

Paws 2 Dance General Meeting

Sunday, March 9, 2014

In Attendance: Tristan Underwood, Ray Underwood, Lin MacDonald, Joyce Johnstone, Alison Trinkaus, Sharon Lunde, Joan Strick, Debra Hampton, Lydia Francescutti, Annette Granbois

Proposed changes to the Masters Division:

Freestyle –

To enter – achieve an advanced title once with any dog in a handlers life and is accepting money from students must enter **professional trainers** class, anyone who is a professional trainer themselves may enter professional trainers class without first earning any titles.

Dressage - achieve an advanced 3 title once with any dog in a handler's life and is accepting money from students must enter professional trainer division anyone who is a professional trainer themselves may enter professional trainers division without earning any titles.

Option to do 1 or 2 routines

Send out to full membership – Proposing change to Masters division to take effect January 1st – 2 weeks for discussion then ... voting time

Treasurers Report:

\$6134 total

going to repeat last year's policy of giving a discount for early membership renewal (pay before may 15) \$5 discount before May 15

Give sister clubs \$200 towards their competitions

June 8th will be date of Annual General Meeting

Showcase:

Some out-of-town members have indicated they would like to perform. Several locals have offered accommodation. If anyone is thinking about performing, please confirm with Ray as soon as possible and let us know if you require accommodation.

Interest from Freestylers to perform – Offer accommodations – If you are thinking about it, please confirm with us that you want to perform

total cost \$1000

theatre holds 300 people

cost for seating - \$5

advertising – social media, posters, talk more about it to friends

Lin will work on a poster

Prancing Paws 2014:

This year's competition to be simplified

Ray has judges

Show chairs by committee

lin will collect money – ray will be show secretary

pay in advance, not at door

closing date march 22nd

Joan and Lydia to buy food for lunches(sandwiches, chips, etc)

Annette has agreed to do rosettes again. She will look into cost of buying multiple years of Ribbons and Rosettes at once to save on SetUp fees and time

Ray will do MC'ing from Music station

Ray will do music and bring system

Need ring stewards – Deb?

Need someone to do registration – Karen, Deb

Photographer – Dave Hale

Ken - Videographer

Lin has published the premium list

-currently listing Rosettes, Ribbons, but not prizes

Lin has sent out this year's layout and note that dogs are allowed into Audience area (Ray will announce these at beginning of Competition also)

- any dog making noise or causing a disturbance to be removed

- dogs to be under Handler control at all times

- dogs to be behind Audience seating on upper level only

- Handlers and dogs to cross from backstage area to Audience area between routines only

- if handler has 2 dogs, only bring 1 dog in audience (i.e. 1 dog per handler)

Shannon Underwood wants to set up a table for her leashes. Suggest that we set her up near the Entrance and ask her to guide people (and Performers) into the Audience area so that they don't hang around the sides of the ring.