Spokane County Small Animal
Meeting minutes – 5-2-2011

Attendance: Patty Roll, Bridgette Roll, Tonya Ballman, Dorthy Bowers, Toni Spencer, Tessa Harvey, Tiffany Harvey, Christine Harvey, Marie Martin, Summer Goetz

Treasurer’s report: $1,586.14
- $70 from Dog Fun Match
- Pay insurance
  - Fun Match 5.06

Reports/updates
- Deb Wings Facility First Show on May 21st schedule.
  - Judge?
  - Dog Bowl (do we want to have it after show?)
  - Buy Debbie Wing $25 First: Tanya Ballman and Second Bridgette Roll

- Show Updates and Judges
  - April- Fun April-23rd @ Lynn Dees (Claudia Longoria)
  - 1st show- May-21st @ Lynn Dees (Sheri Ballman)
    - Agility May 22nd HooDoo
  - 2nd Show June- 4th @ Spangle Outside (Cindy McBride)
    - Agility July 16th HooDoo
  - 3rd Show July-9th @ Deer Park (Lucky Stars)

Unfinished Business

Dog Bowl
- At the end of each show (state qualifying/interstate competition)
- How do teams work?
- Add to entry form (cost?)
- Christine will find judging criteria (did this happen)
- Who will organize this? Teresa from Fairchild could help with Dog Bowl.

August Advanced Camp (update?)
- Agility and fitting and showing competition (off leash)
- Date: August 20-21st At Wings. Possible the 19th. Day camps
  - Advanced obedience- Rally, Tracking, Dog Bowl

Adding a newbie obedience class: Beginning Obedience (any age, non-qualifying)
• Going to use Beginning not Modified obedience Score Sheet
• Add To Rule Book “If a dog and handler team ” 1st Patty Roll 2nd Dorothy Bowers

11. If Dog or Handler Team receive a blue ribbon score at county qualifying show in obedience, a minimum of 3 times, you must move up to the next level in obedience the following year.

Fall animal fun day (No Change)
  ➢ Check barn availability after fair - October
  ➢ Partner with Spokanimal or Partners for PETS
    o Dog (costume)
    o Cat (Sue) Costume and Cage decoration
    o Bunny (costume) (Michell Wolfer Laura buker)
    o Poultry (Noralee, Troy Rux)
    o Pocket Pets (Sue)
    o Impromptus and presentations, Grooming Squad
    o Include Community

**New Business**

**Agility**
  • Showmanship?
In the Agility rules the following is stated:
17. All competitors in agility must be active in their county’s dog project and exhibit in obedience and showmanship at a county qualifying event.
In the program development document the rule for showmanship state:
Showmanship is a required educational activity for each species of animal shown in 4-H classes at community fairs, county fairs, State 4-H Fair qualifying events, youth shows, and the State 4-H Fair. Showmanship must be a part of each 4-H member's annual experience.
  • Review entry May 22nd and July 16th
  • Cover any questions
  • Dorothy would Judge
  • At Hoo Doo Arena in Deer Park Facility liability
  • $20 Facility Fee

**Aggressive Animal Policy**
**Old:** 1. Dogs that exhibit aggressive, and/or unsocial, and/or problem behavior, that cannot be controlled by their handler, are a serious safety issue. Leaders, Superintendents, 4-H Educators and Judges have the immediate authority to excuse or place restrictions on such dog’s participation in 4-H activities. All dogs involved in a fight will be sent home.

**Addition:** Show superintendent may require aggressive dogs to be crated when not in the ring
How do other counties handle showmanship at their Agility events?

The state rules require showmanship and obedience to be completed to compete in agility...Is it required that this happen before they compete in agility or just during the year?

Next meeting date: June 6th 6:30