



TERRIER TIMES

Atlanta Terrier Club dying of member inertia!

For the past few years, attendance at Atlanta Terrier Club meetings has been on a downward spiral. In spite of the best efforts of the Board to provide interesting programs and events, based on responses to a membership survey and repeated requests for feedback from the Club President, the membership has continued to show little support. It is now customary for there to be no quorum at meetings, so that no business can be conducted, with the added embarrassment of derisory audience attendance for our speakers who give freely of their time to inform, educate and entertain us.

It is time for our members to shake off their inertia and once again take an active part in our club. Without member involvement, the club will cease to have any purpose and the Board will, with the greatest sadness and reluctance, have to consider dissolution.

The August meeting of the club will be at 1:00 pm on Sunday, August 3, at Nancy G's Restaurant, 4920, Roswell Road, Atlanta, GA 30342. This will provide members with an opportunity to offer their ideas and make a commitment to support the club with enthusiastic participation. If you are prevented from attending this meeting due to prior commitments, please email any Board member with your thoughts and encouragement.

It's your club - use it or lose it!

Upcoming Events

Thursday, July 17

Poop 101 Speaker: Pat Joyce

B's Bistro, 6010 Sandy Springs Circle, Sandy Springs, GA 30328

Dinner 6:30 pm Meeting 7:00 pm

Sunday, August 3

Members' Forum

Nancy G's Restaurant, 4920 Roswell Road, Atlanta, GA 30342

Lunch 1:00 pm Meeting 1:30 pm

President's Message

The viability of the Atlanta Terrier Club as a going concern will be the topic of the August meeting of the Regular Members.

It is unfortunate that we find ourselves at this crossroad. However, lack of participation in Club events and programs by the general membership has regrettably compelled the Board of Directors to consider the **dissolution** of the Atlanta Terrier Club.

If you wish the Club to continue, please attend the August meeting. Be prepared to offer your ideas, and make a commitment to volunteer and participate.

Without you, there is no club.

Karen Waldon,
President

Poop tells all

Dr Pat Joyce explains how to deduce your dogs' health from their poop!



The next meeting of the Atlanta Terrier Club will be at **B's Bistro, 6010 Sandy Springs Circle, Sandy Springs, GA 30328, on Thursday, July 17.** Dinner will be at 6:30 pm and the meeting will start at 7:00 pm. Pat Joyce will be teaching **POOP 101**, in which she tells club members how to assess their dogs' wellbeing from their poop.

The photo shows *Trichuris vulpis*, (or Whipworm), a common parasite in dogs.

TREASURER'S REPORT

As of the last Board meeting, our club balance was \$17,567. This is up from the start of the year by \$1,752. The big event, our Specialty Show, is coming this fall and we are counting on this to keep us above last year. We don't know what the entries will be, and the expenses are unknown at this time. The difficulty we have to overcome is the loss of \$1,169 from the Earthdog Trials in March

George Tibaldi, Treasurer

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Atlanta Terrier Club Board Meeting / Conference Call

April 10, 2014

Present: Karen Waldon, Dan Flynn, George Tibaldi, Wendy Warnock, Ann Thomas, Sharon Abmeyer, Cary Mudge, Paul Hulsing, Ginger Hawkins
Guest: Betty Stockdale

President Karen Waldon called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Minutes from last meeting – A motion to accept the March minutes was made by George Tibaldi 2nd by Paul Hulsing. All were in favor.

Secretary's Report – Dan Flynn advised of some AKC email notifications received to the board. No action required.

Treasurer's Report – George Tibaldi reported a club balance of \$16,306. George also advised that income tax filing had been completed.

Committee Reports

- **Membership** – renewal of membership dues to date are: 51 renewals / 29 pending
- **Sunshine** – nothing to report
- **Programs** – ATC Annual meeting coming: April 17 Dr Tilghman – May 18 B Match – June 19 Attorney to discuss long term planning for our pets – Please see web site for all upcoming events with dates and time
- **Show Updates** – Ann Thomas reported show trophy effort has completed with over \$1,800.00 collected. The premium list will be completed very soon for submission. Carolyn Wolters will do the trophies this year. **MOTION – Paul Hulsing motioned that we charge a \$5.00 fee for lunches at the ATC Specialty. Wendy Warnock 2nd the motion, all were in favor.**

- **Earth Dog** – update postponed until May meeting. Some comments regarding the event – entries were down from previous year – bad weather may have contributed negatively too. Paul and Don Mallik encountered issues with the site. 1 person qualified in Sr for the whole weekend.

