

Secretary Report- April 2001

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

April 1-30, 2001

ASCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF APRIL 5, THROUGH APRIL 7, 2001

The meeting was called to order by President, Kyle Trumbull-Clark, April 5, 2001, at 8:35 AM, CST. All Officers and Directors were present including Executive Secretary.

Motion by Kris Toft, seconded by Kathy Warren. I move to ratify all business conducted since the Georgia Nationals.

Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

00:20 REGISTRY RULES-Motion by Pete Adolphson, seconded by Kris Toft.

I move the Hardship evaluation procedure be modified under Procedure, first paragraph, second sentence, to read: Required photos will be mailed to each of the three Committee members, with a unique identification number associating them with their application.

Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved

ASCA Employee evaluations were conducted by the Board and appropriate liaisons.

Jerry Aufox will conduct investigations into four ten hour work days and other options and report his findings to the Board by April 24, 2001.

It was the decision of the Board to eliminate the position of Educational Coordinator, effective May 31, 2001.

93:19 BOARD POLICIES-COMMITTEES POLICY- Motion by Jerry Aufox, seconded by Kyle Trumbull-Clark.

I move to establish Board Policy #6.13.13 as follows:

Rule changes and procedures adopted by an ASCA Committee shall become automatically effective on a date established by the Committee which shall be no sooner than fourteen (14) days after a copy of this approved rule change or procedure is delivered to the Board, unless a member of the ASCA Board of Directors makes a motion, which need not have a second, to disapprove the rule change or procedures. If a Board member makes a motion to disapprove such rule change or procedure, it shall be voted upon by the Board in accordance with its procedures regarding voting on motions. If such motion passes, the rule change or procedures will not become effective. If the motion fails, then the rule change or

procedure will become effective on the original effective date or thirty (30) days after publication in the AUSSIE TIMES.

Approve: Kyle Trumbull-Clark, Pete Adolphson, Kris Toft, Michelle Berryessa, Chris Davenport, John Rossy and Jerry Aufox.

Absent: Kathy Warren.

Motion is approved.

99:13 2001 ASCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY-Committee Chairs-Motion by Kris Toft, seconded by Jerry Aufox.

I move to allow the following Committee Chairpersons Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) if attending the 2001 ASCA National Specialty in Colorado:

Agility: Annelise Allen.

Bylaw: Paul Kirk.

Conformation: Shelly Hollen.

Most Versatile Aussie: Dee Dee Baldwin.

Obedience: Nancy Link.

Stock Dog: Sharon Simmons.

Computer: Patrick MacRoberts.

These Committee Chairpersons must attend the General Membership meeting.

Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

93:19 BOARD POLICIES-Motion by Jerry Aufox, seconded by MichelleBerryessa.

I move the Board Policy reduce the per diem paid to Board members, from Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) to Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) per day, effective immediately.

Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

2001 STOCK DOG FINALS

The Executive Secretary will notify CASA (Host club for the 2001 National Specialty), that ASCA will supply two Scorekeepers and one timekeeper. Scribes, additional timers, stock handlers and etc., will be provided by the Host Club.

99:13 2001 ASCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY-Motion by Kyle Trumbull-Clark, seconded by Jerry Aufox.

I move, due to budget constraints, we respectfully withdraw the invitation to the Nationals, at ASCA's expense to Ms. C.A. Sharp. If enough donations are received to cover Ms. Sharp's expenses, she will still attend.

Approve: Kyle Trumbull-Clark, Kathy Warren, Kris Toft, Jerry Aufox, Chris Davenport, Michelle Berryessa and John Rossy. Abstain: Pete Adolphson.

Motion is approved.

99:13 2001 ASCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY-Motion by Kyle Trumbull-Clark, seconded by John Rossy.

I move that we bring Lola Hill, Business Office Manager, to the 2001 Nationals and pay the standard per diem. She shall work at the Stock Dog Finals and work at the ASCA Booth when needed and the motel arrangements shall be decided later.

Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

95:05 TRADEMARK LICENSE-Motion by Jerry Aufox, seconded by Kyle Trumbull-Clark.

I move to deny the application for Trademark License by Hodges Badge Company, Inc., as submitted and in the alternative propose to the Hodges Badge Company, Inc., a Trademark Licensee for the hot stamp printing on dog show awards and ribbons to be sold to any other ASCA Trademark Licensee and in the sales catalogues of Hodges Badge Company, Inc., only.

Approve: Unanimous. Motion is approved.

