3rd place.

Adjournment: Motion by Kathleen Harris at 8:10 p.m.