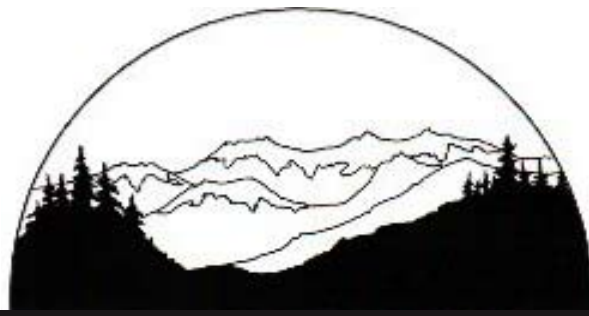


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Bill Holbrook holds collie Hildi (owned by Mary Franden) in Portland in January.

Mary got a picture of the cake at his retirement party at the show. "It was clear that he is well respected and well loved by the AKC show community," she said.

Entertainment too..

The Emerald City K-9 Freestyle Dancers will entertain during the dinner to honor Bill Holbrook's retirement February 21.



Come One Come All! We're Having A Party!

Come to the meeting and bring a dish on Wednesday, February 21. We are having a Pot Luck Dinner to honor Bill Holbrook on his retirement after twenty seven years with AKC.

Bill has been a member of the Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club since its formation and has always been there to advise and guide us to our successes with the shows.

He will be missed at shows all over the country, especially here in the Northwest. His quiet manner and smiling face were always there. People knew they could go to Bill anytime and get their questions answered. He could smooth ruffled feathers with such a calming manner. He was there not to criticize, but to help in any way he could.

The club will provide the paper plates, plastic ware and drinks. Call me at 681-5055 during the day or 452-6135 in the evening and let me know what you are bringing so we don't duplicate too much. The club will also provide dessert.

As it is a meeting night, we will plan on eating about 6:30 p.m. (*General meeting after-ed.*)

Nancy Tinker

Calendar

February

- 12 ...Lincoln's Birthday
- 19 ...Presidents' Day
- 21 ...HRKC General Meeting 6:30 p.m.
-Bill Holbrook's Retirement Party
- 21 ...Ash Wednesday
- 22 ...Washington's Birthday

March

- 11 ...Daylight Savings Time begins
- 17 ...St. Patrick's Day
- 21 ...HRKC General Meeting 7 p.m.
- 21 ...Spring begins

President's Message

I hope you can all attend the February meeting to congratulate Bill Holbrook on his recent retirement from AKC. I have always enjoyed seeing Bill at the shows, always helpful with the good answers and explanations for my dumb questions.

It was interesting (to me) following the PETA trial on the internet. In a nutshell it is about two PETA employees who went around town collecting dogs and cats from vet clinics with a promise to try and find them new homes. They killed them in the parking lot, and dumped the bodies in a dumpster behind a market. They were found guilty of littering and fined \$1,000. Police also confiscated the PETA owned van.

Last month I whined about the price disparity for spay/neuter and intact licenses. While at the Portland shows a couple of weeks ago, I found myself in the middle of about 4000 intact dogs wondering where all the problems were. Now tonight watching Westminster on television, I still don't see the big problems that all intact dogs pose on society.

I do feel that we as a club should do something about watching for harmful legislation aimed to harm our sport.

Joe Larson
President, HRKC

A dog is not "almost human," and I know of no greater insult to the canine race than to describe it as such.

- John Holmes

HRKC January 2007 General Meeting

The January General Meeting of the Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club was preceded by a dog dancing demonstration by Emerald City Canine Freestyle members Carolyn Money, Shelly Denton, and Joan Ethier.

Officers Present: Joe Larson, President; Mariko Saum, Vice-President; Ron Fye, Treasurer; Mary Franden, Secretary. Board Members: Nancy Tinker, Melissa Smith, and Sarah Kincaid

An attendance sign-in sheet was circulated: There were 16 members and 5 guests present.

The meeting was called to order by President Joe Larson at 7:35 p.m. Joe asked for a roll call of the members and guests who were present.

A. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the November and December General Meetings were approved as published in the newsletter.

B. President's Report

Joe Larson announced that Bill Holbrook is retiring in January after 27 years with the AKC, with a retirement party to be held at the Rose City show in Portland on January 19th.