MISCELLANEOUS-The following are items that had motions made via email with a due date for the vote during the Board Meeting. The exact motions themselves will be sent out with the following results via email, as is standard practice.

93:17 STOCK DOG RULES-SDC. Chapter 3, Section 3.2b.

Motion by Warren, seconded by Berryessa.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

93:17 STOCK DOG RULES-Chapter 5, Section 8.1.

Motion by Warren, seconded by Berryessa.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

93:17 STOCK DOG RULES-Chapter 5, Section 3.3.

Motion by Warren, seconded by Berryessa.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

93:17 STOCK DOG RULES-Chapter 3, Section 3.2.f.

Motion by Warren, seconded by Berryessa.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

98:11 OBEDIENCE RULES-Chapter 8, Section 2 & 3.

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, seconded by Toft.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

98:11 OBEDIENCE RULES-Reference Page-Objection by Michelle Berryessa.

Approve denying the motion: Unanimous.

Motion is denied.

98:11 OBEDIENCE RULES-Reference Page-Motion by Kyle Trumbull-Clark, seconded by Jerry Aufox.

I move to replace in the Obedience Rules Reference Page, the following wording: "Dogs entered in non-regular classes cannot be entered in a regular class."

This to be replaced with: "Dogs entered in non-regular classes cannot be entered in a regular class, except for Brace and Team."

Also to replace in the "Broad Jump: Number of boards, Distance jumped" section with the following:

Broad Jump: Number of boards used and distance jumped.

Two boards-16" to 24".

Three boards-28" to 44".

Four boards-48" to 72".

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved

01:02 WASATCH WORKING AUSTRALIAN SHEPHERD CLUB-The Board unanimously approved the application of the above stated club. Information is as follows:

Wasatch Working Australian Shepherd Club

President, Canby Scott

8051 N. 7800 W

Lehi, Utah 84043

Affiliate Representative:

Ray Coddington

645 N. 500 E

American Fork, Utah 84003

98:16 AFFILIATE CLUB BYLAW CHANGES-ASC of Southern California.

The ASCA Board of Directors unanimously approved the requested bylaw changes.

APRIL 6, 2001, 8:40 AM. The meeting was called to order by the ASCA President. All Officers and Directors were present including the Executive Secretary and the ASCA Attorney.

01:05 JUDGES CODE OF ETHICS COMMITTEE-The Board appointed Jerry Aufox, Michelle Berryessa and Pete Adolphson to the Judges Code of Ethics Committee with recommendations due back to the ASCA Board June 25, 2001.

91:07 ASCA BUSINESS OFFICE-The Board discussed the ACSI contract.

00:19 BUDGETS-The various budgets for ASCA were discussed.

94:16 ASCA INSURANCE-The ASCA employee insurance was discussed.

94:16 ASCA INSURANCE-Motion by Jerry Aufox, seconded by Kris Toft.

I move we instruct the ASCA attorney to prepare a medical plan, to cover all full time employees after completion of the employee's probationary period as set forth in ASCA's Employee Handbook, which provides that ASCA will pay the additional fees incurred by ASCA's full time employees being covered by their spouse's health insurance, including COBRA if necessary. Full time being over 1820 hours per year.
Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

01:06 MEMBERSHIP FEES-Motion by Kyle Trumbull-Clark, seconded by Jerry Aufox.

I move the following be used as the new Annual Membership Fee Structure to become effective October 1, 2001:

Full Single Membership: \$40.00 (includes AUSSIE TIMES subscription)

Dual Membership: \$55.00 (includes AUSSIE TIMES subscription)

Lifetime Membership: \$300.00 (does not include AUSSIE TIMES subscription)

AFFILIATE CLUB Membership \$25.00 (Renewal); \$50.00 (New)

SERVICE Membership: \$5.00 (To be charged on the first service provided to an individual who is not a Full, Dual, Lifetime or Honorary Member at the time the service is provided. No voting privileges.)

AUSSIE TIMES ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEE:

\$25.00 for Lifetime members or additional subscription(s)

\$35.00 for Service members

MAILING RATES (Must be added to subscription fee and may be changed when necessary)

First Class U.S.-\$25.00

Outside U.S.:

Surface to Canada-\$18.00 (4-6 week delivery)

Air to Canada-\$25.00 (4-7 day delivery)

Surface to other countries-\$24.00 (4-6 week delivery)

Air to other countries-\$54.00 (4-7 day delivery time)

Comment: Due to the Bylaws change of our Membership Classes, there is a need to revise the membership fee and AUSSIE TIMES subscription structure to include the new classification of "Service Member".

