

Pacific NW Scent Work Club



GENERAL MEETING 12/5/2020 via Zoom

Meeting began at 6:34 pm

Attendees: Chuck Aylworth, Larry and Betty Schwartz, Judi James, Phyllis Dinsmore, Marti Nicholi, Betty Rose, Nancy Walker, Marielle Martin, Linda Keast, Sue Smith, Diane Elliott, Phyllis Willner, Holly Thau, Melody and Roy Fair

Presidents Report Congratulations on a great trial Halloween weekend at our new site! We're one of the few who have been able to hold a SW trial during the pandemic and do so safely. And we're growing and have several new applications for membership.

Secretary Report nothing new to report

Minutes of last meeting (8/20) Marti moved to accept the General meeting minutes, Betty 2nd, motion carried

Treasurers Report Judi reported we're getting organized to transfer the records to Nancy Royse. Expenses this year have been AKC fees and the Halloween Trial. We did not quite break even at this event largely due to a large ribbon order that was intended to cover the Halloween & the cancelled Thanksgiving trials.

It's time to pay dues.

Unfinished business

Nominating Committee - Board named Lisa Letourneau, Chuck Aylworth and Sue Smith (chair) as the committee.

Recommended Slate – Current Officers/Board noting that due to the pandemic we were delayed with elections and the current slate of officers did not have their first meeting until 11/20/2020.

President Judi James//
Vice President Susan Smith
Secretary Phyllis Dinsmore
Treasurer Nancy Royse
Board Marti Nickoli and Melody Fair

Motion by Larry S. to accept the Nominating Committee's slate, dispense with nominations from the floor, and instruct secretary to cast unanimous ballot for that slate of officers. Nancy Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Halloween trial Things to do differently:

- Using more gates to reduce line queues.
- Use Public Address System for announcements. Dispense with number posting for vehicles. Continue posting results electronically as available. Switch to using phones (SMS) to communicate between rings.
- Purchase new computers and laser printer (Event Secretary doing so),
- Change distribution of score sheets to be retained by secretary so updates can be made to the sheets before giving packet of scoresheets to the judges before class start. Discussion of value of

having a 2-part form for exhibitors. Check-in steward will have up to date master list to check off so we can identify those who are absent to report to judge stewards.

- Paid stewards for Judge & Timer were a great boost with many new to SW folks volunteering to help. Lisa did a great job coaching all the new folks throughout the weekend. Need to get information on parking and schedule out to Stewards in advance just as for exhibitors.
- One judge felt we didn't have adequate boxes in the possible to use for upper level container searches. They unfortunately were in truck, so need to be sure all containers remain in search area until we're done!

New membership applications

Diane Citti, Grants pass, OR, associate member

Sally Davis, Amboy, WA, associate member

Marielle Martin, Renton, WA , associate member

Hilary Burns, Gresham, OR, regular member

Marti made motion to dispense with second reading of applications and accept all as new members, Nancy Roys second, motion carried by unanimous voice vote

New Business

April 2021 event Board recommends more trials in 2021 and selected **4/17 – 19/21** at Volcanos stadium as our first attempt. Offering Friday -Detective, Saturday 2 trials, Sunday 1 trial. Marti did find a UKC obedience trial on the calendar that weekend, but otherwise there appears to be no dog activity conflicts.

Summer event Board is also looking for a second date and possible location likely in August or September. We will also be involved with GCCKC at thanksgiving 2021 in Battle Ground. We are considering the OSF grounds but unknown when they will reopen.

Fun Practice Opportunities for members. We only managed a couple before the pandemic started. Help us find possible sites and dates in the coming new year. Suggestions of Polk County Fairgrounds, Yamhill County Fairgrounds.

Seminars – discussion of a Zoom meeting about the rules, A judge panel of common handler errors, how to be successful at your first event.

Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm