



BONANZA KENNEL CLUB

Editor: Secretary Judy Davis

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President Message

June has come and gone in a flash and Independence Day is just around the corner! Hopefully you are getting more done than I seem to be!

Don't forget that there is **NO MEETING** on Tuesday, July 4. The July meeting will be held after the match on Saturday, July 8. Look for information in the newsletter regarding the match, or check it out on facebook. Information will be posted as it becomes available. Entries will be \$5.00. Day of match entries will start at 9 AM, and the match will begin between 10:00 and 10:30. Please show up early to help our new Match Chairman, Collette, get set up and ready to go. I'm sure she would appreciate your help!

For those of you who haven't heard, board member Elaine Ox-borrow has the first Farm Dog titled Tibetan Spaniel in the United States! This is a new titling event that AKC is now offering. Keep your eyes open for Farm Dog Events in our area. I am not sure how often they will be offered, but there was one recently at the Haase Ranch in Gardnerville. Check out Sheepcamp on facebook to watch for these and other events that are being held at the ranch.

I am sorry to report the recent death of Steve Gladstone, AKC Board Member, former AKC Delegate of Reno Kennel Club, and a friend of Bonanza Kennel Club. Steve passed away sometime over the weekend of June 10 while judging in Australia. AKC has posted a notice on their website at <http://www.akc.org/content/news/articles/in-memorial-of-steven-gladstone/>

Happy Fourth of July! Hope to see you soon!

Candy

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

June 8th, 2017

FUJI PARK

After

Best In Match

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GENERAL MEETING OF JUNE 6TH, 2017

Meeting was called to or at 7:04 by President Candy Roper

Motion to approve minutes of the May 2nd meeting by Colette Easter 2nd by Gail Spieker.

Recording Secretary no report

Corresponding Secretary no report

Treasurer Report by Treasurer Bob Newman

Old Balance \$31,478.99, New Balance \$30,529.30.

Old Business:

MBF Premium draft in final stages. Class American Bred was discussed and decided to leave it like it was before. Recording Secretary motion to have match after Best In Show on September 30th 2nd by Vice President Sieg Goepner, motion passed. President Candy she talked with Bruce Rettrick regarding doing RSVP for the spaghetti feed. He apologize and said it was a big headache. It was discussed that calls would be made to Chris Sage and Ann Kinney regarding adding their information for the feed.

Recording Secretary Judy Davis asked about having a Eye Clinic. Report from Bob Kinney, vendor chair, Submitted by President Candy, that the clinic wanted a guarantee of 70 dogs. Secretary Judy didn't think so that it wasn't her impression. Candy was to check on it.

President Candy reported that the Animal Registry Chairman abuse testified again drugging his feet. Judiciary didn't pass went to midnight and ran out of time and got killed.

Unfinished Business:

Report by Vice President Sieg Goepner, Club Trailer is beyond repair. It has to many leaks, and the roof is coming in. He went to Yerrington and found a trailer (new) for \$2,995.93. Secretary Judy made motion to purchase trailer. Discussion Sieg said it would need an additional \$500.00 for materials, etc for shelves that would be needed for storage in the trailer. Secretary Judy re-sended her motion and made a new motion to purchase the trailer at \$2,995.93 and include \$500.00 for materials. 2nd by Susanne Haug the motion passed. Sieg also stated that he would need help putting in shelves etc. Yancy did state that it cost him \$130.00 for licensing and new tittle for his trailer.

New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm Respectfully submitted Judy Davis Recording secretary

BRAGS

Susanne Haug announced that her 10 month old bitch Amber too WB 3 days in a row at the Placerville shows. Took a group 4 in the puppy group.

Elaine Oxborow now has a farm dog tittle on her Tibetan Spaniel (Taco). The dog was also filmed at Sue Hasse place for the AKC website

Colette Easter was pleased to announce that an offer was made on her home in Kentucky

Judy Davis announced that her boys Future and Bochy picked up points at the Placerville shows.

June Birthdays: June 12th Linda Gillespie, June 14th Sally Berger

5 THINGS I WISH YOU KNEW BEFORE EUTHANIZING YOUR DOG

KELSEY BETH CARPENTER JULY 19, 2016

WELLNESS

Euthanasia. The word itself makes all our stomachs drop. It is a gift to pets and a curse to owners – having the power to decide is something we are not comfortable with. However, when going through the euthanasia process with your own pets, you are in a position to make numerous decisions that can change the course of the overall process. As a Veterinary Technician, I witness euthanasias on a daily basis. Let me share from personal experience the 5 things I wish every pet owner knew.