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

99:06 ASCA CPA-(1:00 PM) The Board met with the CPA to discuss ASCA's financial matters.

01:07 ASCA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMITTEE-Motion by Jerry Aufox, seconded by Kathy Warren. I move the Board establish a committee to seek out, search and obtain candidates for the position of Executive Director for the Australian Shepherd Club of America, Inc.

Comment: This was strongly recommended by the ASCA attorney, accountant and finance panel over the last three years.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

01:07 ASCA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR COMMITTEE-Members of this committee will be Michelle Berryessa, Kathy Warren and Jerry Aufox.

93:16 AUSSIE TIMES-Motion by Kris Toft, seconded by Pete Adolphson.

I move to accept Cynthia Mahigian Moorhead as the new AUSSIE TIMES Editor under the following conditions:

That we negotiate a two year contract where she is in charge of all production through mailing. We can advance her postage fees if she desires and we can write a joint check for the printing payment if she desires. The AUSSIE TIMES Committee will do all of the follow through in this motion.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

A dog bite policy is to be done by the ASCA attorney and sent to the Board as soon as possible.

00:20 REGISTRY RULES-Motion by Kathy Warren, seconded by Jerry Aufox.

I move the ASCA Board may suspend the membership of any person who has been charged by a governmental authority with animal cruelty, inhumane treatment to animals or the like, during the pendency of such prosecution.

Approve: Unanimous.

Motion is approved.

BOARD DIRECTIVE-The Business Office Manager was directed to develop a plan to allow breeders to

register an entire litter at a discount.

BOARD DIRECTIVE-Michelle Berryessa and Jerry Aufox were directed to develop a Registry Rule setting out penalties for breeders that do not deliver papers to puppy buyers.

BOARD DIRECTIVE-The Business Office Manager was directed to send Postcards to sire owners when ASCA receives a litter registration request (except when the sire and dam owner is the same).

April 7, 2001, 9 AM. The meeting was called to order by the ASCA President. All Officers and Directors were present including the Executive Secretary.

00:15 BREED STANDARD REVIEW COMMITTEE-The following applicants were appointed to the Breed Standard Review Committee:

Kristen McNamara, Cheri Preciado, Ernie Hartnagle, Kim Cochran, Sunday Miles, Sandy Cornwell, Terry Martin Gail Karamalegos, Susan Rossy, Shelly Hollen and Linda Bell. Sandy Cornwell will Chair the committee and Kris Toft will be the Board liaison until the committee has the opportunity to elect their own.

Ms. Toft will notify all candidates.

00:16 BOARD VACANCY-Ann DeChant was the successful applicant for the vacant Board position. The Executive Secretary will notify the candidates by email and request response.

For a trial period, the following will be used:

On the 16th of the month or first working day thereafter, the Executive Secretary will send a list of motions to the Board with vote due by the last day in that month.

Each individual motion to be sent out as received. Directors may correct motions with second anytime prior to the 16th of the month.

Votes will be due on Monday if original vote falls on a weekend.

Meeting was adjourned at 1 PM.

Submitted by,

Jo Kimes,

ASCA Executive Secretary

Rev: 5/5/01

98:11 Obedience Rules

Motion by Trumbull-Clark, second by Toft

I move to accept the following recommendation from the Obedience Committee.

The Obedience Committee recommends to the BOD the following change to the Obedience Rules:

Chapter 8 Non-Regular Classes

Section 2 Sub-Novice Class

Delete the words "and order of judging" from the the sixth sentence. This sentence would now read:

"The exercises, and maximum scores in the Sub-Novice class are:

Chapter 8 Non-Regular Classes

Section 3 Graduate Novice Class

Delete the words "and order of judging" from the third sentence. This sentence would now read:

The exercises and maximum scores in the Graduate Novice Class are:

Motion by Link, seconded Amen, approved Amen, Bohren, Burlingame, Case, Cyboron, Evans, Hamelin, Link, Mann, White, Willems

Comment: This keeps the group exercises performed the same as the regular classes as is stated in Chapter 3, Section 12.

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

93:17 Stock Dog Rules--Ch. 5, Sec. 8.1

Motion by Warren, second by Berryessa

I move to approve the following SDC recommendation: Effective date Jan. 1, 2002

Re: Voting

Ch. 5, Sec. 8.1

Change Ch. 5, Sec. 8.1 to read:

1. Records--After each sanctioned trial a Trial Result Form marked with the armband number, individual registration number, class and division, score, placing, dog's registered name and name of handler, certified by the Course Director of the trial, must be sent to the ASCA Business Office postmarked no later than fourteen (14) days after the end of the trial. Penalty for non-compliance shall be one (1) dollar per day as well as other penalties as may be imposed by the ASCA Stockdog Committee and ASCA Board of Directors.

