

my name is gull gullicksen and i am running for the position of ascne board member. some of you know me, but some of you might not. i have been a member of ascne since 1997, and have been on the ascne board as secretary, vice president and president. i got my first australian shepherd in 1992. i was looking for a red puppy and came home with a 4 year old black tri instead, but flye was the best thing i could have done. he was an awesome dog and he started me in my life with aussies and ascne. i now have my third red tri and we train and compete in agility, rally and obedience. my dogs have also been shown in conformation, been tried on stock, and i even dabbled in tracking.

like most clubs these days, ascne is facing changing times and diminishing finances. i think it is time to review the by-laws and see if they need to be updated - at least to keep them current with available means of communication. with so many choices of events these days, the club has seen reduced numbers in attendance. trial chairs and club members have been doing an awesome job realizing that and have worked hard at making ascne events the ones people want to attend. i'd like to see members come together and share ideas to continue to improve attendance in all areas.

we are a very diverse club with members from many different areas - geographically and interest wise. i think that is part of what makes ascne fun. i am sure if we continue to work together as a club, ascne will remain strong well into the future.

take it easy,  
gull