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Health Care Update:

Testing for Hypothyroidism in RRs

THERE'S CONFLICTING OPINIONS ON THE SIGNIFICANCE of elevated T3AA and T4AA levels and their role in lymphocytic thyroiditis [a.k.a. autoimmune thyroiditis]—the inherited form of thyroid disease. Dr. Jean Dodds of Hemopet in Garden Grove, who does many Ridgeback thyroid evaluations, includes T3AA and T4AA circulating autoantibody data in assessing for lymphocytic thyroiditis. According to Dr. Dodds, up to eight percent of affected dogs are TgAA *negative*.

This false negative can result when a type of receptor on the thyroglobulin molecule doesn't bind to the TgAA marker. In this small subset of *affected* but TgAA-negative dogs, Dr. Dodds states that persistently elevated levels of T3AA/T4AA indicate the presence of lymphocytic thyroiditis.

In February 2006, the RRCUS Health and Genetics Senior Chair (Cynthia Roethel) had a discussion on this topic with K.R. Refsal, DVM, PhD, of the Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health at MSU. Dr. Refsal indicated that T3AA and T4AA were originally done to give veterinarians more data to help interpret thyroid results. He added that increases in T3AA and/or T4AA might be due to *nonspecific bind-*

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MSU Research Findings

Following are highlights from the Michigan State University study using Irish Wolfhounds. To read the study in its entirety, go to <http://www.iwclubofamerica.org/thyroid.htm>.

? About half of canine hypothyroidism has been reported to be associated with autoimmune thyroiditis (positive TgAA). The majority of the remaining hypothyroidism is *idiopathic* (without apparent cause and TgAA negative)....

? Recent data from MSU have shown that idiopathic hypothyroidism can be the end stage of autoimmune thyroid disease. Hence, the majority of canine hypothyroidism is the result of autoimmune thyroiditis. This makes testing for the disease marker in breeding dogs important for reducing its incidence. The best current marker for this disease is a positive TgAA test result. This is present when there is active thyroid disease (inflammation).

? Assuming a single gene disorder and recessive trait, TgAA will be positive only in dog having

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In Memory of:

Dana Steadley

by Helen G. Hayek

It is with great regret that I inform the Ridgeback world that Dana Steadley has passed away. Dana first met the breed when she was stationed in South Africa with the Foreign Service, back in the early 70s. Although she owned Siamese cats, and a Standard Poodle, the Rhodesian Ridgeback stole her heart. After purchasing a male puppy from Colonel Wallace in 1976, she then moved to Mexico City. Since that time, she bred and showed Ridgebacks under the Danu kennel name, up until the day her body betrayed her

with illness and weakness about a year ago. Additionally, following her move back to Southern California in 1988, she helped rescue and re-home many Ridgebacks in need, at her own expense.

Dana was a grand and sophisticated lady with a sharp wit, an enormous intelligence, and above all an enduring love for our wonderful breed. She was my best friend, and I will always miss her.

In her memory, I ask that fellow Ridgeback

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Dana Steadley

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lovers donate to any Ridgeback Rescue organization.

Rhodesian Ridgeback Rescue, Inc.
P.O. Box 4141
Leesburg, VA 20177-8287

Ridgeback Rescue of the U.S.
c/o Ellen B. Allen, Treasurer
501 East Center Avenue
Lake Bluff, IL 60044

Etosha
P.O. Box 1688
Seguin, TX 78155

Texas Independent Ridgeback Rescue
Boyd, TX
(940) 433-5106
For online donation: www.petfinder.com/shelters/TX179.html

Ridgeback Rescue of Northern
California
P.O. Box 27933
Concord, CA 94527



Hypothyroidism

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ing—when the marker specific for a particular antibody binds to something other than the target antibody. The result can be a falsely high reading, and repeat testing at a later date often shows normal antibody levels. According to Dr. Refsal, the reasons for persistent elevations of T3AA/T4AA accompanied by negative/normal TGAA levels aren't yet known.

