



March 5, 2019

2018 Annual General Meeting

Dear SDKC members,

Our Club will be holding our annual general meeting at 3:00pm on Sunday March 24, 2019 at the Training Hall in Lively. This meeting is an opportunity for all members to offer input into the Club, meet other members, elect Board positions and perhaps consider accepting a role on the Board. The strength and continued growth of the Club is highly reliant on the volunteers and members. Your participation is vital to the success of the Club and the continued promotion of responsible dog owners. Such volunteer efforts have been instrumental in expanding training programs and mentoring opportunities, thereby attracting new members and participants.

I would like to express my appreciation to the members of the Board of Directors over the past year. Over this period the Board members continued to meet and review all facets of the Club's activities and finances. Their dedication and leadership has been essential in maintaining a viable, strong organization. At the AGM the floor will be open to nominations for all officer and director positions at the Board level. At this time, it appears that most of the incumbents will accept their position again if nominated and elected for another 2 year term. As Club members you have an opportunity to play a greater role and I would encourage any member to consider competing for a Board position. Clearly these elections are important for the future operations and governance of the Club. For your information, here is an outline of the constitutional responsibilities of the officer and director positions up for election:

Officers

- The President shall chair all Board and General Meetings of the Club and shall have such duties and responsibilities as specified in these By-laws.
- The Vice-President shall assume the duties and exercise the responsibilities of the President upon the direction of the President or in such case, as the President is unable to carry out its duties and responsibilities.
- The Treasurer shall collect and receive all revenues of the Club and deposit same in the Club bank account as approved by the Board, in the name of the Club: The books of the Club shall be open to inspection by the Board at any time and a financial report shall be provided at every meeting of the Board and every Annual General Meeting of the Club. The financial records of the Club shall be the property of the Club. The Board of Directors shall determine the remuneration. (currently \$300 per year). Basic duties include using excel spreadsheets, monthly reports, year-end report, arrange an external annual audit, monitoring GICs, jointly sign cheques with the President and banking.
- The Secretary shall keep a record of all Board and General Meetings of the Club and of all votes taken in the order of business. The Secretary shall receive and send correspondence on behalf of the Club to notify members of meetings, notify new members of their election of membership, notify Officers and Directors of their election to office, keep a roll of the current members of the Club complete with addresses and telephone numbers and carry out such other duties as are prescribed in these by-laws.
- The duties of the Membership Officer shall be to process all applications for membership; keep a roll of all members, their addresses and telephone numbers, their breed or breeds of dogs and sections of activity; send a membership list to each member annually.

Directors

- Property – Coordinates the use, scheduling, and development of the field in Worthington. Purchases the game farm license annually.
- Inventory – Maintains a listing and depreciation value of all equipment owned by all sections of the Club.
- Newsletter - This position endeavors to assist the Board and Sections with the communication, promotion and advertisement of club events or activities. The website has also been incorporated into this position's duties.
- Education/Social – Educate the public as to what our Club is about, the different sections within the Club, what type of events we hold, who to contact if someone is looking join the Club, purchase a dog, take classes... Interact

at functions and events with competitors, registrants and the public to acquire feedback regarding the success and enjoyment of the activities. Organizes food and beverages for the AGM.

The Chairperson of each Section is elected annually by their perspective section members. The basic duties of the Section Chairperson shall be to call meetings of the section; to be responsible to and report to the Board for all business and activities conducted by the section, (e.g. election of section officer, conducting trials, matches, training sessions).

New members, Dave and Stef Gemmell, have expressed interest in coordinating the Retriever Section this coming season. Their focus would be mainly directed towards training for hunt tests and hunting purposes for the time being. Typically the dogs in this group are Labrador Retrievers, Golden Retrievers and Chesapeakes. Watch for more details and contact information on our website or facebook.

