The Boxer Club of Canada Inc.



Minutes of the General Meeting held on Monday November 5th, 2018

The meeting was called to order at approx. 8:03 p.m. - on-line Moderator/Chair. - President Dave Gilmour

Attendance: (21 Members) Lena Arkell, Dave & Patti Gilmour, Cindy Thomas, Tammy Ranta, Marta Nettelfield, Normand Houde, Lee Nowak, Doris Avery, Keith Lawson, Michael Hockley, Anne McDougall, Kimberly Smith, Lillian Wainwright, Mary Curl, Melissa & Mark Mathers, Mary Jane Nowak, Jenny & Michael Catton, Christine Burton

Reminder: A quick reminder that there is a prize at the end of the year for everyone that has attended a meeting, served on the exec or a committee. You get one entry for every meeting attended, committee served on or exec position. They go into a hat at the end of the year and a name is drawn.

Minutes:

Dave: Good evening everyone. I would like to call the meeting to order and start by everyone typing their name for attendance

Dave: Everyone should of had a chance to read last month's minutes. Are there any errors or omissions?

- Normand: Could I get a copy of those minutes?
- Mary: I will send you the link Normand.
- Normand: Thanks Mary

Dave: If there are no errors or omissions then I move the minutes be accepted as written. Seconded by Tammy Ranta

Dave: Is there any business arising from the minutes? If no business then we will move on to the treasurer's report

Treasurer's Report - Kim (not in attendance)

- Mary For Kim:
 - September 30/2018 Balance \$8536.90
 - o Credit S/C \$19.00, Paper Statement \$2.00
 - o Debit Nil
 - o October 31/2018 Balance \$8525.90

Mary: I move the report be accepted Seconded by: Lee Nowak

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Show Committee Mary, Shirley

Mary: No Report

Publicity: No Report

Trophy Committee: Shawn Mealey - not in attendance

Programme: Lillian Wainwright - No Report

Membership Committee: Doris

- Doris: I'd like to remind everyone that 2019 Membership Renewals are due by the end of December 2018.
 - The Renewal Form can be found on the front page of the BCC website. I will be sending out reminder emails this week.
- Also, Jeannie Miskey has completed her Probationary Membership and is now an Ordinary Member of the BCC. • Welcome Jeannie!!

Discipline Committee: Shirley Bell - not in attendance

Obedience Committee: Marta Nettelfield

• Marta: No report

Awards Committee: Mary, Shirley & Marta

- Mary: Starting to compile the awards for this year.
 - CKC listings is up to July 2018. All award applications have been updated.
 - Those who asked for extra plaques or plates I have calculated how much you owe and given the list to Kim. I can
 email you if you like

- Keith: Now that I'm a regular member, do I apply now for the plaques my dogs earned while I was a probationary member or do I wait until closing of next year?
 - Mary: You can apply now but you won't get them until we give out the ones next year. Send me the form.

Special Service Award Committee: Debbie Allardyce - not in attendance

Fund Raising Committee: Patti -

• Patti: nothing to report for fundraising

Reading of General Correspondence: Cindy Thomas

- **Cindy**: Information from the Canadian Working Dog Federation (CWDF) will be posted in the FB members group and through email.
 - Mary: I will add it to the minutes
 - Cindy: Proposed Dewclaw, Docking & Cropping Ban is now in Alberta.
 - I received a form letter from Alison Merrick of the Alberta Doberman Pinscher Club for the Club to send into her and mail into the ABVMA. I am currently working on that on behalf ot the Club. This is time sensitive as the AGM is happening within a couple weeks.
 - I need to know what research that the BCC has donated to in the past. I have the ABCHF but not sure if there was anything else. If anyone knows please contact me via FB or email cyntechboxers@gmail.com. I have already posted a link to a form letter for individuals to fill out and send in. If you are not in the FB group Breeders Rights, please join as updates are being posted there and you can ask questions as well.
 - Dave: Thx for that Cindy. Everyone needs to send in this letter and mention it to everyone else you know.

Secretary's NOTE* Link to individual letter:

https://tinyurl.com/y7juffw5

and for any who have trouble with this link I have added the letter to these minutes - the rmail address to send it to is: maintainingdockcrop@gmail.com

Good & Welfare: Lillian Wainwright

• Lillian: negative -- just a quick update -- had my first excursion out on my own yesterday - dog show in Orangeville -- had the pleasure of getting acquainted with the gorgeous BB & BOS boxers

- Mary: Glad you are doing better Lillian
- o Dave: Thanks Lillian
- o Jenny: Glad you are feeling better, Lillian

Old Business:

• None

New Business:

Dave: We need to look at doing some donations whether to one or split it between a couple different ones. If everyone would like to put forward ideas please forward them on to any of the executive.