Breeders must understand that a dog *will* receive OFA clearance if T3AA and/or T4AA levels are above normal, *as long as the TGAA value is negative*. Due to conflicting opinions on the significance of elevated T3AA/T4AA antibodies, the RRCUS Health & Genetics committee is collecting data on the incidence of this phenomenon in the breed to determine whether or not Ridgebacks with these elevations progress to develop lymphocytic (or autoimmune) thyroiditis. *Please contact Cynthia Roethel at houndscrest@earthlink.net, or (434) 248-5018, if you own a dog that has, or has had, elevated T3AA and/or T4AA with or without an elevation in TGAA. As always, all information is kept in the strictest confidence.*

MSU Research Study

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both genes for thyroiditis. TgAA will not be positive in the carriers (having only one gene for the trait) and may not be positive early in the life of some dogs that become affected later.

? Knowing which are affected dogs within a pedigree will help to identify which dogs have a high probability of being carriers (i.e., one affected gene, if a single-gene trait).

? The TgAA test can detect this disease years before clinical signs of hypothyroidism occur. After 6 years of age, the TgAA test becomes less relevant, as dogs that were previously positive can become negative when the thyroid is destroyed and no longer provides a stimulus for TgAA production. After that time, T4 and TSH become more important indicators of thyroid disease.

? Sighthounds have lower normal ranges for T3/T4 concentrations compared to other breeds. For this reason, breeders should caution veterinarians to this fact when thyroid-function testing is performed on their RRs.



In The Whelping Box...

September 15—Ch. Windana Baobab African Jewel ("Jewel"), JC; 7 puppies (2 boys/5 girls), sired by DC Thorntree Kruger and Windancr ("Kruger"), MC, FCh, HIC. *Congratulations to Renee Woods, Encinitas, and Leslie Walker, San Marcos, CA.*

September 18—BIF BISS Ch. Rivercity's Tea for Two ("Tia"), SC; 12 puppies (3 boys/9 girls!), sired by Ch. RiverCity's Travlin Man, JC. *Congratulations to Leila Bicos and Troy Abney, Riverside, CA.*

October 4—MBIF Int'l Ch/DC Wyndrunhr Sunni Skyes of Gold ("Sunni"), FCh, MC, HIC, CGC; 9 puppies (6 boys/3 girls—pictured at right), sired by Ch. Redawg's Christofel O'Copperidge, SC. *Congratulations to Debra Driza, RedSkyes RRs, San Marcos, CA; Nancy Brandewie, and Linda Cannon, Elbert, CO.*

October 29—Ch. Juba Lee Quick SandWitch of Uzuri ("Bella"); 7 puppies (2 boys/5 girls), sired by Ch. Juba Lee All's Well With Fargo ("Fargo"). *Congratulations to Kerry Williams, of Roanoke, TX, and Terry Pippin.*



