

**CHUGIAK DOG MUSHERS ASSOCIATION**  
**General Meeting – December 19, 2006**  
**7 pm at the Clubhouse**  
**Hotline: 689-7899 Website: www.chugiakdogmushers.com**

Meeting came to order at 7:10pm

Board Members Present: Bryan Bearss, Jeanne Carlson, Carole Comeau, Jackie Fabrizzio, Ron Kilian, Diane Payne, Nathan Sterling, Dixie Waddell, Ed Wood. Several other club members also were present for the meeting.

Meeting minutes from the December 12 meeting were approved.

### **Treasure's Report**

Jackie provided a print-out of the latest financials for the club. She will check on the propane bills, which appear to be running high.

Gaming	\$1,944
Checking	\$5,311
Savings	\$9,800

### **Old Business**

#### *Clubhouse*

Ron mentioned that the power in the clubhouse has been fixed. Ron took one of the timing tower speakers in for repairs.

#### *Merchandise*

Diane got the headbands in. She ordered 24 of them at \$13 each. Carole put forth the motion to reimburse Diane for the cost of the headbands at \$312. Bryan seconded the motion and it was approved. The club agreed to sell the headbands for \$18 each. Patches will arrive by this weekend.

#### *Parks & Rec*

Parks & Rec provided details about the person dumping dog waste in local park trash cans. They are dumping a 13-gallon trash bag of waste three to four times a week. Jeanne will email Theresa to post a notice about the proper ways & places to dispose of dog waste on the web site and a notice will be sent to members about the issue.

#### *Points Races*

The first points race will be held on Sunday, Dec 24<sup>th</sup>. The races will consist of a 4-mile/4-dog, a 6-mile/6-dog, and an 8-mile/open class race. Due to the trail conditions, the club strongly recommends that open class mushers use a maximum of 12 dogs. The bib draw will be at 10am and the race at 10:30am. Volunteers are needed to put up gates. Diane will buy food for this weekend's events.

#### *Trails*

The club agreed that the regular side trails (parking lot/clubhouse side) should be closed to 4-wheelers from now on. The alternate side is still open for 4-wheeler use. Sleds only on the regular side. Jennifer volunteered to post signs indicating the restriction in the staging area.

### *Businessperson's Race*

Jackie mailed out 75 letters to local businesses. Anyone soliciting mushers or teams should encourage them to sign up before January 10. The Chamber of Commerce will stuff 400 copies into their newsletter if we get them flyers by January 4<sup>th</sup>. Jackie will check to see if the newsletter will be distributed in time for our race and sign-up deadlines. Jackie also will send the letter to board members so they can help solicit participants. Lexi and Carole are making calls to round up teams for the event. Jeanne will email a team request to the membership.

### **New Business**

#### *Fencing*

Nathan mentioned someone who had purchased many rolls of 4' orange snow fencing for about \$10 a roll (100' long) and wondered if the club needed any cheap fencing.

#### *Classic/Banquet*

Diane asked Jerry Tokar if he would marshal the Classic and he agreed. Ron will work on plans for the banquet.

#### *Points Races*

We could potentially reschedule more points races in January since there are no conflicting ASDRA races. Diane will contact ASDRA president, Ken Ford, to ask if our rescheduling those races would interfere with anything. Ed put forth a motion that the club holds our postponed points races in January. Jennifer seconded the motion and all were in favor. Potential dates would be Points #2 on Dec. 31 and Points #3 on Jan. 7.

#### *Clubhouse Requests*

Diane will talk to Parks & Rec about the procedures for other groups, especially non-dog-related groups, requesting use of the clubhouse. Should the requests go through CDMA or Parks & Rec?

The meeting adjourned at 8:15pm.

### **Next Meeting**

The next general meeting will be Tuesday, January 2nd at 7pm at the clubhouse. No meeting on December 26 – Merry Christmas!!

Our next education program will be Tuesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm, following a short 7pm general meeting. The education topic will be First Aid Kits for Mushers and Dogs.