Dave: If no one has any other new business I move the meeting be adjourned and everyone have a good nite. Cindy: Second

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

NEXT Regular MEETING: Monday December 3rd, 2018 - 8 p.m. Ontario time

*NOTE: ONTARIO WILL BE ON STANDARD TIME FOR THIS MEETING

- 8:00 p.m. Ontario Standard Time -Time in Ottawa
- 9:30 p.m. Newfoundland Standard Time Newfoundland
- 9:00 p.m. Atlantic Standard Time Halifax, NS
- 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time Winnipeg
- 7:00 p.m. Central Standard Time Regina
- 6:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time Edmonton
- 5:00 p.m. Pacific Standard Time Vancouver

Information from the Canadian Working Dog Federation (CWDF)

Dear member of the CWDF Executive Board, General Board, and Committee Chairs,

I would like to share with you some information about the 2019 CWDF National Championship and ask for feedback and suggestions about it.

We are in the early stages, and the location, organizing club/group is yet to be determined, but we have set the date, and it would be the weekend of June 21-23, 2019.

Finding a date for this championship is in itself quite challenging. This trial will select Team Canada for the FCI IGP 2019 World Championship that will take place on September 11-15, 2019 in Austria and having the GSSCC Nationals at the end of July, as well as GSSCC regionals between the end of April and the beginning of June, one of the last 2 weekends of June appeared to be the best timeframe for the CWDF Nationals.

In order to find a hosting club or group, few of us have thought about creating a survey, that would be sent to all IPO/IGP trainers in Canada, to help us determine the location(s) that would be the best fit to accommodate as many competitors as possible. We tried to keep the survey as simple as possible to get as many responses as possible. There are questions that will help determine if the respondent is a potential competitor at the championship and if he/she would be also competing at the GSSCC Nationals, in order to try to limit traveling in such cases, as we want to encourage people to compete in both championships.

Link to the survey: https://form.jotform.com/83007709637966

Please take a look at it, and fill it with dummy data, just so that you can see how it works. Some questions trigger showing/hiding others. For example, the question "Please enter your dog's name and current title" will show only if you answered "yes" to the previous question: "Are you considering participating in the 2019 CWDF National Championship and selection for the FCI 2019 World Championship?" If you find that some questions should be modified or added, please let us know, your feedback would be much appreciated. Once we have the survey ready, we will send it to all IGP dog trainers in Canada.

The Head Judge for this event will be Andrea Duggan, and the anticipated main Judge is Martin Pejša, from the Czech Republic. Martin participated multiple times as a handler at the FCI and WUSV World Championships and is a well-respected Judge that officiated in several major competitions such as the Czech all-breed Nationals, GSD Nationals, BSD Nationals, several CACITs, and FMBB WC. I have met Martin at a few occasions, and we had him at our club for a tracking seminar earlier this year. He is a very knowledgeable, humble, and easy person to deal with. You can find more information on Martin's dog sport career on working-dog: https://www.working-dog.com/user/Pej%C5%A1a-Martin-54301. We will have confirmation from him at the beginning of December, following the announcement of the date for the Czech GSD Nationals/WUSV selection trial, in which he will be competing.

Looking forward to hearing your comments and suggestions,

Anthony

Name Street Town, Prov, Code

ABVMA Board & Members Building #3, Elm Business Park Suite 104, 9452 - 51 Avenue Edmonton, Alberta T6E 5A6

Dear ABVMA Board & Members:

As an owner of a breed that has been docked and/or cropped, I belong to group of people who want to support responsible breeders who work with veterinarians to attain these procedures.

I write you fearing that if a ban of this procedure goes through, the responsible breeders who seek this procedure through the correct channels, and who provide all aftercare and training when needed, will be lost. I choose to continue to support the breeders who strive to encourage health testing, illness prevention, breed education, lifelong support, who help advise me on proper puppy pairing, and who support pet insurance so that their puppies always have access to proper care. These good breeders are major contributors to health research to ensure they provide us with the best puppies possible.

I hope that you will consider that losing this group of dedicated people who want the utmost best care for our pets will be a detriment to the pet community as a whole.

As a pet owner who owns a cropped or docked breed I want this procedure to be available for myself. I also want to continue to purchase dogs from a breeder who is able to perform these services at an early age, under the appropriate care of a veterinarian.

Please consider that as caring dog owners we want to do what's best for our dogs and this is attaining them from good breeders who work together with veterinarians.

We ask that you can consider a way to work with breeders and true dog lovers to ensure that everyone can maintain access to veterinary care at all levels.

Sincerely,