OCRRC Top Twenty through August 31, 2006

1. Ch. Freedom's Five Star General by Tigris ("Tank")	Penny Weston	492
2. Ch. Freedom's Awesome Olivia by Tigris, JC ("Olivia")	Penny Weston	332
3. Ch. Rob Norm's The Mailman Malone ("Malone")	Myrna & Joe Berger	242
4. Ch. Of Afrikka Spring Valley Dorian Gray ("Bruno")	Christina Wistrom, PhD	214
5. BIS Ch. Of Afrikka Hoku O Pupukea ("Hoku")	Tom & Barbara Peach	191
6. Ch. Of Afrikka Sprngvly Joliba of Kamari ("Joli")	Christina Wistrom, PhD/Bing & Deb Drastrup	186
7. Ch. RiverCity's Everyone's Bwana ("Ramar")	Troy Abney/Olga Bicos/Aaron McGee	169
8. Ch. Koda'sleepoffaithbyfiredance ("Faith")	Mary Sorosky	167
9. Ch. Pupukeyridge Ikaika O Sprngvly ("Ikaika")	Barbara & Tom Peach/Pam Lambie	161
10. BISS Ch. Freedom's Blast O Dynamite by Tigris ("Boomer")	Juan & Lisa Gutierrez/ Mike & Lisa Patterson	148
11. Ch. Choctaw Ridge Makenna of Ridgelea ("Makenna")	Brian & Vicky Swink	119
12. Ch. Lamarde Perro Can't Get No Satisfaction ("Naya")	Lanise McCracken	93
13. Ch. Wyndrunhr Red Skys Reap Th Wld Wind, SC ("Seeger")	Nancy Brandewie/Deb Driza/Linda Cannon	88
14. Ch. Choctaw Ridge Catori at Lacima ("Megan")	Brian & Vicky Swink/C. & G. Grammer	79
15. Ch. Pupukea Ridge Kekoa Koneli ("Connor")	Cory Bowers/Tom Peach	78
16. Ch. Redskyes Hr Comes Th Sun, JC ("Sting")	Nancy Brandewie/Deb Driza/Linda Cannon	76
17. Ch. Stardust's Cracklin Rosie ("Rosie")	Jerry & Susan Adomian/Rick & Teresa Witte	74
18. Ch. Oakhurst Covergirl ("Tyra")	Barbara Rupert/Nicole Rupert-Deutschman	71
19. DC Manzanita Double Espresso, SC ("Rowan")	Lyn & Art Valdivia	67
20. Ch. Triggerhill's Notorious Doubletake, JC ("Tori")	B. Scattini & J. Scattini-Nowell/John & Judy Kuplent	65



A Round of Applause, Please!

Here's a look at what some of our members have accomplished so far this year.

6/18/06 @Bahia Sur, under Mrs. Pamela Peat, **New Ch. Oakhurst Covergirl** ("Tyra"—going BOB from the bred-by class); proudly owned by Nicole Rupert-Deutschman, Barbara Rupert, Chase and Chad Deutschman.

8/06/06 @Mt. Palomar KC, under Mrs. Roberta Campbell, **New Ch. Pupukea Ridge Kekoa Koneli** ("Connor"), proudly owned by Cory and Jane Bowers.

8/06/06 @Mt. Palomar KC, under Mrs. Roberta Campbell, **New Ch. Of Afrikka Sprngvly Joliba of Kamari** ("Joli"—also going BOW/BOS); proudly owned by Bing and Deborah Drastrup (who handled Joli to her championship).

9/20/06 @Santa Ana KC, **1st leg toward CD, Van d Pier's Give'em HellHarry** ("Paladin," just barely 18 months old, earned his 2nd leg on 10/7 @Channel City); proudly owned by new members Jennifer and Kevin Gysler.

9/24/06 @TVRRCOT Regional Specialty, under Mr. Harold Tatro III, **New Ch. Juba Lee What You Talkin Bout Willis** at 1 year and 5 days old ("Willis" was also Reserve Winner's Dog at the 2006 National Specialty in Utah); proudly owned by Kerry Williams, Darla, and Jason White.

10/01/06 @Burbank KC, under Mr. James Fredrickson, **1st point in conformation, Van d Pier's Give'em Hell-Harry** ("Paladin" is his owners' first Ridgeback/first show dog and he's owner/handled); Paladin is proudly owned by Jennifer and Kevin Gysler.

10/14 & 15 @Inland Empire Wilderness Hunt Club, **JC title, Van d Pier's Meet Me at the Garden** ("Madison," in her first-ever exposure to coursing); proudly owned by Sharon and Jack Pierce.

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What's Happening...