Comments: We no longer require the name of the owner on the form. It was changed to require the name of the handler and this rule also needs to change to reflect the current required information

Motion by Simmons, second by Holmes

Approve: Rossy, Moe, Bailie, Simmons, Holmes, Presley

Disapprove: Mackenzie, Davies

Non-voting: Harris, Walker, Walter, Sutherland, Davies

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

93:17 Stock Dog Rules--Ch. 3, Sec. 3.2b

Motion by Warren, second by Berryessa

I move to approve the following SDC recommendation: Effective date Jan. 2002

Add to Ch. 3, Sec. 3.2b (at the end of what is already there)

NOTE: In the started and open division, once a dog has earned two (2) qualifying scores in the division you may choose to stay in the division for up to sixty (60) days and compete for points, placements and awards. After the sixty (60) day period has expired, an owner or exhibitor may still compete in the division but it must be "For Exhibition Only". The owner or exhibitor must note on the ASCA entry form "FEO" and inform the Judge they are running "FEO" prior to the start of their run.

Motion by Davies, second by Mackenzie

Approve: Davies, Simmons, Rossy, Moe, Baker, Holmes, Presley, Bailie, Mackenzie

Non-voting: Harris, Walker, Walter, Sutherland

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

93:17 Stock Dog Rules--Ch. 5, Sec. 3.3

Motion by Warren, second by Berryessa

I move to approve the following SDC recommendation: Effective date Jan. 1, 2002

Change Ch. 5, Sec. 3.3 to read:

3. The Trial Committee may decline any entries or may remove any dog(s) or person(s) from it's trial for cause, but in each instance shall file good and sufficient reasons for so doing with the ASCA Business Office within fourteen (14) days of the close of the trial.

4. A host club must allow substitutions of another dog owned or co-owned by the same owner who originally entered the dog.

Comments: It has been brought to the SDC attention that it would be nice to have consistency with due dates of paper work back to the Business Office. I also feel that we have two different areas here that should be separated.

Motion by Simmons, second by Mackenzie

Approve: Davies, Rossy, Moe, Baker, Holmes, Bailie, Mackenzie, Simmons

Disapprove: Presley

Non-voting: Harris, Walker, Walter, Sutherland

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

93:17 Stock Dog Rules--Ch. 3, Sec 3.2f

Motion by Warren, second by Berryessa

I move to approve the following SDC recommendation: Effective date Jan. 1, 2002 2f--For Exhibition Only "FEO"--an exhibitor may run in any division at any time, with or without a title, For Exhibition Only. No placements, points or prizes will be awarded for dogs running "FEO". The owner or exhibitor must note on the ASCA entry form "FEO" and inform the Judge they are running "FEO" prior to the start of their run.

Motion by Davies, second by Mackenzie

Approve: Davies, Rossy, Simmons, Moe, Baker, Holmes, Presley, Bailie, Mackenzie

Non-voting: Harris, Walker, Walter, Sutherland

Board voting:

Approve: Unanimous

Motion is approved

APPROVED COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:

90:38 Agility Committee--Agility Merit Program

Elaine McCollough made a motion and Ron Schumann seconded the motion to amend Appendix B of the Agility Rules and Regulations to replace "Top Ten" with "Merit Program" in order to be consistent with the Agility Finals rules and to be consistent with other ASCA venues.

The motion was passed by the Agility Committee unanimously.

The program rules read as follows:

AGILITY MERIT PROGRAM

- 1) To be eligible for consideration for ranking in the Merit Program, dogs must be competing at the Elite level in all classes (regular Agility, Gamblers, Jumpers);
- 2) Dogs must have completed a minimum of four days (such as two weekend trials) at the Elite level in all classes offered (Regular Agility, Gamblers, Jumpers);
- 3) Dogs will be ranked by percentage of accuracy in agility determined in the following way: 10 points will be given for each qualifying run without faults and 5 points will be given for each qualifying Regular Agility Run with faults (.01 to 5 faults). In each ASCA year of competition, the sum of all points will be divided by the total number of events the dog entered (including the ones in which the dog did not qualify) which will give the percentage of accuracy in agility, with higher percentages ranking above lower percentages.