Unfinished Business:

- **Breeder Listing** – breeder listings are being added to the web site as they are received. Wendy Warnock is managing this effort as she is notified from membership.
- **DISCLAIMER** – adding of this statement has been completed.
- **Update from Standing Rules Committee** – review of code of ethics is underway for other sites. Next steps will continue once the committee comes back with their findings.
- **Website** – at the time of this meeting we have been advised that there is no technical support for ATC regarding the website. Wendy will continue to search for alternatives for our site with other web site administrator options.

New Business:

- Next ATC meeting will be on May 8th at B's Bistro in Sandy Springs.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 was made by Ann Thomas and 2nd by Sharon Abmeyer.



Respectfully submitted by

Dan Flynn, Secretary

**Atlanta Terrier Club
General Membership Meeting
MerryMac Training Center - Marietta
May 18 2014**

President Karen Waldon called meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Sign in sheet was circulated. 16 members and guest signed in for attendance.

Minutes: There were no minutes from our April meeting due to no quorum for the meeting held at B Bistro.

President's Report: Karen Waldon welcomed all our guests for joining today event. Karen thanked Tina McCann for hosting our ATC meeting at her facility for our B match and Betty Stockdale for judging today match.

Secretary's Report: Dan reported he had submitted the AKC document with the results of the 2014 election to AKC.

Treasurer's Report: George Tibaldi reported that club balance at \$16,304.

Report of the committees:

- **Sunshine** – A card was sent to Ginger Hawkins for the loss of her daughter.
- **Membership** – no new readings
- **Programs** – Please refer to our ATC website for all coming events
- **ATC Show** – Ann Thomas – reported premium list s completed and ready to be sent in. Sweeps judges are confirmed.
- **Earth dog** – Karen proved an overview of our earth dog event this past March. We had poor attendance for a few reasons. The weather was bad on the 2nd day which did not help our situation. The committee is researching for a new site for our event in 2015 due to some negative feedback on our existing event site.

Old business – no old business

New business – a request to add email addresses for the board to our news letter.

Karen Waldon asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ann Thomas so motioned and 2nd by Jo Heslep. The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted – Dan Flynn / ATC Secretary

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors – June 10, 2014

Location: B's Bistro

Present: Karen Waldon
Ann Thomas
George Tibaldi
Ginger Hawkins
Paul Hulsing
Cary Mudge
Wendy Warnock

Absent: Dan Flynn
Sharon Abmeyer

President Waldon called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Minutes of the May Board Meeting – None. Secretary Flynn absent.

Secretary's Report – None. Secretary Flynn absent.

Report of the Treasurer – Treasurer Tibaldi noted that the club's balance is currently \$17,566.73. The majority of the income received over the last two months was from dues payment.

Committee Reports:

Show Committee: Chairman Thomas reported that things were moving along smoothly. She will be proofing the Premium List. Noted that AKC is now requiring the Owner Handled Series to be at all shows at which there is another "special event", i.e., sweepstakes, Best Bred By, etc. Sweepstakes judges have been selected and contracted. They are as follows: Valerie Dombrowski will be doing short legged terriers along with the Best in Sweeps and Best Veteran in Sweeps, Gary Meggs will be doing long legged terriers, Karen Waldon will be judging bully breeds. Carolyn Wolters is handling trophies this year.

Sunshine Committee – cards were sent to Wendy Warnock and Ginger Hawkins.

Membership – 14 members have not renewed. Vice President Thomas volunteered to make telephone calls to those who have not renewed. Membership currently stands at 69.

Earthdog – Board members Hulsing and Warnock will visit a new site to ascertain its adequacy. A decision as to location or whether to cancel earthdog tests for 2015 must be made at the July board meeting.

Programs – Board member Hawkins reported on behalf of Vice President Abmeyer: June 19th will be Estate Planning consideration for your dogs presented by Gary Worrell of Georgia Family Law. July 17 will be Poop 101 presented by member Pat Joyce. August and September have yet to be determined. There will be no meeting in October given the specialty show. Discussion ensued amongst the board about the need for more "activities" rather than speakers. Weekend fun events are needed.

KEY CONTACTS

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