CONFORMATION

What: SDRRC Regional Specialty
When: Thurs., Jan. 4, 2007
Where: Empire Equestrian Park and Polo Field, Indio, CA
Judges: Regular classes, Mrs. Francine Schwartz; Sweeps, Erin Coogan
Contact: Garvin Show Svcs., (503) 558-1221; e-mail mail@garvinshowservices.com; or go to www.garvinshowservices.com.
Closes: Wed., December 20, 2006 @ 6:00 P.M. PST

What: Inland Empire Hound Club
When: Fri., Jan. 5, 2007
Where: Empire Equestrian Park and Polo Field, Indio, CA
Judges: Regular, Patrick Garcia; Sweeps, Mike Teeling
Contact: Jack Bradshaw Dog Shows, (323) 727-0136; or go to www.jbradshaw.com
Closes: Wed., December 20, 2006

What: Kennel Club of Palm Springs
When: Sat./Sun., Jan. 6-7, 2007
Where: Empire Equestrian Park and Polo Field, Indio, CA
Judges: Sat., Mrs. Lowell (Arlene) Davis; Sun. Mrs. Susan Carr
Contact: Jack Bradshaw Dog Shows, see above
Closes: Wed., December 20, 2006

What: Sahuaro State KC
When: Sat./Sun., Jan. 13/14, 2007
Where: Empty Acres Equestrian Park, Buckeye, AZ
Judges: Sat., Betty Stites; Sun.,

Terry Stacy
Contact: Onofrio Dog Shows, (405) 427-8181; or go to www.onofrio.com
Closes: Wed., December 27, 2006

What: OCRRC's 21st Annual Specialty and The Hound Classic

When: OCRRC—Fri., April 13, 2007; Hound Classic—Sat./Sun. April 14/15
Where: Irvine Meadows/Hidden Valley, Irvine, CA
Contact: Lou Guerrero, VP/Show Chairman, e-mail LMGX6@aol.com
Closes: n/a

AGILITY

What: High Desert Agility Club AKC Trials
When: Fri.-Mon., December 29, 2006 to Jan. 1, 2007
Where: Pomona Fairplex, Pomona
Contact: Jean O'Neill, (909) 896-9395; premium avail. at www.jmoagility.com/
Closes: Sat., December 16, 2006

What: West Coast Cocker Spaniel Club
When: Sat./Sun., Jan. 6/7, 2007
Where: Industry Hills Expo Ctr., City of Industry
Contact: Lynda Tjarks, (661) 856-2773; e-mail roguetervs@hughes.net
Closes: Wed. December 20, 2006

LURE COURSING

What: Pharaoh Hound Fanciers of Nor-Cal
When: Sat., Jan. 20, 2007
Where: Gabilan Hilla School, Hollister
Contact: Sara Beetz, Event Sec., (831) 673-6697; e-mail whippet@alchemyinvestments.net
Closes: Wed., January 17, 2007

RALLY OBEDIENCE

What: KC of Palm Springs
When: Fri./Sat./Sun., Jan. 5-7, 2007
Where: Empire Equestrian Park/Polo Field, Indio, CA
Contact: Daphne Bell, Event Sec., (323) 256-8932
Closes: Wed., December 20, 2006

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

What: 2007 Phi Beta Canine Cruise to Benefit AKC Canine Health Foundation
When: February 20-28, 2007
Where: From Port Everglades to Panama, Costa Rica, and Belize
Seminars: To be held daily; topics include cancer research, structure and movement, reproduction, and more.
Contact: Fresh Pond Travel, 344 Boston Post Rd., Marlboro, MA 01752; (508) 624-0400; for reduced airfare and pre-cruise night in Ft. Lauderdale, call (877) 745-9364.
Rates: Double/inside \$879; double/outside \$1,029; double/balcony \$1,199.



