October 2002 Secretary's Report

This report details the day to day activities of the ASCA Board of Directors and includes issues brought before the ASCA Board and communications done by mail, fax, e-mail and/or phone.

October 1-31, 2002

Approved

95:05 TRADEMARK LICENSE - C.O.A.S.T. Application
Single use of the following marks for a book on ASCA Working Trial Champions
ASCA
Australian Shepherd Dog Bust Logo
Australian Shepherd Club of America, Inc.

91:22 Reinstatement of Disqualified Dog - Lakeview's Lucky Copper Penny

90:03 SHOW RULE CHANGE - Sanctioning
Motion by Warren, seconded by Gray.
I move to make the following changes to each rule book:

Replace the following for each sections listed below with:
Show Rules: Ch 2, Section 3.19; Obedience Rules: Ch. 1, Section 1.6; Tracking Rules: Ch 1, Section 1.6;
Stockdog Rules Ch 3, Section 2.4; and Agility Rules: Ch 2, Section 2.1.1 sentences 24-29 on page 2.

Each Host Club, which holds a sanctioned event at least once in every 2 consecutive years, shall have first right to claim the corresponding dates or holiday weekend for its event to be held in the next succeeding two years. If the Club having first right to the dates, does not host a sanctioned event on that date in the following year, another Club may use the preexisting date for an event. The original Club shall still have first right to the date on the second year following their original event. If they do not host a sanctioned event on that date in the second year, they lose the first right to the date.

The ASCA Business Office will hold paperwork from any other Club wishing to use a preexisting date until the ASCA Business Office has been notified that the Host Club with the preexisting date will not use the event date that year. If paperwork has to be held pending receipt of the notification from the Host Club with the preexisting date, the ASCA Business Office will notify the second Club within 14 days upon receipt of the Sanctioning Request Form. To facilitate timely receipt of materials, Clubs wishing to use a preexisting date should contact the Host Club and request notification be sent in writing to the ASCA Business Office stating the preexisting date will not be used that year.

If the Host Club with the preexisting date does not use that date on the second year following their original event, first claim to that date will pass to a second Host Club, if there is one. If a date has not been previously claimed, the Host Club whose sanctioning is postmarked first shall be awarded the date.

Replace the following sections listed below with:
Show Rules: Ch 2, Section 3.7; Obedience Rules: Ch 1, Section 1.8, third paragraph; Tracking Rules: Ch 1, Section 1.8, second paragraph; Stockdog Rules: Ch 3, Section 2 (this is an addition to the rules); and Agility Rules: Ch 2 Section 2.1.1 second paragraph:

Late Sanctioning Fees:
Sanctioning requests received between 30-45 days prior to an event will be accepted upon payment of a fine of $25 per day past the 45 day postmark deadline. Sanctioning request *received by the Business Office* less than 30 days prior to a sanctioned event will not be accepted under any circumstances. Clubs submitting delinquent sanctioning request 3 times will lose all late sanctioning privileges for a period of 2 years. It is recommended Clubs retain proof of mailing for all sanctioning requests. The ASCA Business Office will not accept responsibility for sanctioning requests lost in the mail.
Note: At the ASCA Board of Directors Meeting held on November 3, 2002, in Bakersfield, CA, in the first sentence above, (Sanctioning requests received between 30-45 days prior to an event will be accepted upon payment of a fine of $25 per day past the 45 day postmark deadline,) the fine was changed to $50 per day.

All sanctioning request sent after the 45 postmark deadline must be original forms (no faxes or e-mails) and must have all required signatures and fees.

If the Host Club with the preexisting dates postmarks their sanctioning request form past the 45 day deadline and it is not received 30 days prior to the event, they will lose first right to this date for that year.

Comments: Most of this is a clarification due to contradictory wording, however, the penalty for late sanctioning has been increased as too many clubs are not getting their sanctioning in in a timely manner which is making it difficult for the Office Staff to get their packets to them in time. These changes have been run by the Business Office staff.

Board voting: Approve: Davenport, Warren, Gray & DeChan

Motion is approved.

98:05 CONFORMATION COMMITTEE - Code of Ethics
Motion by Davenport.
I move the following from the Conformation Committee.

1) Motion by Shelly Hollen/ Second by Beth Ellen Peterson
Effective date November 2002:
Recommendation that the following two definitions of Solicitation and Promotion be added to the Conformation Judges Code of Ethics:
6.A) judge or their family members should never solicit or promote assignments on the judges behalf.
***ADD:
6.B) Solicitation is the repeated contact and/or the use of influence, persuasion or coercion in an effort to obtain a judging assignment.

6.C) Promotion is a judge’s or their immediate family member’s attempt to sell or popularize the judge or their judging assignments through verbal or written advertising and/or publicity.

FOR: Shelly Hollen, Beth Ellen Peterson, Gemi Brickson, Kim Cochran, Mary Hellmeister, Denise Creelman, Wendy Finsterwald, Liz Gibson, Teena Meadows, Celeste Telles, Peter Kontos, Joni Johnson AGAINST: none NON VOTING: Andrea Torres (on vacation)

2) Motion by Shelly Hollen/ Second by Beth Ellen Peterson:
Nomination for Gemi Brickson as Conformation Committee Chairperson

FOR: Shelly Hollen, Beth Ellen Peterson, Gemi Brickson, Kim Cochran, Mary Hellmeister, Denise Creelman, Wendy Finsterwald, Liz Gibson, Teena Meadows, Celeste Telles, Peter Kontos, Joni Johnson AGAINST: none NON VOTING: Andrea Torres (on vacation)


98:15 OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE - Ch. 8 Sec. 5.
Motion by Trumbull-Clark.
I move to accept the following proposal from the Obedience Committee.

Motion by Link, second Case.
The Obedience Committee recommends to the Board of Directors the following change to the Obedience Rules, effective January 2003:
Chapter 8, Section 5 Veterans Class. Last sentence: delete "not" making the sentence read: "Dogs entered in the Veterans class may be entered in any Regular class that they qualify to enter."

This change is to make the above section comply with Chapter 1, Section 2 Obedience Classes, last paragraph which states "Dogs entered in any non-regular class other than Brace, Veterans, or Team non-regular classes shall not enter or exhibit in any Regular Obedience Class..."

Approved: White, Burlingame, Cox, Link, Case, Bohren, Mann, Waller, Munson, Swatko. Not voting: Willems


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