



THE HURRICANE RIDGE KENNEL CLUB  
General Meeting Minutes  
January 16, 2019

The Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club general meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. on January 16, 2019 at the Pathways Training Center in Sequim, WA. Officers present:, President; Lorraine Shore, Secretary: Mariko Saum  
Directors present: Anne Andritsch and Ben Andrew.

**Roll Call:** Leah Andrews, Steve Chinn, Jan Garrison, Bruce & Hattie Good, Glorene Hansen, Marie Hooper, Tanya Kerr, Joe Larson, Christie Martinez, Susie & Bill Metzger, Carolyn Money, Anita Pedersen, Cathy Regan, Carol Rodgers, Polly Sarsfield, Sue Spier, and Bob & Marcia Whitcomb.

**Guests:** Bill (GSD Service Dog), Liz Cortner, Elaine Diedrich and Jennifer Paul.

There were 24 members and 4 guests present. There was a quorum for this meeting.

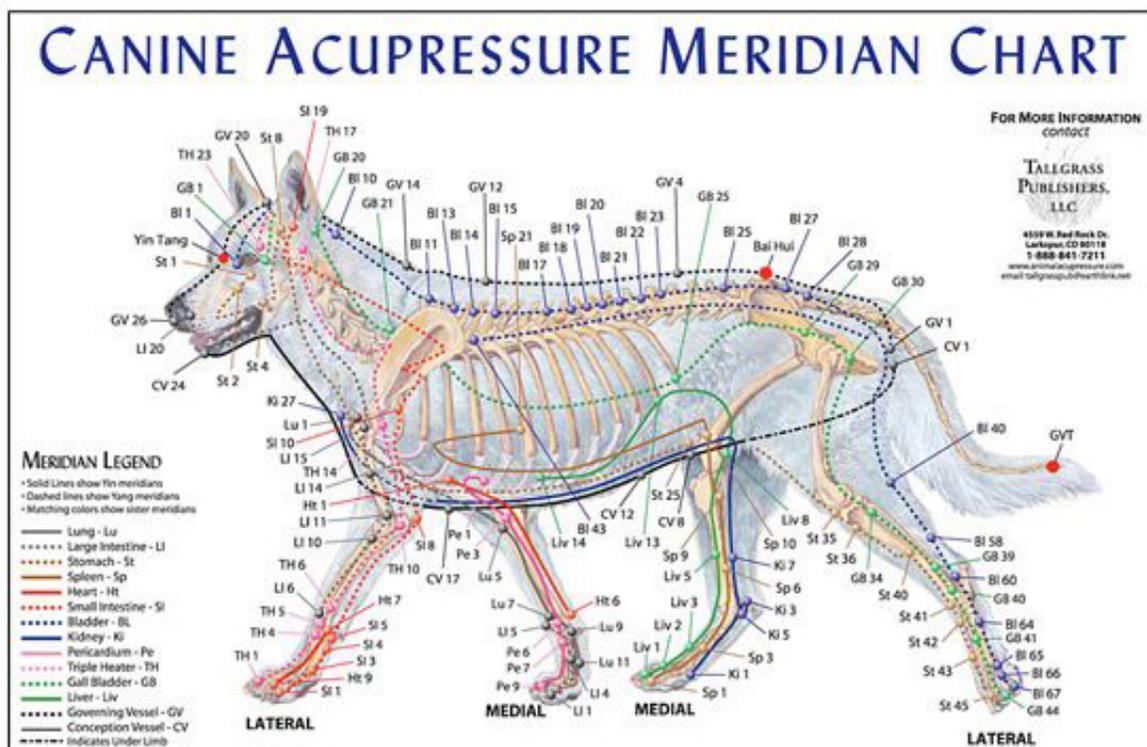
**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from the September 19, 2018 General Membership Meeting were unanimously approved. The minutes can now be posted on the Club's website. Motion by Anne Andritsch, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Larson.

**Guest Presentation:** Presentation on Acupressure and Massage by Liz Cortner RN, BS, MEd of Heart to Hands Holistics. Canine and Human Acupressure and Reiki Therapist. Liz was a Trauma RN for 43 years and has a Master's degree in Nursing and Adult Education. She retired from nursing and opened her business Heart to Hands Holistics. Liz is certified in Clinical Acupressure and Herbal Medicine and she spoke about the benefits of acupressure and massage for canines. Below is an excerpt from her presentation.