Treasurer's Reports *(continued on page 8)*

BEGINNING BALANCE	04/20/06	\$6,982.05
INCOME		
Membership Dues	25.00	
Checking Acct Interest	.52	
TOTAL INCOME		25.52
EXPENSE		
Vote for Specialty judges/printing & postage	271.08	
Match Top-Ten Certificate holders	16.36	
ADOA membership dues	35.00	
Trailer storage space/PVI RV & Boat Storage	95.00	
Challenge Trophy engraving	84.00	
Specialty Sweeps envelope monies	336.00	
Specialty Obedience Judge/S. Indelicato	194.86	
Specialty Ring Stewards	150.00	
Specialty morning hosp/lunch/Jeanie Morris	1,010.59	
Specialty Exhibitor's Appreciation Dinner	1,595.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$ 3,787.89
BALANCE	05/22/06	\$ 3,219.68
Regular Savings	05/22/06	\$3,540.37
CD Account	05/22/06	\$1,461.17
TOTAL	05/22/06	\$ 8,221.22
Specialty Checking Account	05/22/06	\$7,490.57
Lure Coursing Account	05/22/06	\$1,224.12
GRAND TOTAL	05/22/06	\$ 16,935.91

Remembering Summer: The One That Got Away!

This picture (right) of DC Rivercity's Nalu Kai ("Kai"), was sent in by Lisa Adams of Rancho Palos Verdes. "Believe it or not," says Lisa, "the fish just swam out of Kai's mouth—he didn't bite down. You can just see the shadow of it about 15 inches in front of his head."

Who says RRs don't like water?
Is there a title for fishing??



General Meeting Minutes – 7/13/06

Meeting called to order at 8:14 P.M. Attendees are: Sherri West, Deborah Drastrup, Catherine Schock, Myrna Berger, Cory Bowers, Jerry Adomian, Mike Patterson, and Meredith Wisniewski.

First order of business: A motion is made to approve the minutes for the General Meeting, held on Thursday, May 11, 2006. The motion is seconded and unanimously approved.

President's report: Mike Patterson suggests that because attendance at July General Meetings generally is low, we need to consider not holding July meetings. It's decided to continue discussions on this matter.

Vice President's report: None.

Corresponding Secretary's report: Sherri reports that she's researching the possibility of offering a CGC (Canine Good Citizen) test at the Fall

Match on September 30th. She will also look for a CGC evaluator.

The judges' list for the 2007 Specialty sweeps and regular classes will be mailed this week.

Sherri received a letter from AKC suggesting some changes in the bylaws. The Board will look into them.

Treasurer's report: Catherine Schock reports that she received a thank-you note from our 2006 Specialty ring stewards, Jack and Sylvia Schonfield.

As of 6/22/06—checking account, \$5,947.85; regular savings, \$3,098.45; CD account, \$1,463.94; for a total of \$10,510.24; Specialty checking account, \$1,268.57; lure-coursing account, \$1,224.12; for a grand total of \$13,002.93.

Committee Reports:

Specialty 2007—Mike Patterson announces the 2007 Specialty will be held on Friday, April 13th, at Irvine Meadows. He says the new venue looks fantastic in the

photos he saw. The search is on for a Show Chairperson.

Lure coursing—A lure-coursing trial will be held at Whittier Narrows on October 14 & 15, 2006. Troy Abney will Chair the event; Deb Driza will be the Trial Secretary; and Lorraine Mendoza will be the Hunt Master.

Old Business: Sherri West and Cory Bowers will look into the purchase of a club trailer, 16' x 8 1/2' for \$4,200 from AZ tech in Fontana.

New Business: Mike Patterson relays to the group a phone message from Vice President John Rodgers, who was absent. John suggested that the BOD look into implementing new requirements for members who want to post their kennel information in OCRRC's Breeders Directory, on the Web site. Discussions will continue on the matter.

Meeting adjourned 9:46 P.M.



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – 8/10/06

Meeting called to order at 8:23 P.M. Attendees are: Sherri West, Jerry Adomian, Cory Bowers, Brian Swink, John Rodgers, Myrna Berger, Catherine Schock, and Mike Patterson.

First order of business: A motion is made to approve the BOD Meeting Minutes for Thursday June 8th, 2006 as published in *The Rambles*. The motion is seconded and unanimously approved.