The Hunting Section under Frankie St. Jacques is slowly reviving. This section specifically focuses on pointing dogs (ie. German Short hair, Griffon, Brittany, Weiramaraners, Setters...) with an endeavor to prepare for hunt tests and hunting. Of course, it is dormant for the winter months until the snow is gone and there is adequate ground cover.

Eric Labreche is the Chairperson for the Spaniel Section which focuses on training flushing dogs for hunting or trialing, specifically English springer field spaniels or cocker spaniels. The members get together Saturdays spring through fall. While some like to train their spaniel just for hunting, others choose the more disciplined and exciting sport of Field Trials, the main ambition of the Spaniel Section. Field Trials simulate hunting situations as closely as possible to evaluate performances of competing dogs by using live birds and ammunition. The Section hosts trials spring and fall. The members will offer guidance for owners of other sporting breeds in such areas as basic retrieving and introduction to gunshot.

If you have any inquiries regarding the Show Section the Chairperson is Debra Abelovsky. Are you a proud purebred dog owner and would be interested in showing your dog? Sudbury is home to many gorgeous Champion purebred dogs who have competed in North America and around the World. The Show Section provides an opportunity for purebred enthusiasts to get together to discuss their breed and train themselves and their dogs for All Breed Dog Shows. We offer handling classes that provide a relaxing and encouraging atmosphere for the potential show dog to practice show ring routines. Our instructors are volunteers and started out the same as you. S.D.K.C. has a training facility in Lively which provides a great place to work our dogs. Junior Handlers are welcome.

The Obedience Section of the Sudbury & District Kennel Club is extremely active. Every year we host the following Canadian Kennel Club licensed events: Obedience trials, Rally-Obedience trials, Agility, Trials and Tracking Trials. These trials draw competitors from Ontario, Quebec and the Northern United States. Our members, who are highly qualified volunteer instructors, teach classes at all levels in each of the above disciplines. Occasionally we offer special weekend seminars on topics such as dealing with the Aggressive Dog, Canine First Aid, and Clicker Training. Workshops on specific disciplines like herding, tracking and agility are also hosted from time to time. The chairperson is Brenda Ann Brown.

You can visit our website www.sdkc.ca to view our constitution, further information, membership applications and registrations for programs, training and events for each section. For current dialogue you can follow us on facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sdkc1/>.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting and if you happen to have any questions in the meantime visit our website or want to discuss any particular club topics or Board positions, do not hesitate to contact a Board member or myself via email rlarwood@bell.net or phone 705-522-1555.

Sincerely

Ron Larwood
President, SDKC



AGM INVITATION

SUDBURY & DISTRICT KENNEL CLUB INC.

2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

For All Current SDKC Members

**At the Training Hall in Lively
(Red Carpet Inn)**

Sunday March 24, 2019, 3:00pm

Section Reports, Board Elections & Club Business

**Pizza, veggies, cake & refreshments will be served
about 4:45pm**

**There will be draws for prizes during the course
of the meeting.**

**NOTE: An individual must be a member for one full year prior to being granted
voting privileges but all current members are invited to attend.**



SUDBURY & DISTRICT KENNEL CLUB INC. **NOMINATION & ELECTION PROCEDURES**

OFFICERS and DIRECTORS (2 year term)

VOTING PRIVILEGES

- 3.9 An individual must be a member for one full year prior to being granted voting privileges. Unpaid membership dues shall constitute denial of voting privileges. Only regular members and lifetime members are entitled to vote.
- 9.2 Nomination and election shall be made from the floor at the general meeting in March. The nominee need not necessarily be present but must be a financial member and his willingness to stand for nomination must be in writing, the same to be produced and read at the General Meeting before nomination.
- 9.5 Proxy voting is not permitted.

Generally the Board meetings are scheduled on the 3rd Tuesday of each month with the exception of July and August

This is your Club, please join us at the meeting.