1. It's ok to cry.

People apologize to me all the time for crying over their pets. Whether it's time to say goodbye, or you are simply having a hard time watching us draw blood on your dog, I wish you knew that *I GET IT. Many of us who work in animal medicine (myself very much included) are totally neurotic, hypersensitive, and obsessive when it comes to our own pets. I may seem calm and collected while working with your cat, but that's because it's my job and I can't afford to be any other way if I'm going to be good at it. You best believe that the second my dog so much as sneezes, I go into a total state of panic, lose all common sense, and forget everything I learned in tech school. So, when you are crying over the pet that you have loved for years, I assure you, I have nothing but respect for you. I respect how much you care. I respect your ability to make such difficult decisions. I respect your bravery. And please know that no matter how demonstrative you may be with your emotions, you are still keeping it together more than I would be in your shoes.*

2. Be there, if you can.

I am lucky to work in a hospital where the vast majority of pet owners stay with their pets for the euthanasia process. However, this is not always the case. I urge you to stay with your pets, if you can, for multiple reasons. First, for my sake. One of the absolute most difficult things I do as a Veterinary Technician is take on the role of comforting and loving a pet as they pass on when their human is not there to do so. It is an incredible weight to try to act on your behalf, and it is emotionally exhausting in a way that I cannot even begin to describe. When you stay with your fur baby, I can focus on my own job, instead of doing both of ours.

Second, for your pet's sake. The vet can be a very scary place for animals — they don't understand what all these noises and smells are, or why these strangers are poking and prodding them. Do you want them to experience that fear alone? And have it be their very last memory? Your pet doesn't know what we are doing or why — they only know that you are there, that you said it's ok, that you love them. I remember being a child, and how scary going to the doctor was, but how much more confident I felt with my mom there reassuring me. I imagine that is exactly how pets feel. If you can find the strength to be there, please do so. Please let your love, your touch, your presence be the last thing your pet experiences.

3. Keep the collar on.

4. Make it a celebration.

Bring treats. Tell stories. Laugh and cry at the same time. Surround yourselves with all his/her favorite toys and beds and blankets. It's ok to cry, and it's also ok to celebrate! I love when people tell me they took their dog to the beach or napped in the sun with their cat right before coming in to the hospital. This is going to be one of the hardest days of your life, but it doesn't have to be for your pet. I promise that the more you celebrate your pet's life, no matter how long or short, the easier it will be to continue to live your own once this is all said and done. It is ok to cry in front of your pet, to tell them how much you will miss them, to let them see you be absolutely beside yourself. I'm sure your pet has seen you at your worst before — I know mine has. But remember to celebrate, no matter how miserable you are. I promise it will make it easier for both you and your pet. What's more, it will allow you to reflect on the euthanasia experience with positivity — you will remember that you celebrated and you will feel good about having done so.

5. Prepare.

I want this moment to be entirely about you and your pet. In order for that to be the case, several things must happen. First, you must understand the euthanasia process. If possible, talk to your Vet or Tech prior to coming into the hospital, or prior to starting the process — ask them to walk you through the steps of euthanasia so that you know exactly what to expect. Ask as many questions as you need to in order to feel comfortable with the process (or at least, as comfortable as you can be). Know what you're walking into, so that your focus can be entirely on your pet. Second, take care of business ahead of time when possible. Sign any required paperwork. Pay the bill. Decide on after care. Even go so far as to prepare your next meal ahead of time, arrange a ride, rent a movie, invite friends over — whatever you think might help you cope when you return home from the hospital without your pet.

The less you have to deal with during and after euthanasia, the better. I want you to be able to focus entirely on your pet during the euthanasia, and then entirely on yourself afterwards. Let's do whatever we can to make that possible.

Every euthanasia is different. Some are planned, some are sudden. Some may happen in your home, some in the hospital. Regardless, they are difficult — to prepare for, to cope with, to experience. I hope these 5 things will help you to plan ahead and to make the process as beautiful as it can be for both you and your pet.

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UP COMING SHOWS.

JULY

Channel City	July 7th,	Closes	June 21st
Santa Maria	July 9th & 8th..	Closes	June 21st
Del Monte KC	July 15th & 16th	Closes	June 28th

AUGUST

Richmond Dog Fanciers	August 5th & 6th	Closes	July 19th
Santa Cruz KC	August 24th & 25th	Closes	August 9th
Mensona KC	August 216th & 27th	Closes	August 9th

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