President's report: "Over the next four months, our main concern will be the Club's policies, procedures, and of course bylaws. Our methods of doing business have been called into question by some of the membership, and I find this disturbing, to say the least. This Club's goals have always been to maintain integrity and do things by the book. Therefore, the policies, procedures, and bylaws will be at the forefront of our focus over the next four months. The Club already has policies, but there are going to be more precisely detailed policies in the future."

Vice President's report: John Rodgers continues to look into the possibility of holding a special lure-coursing event at our 2007 Regional Specialty in April.

Corresponding Secretary's report: Sherri West reports receiving a letter from AKC in response to her application to hold CGC testing at the Club Match on September 30, 2006. The letter states the Club has been approved, however Sherri believes the AKC may have thought the CGC testing was to be held at the Specialty in 2007. Sherri says she'll contact AKC to clear up the matter. The letter also states the CGC testing area must be set up far enough away so as not to disturb the dogs that are competing. Vicky Marx will be the evaluator; she'll provide the forms and brochures. The charges for testing will be \$15.

Sherri also reports that she's received a letter of acceptance from Carol Hensley to judge our Match; John Rodgers will judge property classes.

The World Congress has requested a copy of our Club logo. Sherri & Catherine

will provide it in digital format.

Sherri is also working on insurance for lure-coursing events with Debra Driza.

Sherri also mentions a brochure she received with information on an upcoming "Canine College Cruise." Mike suggests providing the information in the newsletter (see "Special Activities," on page 4).

Treasurer's report: Catherine reports the big news that the Club has purchased a new trailer, and sold the old one to the San Diego RR Club. Catherine thanks Cory Bowers for his stellar efforts on helping the Club find a trailer.

The Club's finances as of 7/21/06 are: checking account, \$1,507.53; regular savings, \$3,099.75; CD account, \$1,466.72; Specialty checking account, \$1,268.57; lure-coursing account, \$1,224.12; for a grand total of \$8,566.69.

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General Meeting Minutes – 9/14/06

Meeting called to order at 8:04 P.M. Attendees are: Jerry Adomian, John Rodgers, Brian Swink, Mike Patterson, Cynthia Cartwright, Deb Drastrup, Myrna Berger, Joe Berger, Catherine Schock, Sherri West, Sue Adomian.

President's report: Mike reminded everyone about the lure-coursing event on October 14th and 15th at Whitter Narrows, adding that he'd like all club members to participate and or volunteer at the event.

On other business, Mike says he's been talking with Dr. Becky Williams, an International Canine Semen and Reproductive Specialist at Yorba Regional Medical Center about possibly speaking at one of our club events. A topic Dr. Williams would like to present is what she calls; "The Ten Most Common Mistakes Breeders Make." Mike suggested that Dr. Williams give her presentation at the Club's Spring Match. Discussions on this will continue.

Vice President's report: None.

Corresponding Secretary's report: Sherri reports that Carol Hensley is very excited about judging the Club's upcoming Fall Puppy Match at Irvine Regional Park on Saturday, September 30, 2006.

Sherri also reports that the Club needs an AKC legislative liaison. AKC says it would like to have someone to contact to

find out what's going on in our area.

Sherri also reports that she has received the judges' contract back from Neena Van Camp, but not from David Bueno yet. Nicole Rupert-Deutschman is the Club's Specialty Sweeps judge for 2008. Sherri says, she hasn't been able to get in touch with Donald Sturz yet regarding the possibility of him judging OCRRC's 2008 Specialty.

Mike Teeling will judge the Inland Empire Sweeps classes at the Palm Springs shows in January of 2007. Sherri also mentions that the Club still needs a Show Chairperson for OCRRC's 2007 Specialty. There will be no veteran sweeps for this upcoming Specialty, but there will be a parade of veterans.

Treasurer's report: Catherine makes a motion to transfer \$2,000 from the club's savings account into checking. Motion is seconded and unanimously approved. As of 8/29/06—checking account, \$666.64; regular savings, \$3,101.07; CD account, \$1,469.50; Specialty checking account, \$1,268.57; lure-coursing account, \$1,224.12; for a grand total of \$7,729.90.