**SUDBURY & DISTRICT KENNEL CLUB INC.
2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2019, 3:00pm
Training Hall (Red Carpet Inn in Lively)**

AGENDA

1. President comments
2. Approval of the AGM minutes from 2017
3. Correspondence
4. Officer Report: President, Vice President, Secretary
5. Treasurer Officer Report and 2018 financial review
6. Membership Officer Report
7. Inventory Director Reports
8. Property Director Report
9. Newsletter and Website Director report
10. Education/Social Director report
11. Communications Director Report
12. Spaniel Section report
13. Obedience Section report
14. Show Section report
15. Hunting Section report
16. Retriever Section update
17. Election of Club officers and directors
18. Old Business - None
19. New business
 - 17.1 Life member application(s)
 - 17.2 Treasurer honorarium
20. Announcements
21. Adjournment

**The governance and vitality of the Club relies on you,
the members!**

SDKC 2017 AGM
March 24, 2018 3:30pm

President's Report: Welcome to all, the Club had its ups and downs over the past year but overall the Club has been doing well and has moved forward on several fronts. The Club is in a position to reinvest some of its savings back into the Club's infrastructure and is open to ideas on areas that could benefit from this.

Minutes 2016: presented by Bill seconded by Phyllis, so moved.

Correspondence: Letter from Richard Paquette who sends his regrets as he is judging in Thailand. Read by Sue O'Neil.

Treasurer's report: Tammi, all sections ended the year with a profit. The balance sheet and income statements will be posted in the near future.

Membership Report: Singles 46, joint 12, life 34, and junior 2. Total is 106. New members presented by Sue, Joanne Groulx seconded by Sheryl so moved, Barbara Valetine seconded by Erin so moved.

Inventory: Gerry, the inventory list is posted on the website. The password is "letmein". Each Chair should check the website to ensure that their respective inventory lists are up to date and accurate.

Property report: from John McCaffrey read by Tanya McCaffrey . On going improvement work has been on going on the property. Anyone who wishes to use the property should contact the Property Chair to avoid any conflicts. The Pointer Hunting Section and the Spaniel Section use the property on a regular basis. Use of the property must be coordinated with the Skeet Club as well.

Newsletter/Website report: Erin has been continually working on the website, updating and keeping abreast of new developments. Erin is looking for more information on some inactive life members to be able to either email or snail mail it to them.

Education/Social Report: Sheryl, encouraged everyone to foster new members and continue with all the good work that everyone does. Our Pointing Hunting Dog Section is now active and growing with some great work by the new Section Chair, Frankie St Jacques.

Spaniel Section Report: The Spaniel Section hosted two field trials and a corporate shoot. The Section also held a couple work bees to cut and clear brush on the Club property. Several members were quite successful at field trials this past year, John McCaffrey, Cosimo Cristo, Shane Cresswell and Bill McCaffrey all enjoyed several successes with their dogs. This past year the Section lost long time member Pat McAvoy in December 2017. Gerry, top field bred spaniels are now recognised on the CKC website based on acquired points throughout the year.

Obedience report: BA, thanks to everyone who helped out with getting the flooring changed. Wifi is now available in the hall, along with the movement towards online registering and payment will go a long ways to helping out the Section.

Show Report: Debra; The first fun match held this year was well attended and handling classes continued throughout the year. The September show was a great success, and the year ended with a respectable profit. This year is shaping up well, with handling classes and plans for the Sept show. The entry is limited to 200 dogs.

Pointer Hunting Report: Frankie; has been working on attracting members and getting people together to train, and she is looking at getting seminars in the future.

Retriever Section: Dormant

Old Business: none

New Business: Website Committee, headed by Gary Chezzi, things are coming together, acquiring ideas and working on a plan moving forward using the website and facebook. They are open to any ideas and input from the members. Phyllis; CTV will have Richard Paquette on TV.

Motion by Gerry to provide a \$300 honorarium to the treasurer this year. Seconded by Tanya, so moved.

Announcements: none

Adjournment: moved by Eric, seconded by Phyllis, so moved. 4:34 pm.



