



Saccarappa Obedience Club

Regular Monthly Meeting January 18, 2014

The regular monthly meeting and Awards Banquet of the Saccarappa Obedience Club was held at the Weathervane Restaurant in South Portland, Maine. The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by President Cindy Strumph. There were 27 members and 3 guests.

Secretary's report was accepted as read.

Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Correspondence.

There was no correspondence.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Old Business

Members were reminded that the Show 'n Go is scheduled for January 19, 2014. Set-up will be at 8:30 am with entries starting at 9:00am. Members can show at 9:00am. Members are reminded to bring refreshments.

Claire Marx stated that members who wish to attend the seminar should sign up immediately as we are already receiving entries from as far away as New York and Connecticut.

New Business

Presentations to Members

- To Mary Jo McCormick for ten years of service as President as well as attending practically every event.
- To Brenda Proulx for years of service as Treasurer.
- To Rebecca Aube for handling trophies and the website.
- To Claire Marx for serving on the Board and being Trial Chairperson
- To Joey Shaw for editing the newsletter
- To Rusty Morrison for putting down mats
- To Jim Shaw for putting down mats
- To Drema Shaw for coordinating the Memorial Day Parade and serving on the Board.
- To Pat Aube for coordinating the Festival of Trees
- To Mary Tripp for serving as club and trial secretary
- To Jeremy Shaw for handling the photocopier and helping with classes
- To Board members Barbara Schwartz, Bob Tripp, Bob Cuzner,

The door prize was won by Chris Berg.

The raffle was won by Rusty Morrison.

The following teams received awards:

- Barbara Schwartz and Tembo---CDSP—Companion Dog Champion
- Mary Tripp and Jack---Open Trial Dog—Ducks and Cattle and Herding Dog Intermediate—Ducks and Sheep
- Jolene DiFazio and Indie---Flyball Onyx Award
- Claire Marx and Joey---Grand Champion
- Brenda Proulx and Benny---Novice Agility
- Barbara Schwartz and Pip---CGC
- Brenda and Dragon---Rally Novice

- Lois Hoyt and Elliott---Rally Novice
- Chris Berg and Tyco---Rally Novice
- Jim Shaw and Lilly---Rally Excellent
- Pat Aube and Bella---Rally Excellent
- Mary Jo McCormick---Rally Excellent
- Chris Berg and Tyco---Beginner Novice
- Jim Shaw and Lillie---Beginner Novice
- Brenda Proulz and Dragon---Beginner Novice
- Drema and Jim Shaw and Quincy---Beginner Novice
- Jim Shaw and Lillie—Companion Dog
- Pat Aube and Bella---Companion Dog Excellent
- Barbara Belicose and Sandy---Companion Dog Excellent
- Deborah Lawler and Libby---UDX

Deborah Lawler and Libby won High Scoring Dog with Title for the third year in a row.

Pat Aube and Bella won High Scoring Dog pursuing a title.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Schwartz, Recording Secretary



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Westminster

Held February 10 and 11, 2014

Hound Group: Gch Flessner's International S'cess, Age 3, Bloodhound

Toy Group: GCH Marlex Classic Red Glare, Age 4, Miniature Pinscher

Non-Sporting Group: GCH Brighton Lakeridge Encore, Age 5, Standard Poodle

Herding Group: GCH Riverside Telltail Coco Posh, Age 5, Cardigan Welsh Corgi

Sporting Group: GCH Whistlestop's Riley On Fire, Age 4 Irish Water Spaniel

Working Group: GCH Claircreek Impression De Matisse, Age 2, Portugese Water Dog

Terrier Group: GCH Afterall Painting The Sky, Age 5, Fox Terrier

Best in Breed: Wire Fox Terrier "Sky". For videos of the competition, visit:

<http://www.westminsterkennelclub.org/>

February 9

Border collie owned by Cape Elizabeth resident wins Westminster show agility trial

The competition put a fast-growing canine activity on U.S. dogdom's biggest stage for the first time.

The Associated Press

NEW YORK – A border collie named Kelso rocketed to a win in the Westminster Kennel Club's new agility competition Saturday night, while a husky mix called Roo! ran away with the recognition afforded to mixed-breed dogs at the nation's premier show for the first time since the 1800s.



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Spectators watch as Abbie, a rat terrier, and her handler Gayle Capen navigate the jumpers course during the Masters Agility Championship at Westminster staged at Pier 94, Saturday, in New York.

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Shooting through tunnels, scrambling over ramps, weaving through poles as a tail-wagging blur and taking a tight turn with a celebratory bark, 7-year-old Kelso bested about 225 other dogs – including another shown by his college-student owner – to take the overall championship. And Roo! made it to the final five to garner a prize for the top mixed-breed, or “all-American” dog.

The competition put a fast-growing canine activity on U.S. dogdom’s biggest stage, with the finals nationally televised on Fox Sports 1. While Kelso has won other agility titles, the Westminster trial was something special to his owner, Delaney Ratner, of Cape Elizabeth.

“It’s an awesome way to get our sport out there,” said Ratner, a sophomore economics major at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. The daughter of agility trainer Cindy Ratner, she could hardly decide which dog to root for in the final five – Jonesy, a miniature schnauzer she co-owns with her mom, won his height class.

A papillon named EZ, shown by John York of Royal Palm Beach, Fla., and a Pyrenean shepherd called Dash, owned by Ashley Deacon of Menlo Park, Calif., rounded out the finalists.



(Delaney Ratner, who has trained several SOC members, is seen here with Kelso, her border collie)