C. Secretary's Report

Nothing to report.

D. Treasurer's Report

Ron Fye summarized club expenses, income, profits and net worth for 2006. The club realized a profit for the year. Ron noted that the without the shows the club puts on, the club would not have made any profit for the year. Details are available for anyone who requests them. The treasurer's report was accepted.

E. Committee Reports

AWARDS: Nancy Tinker will continue as Awards Chair. A list of the 2006 Award winners will be provided for next month's newsletter.

HISTORIAN: Anne Andritsch will continue as Historian for 2007.

MEMBERSHIP: Jan Garrison was absent.

NEWSLETTER: Patricia Pedersen thanked Sharon for the wonderful photos submitted for the January newsletter, and asked club members to please continue to send pictures and articles. The deadline for submissions to the newsletter is the first Wednesday of each month, so that the newsletter can be published on the second Wednesday of the month.

TRAINING: Chris Cornell was absent. Carolyn Money said there will be local classes in freestyle and dog tricks; anyone who is interested should contact Carolyn.

2007 SHOW CHAIR: Mariko Saum reported on Judge Selection and 2007 Show Committees. The 2007 Committees are as follows: Grounds keeping – Chris Cornell; Trophies – Jan Garrison; Announcers – Sharon Johnson and Nancy Tinker; Catalogue Sales – Charlotte Metzler; Publicity/Judges' accommodations – Ron Fye; RV Parking – Robin Kelley; Vendors – Nancy Tinker; Food & Hospitality – Irene Snodgrass, Sarah Kincaid, Melissa Smith; Tear Down – Joe Larson; Reserved Grooming – Joe Larson; Ring supplies – Faris Taylor; Judges' Dinner – Del and Sharon DeLaBarre; Obedience and Rally Chair – Chris Cornell; Show Chair – R. Mariko Saum; Bred-By Trophies – Robin Kelley

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Ron confirmed details of reservations at the Quality Inn for several of the Judges, including Mr. and Mrs. Trotter, and Dr. Smith, who will be arriving on Thursday to judge the Shar Pei Specialty.

2008 SHOW CHAIR: Joe Larson said the superintendents are currently signing contracts for 2008, and asked if we want to hire BaRay for the 2008 show. The members voted to approve hiring BaRay.

AGILITY CHAIR: Nancy Tinker reported that the premiums are out for the April agility trial with entries coming in. The trial will be April 13, 14, 15.

PROGRAMS: Carolyn Money asked if anyone would like to take over coordinating programs. She also suggested that if anyone has any ideas about what programs would interest them, they should send their ideas to the newsletter editor for publication.

PUBLIC EDUCATION: Ron will continue as Public Education Chair, unless there is another volunteer.

F. Unfinished Business

Ron Fye noted that it is time to send a check for annual dues, for anyone who hasn't already done so. If dues are not paid by the 1st of March, membership is dropped. Dues should be sent to Ron.

G. New Business

Nancy Tinker suggested the club make a donation in Bill Holbrook's name to the AKC charity of Bill's choice. A motion to donate \$500.00 was seconded and approved.

A potluck retirement party at the January meeting was also suggested. Everyone is asked to come at 6:30, and bring food.

H. Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at Greywolf in Sequim at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 21st. (6:30 p.m. for the potluck party.)

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Franden, Secretary

You Want Me To Do ... What! (or...The Fastidious Bloodhound)



TDI Certification Test

A Therapy Dogs International (TDI) Certification Test is scheduled for Sunday, March 4, 2007, 10:00 a.m., at the Greywolf Veterinary Hospital, 1102 E. Washington Street, Sequim.

The hospital is at the east end of Sequim. If you come into Sequim from the east on Highway 101, take the Washington Street exit and go one mile. The hospital will be on your right (north), just past the Chamber of Commerce building. If you get to the QFC grocery, you have gone too far. The test will be indoors, on a matted floor.

If you plan to test, please notify me so I'll have an idea of how many teams to expect. If you need more detailed driving directions or a TDI brochure describing the exercises in the test, contact me at (360) 681-4440 (home), (360) 460-7139 (cell) or cornell@olypen.com.