Sudbury & District Kennel Club Inc. Life Member applications:

Motion: Sue O'Neill/Tammi Hutt

That Sheryl Touchette be accepted as a life member of the Sudbury & District Kennel Club Inc.

To Members of the Sudbury and District Kennel Club and the Board of directors

Feb 6, 2019

Dear Members

I would like to nominate Sheryl Touchette for a life membership:

Sheryl has been a member since 1991 (28 years)

She is a very active member of our club, as part of both the obedience and show sections.

At present she has been on the board as Social and Education chair, for 25 years and also membership chair. From 2004-2007.

She is very active in the obedience section involved in setting up there trials, and working at the trials, organizing the Anderson farm every year. And always ready to help with the section where ever needed .i.e. installing new mats, and painting walls.

Also organizing barn tests, and tracking events, which involves finding the fields to have the event In, then providing lunches for everyone at her house.

As social chair she also monitors the SDKC phone on a daily basis. And organizing other actives to benefit the Club. At present she is arranging for the SDKC to have a day at Science North to celebrate one of their events involving dogs.

She was responsible for bringing the Bite Prevention program to the SDKC for which she is still involved in. Since 2004 (15 yrs)

She also is an obedience trainer, and teaches classes once a week at the club house, which she has been doing for 25 years

And organizes the lunch every year for the AGM, at the club house. And make sure every year we have our room Available for our monthly board meetings. At the Lionel Center in Azilda.

As you can see Sheryl is a very involved member of the SDKC and I think she should be recognized for all the hard work she does and continues to do to benefit the SDKC.

Sue O'Neill

V.P on the Board of SDKC



Motion: Bill McCaffrey/Debra Abelovsky

That Ron Larwood be accepted as a life member of the Sudbury & District Kennel Club Inc.

Life Member Consideration
Biography for Ron Larwood

Ron has been a member of the Sudbury District Kennel Club and active in the Spaniel Section since 1993. Ron has actively trained and competed several English Springer Spaniels over the years. Ron is a well-respected dog handler and field trial judge. Ron has competed in field trials in Ontario and Eastern Canada and as well Ron has been invited to judge field trials in Ontario, Eastern, and Western Canada. Ron is also the northern representative for the Canadian National Spaniel Field Trial Association.

Ron was Field Trial Secretary and Section secretary from 2001 to 2011, including a Canadian National Championship. Starting in 2012 to present day Ron became the Field Trial Chairman for the Section, including two National events. Ron has taken on the responsibility to run the spaniel field trials in accordance with the CKC rules and regulations as well as ensuring a high level of safety for all dogs and participants. Above and beyond this, Sudbury has attained a reputation for putting on world class events, a testament to Ron's hard work and dedication. We regularly attract many entrants from across Canada and the US.

In recent years Ron has spearheaded the investment and improvement of our Club property in Worthington. He has worked tirelessly, and often on his own to improve the road, clear brush and cut trees. He has also supervised the work of ground clearing equipment and local contractors on the property. Ron has also taken the initiative to secure and enhance the Sections access to our field trial grounds in Burwash. Successfully liaising with the Department of National Defense, the CNR, Ministry of Transportation, etc.

Commencing in 1994 Ron represented the Spaniel Section on the Board as the Chair of the Section. From 2006 to 2008 Ron served as Vice President. Beginning in 2008 Ron became President of the Board and he continues in this role today. Under his leadership the Club has achieved financial stability and established a progressive approach for the future. Each Section has continued to operate autonomously within the protocols and Ron has readily offered direction as the need arose. Ron is known by all for his ability to calmly mediate potentially contentious issues and to solve problems as they arise.

Over the last 26 years Ron has demonstrated to not just the Section, but to the Board and Membership of the SDKC, his dedication, compassion, and commitment to the longevity of our Club and we respectfully submit that Ron Larwood is well deserving of the title of Life Member of the SDKC.

Respectfully submitted

Gerry Babin and Bill McCaffrey