Committee Reports:

Match—Cory Bowers is the Match Chair. All is set for the Match.

Lure Coursing—Deb Driza is all set

for the upcoming lure-coursing event. The judges have been lined up, and the premium list has been sent out. However, volunteers are still needed for this event.

Specialty—A Specialty Chairperson is still needed for 2007. Deb Drastrup will look into finding (awesome) trophies for the Specialty's sweeps, regular, and other classes.

Nominating Committee: A nominating Committee is selected: Cynthia Cartwright, Jerry Adomian, and Joe Berger. These members will put together a slate of Orange Coast members who are interested in serving on the OCRRC Board, beginning in January 2007. Deadline for the slate is October; their slate will be mailed to members.

Old Business: Changes to the bylaws were discussed. A ballot on the final changes will be mailed to the voting membership. John Rodgers motioned to approve the bylaws as amended. Jerry Adomian seconded the motion, and it's unanimously approved. A ballot will be sent to members to vote on the changes at the next General Meetings.

Club polices and procedures, and the breeder directory requirements will be addressed at the next Board meeting.

New Business: Discussions begin on making shelves for the club's new trailer.

Meeting adjourned: @10:30 P.M.



BOD Meeting Minutes

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Committee Reports:

Fall Match—Mike acknowledges that Carol Hensley has accepted the offer to judge our Match, and adds that the Club will need to purchase a judge's gift, and produce a flier (in the works). Mike suggests sending a note to the judge that includes a copy of the flier and money to cover her parking fees. Cory Bowers is the Match Chairperson.

Discussions continue on building shelves for the new trailer.

Lure Coursing—According to Sherri, Deb Driza is working on the application for lure coursing online.

Specialty—Ballots for 2007 judges will

be counted tonight. Those with the highest votes will be contacted.

Membership applications—Catherine has received three applications for association memberships from: Roberta Tawell; Linda D'Antonio; and Jennifer & Kevin Gysler.

Old Business: Discussions continue on revising requirements for members who want to include their kennel name in the Club's online breeder's list.

Discussions continue on the AKC's recommended changes to our bylaws. A formal presentation on those changes will be made at the General Meeting on September 14, 2006.

New Business: Mike reports he had a discussion with Greg Castillo of BARRC on how to save both Clubs some money.

It's been recommended that both clubs send out their Specialty fliers via email, instead of the postal service, to try to minimize printing and mailing costs.

Myrna makes a motion to donate a \$100 basket to the BARRC Specialty raffle. Catherine seconds the motion; it's unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned @10:30 P.M.



Treasurer's Report *(continued on page 9)*

BEGINNING BALANCE	05/23/06	\$3,219.68
INCOME		
Garvin Show Services Return	1,072.32	
Merchandise Sales	85.00	
Date Pin Sales	10.00	
Breeder's Directory Listing	10.00	
Specialty Raffle Ticket Sales	40.00	
Specialty Catalog Sales	5.00	
Transfer from Specialty Account	6,000.00	
Overdraft Protection Transfer frm Svgs	423.42	
Interest Income	.35	
TOTAL INCOME		\$7,646.09
EXPENSE		
Advertising – SDRRC catalog ad	45	
Liability Insurance Renewal	776	
Date Pin Bars	38.32	
Trailer Storage Space – PVI RV & Boat Storage	95	
Sales Merchandise Inventory – HB Embroidery	3,848.10	
Shoreline Supported Entry Trophies - Patterson	51.50	
Fall Match Park Reservation – Irv Regional	52	
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$4,905.92
BALANCE	06/22/06	\$5,947.85
Regular Savings	06/22/06	\$3,098.45
CD Account	06/22/06	\$1,463.94
TOTAL	06/22/06	\$10,510.24
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GRAND TOTAL	06/22/06	\$13,002.93

I Thank You – The Dogs Thank You

IN THE LAST FEW WEEKS, MEMBERS OF OCRRC have stepped in to help Rescue with home checks and transportation in the Orange County area. Two of those home checks led to the adoption of otherwise “difficult” to place dogs: a 5-year-old female with allergies, and a 7 1/2-year-old male. The OCRRC volunteers who helped contributed directly to those two dogs being adopted, and assisted a third on her way to a forever home.

