

SACCARAPPA YAPPER

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NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 @ 7pm
at the Barron Center
Brighton Avenue in Portland

Refreshments: Ed McLean, Bob/Mary Tripp, Joey Shaw, Rebeccah Aube

MEMO TO MEMBERS:

I want to thank everyone who helped with the trials. Everything went very well and we can chalk up another successful weekend. Rebeccah did a wonderful job with the trophies, Lois & Pat did a great job with the ribbons and rosettes, Jolene did a great job with the silent auction, Mary Jo did a great job with the catalog ads, Deb did a great job organizing all our

stewards, Brenda did a great job with refreshments both days. Bob Tripp and club members did a great job with set up and take down. I would like to especially thank Carol Furman and Mary Tripp who were obedience and rally secretary.... they both do a terrific amount of paperwork and organizing.....typing the premium list, all the entries, the catalog and judging program is a mountain of work.

So thanks to ALL members who helped... whether it was stewarding (our stewards are the BEST!), bringing stuff for the auction, refreshments, helping set up or take down....Thank you to one and all....This is a team effort and I thank you all!

Claire

PAWS FOR APPLAUSE:

At our trials, Jolene & Lab "Indy" got two legs on their CDX with 195 1/2 & 193 1/2.

At the Souhegan trials 10/15 & 16, Pat Aube & "Bella" got two legs with two placements on their CD. And my Irish Setter "Lacey" got a leg on her CD title.

Claire's Jillie won Select Bitch her first time in the ring as a special over a huge entry at the ISCNE specialty in CT.

Lois Hoyt's "Elliot" needs one point to finish his championship.

Congratulations everyone.... Please send your news & brags to me so I can list them in the newsletter.... cmарx29707@aol.com.

Saccarappa Obedience Club Regular Monthly Meeting September 28, 2011

The regular monthly meeting of the Saccarappa Obedience Club was held on Wednesday, September 28, 2011 at the Barron Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:09 P.M. by President, Mary Jo McCormack. There were 17 members and 1 guest present.

Secretary's report was accepted as read.

Treasurer's report was accepted as read. Bob Cuzner made a motion to pay the bills and was seconded by Ginny.

Correspondence:

The Club received a note from the photographers with a donation of 10% of what they made at the trial. Lois sent a note thanking the Club members for their thoughts while she recuperated from her injury. The judges sent an e-mail as to how well the Stewards did at the trial.

Committee Reports:

Trial Committee - Everything went very well at the trial. Jolene did a super job on the auction table. Everybody did a really great job on everything. Could have used a little more help on both ends. Rebecca did a great job on the trophies. Maybe we need to put a sign up about staying with your dog.

Training Committee - Beginner and puppy classes are full. We are getting inquiries about next session. Monday nights are full.

Membership Committee: We received a membership application from Janis Albright. She was voted in unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

Does anyone have a problem with the free training after you have been a member for 25 years that was brought up at the last meeting. There was no problem. Nanci made a motion that any member who has been with the Club for 25 years or more get tree training in any of the SOC regular classes and was seconded by Bob Cuzner. Motion passed.

New Business:

Genice brought up that it might be nice if we issued membership cards to people when they become members.

We are going to hold the Christmas party at Nanci's home again this year? The Christmas party will be Sunday December 4th at Nanci's home. December 18th will be the snow date.

A thank you goes out to Jerry for manning the phone. Brenda is going to do the phone and there will be a message on who to call or go to the website for information.

A motion was made by Nanci to adjourn at 8:10 P.M. and seconded by Carol Dunham. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Tripp, Recording Secretary

**Saccarappa Obedience Club
October 12, 2011**

Board Meeting

Saccarappa Obedience Club Board Meeting was held Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at Mary Jo McCormack's home. It was called to order by President Mary Jo McCormack at 7:08 P.M.,

Secretary's report was approved as read.

There was no Treasurer's report.

Correspondence:

There was no correspondence.

Committee Reports:

There were no Committee reports.

Unfinished Business:

Phone is going great so far.

Claire put an ad in for the next set of classes. There will only be 8 puppies in the next Star Puppy class. 10 are way too many in a class.