98:11 Obedience Rules--Obedience Rule Books

The Obedience Committee recommends to the Board of Directors the following motion effective June, 2001.

To cut down on expenses, the ASCA Business Office will mail to each obedience judge a copy of the ASCA Obedience Rules and Regulations for their first judging assignment of the calendar year. If revisions are made after the time the rule book is sent, the revised pages will be sent to that judge.

Motion by Case, second Cyboron, approved Case, Cyboron, Willems, Swatko, Evans, White, Burlingame, Link, non-voting: Amen, Bohren, Mann, Hamelin

Rationale: Printing and mailing rule books is expensive. It is not necessary to provide judges who may have multiple assignments within a year with a copy of the same rule book for each assignment, as is currently the procedure.

98:11 Obedience Rules---Obedience Rings

The Obedience Committee recommends the following motion to the Board of Directors effective June 2001:

Delete the following sentence in the Reference Page:

"Ring should be closed to everyone in between trials, unless the same ring is used for both obedience and conformation."

Motion by Link, seconded Evans, approved Link, Evans, Willems, Case, Burlingame, White, Swatko, Hamelin, Cyboron, non-voting Amen, Bohren, Mann

There was great discussion on what was meant by event, trial, etc. and what would be covered by insurance, etc. It was decided that this sentence was in error, and not strictly needed for a reference page.

Therefore it was better to delete it altogether for the time being.

98:11 Obedience Rules--Judges Requirements

The Obedience Committee would like to recommend the following motion to the Board of Directors regarding changes to the ASCA Obedience Judge Qualification Form to become effective June, 2001, as follows:

Change Novice Judge Minimum Requirement from: 3 dogs to CD Title to: 3 CD Titles, Change list by registered name and breed to: List by registered name, registry and breed.

Change Open Judge Minimum Requirement from: 3 dogs to CD Title, 2 Dogs to CDX Title to: 3 CD Titles, 2 CDX Titles, Change List by registered name and breed to: List by registered name, registry and breed.

Change Utility Judge Minimum Requirement from 3 Dogs to CD Title, 2 Dogs to CDX Title, 1 Dog to UD Title to: 3 CD Titles, 2 CDX Titles, 1 UD Title,

Change List by registered name and breed to: List by registered name, registry and breed.

Motion by Evans, seconded Burlingame, In favor Cyboron, Evans, Burlingame,

Link, White, Case, Swatko, abstain Hamelin, against Willems, non-voting Bohren, Amen, Mann

The committee felt that this more accurately reflected what was actually being requested and was adequate experience to judge.

98:11 Obedience Rules--Ch. 1, Sec. 25

The Obedience Committee recommends to the Board of Directors the following additions to the Obedience Rules, effective June, 2001:

Add to Chapter 1, Section 25 the following sentence: Handlers may steward in classes other than those in which they are entered.

Add to the first paragraph of Chapter 1, Section 9 the following sentence: Judges may, however, show in obedience in cluster trials on days on which they are not judging with no restrictions on the order in which they judge and show.

Comments: Probably one of the most often asked questions is "Can I steward and show". Most ASCA clubs are hard pressed to find help. The only people who know how to steward are the same ones who are showing. The committee felt that this addition to the rules would help clubs keep obedience going and keep stewarding standards high. This sentence is merely to clarify when a judge can show since many of our good obedience judges are actively showing.

Moved by Bohren, seconded by Case

Approved: Bohren, Case, Evans, Amen, Burlingame, Link, Cyboron, Swatko, White, Willems

Non-voting: Mann

BUSINESS OFFICE REPORT

REGISTRY MEMBERSHIP SHOW/STOCK

Ind 580 New-Single 66 Sanc Rec'd 49
NFB 46 New-Dual 12 Sanc Proc'd 23
Litter 251 New-Foreign 1 Sanc Pend 12
Trans 74 New-Canadian 0 Results Rec'd 36
Lease 5 Renew-Single 247 Results Proc'd 26
LEP 8 Renew-Dual 62 Results Pend 6
Dups 14 Renew-Foreign 7 Certificates 548
Hardship 9 Renew-Canadian 10 S & T Subscrip 18
Pedigree 52 Jr. Times 9
New Ken 6 Affiliate New 1
Renew Ken 21 Affiliate Renew 3
Judges Apps 2 SHOWS HELD
Email 1677
DNA Kits 33 Conf/Obed shows 44
DNA Tests 49 Stock 10
Ranch 1
Agility 22
Tracking 0

Kris Toft, Secretary