- Cost of certification test: \$10.00.
- Dog must be at least 1 year old.
- Dog must be on lead with a plain buckle collar (no choke chain or prong collar).
- No treats for the dog during the test.
- Cost of registration with TDI (after passing the test) is \$35.00.

Chris Cornell

2007 Dues are due

Membership Dues for calendar year 2007 are delinquent after February 1, 2007. Membership Dues not paid by March 1, 2007 will result in your name being removed from the kennel club roster. Send Payment to: HRKC, P.O. Box 2740, Sequim, WA 98382 or pay at February meeting.

Thanks,
Ron Fye, Treasurer



Braggs

Cruise" Apple Acres Heartbeat of Joy, NA, NAJ was WD and BOS at the Puyallup show Jan 14 for two more points.

Joe Larson

HRKC January 2007 Board Meeting

The Board Meeting of the Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club was called to order at Valley Center Place in Sequim at 7:10 p.m. on January 24, 2006

Officers Present: Joe Larson, Mariko Saum, Ron Fye, Mary Franden, Nancy Tinker, Melissa Smith, Sarah Kincaid

A. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the November 2006 Board meeting were reviewed and approved.

B. President's Report

Joe Larson noted that Sarah Kincaid was the newest board member, and confirmed that Ron Fye will serve as the Public Education chair for 2007.

C. Secretary's Report

Mary Franden will reply to the AKC request for updated information on club officers and committee chairs.

D. Treasurer's Report

Ron Fye provided details on income and expense for 2006. The fall agility trial made a profit, and the club overall was profitable for the year. The Treasurer's report was approved.

Ron noted that the books need to be audited. Sharon has the books. Irene Snodgrass will work with Sharon to do the audit. Ron has sent the appropriate materials to the accountant to prepare the 2006 tax return.

E. Report of the Committees

2007 ALL-BREED SHOW: Mariko Saum reported on Judges and Committees for the 2007 show. The board discussed the need for a committee and written procedures for judge selection. More judges have been hired than we will need; it will be necessary to retract the offers to the most recently hired.

A contract with BaRay had been signed at the time the 2006 contract was signed.

2008 ALL-BREED SHOW: Joe Larson brought up the recent death of Mrs. Blake, and led a discussion of possible future venues for the all-breed show. He will look into possible alternatives to the Blake Family Property for 2008.

AGILITY TRIALS: Nancy Tinker reported that the Premium list is out for the spring agility trial, and

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mentioned the possibility of going to Elma for the September agility trial. Sharon Johnson will check to see if the Elma site is available.

WEB SITE: Mary Franden provided details on next steps for the web site, to include a change in hosting and a meeting of the web site committee.

F. Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business was introduced.

G. New Business:

ALL-BREED SHOW:
Nancy Tinker suggested some materials that could be

provided to at the gate to show-goers. Packets could include informational pamphlets published by the AKC, assembled in plastic bags imprinted with the HRKC logo and URL.

Nancy will order booklets and logo pens. Irene volunteered to assemble the packets. The board voted approval for the purchase of pens and bags.

The Board entertained a motion to hire BaRay for the 2008 and 2009 shows, and voted to approve the motion.

Fred Page has offered to donate a perpetual trophy. After a discussion of the rules pertaining to perpetual trophies, the board

agreed to accept the trophy, to be awarded to the club member with the highest obedience score. Nancy will ask Fred to volunteer to track the trophy winners.

Mariko Saum suggested we ask the Blake Family if family members would like to present the Sunday BIS Award, and the board agreed.

Joe Larson asked if it would be possible to publish a map of the show grounds showing the locations of the rings. Space is limited in the premium, but it may be possible to include a map in the catalog.

H. Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. Respectfully submitted,
Mary Franden, Secretary



Mariko Saum captured these delightful pictures of her bouviers enjoying the snow.



Nature has no mercy at all. Nature says, "I'm going to snow. If you have on a bikini and no snowshoes, that's tough. I am going to snow anyway." – Maya Angelou

Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Potluck for Bill Holbrook
February 21
Greywolf Vet Clinic

Patricia Pedersen, Editor
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Members are encouraged to submit articles of general interest and news of their activities. Deadline for submission is the first Wednesday of the month for publication in that month's newsletter. Photos and drawings will be considered on receipt and review.

Please include a SASE when sending submission so they can be returned to you.

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businesses that sell live animals