



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

June 12, 2010

Reno Tahoe Equestrian Center, Reno, Nevada

The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm in the clubhouse of the Reno Tahoe Equestrian Center (RTEC). There were 26 members present.

President Singer

Cherie welcomed everyone to our new location, as well as Dennis Davis and Mary Carter who had recently joined our club.

Vice President's Membership Report

Barb Meyer was pleased to announce that besides Dennis and Mary, who own "Wire" the beautiful red merle Aussie, we also had one new individual and one family membership. Jayme Martinez with her Border Collies "Pinto, Panda, Kestra" and "Sorcha," have joined us, along with Peter and Shawn Vogel with their Pembroke Corgi, "Edgrr," and "Pawlie," a Cardigan. These three memberships bring us to a total of 12 new "Runners" this year, and a current total of 89 members.

Secretary's Report

Cynthia Kennedy left a copy of the May meeting minutes on the check-in table for all to read at the trial. They were also posted on the website. The minutes were approved. Cherie reminded us that if anyone has any questions about club business, to contact her.

Treasurer's Report

Jill Murdock was happy to report that the May Cinco de Mayo Trial made a profit of \$1,700. The June trial at RTEC exceeded expectations, so it will be profitable as well. We are exceeding our income projections for the year

Status Updates

- . **Newsletter:** Lynn Saunders reminded everyone that the next edition of "The Latest Poop," would be coming out soon, and for everyone to get their news, brags and photos to her by June 18th.
- . **Website:** Cherie hoped that everyone had visited our new website. Karin Bruce and Karin Bell (who are both married to "Johns") worked very hard on the website, and that Karin Bell is now managing it. If you see anything that needs to be corrected, or added to the website, contact Karin. She also invites you to send her dates of any events of interest, and premiums. Lin Battaglia mentioned that she will be having a dog health seminar with Dr. Crumley in July.

. **Awards Party:** Beijing Palace is not big enough for our party, so that plan has been scuttled. Mary Kapner and Dianne Robak (Awards Party Chairs) have looked at Casino Fandango, and it has good possibilities. This triggered a long discussion about how things have deteriorated at Fuji Park, and how wonderful the trial had been thus far at RTEC. Jim Anderson, the COO of RTEC who was hosting our meeting, spoke up and said we could have our awards party right where we were sitting - in the clubhouse, and how they had held sit-down dinners for 80 in the room. He offered to let us have the trial site, and the clubhouse gratis as he felt they had underestimated how much trouble and wear & tear was going to be involved in hosting an agility trial. *Everyone* stood up to applaud Jim for his generous offer. Cherie said it would be discussed with Mary and Diane, along with the costs and logistics of catering there. Cynthia Kennedy said she would not mind having a potluck awards party, but Cherie wanted to keep the elegant atmosphere we've always had.

New Business

. **Key Trial Positions for 2011:** The list will be put up in September for Trial Chairs and Secretaries, as well as all the other Key Trial Positions. Cherie congratulated Jill Murdock for the excellent job she did at the RTEC trial. "As a rookie, she was GREAT!" Jill responded by saying she thought that everyone should do the job at least once. "It's not hard, but it's a lot of work, and you have a deeper appreciation for the people who take on this job." Cherie also complimented Barb Meyer for the seamless job she did as Secretary of the March trial (Most of us don't remember much from that trial due to excess beer & cake.) Cherie failed to congratulate herself for Chairing the RTEC trial, and Lynn Saunders for Chairing in March, and Linda Fuller Chairing with Sandra James Secretary in May. This only happened because we were all too busy gushing over how much we *LOVE* RTEC (Thank you to Cherie, Lin & Karin for finding the place.). Cherie also singled out Salli Dulco for doing such an exemplary job as Keeper of the Krap. "She has done a fabulous job!"

Bree's Fund: Alanna Leach was originally slated to judge our June trial, but recently, her daughter Bree, was lost in a tragic ATV accident. Toni Pearce graciously stepped in to judge for us. We received a card from the Leach family, thanking us for our donation to "Bree's Fund," a scholarship that had been set-up in her memory. The note in the card said, "Thank you R2R for the donation to Bree's memorial fund, it means more than you will ever know... Gary, Alanna, and Conner Leach." The meeting adjourned at 6:58pm, but we ended by presenting Jim Anderson with an official Ready 2 Run ballcap. Jim seemed very pleased to get the cap, and he wore it the rest of the weekend. Much has been said about his hospitality, and how he was everywhere offering a hand, a game of pool, the barn's luxu bathroom, just about anything. He announced he had bought \$12 worth of carrots and wanted to take everyone out to the stalls to meet the horses and tour the facility. Most of us took him up on his offer and had a lovely time meeting his "Drinkers of the Wind," (that's how Arabians are described in Arabic lore). When we weren't meeting horses, we were chowing down the potluck, playing pool, and remarking over and over about how wonderful it was not to be freezing in the gazebo at Fuji.

The forgoing minutes submitted by: Cynthia Kennedy, Secretary