

Sacramento Council Of Dogs November 2011 Fun Match Recap

To: Our Judges, Stewards, Raffle Donors and Grounds Crew any everyone who pitched in – I want to thank you for giving your valuable time to judge or help at our all-breed Fun Match. It takes everyone's efforts to have an effective venue. And...Thanks to all the exhibitors for bringing their lovely dogs.

WOW....SCDC had another successful event AND the weather fairy didn't rain on our parade!

We began our day at Carmichael Park in Carmichael, CA. at 8:00 am. In our Obedience Venue, Alan Miller, Elaine Dal Bon and Brenda Radcliffe (bless your heart for rolling up your sleeves and helping). Rally was HUGE; thank you Tanya McDonald, you earned your lunch! Sharon Persey handled the CGC Certifications for us and we had a very successful pass rate. Crystal McGuire did the Show N Go for us. The McGuire girls stole the show, they are the future! The Stewarts were, Mari Anderson, Joyce Weichsl and Shane De Jesus, thanks for keeping me straight. Patrick Engelbach was our Grounds Crew Captain and along with my good friend, Francis Marsh, and Shane De Jesus did a superb job; well done guys! Thanks to my son, John Owens, for toting all the equipment home again. Special thanks to Valerie Alfinito for the clean up help.

Our Juniors were judged by Doris Boyd and Taylor Persey was our Best Junior with her Sheltie. Our Best Adult in Match was judged by Cathy Dugan. She chose Wintercrest Olde Glory, a two year old St. Bernard bitch, handled by owner Patrick Engelbach. Our Best Puppy in Match was judged by Joaquin Fernandez. He chose Lovelyn Imagine That at Ashlan, Douglas, from the 4-6 age class. Douglas was handled by his owner Danette Wheeler. I again want to thank our Conformation Judges: Cathy Dugan, Doris Boyd and Joaquin Fernandez. Judging finished around 12:00.

Our Silent Auction Health Raffle was a HUGE success again! I want to thank all the Veterinarians that donated: Animal Eye Center from Rocklin, purchased by Pam Brann, Highlands Veterinary Hospital from North Highlands purchased by Mari Anderson, Orangevale Veterinary Hospital in Orangevale purchased by Vanessa Engelbach, BVS from Santa Rosa purchased by Pam Brann and Dr. Cindy Heiller from Santa Rosa purchased by Jim Medearis. Our other generous contributor was, Cool Bred Canine CBC, from Grass Valley both purchased by Tanya McDonald.

We finished off our day with a tasty lunch provided by the club and enjoyed some good conversation about..... dogs, what else!

Very special thanks to my co-chair, Vanessa Engelbach. She did, as usual, her fabulous job of organizing. She's always looking for better ways to make the match run smoothly. Finally to my hubby, Alan Brann, who puts up with my craziness for a full week before the match! Until you have done a venue like this, you have no idea how many pairs of hands it takes for the event to go smoothly. If I missed thanking anyone, I want to take this moment to do so now. Thanks again to "all" who helped.

BTW: I'm looking for pictures from the Match to put up on the Council website, so please feel free to contribute by emailing them to Jestorck@sbcglobal.net, our web master.

Happy and Safe Holidays to All
Pam Brann, Match Co- Chair

Next Year's match will be held at the same location in Carmichael Park. **WE ARE CONSIDERING A CHANGE OF DATE!!!! POSSIBLY EARLIER IN THE YEAR!!!!**

We anticipate another great turn out and anyone who would like to volunteer to help, please call my cell 916-218-5090 or email me @ wintercreekgsp@aol.com. Come out and help and learn about how to steward. Our local kennel clubs are always looking for help during their shows and they pay! This is a great venue to get some initial training in ring etiquette and learning the breeds. It is also one requirement to applying for your AKC judge's license.