New Business:

The Nominating Committee needs to be appointed. We need a Board member to be head of the Committee. We need to get 2 club members and alternates for the Committee. We will 1 new board member. Lois will try to find a member to replace her on the Baord.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Brenda and seconded by Bob Cuzner. Meeting was adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Tripp, Recording Secretary

SACCARAPPA 20 YEAR HISTORY

I was going through some old club info and found this 20 year history which was written by Betty Lowell.

Our club was started 20 years ago in July 1966, and except for holidays and storms, has held continuous classes each week since then. We were known as Maine-ly Obedience Club and started holding classes at the Rod & Gun Club on Spring Street in Westbrook on Thursday evenings in September 1966.

The first newsletter was printed in April 1969. It was at first put out quarterly, then monthly and has continued so ever since... with 8 different editors since it's beginning.

We held our first fun match in January 1968, and continued to hold fun matches at least twice a year while we negotiated with AKC to allow us to hold sanctioned matches and licensed trials. After conforming to their suggested by-laws and changing our name to the one they approved, we were eligible to hold our first AKC sanctioned "B" match. Our name became Saccarappa - which is the old Indian name for Westbrook, and our first AKC match was held in Sept 1972 with an entry of 74. We held the required 2 "B" matches then the required two "A" matches and finally our first trial on October 12, 1974 with an entry of 70. We held licensed trials in both spring and fall of 1978 and since we started we have held 15 AKC matches and 14 trials. We are STILL the only obedience club in the state of Maine eligible to hold AKC events.

Through the years we have held demonstrations at nursing homes, schools, malls, parks and for Westbrook functions. We've sponsored tracking clinics, seminars, a childrens dog show, tattoo clinics and we've tried to donate when possible to the Morris Animal Foundation, the Baxter Animal Shelter and the MSSPA.

Our first scholarship to a Westbrook High school student was awarded in 1977 and has been given annually since then. The first recipient was Elizabeth Chayer, who then attended Thomas College and majored in Animal Husbandry.

We have as members, Maine's only AKC obedience judge, who is licensed for the Novice and Open classes and is provisional in Utility and we also have Maine's only AKC provisional tracking judge.

Over the years we have had: Maine's 1st and 2nd UDT German Shepherds, Maine's 1st & 2nd, and still only UD Irish Setters, Maines 1st Sheltie Champion who became the 1st Sheltie UD in the state, Maines 1st and only Dandie Dinmont UD, Maine's 1st Siberian Husky CD and Maine's 1st siberian CDX, Maine's 1st Beagle CDX and Maine's 1st and only OT Champion. Nationally we have had the 3rd ranking obedience Irish Setter in the US for two years and one of them became the #1 ranking obedience Irish Setter in the country, we had the 5h ranking obedience St. Bernard in the country who nationally had the highest total score in earning her CD, one of our members had the 5th ranking obedience Golden Retriever in the country, who was also #6 Sporting dog and #21 All Breeds, we had the 2nd ranking obedience Whippet of all time in the nation and we have the 5th Dandie Dinmont to ever earn a UD.

In the last 20 years our members have earned 190 CD degrees, with 93 of them in three trials. We have earned 54 CDX degrees, with 12 of them in 3 trials. Members have earned 14 UD degrees, 1 OTCH, 5 TD titles and 1 TDx title. In all, our members have earned 265 obedience titles, with 105 of them in only three trials. In addition, there have been 9 Dog World Awards and 35 High Score in Trial awards have been won by 18 dogs owned and trained by 12 of our members.

We've come a long way since the early days of 25 members, small classes, make shift jumps, rope ring enclosures , donated rug pieces for mats and a negative treasury. It is the enthusiasm and sportsmanship of the members that has made the club what it is today --- 20 years later.



Happy Halloween !!



Don't complain, obedience train!

Saccarappa has a brand new website
www.socdogs.com

Please check out the new site. We would love suggestions, more pictures and brags! You can send them to bex@pawsink.com

The new site also has a
MEMBERS ONLY SECTION

where you will find information about meetings, the monthly newsletter and a link to sign up for the new S.O.C. google group! The Members Section password is 854dogs

S.O.C. Google Group

A Google Group is a form of email that supports group communication without needing to have individual emails for everyone in the group. One email address will send to the entire group. It's quick and effective and a great way to look back if you missed something! This will be the main form of email communication for "CLUB" emails. IE: you will receive emails about events, meetings and classes via this group.

Please sign-up as soon as you can.

bex@pawsink.com if you have any questions



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