Rescue is about much, much more than fostering. Thanks to OCRRC members Lori Duquette, Vickie Marx, Sherri and HE West, and Lisa and Mike Patterson for being willing to help with home visits and transportation. They made a difference in the lives of three unwanted members of our breed.

— Kate Zimmer, Ridgeback Rescue, San Diego

Treasurer's Report

BEGINNING BALANCE	06/22/06	\$5,947.85
INCOME		
Specialty Catalog Advertising – SDRRC/Hayek	\$ 80.00	
Contribution – WOABJ from sales of prints	40.00	
Interest Income	.40	
TOTAL INCOME		\$120.40
EXPENSE		
Supported Show Trophies – KCBH/LBKC	153.82	
Domain Name Renewal – Network Solutions	99.90	
New Trailer Purchase – Cory Bowers	4,200.00	
Trailer Storage Space – PVI RV & Boat Storage	95.00	
Bank Service Charge	12.00	
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$ 4,560.72
BALANCE	07/21/06	\$1,507.53
Regular Savings	07/21/06	\$3,099.75
CD Account	07/21/06	\$1,466.72
TOTAL	07/21/06	\$6,074.00
Specialty Checking Account	07/21/06	\$1,268.57
Lure Coursing Account	07/21/06	\$1,224.12
GRAND TOTAL	07/21/06	\$8,566.69



A Round of Applause, Please!

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10/15/06 @Two Cities KC, under Polly Smith, **New Ch. Redskyes Santana Sundancer** ("Santana"); proudly owned by Nancy Brandewie and Linda Cannon; Debra Driza; and G. Mirsky.

10/20/06 @ BARRC's 3rd Annual Specialty AKC Lure Coursing Trial:

Open A Stake—Ch. Pupukea Ridge Kekoa Konali, SC ("Connor," who picked up another 5-point major on the 29th, making him a Dual Champion); proudly owned by Cory and Jane Bowers, .

Open B Stake—Ch. Lexus She's Got Game by Tigris, SC, CGC ("Kaysi," just 13 weeks out of the whelping box!); proudly owned by Lisa Ganje-Patterson, Mike Patterson, Sherry Riordan, Pam Mathews.

5th Place—Ch. Manzanita One Handsome Devil, SC ("Ruger"); proudly owned by Linnea Post.

Special—DC Manzanita Double Espresso, SC

("Rowan"); proudly owned by Lyn and Art Valdivia.
2nd Place—MBIF FC Manzanita Just One Look ("Shakoon"); proudly owned by Lyn and Art Valdivia.

Following are OCRRC dogs that appear in the AKC's lure coursing standings through 11/10/06:

#6 **FC Manzanita Just One Look** ("Shakoon"), SC, LCX, owned by Lyn and Art Valdivia.

#10 **DC Pupukea Ridge Kekoa Koneli** ("Connor"), SC, owned by Cory and Jane Bowers.

#12 **BIF FC Stardust Dancing Queen Abba** ("Abba"), SC, owned by Jerry and Sue Adomian

#25 **FC Pheron's Who Needs The Static** ("Elektra"), SC, owned by John & Lucy Adams, Catherine Schock.

Give your RR the recognition he/she deserves—send news of your latest accomplishments to the editor at the address shown on the last page of this newsletter.



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HEADS UP...

... Mark your calendar now and plan to attend OCRRC's 21st Annual Regional Specialty on Friday, April 13, 2007. See "What's Happening..." on page 4, for details.

... The Ridgeback Rambles is in need of an editor. OCRRC will provide Microsoft Publisher. Contact Mike Patterson if you might be interested.

... Happy Holidays to all, and best wishes for the New Year! Have FUN with your RRs!!