

## Omaha Dog Park Advocates

Wednesday, May 11, 2005 Regular Meeting  
The Barking Lot – 124<sup>th</sup> & Fort  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

### Meeting Minutes

- I. Discussion of Dog Days of Summer Celebration – A summer festival for dogs!
  - Saturday, June 25, 2005
  - 12:00: Open Registration Begins / 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. Activities and Competitions
  - Location: The Barking Lot / 124<sup>th</sup> & Fort
  - \$6.00 per one dog / \$10.00 per two dogs / \$50.00 per booth (rescue discount available)
  - Agility Course Spectacular, Mutt Strut Competition, Get a “Baseball Card” of your Dog, Rescue Pets for Adoption Parade, and Face Painting for the kids
  - Vendors and Rescue groups will be asked to participate again
  - Review of Dog Days Web Site pages. Will launch the event site on Thursday, May 12, 2005!
- II. Discussion of Volunteers
  - We need additional volunteers!
  - Please review the volunteer schedules and **sign up for an event!**
  - Can you volunteer your time to assist in planning our next event?
  - Are you interested in volunteering at our next event?
  - Would you like to be our **Volunteer Coordinator???**
- III. Discussion of upcoming events
  - Professional Vet Products Pet Fair
    - Tuesday, June 21, 2005 from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. at 10077 South 134<sup>th</sup> St.
    - We need at least 3 volunteers for the event.
  - Nebraska Kennel Club Dog Shows
    - Saturday, July 22, 2005 from 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and
    - Sunday, July 23, 2005 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
    - Qwest Center Omaha
    - We need at least 3 volunteers there at all times.
  - Additional Events?
- IV. Discussion of Promo Items
  - These have been ordered and will be available to sell at our upcoming events!
  - Bringing us with a small profit, while disseminating awareness throughout the city!
- V. Dog Park Online Web Store
  - Available Items:
    - Lime Green Omaha Dog Park T-shirts
    - Promo Items: Key Chains, Refrigerator Magnets, Tennis Balls, and Bandannas
    - Chrystine Mills: Paw Print Stepping Stones, Biscuits/Bone-shaped Cookie Cutter, and Fabric Braided Rope Bones
    - Chocolate Dog Works: Biscuits
- VI. Grant Progress:
  - Omaha Community Foundation
    - Our application for the “Fund for Omaha” was rejected. However, as we are now familiar with the process, we are looking forward to applying again in September 2005!
  - PetCo or PetsMart Backing and Suggestions
    - It was suggested that we ask PetCo or PetsMart to front the money needed to open the park for playdates, which will allow us to pay the company back (if necessary ☺).
    - It was suggested that we fence just the large dog area and open the dog park for playdates **only** until the rest of the park, signs, entrance bricks, etc. are installed for public use.