FLORIDA PACK
TRIP REPORT

TRIP REPORT | SE Division Conference
ADDRESS | Holiday Inn Baton Rouge, LA
POC | Florida Pack Worthy Smart Dog | PHONE # | (407) 963-9388
PURPOSE | Attended the SE Division Special Growl
DATE | 03/25/2022 | START TIME | 1700 | END TIME | 1840 | MILEAGE | 1,392

SUMMARY OF VISIT | To attend the SE Division Special Growl.

SE Division Special Growl: Was run by the Louisiana Pack.

Attendance: About 120 Dogs of the MODD were in attendance. I counted 6 Dogs from the FL Pack in attendance.

Dignitaries: Honorable Chief Devil Dog, Tom Hazlett and Honorable Dog Robber Steve Joppa. SE Division Vice Chief Devil Dog PDD Randy Barnes was in attendance as well.

Passport Fees: The Honorable Chief Devil Dog made it clear that Passport Fees are limited to one (1) Big Bone ($1.00) only. The rest of the bones are donations. When turning bones over to the Kennel, it is important to indicate 1 Big bone per dog at the growl and the remaining collections are donations for the children’s hospital. For example, 12 Dogs attend a Pound Growl the report to the Kennel should show 12 Big Bones were collected from each dog. The remaining bones are excess donations.

New Pack: The SE Division has a new Pack. The Mississippi Pack received their Charter from the Kennel. They will most likely activate the Pack at the Grand Growl in April 2022.

EIN Number: Each Pound and Pack must have their own EIN number. They cannot use anyone else’s EIN number.

Award Certificates in the future will be a blank form and templates will be available.

Passport Stamps: Only Pound, Pack and Kennel Stamps are authorized for collecting bones. Those desiring to have a special stamp are obligated to use for no value. A special stamp cannot collect bones, it is against the Kennel Bylaws.
990: Just because a Dog Robber received a letter from the IRS indicating their 990 is pending is not proof. The Dog Robber must log into the IRS to see that the 990 is accepted. Please print for filing as proof of completion. It was noted that one Pound had 9 years of pending 990s and never took the time to log in and get proof of the acceptance.

ROI: ROI’s must be on the new form and all blocks must be completed.

Advancements: 2 Pups were advanced to the Degree of Devil Dog during the growl.

Fun and Games: The Worthy Pack Leader sang a song and used several Dogs in his skit. I liked the skit very much.

The Honorable Chief Devil Dog Tom Hazlett: Had a special collection for the children’s hospital.

Discussion: Had a chance to talk to the Honorable Chief. He indicated he read the Patrol Dog SOP and stated it covered everything. I did not go into details. He also indicated that it is likely he will be looking for a house in the Leesburg area and moving to Florida in the future. He is looking forward to attending the Supreme Growl in Daytona. The Honorable Chief was stamping Passports free of charge for those who wanted his personal Stamp as the Honorable Chief.

Assessment: I enjoyed the SE Division Growl. I thought it ran smoothly and that it was well attended. Fun was had by all. In addition, the Hospitality Room was free to all conference attendees, which included food, snacks, sodas, beer, and alcohol. The SE Division hosted a Flavor of News Orleans Dinner, which included crawfish, shrimp, corn/potatoes, rice, and gumbo. Overall, the SE Division Conference was a success and hats off to the MCL Choctaw Detachment for hosting and putting it all together.