Liz went over the acupressure points on the dog and also gave hands on demonstration using Hope Williams' dog Abby. Liz prefers to meet at the owner's home where the dog is least stressed to perform the acupressure and massage. She is also able to use the treatment room at La Paw Spa when necessary. Liz can be reached at 360-350-3616 and her website is: [www.hearttohandsholistics.com](http://www.hearttohandsholistics.com) and email is: [liz@hearttohandsholistics.com](mailto:liz@hearttohandsholistics.com)

Liz said that owners can and should use acupressure on their dogs every day for peak wellbeing and performance. She demonstrated how to use acupressure on Abby:

- The pressure is steady, but gentle, circular motions
  - Note any temperature difference as you do your first move down the spine
  - Notice any signs of pain response from your dog, such as muscle contraction, whining, growling, or startle reaction
  - Occiput\* to tail twice, on either side of spine
  - Occiput to just past last rib, then around rib cage until hands meet
- \*\*occipital bone extends right down the back of the head to where it articulates with the neck\*\*



### What is Acupressure?

- Acupressure is non-invasive
- Uses the same energy principles and points as acupuncture
- Can be used for acute and chronic medical problems and injuries
- Can be used for emotional issues
- Can be used to prevent injuries and optimize competition performance

### **Why use Acupressure and Massage on your healthy, normal dog?**

- Calms the dog and encourages a sense of wellbeing
- Centers the energy of the dog
- Removes energy blockages to organs and tissues
- Increases blood flow to organs and tissues
- Assists in the prevention of injury due to optimization of energy flow and blood flow
- Removes toxins after vigorous exercise
- Lowers stress and fatigue after competition

**President's Report:** None

**Secretary's Report:** Received a thank you letter from N.A.I.A. for HRKC donation in 2018 of \$300.

**Treasurer's Report:** From here on the Treasurer's accounting will be included in all minutes and published.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Membership:**

- Vote was taken for new member, Carol Rodgers. Membership voted unanimously for approval.
- Dues were received 5 more members. HRKC has 63 members, including 7 Lifetime members. As of 1/24/19, there are 19 members with unpaid dues.
  - Dues are payable by the first day of each year, however members are granted 30 days to pay their dues which can be mailed to:  
**HRKC, POB 2740, Sequim, WA 98382**

#### **A/R/O – Show Dates May 31, June 1 and June 2, 2019**

- Volunteers from membership needed for set up
- Volunteers from membership needed for Hospitality
- Volunteers from membership needed for Score and timing with a seminar offered on the 30<sup>th</sup> of May to educate volunteers to be held at Carrie Blake Park

#### **All-Breed Show – Show Dates July 26 – 28, 2019**

- Volunteers from membership needed for Hospitality, feeding approximately 60.
- A food vendor to serve the public for all three days is needed so any members who have information on potential food vendors are asked to send that to Joe Larson ASAP.

- Conformation ring stewards are needed to help offset club costs. There are 5 – 6 stewards needed each day.
- Chris Cornell will be looking for volunteers for Rally and Obedience as well.
- Volunteers needed from membership to help with parking. Would like to have several signed up by March. A list will be available by the next General meeting, February 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Christie Martinez discussed a per dog payment for judging and \$20 additional for each Group, \$10 additional for each Owner Handled Group. She advised that many Judges are doing this to help Clubs with their costs. Christie brought an example of a judge's contract and gave it to Joe Larson.

#### **HRKC Scent Work:**

- Explore fall dates to hold Trials, possible dates 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of October, with preferred dates of October 12 and 13<sup>th</sup>.
- Ben Andrews advised that Judge Dykes would be willing to put on a seminar on Genetics at All Breed show
- Elaine suggested reciprocal help for Ring Stewards from UKC for the HRKC Scentwork Trial and HRKC members to assist with the UKC Scent Trial. UKC needs 6 volunteers.

#### **HRKC Website & Newsletter:**

Marie said she is unable to update the Events Calendar on the website at this time but is working on it.

The club officers need to be updated on the website

The Newsletter should come out monthly and Lorraine will endeavor to produce a monthly president's message as well as solicit for "Member Spotlight" information to allow everyone to meet our members. Photos of members with their dogs and a short bio for the spotlight is needed.

Photos are needed from members for the newsletter as well as any articles that members would like to see published.

Submissions needed, what are members interested in seeing in Newsletter? Board will also consider what to include.

#### **Old Business:**

##### **2019 HRKC Membership Dues:**

- HRKC Membership list is due to AKC by 3/1/19 so all members need to have their dues paid by that date.

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Current Balances:

Washington Federal Money Market: 93423

Washington Federal CD: 30,609

Sound Community Bank: \$3182

Income and Expenses:

1. Paid City of Sequim for 2020 banner spaced.
  2. Made donations to WAG, NAIA, Old Dog Haven
  3. Paid trailer license.
  4. Deposited dues
  5. Sent beginning of tax info to Sledzik and Assoc. (judges W-9)
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Jo Chinn, HRKC Treasurer

**New Business:**

 **Brag:**

- Carol Rodgers said she went from #10 Owner Handler to #4 on the Montana Circuit. Went to Orlando and went BOS.
- Steve Chin said Valley achieved Grand Champion
- Leah and Bens Andrews announced son Ryan won with the Frenchie
- Joe Larson's Sheltie went Best of Winners

The meeting adjourned at 8:47p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Mariko Saum, Secretary