

Dog Park Meeting Agenda

Thursday, September 20, 2012, 7pm at Lakeway Learning Center "Aspen Room"

Topics for Discussion:

Past Events:

Pet-A-Palooza, Saturday, September 15, 2012 – Thank you to Matt & Jeanette Grams, Darryl Maunder, Rebekah Taylor, and Kristy Fairfield for helping out at this event. We made \$155!!

Board Members Meeting #2, Monday, September 10, 2012- Board members wrote GDOG's mission statement, " Gillette Dog Owners Group's objective is to create and maintain fenced-in , off leash dog park(s) where well behaved canine citizens can exercise in a clean, safe, and friendly environment without endangering or annoying people, property, or wildlife. To promote a social bond amongst dog owners & raise awareness toward the proper and humane treatment of dogs. Board members read some state laws that pertain to our group that Samantha Montey looked up and printed off. Board Members read examples of other group's bylaws. It was also announced that Crystal Fichter resigned from her position as board member and treasurer. Catherine Mahoney will be Treasurer/President until a new Treasurer is elected. Board members only next meeting will be at Catherine Mahoney's house on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at 6:30 pm and board members will be reading more Wyoming state laws that pertain to our group (Samantha Montey has volunteered to look these up and print them off for us) and will also be writing GDOG's bylaws.

Treasurer Report to date:

To date GDOG has \$1,510.94. We still have 30 shirts left to sell and 59 bandannas left to sell.

Upcoming Events:

- **Cam-Plex Garage Sale- Saturday, September 29, 2012, from 9am-3pm.** Set up time will be at 7am the morning of event & no sooner at Cam-plex in the Wyoming Center. Samantha Montey is helping from 9am-3pm, Kristy Fairfield & Gayle Armer from 9a-12p, Nancy Turner from 10a-2p, and Rebekah Taylor from 1p-3pm. We are allowed to sell bandannas and T-shirts and collect donations. Nancy Turner submitted our application along with \$45 dollar fee so that we have 2 booth spaces. Catherine Mahoney has made flyers to put at businesses and Nancy Turner has brought them to the following locations: All God's Creatures, Joes Pet Depot, Animal Medical Center, Camelot, Library, Photo Imaging Center (aka Classic Portrait Studio), Bevs brew, Main Bagel, Starbucks, Hastings & Hastings coffee Shop, Thunder Basin Vet, Petco, Gillette College, Icecream Land, & Dairy Queens. Gayle Armer will ask Kristy Fairfield to put ad on Basin Radio Network and Rebekah Taylor will post it on the Facebook Group for Gillette Garage Sales. Nancy advised her husband can haul stuff to Cam-Plex for us. Gayle Armer, Samantha Montey, Nancy Turner will be at Cam-Plex at 7am to set up everything. Gayle Armer and Nancy Turner volunteered to help organize the items to be sold at the Cam-Plex Garage Sale in Catherine

Mahoney's garage on Friday, Sept 7th at 10am. This was still not done, do we want to still do this before the event?

- **1st Annual Santa Paws sponsored by GDOG and Susan's Grooming Animal Medical Center of Wyoming** – Saturday, November 10th 1-6pm (actual picture taking is from 2-5 pm ,1pm will be setup and 5pm will be for tear down. We need 5 members (1-6 pm, check in table, cashier, photo helper, check-out, photographer). Catherine has contacted photographer, Timarie Javier who has volunteered to take the pictures for us. We need someone to play Santa & 1 adult sized Santa suit. Nancy Turner is calling Deb Eldridge about getting a Santa suit & Karen Waters is checking to see if Gillette's Santa & Mrs Santa can help us out. Catherine Mahoney also knows someone at work whose father may be able to play Santa for us. We need 2-4 wooden boxes, coolers, or benches (the photographer may have some things for customers to sit on too, bigger the better!) We need 2 long tables (1 for registration, 1 for camera/printer/photo equipment. We need any Christmas decorations, i.e., xmas themed quilt/material to hang as background (photo may also have a xmas background we can use) and/or to cover benches & coolers; decorations for tree, fake xmas tree (as big as possible – Rebekah Taylor has a 4' fake tree), xmas items the dogs/kids can wear for the picture, i.e. reindeer ears, santa hats, holly leaves, etc. Crystal Fichter advised she has coolers that we can use. Nancy Turner has metal benches and can look for backdrop and decorations. Everyone advised they could bring various Christmas decorations from home. Flyers advertising the event will be made by Rebekah Taylor and put up at various businesses in the beginning of October and passed out at our Cam-Plex garage sale on September 29, 2012. Catherine will show flyer that has been created by Rebekah Taylor. Is anyone able to print a bunch of these flyers off? Catherine Mahoney talked to employee at Photo Imaging and has examples of different photo package ideas. We need to make a decision on package ideas and pricing.

Other

- Please check out GDOGs website that Samantha Montey has done a great job on redesigning it. She is still working on some things including setting up pictures of items we will be selling on the website.
- Samantha Montey is still working on talking to various businesses to see which ones will allow us to set up a lockbox. Once this has been done Catherine Mahoney will order some.
- Catherine Mahoney followed up with discussion that her and Bryan Geer had with Dan Barks (manager at Cam-Plex) . Talked to Michael Surface & Stacey Beecher at City of Gillette's planning office. They advised that we should look into making a power point presentation in front of the parks board meeting. Recommended I contact Mark Christianson (public land board developer aka future county commissioner about what his advice to us would be. Also advised it might be beneficial if we brought in a guest speaker from another city who has succeeded in creating a fenced-in dog park to give the presentation on a Thursday night Park board meeting then possibly on the following Saturday have this guest speaker give a 1 hour presentation at the library for the public to make the public aware of what we are doing and gain their interests. Advised us to contact

Sue Kniesel at the library to save a room and to also invite the News Record when we do this. Michael Surface advised that the new subdivision off of Boxelder rd is putting money aside for a walking path which means we most likely won't be able to get donation from them toward the dog park. Advised closest water line is at Martingdale and Axels. Talked to Megan Nelms at the county planning office who advised she wouldn't be able to tell us what kind of parking lot we would need built yet until we are actually ready to move forward with the building of the dog park and the land board is serious about giving us the land. Once we are ready we would need to get a conditional use permit(application fee is \$200) and we would talk to her and the engineer about what the height of fence needs to be ,type of parking lot,etc. We would need to give them a general description of the project & a sight plan.

- Catherine Mahoney has a friend who is an attorney and can help GDOG file its 501(c)3 papers; Bryan Geer was also waiting for return call from attorney, RT Cox about advice

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