

**Georgia Boxer Club Meeting**  
**July 9, 2005**

**Attendance:** Members---Ray Bateman, Andrea McAlpin, Rosemary Lichtenberger, Ken Johnson, Lisa Hendrix, Lisa Crowder, Don Norred, Sherry Johnson, Debbie McAlpine, Susan Lichtenberger, Graham Thompson

Guests---Aleksandra Clendenning, Roberto Elinan

**Treasurer's Report:** As of July 9, 2005 the Georgia Boxer Club had a balance on hand of \$6,847.92.

**Board of Director's Report:** Please see separate attachment.

**Secretary's Report:** Read correspondence from Sandy Orr, the ABC Club Affairs Committee Chairperson, in response to a complaint filed by Claudia Clifton regarding improper notification of members as to how our meetings are scheduled. According to Orr, all clubs' by-laws are being reviewed at this time by our AKC liaison for ABC, in an effort to ensure that the proper verbage is being used. Read a request from Bobbi Wagner, ABC secretary, seeking a Representative from Zone C to be a Regional Zone Director.

Received correspondence from the AKC regarding numerous items: The AKC Board recently adopted a regulation to the Rules Applying to Dog Shows, Chapter 11, Section 15-1 and for all comparable sections of the Rules and Regulations for all AKC events. The regulation states: Any dog, that in the opinion of the Event Committee, attacks a person or dog at an AKC event, resulting in an injury, and is believed by that Event Committee to present a hazard to persons or dogs, shall be disqualified by the Event Committee pursuant to this section, and a report shall be filed with the Executive Secretary of the AKC. The disqualified dog may not again compete at any AKC event, nor be on the grounds of an AKC event unless and until, following application for reinstatement by the owner to the AKC, the owner receives official notification in writing from the AKC that the dog's eligibility has been reinstated.

The AKC board has determined that a club, or clubs, may restrict the use of motorized vehicles as long as it does not violate the Americans for Disabilities Act, local or state law. The AKC has addressed the subject of "Move-ups" as it pertains to Rally Trials. According to the AKC, move-ups and class changes are not the same thing and therefore will be treated differently. Any request for a move-up must be in writing and presented to the superintendent's office or trial secretary at least 30 minutes prior to the start of each trial.

The AKC will no longer approve cluster events that are over 4 days in duration. The American Kennel Club also will no longer approve events that are over a 100 mile radius of the club's territory.

**Delegates' Reports:** Debbie McAlpine reports that Prestige has officially determined our Sweeps will begin at 10am on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The club needs a volunteer for Wednesday afternoon prior to the show. The volunteer will need to help with the show set-up. Debbie will have to submit our advertising to Prestige by August the 8<sup>th</sup>. Please consult with the Ad Chairman as to when they will need your ad in order to comply with this schedule.

**Show Chairpersons' Reports:**

**Fall 05:** Everything is on schedule.

**Spring 06:** The Judge's contract has been signed and returned. Several other clubs have agreed to pick-up our Judge for their event which will save the club money. A motion was made and passed to use the savings for a free dinner for the fancy. Those who attend will have to RSVP. Times, and schedules, will be forthcoming.

**Fall 06:** It is time for nominations for Judge's for this show. Please submit your nominations to me (Ken Johnson) no later than July 30<sup>th</sup>. If you are e-mailing a nomination, please make sure I receive a copy at [kjohnson@ajc.com](mailto:kjohnson@ajc.com).

**Committee Reports:** Rescue: Ginger Aubert has a rescue dog in her care presently, if you know of a good home. Those working with Rescue Dogs are reminded that the club has a standing policy whereas you can submit veterinary expenses for reimbursement. No reports from the Holter, Legislation or Web site committees.

**Presidents Report:** There is no meeting of the GBC in September. We will, however, have a dinner at the show. The club voted to join the Georgia Canine Coalition at a yearly cost of \$60.00. This followed a talk, and question and answer session, conducted prior to the meeting by Carol LeBarge who is head of the GCC. We received a letter from ABC president John Connelly seeking donations for a national lobbying effort that would help combat growing anti-dog legislation. The club voted to donate \$100.00.

**Old Business:** We still need a representative for the Combined Dog Clubs of Atlanta meetings. If you're interested, please contact Ray Bateman.

**Future Meetings:** Brenda Rodgers will be unable to host the August meeting as originally planned. Brenda has some health issues that prohibit her from taking part at this time. Sherry and Ken Johnson have agreed to host the August meeting instead. The meeting will be at their home in Hoschton on August 6<sup>th</sup>, at 3pm. It will be a pool party and cook-out. There will be a \$5.00 charge, which in turn will be donated to Boxer Rescue. Directions to the Johnson home are as follows: Take I-85 North to exit 126 and turn right. Go through the first red light and go approximately 1.8 miles to Covered Bridge Road and turn left. Look for the 2<sup>nd</sup> entrance to Deer Creek Farms (it's about 1 mile) and turn left on to Deer Creek Trail. It will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> home on the right. The Lichtenbergers have agreed to host the October meeting at the Kennesaw show site.