

REMC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

AUGUST 6, 2016

Dixon, CA

Members Present:

Diane Collings
Tony Hyland
Dick Greaver
Patti Wilkinson
Karin Weseloh
Cathy Lindfors
Don Lindfors
Mary Greaver
Bob Weseloh
Sandra Espig
Gemini Herzog
Trinette Pierce
Jann Lanz
Mark Lanz
Maria Ruoto
Carrie Nolin
Shelley Gallagher
Susan Dahl
Barbara House

Guests Present:

Laura Munro
Doreen Dysert
Jodi LaBombard
Pam Gilley

Meeting was called to order by Tony Hyland.

Minutes of Last Meeting

Minutes were published online.

MOTION #1: Motion to approve minutes as Distributed made by Dianne Collings, seconded by Bob Weseloh. Motion carried.

Corresponding Secretary's Report

None

Treasurer's Report

Patti Wilkinson reported the balance of the checking account is \$4,156.18, balance in the savings account is \$11,230.28. Patti has received entry checks in the amount of \$991, she has not yet received any entries that were paid through PayPal. She has received \$750 for trophy sponsorships, and received a few more checks today. The trophy sponsorships more than pay for the cost of the trophies.

MOTION #2: Motion to accept the Treasurer's report made by Dick Greaver, seconded by Diane Collings. Motion carried.

Toni announced that the Board would be working to establish a budget for the 2017 Specialty and MCOA Specialty.

Rescue Report

Trinette Pierce and Dick Greaver announced Rescue has been quiet. Toni announced there is a national and Regional level Rescue CD available. The CD shows what an English Mastiff is and what it is not. REMC gets calls for rescue from shelters; the shelters are sure the dog is an English Mastiff, but when REMC goes to evaluate the dog, they find the dog is either not an English Mastiff or is a mastiff mix. It may be worthwhile to purchase some CDs and distribute them to shelters so their staff are better informed.

Dianne Collings reported she had received an email from Anna Marie Bateloni, who initially said she wanted a rescue, and then mentioned wanted intact female or a puppy for breeding for only family members.

2016 REMC Specialty

Toni thanked Karin Weseloh and all of the volunteers that contributed to this year's Specialty. The program and judging were great.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

2017 Specialty/MCOA National

Toni reported we have the possibility of 7 majors, for the 70th Annual MCOA Specialty. Hangtown and Kennel Club of the Sierras will be Friday through Monday. We'll change Friday to a concurrent show, with supported entries for Friday through Sunday. Monday will be REMC Specialty, then MCOA National will start on Tuesday and go through Sunday.

There are still rooms available at the Lions Gate Hotel. People should only book their rooms through the hotel and the hotel website, if the rooms are booked through any other online system, REMC does not get credit for the rooms. Also, only those booking rooms through the hotel get free breakfast or special rates for the number of dogs in the room.

Supported Entry trophies are taken care of. Friday there will be yard art for BOB, BOW, and BOS. Friday is also the MCOA Regional Specialty, trophies for BOB, BOW and BOS will be a mastiff picture and the winners from the classes are cigarette cards. Sweeps trophies will be pewter medallions and leashes. Saturday and Sunday will be supported entries; trophies for one day will be crystal jars and for the other

day will be picnic baskets/backpacks/softsided coolers. For the REMC Specialty BOB, BOW and OS will receive Peggy Karr glass bowls with a poppy theme; the classes will receive pitchers or mugs; Sweeps will receive cookie jars.

On Monday, Sweeps winners receive cookie jars; regular class winners will receive a mastiff picture and beer mugs with the REMC logo and poppies. Monday will be regular conformation classes the afternoon will have Meet the Masters classes and handling lessons. That evening will be a Fiesta Night hosted by REMC and held at the General's House.

The hospitality area will be in the McClellan House every day; that area also has sleeping rooms upstairs that do not lock. We do not plan a full-out lunch or dinner. There are refrigerators and microwaves in each room. There is a bathroom downstairs. We can have no snacks ringside.

Tuesday will be Futurity, Maturity, and Obedience. There will be nothing that precedes these classes.

Wednesday will be Sweeps and Educational sessions. The Welcome Party will be at the motor homes.

Thursday will have the MCOA Annual Meeting during breakfast. The first round of Tournament of Champions will be on Thursday. The auction will be Thursday night.

Friday will be class Dogs. It will also be the final round of the Tournament of Champions; the format will be different. It will be "Friday Night Lights", with the top 10 of the Tournament and the top 5 of the Breeders Cup. The judge for the Friday Tournament will be different than the Thursday judge; the judge for the Breeders Cup will be the same. Dogs will show on Friday. Health testing will be available.

Saturday will be class Bitches. Cardiac (ECG) and CERF Testing will be available; ECG results will be available after the test is performed. There will be a generalized seminar on what the cystinuria results mean.

Sunday will be Best of Breed.

This Fall Toni and Dianne will meet with Lions Gate catering to review the menu for 2017.

Thunder Valley will provide a free bus to the casino on Tuesday or Thursday, at REMC's choice. The bus will seat up to 70 people. Toni is suggesting we charge \$10 to ride the bus, with \$5 being refunded to the individual when they board the bus and the other \$5 being contributed to health and rescue.

Toni has been working with Karin for the logo wear. The Trophy Donation page is up on the internet. Toni wants to get logo wear up as soon as possible so people can order the logo wear early.

Events will be outdoors and on grass. The Ballroom is the same size as the room in Texas, which was too small. There are trees behind the ring; it is open and people can come and go through the area, so is not totally secure. For the evening activities, there is a flat area outside which also has a stage. Vendors will be on the grass next to the pool.

Obedience will have its own rings. These will be left open after Obedience to use as practice rings. CGC, CGCI and Temperament Testing will be offered. There is probably room for most pop-ups. We will need to arrange for portapotties.

Maria Ruoto has a map of the hotel; she will need a list of the areas where events will be held in order to add them to the map in the catalog.

MCOA and REMC are in arbitration with the Red Lion Woodlake hotel. It is our contention that the contract cancellation was mutual. One MCOA member wants to know why REMC is part of the lawsuit and will be getting money from it if MCOA wins. In answer to that member, REMC was also a party to the hotel contract and has also incurred additional expenses as a result of the Red Lion Woodlake cancelling the contract.

The RV area will have no hookups. They are making arrangements to have water available – but not for RV hook-ups. There are no shower facilities at the pool. The hospitality house has a bathroom downstairs that could be used.

ICSB/Serius will offer a breeding seminar. It will be an overview of how to use DNA results in a breeding program. Dick Greaver will offer a seminar on the mastiff standard, and Dianne Collings will offer a seminar on structure.

There will be an Obedience and Rally demonstration.

New Members

Second reading for Maria Ruoto and Carrie Nolin. Vote was taken; members present voted to accept their applications as new members.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

None.

MOTION #3 Motion to adjourn made by Karin Weseloh

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Dahl, Recording Secretary