



Bryan College Station Retriever Club

Meeting Minutes

November 20th, 2018

Fuddruckers, College Station, TX

- 1) **Members Present** – Chris Krause, Walter & Lee Fuermann, Dave Brannon, Tina Frankel, Mike & Beverly Farris, Tony Gilbert, J. Cody Whitten, Gordon & Susan Dorsey, Kevin McGinnis, Vicki & David Christianson, Allison Sutton, Victoria McDonald, Tony Lyles, Charles & Sherry Payne, Kelly Curry, Susan & Howard Williams, Charles & Sherry Payne, Michael Jones, Paul Peck.
- 2) **Visitors Present** – Nellie Bird.
- 3) **President's Report** – Beverly Farris, she reported that the Board met tonight on several items including HRC and Christmas party both of which will have more details later in the meeting tonight. She also reported getting nice updates on both Buddy and Sully from Aggie Guide Dog Service. “Buddy” has now graduated and “Sully” is still working on his ‘push’ command competency. They do however need our thoughts on a name for the next dog in the program. Feel free to share thoughts with Beverly directly and she will pass them on. Beverly is working with Dale (our web master) on a way to share the updates with the entire club.
Dave Christianson reported on a notice from AKC about a change in *Regulations and Guidelines for AKC Hunting Test for Retrievers*. This will allow for consecutive judging assignments during a hunt test. He believes this is a good change and will allow us more flexibility in judge staffing and ultimately will be less expensive as well (see attached).
Moved to accept Kelly Curry/Cody Whitten, approved.
- 4) **Secretary's Report** – Kelly Curry provided copies of both sets of minutes for review. Only correction offered was by Kelly Curry indicating that he had abstained from the email vote that included him to be made Secretary for the club. Change will be made.
Moved to accept Mike Farris/Dave Brannon, approved.
Kelly Curry now has the 2018 hanging tags for use of the club leased training site. If anyone needs one please fill out the forms from our web page and submit to Kelly Curry. It was also noted that we need to order 2019 tags. Kelly will contact our vendor.
- 5) **Treasurer's Report** – Kevin McGinnis provided the Financial Status Report that was discussed briefly. *Moved to accept by Dave Christianson/Tony Gilbert, approved* (see attached). Kevin also shared an analysis of expenses/revenues from the most recent hunt test broken down by Master/Senior/Junior levels. (see attached). He also distributed Free Run Certificates to club members who qualified as volunteer workers from the recent hunt test.
Beverly Farris expressed her appreciation for both Kevin McGinnis and Tina Frankel for their work and success with the Fall 2018 Hunt Test.
- 6) **Committee Reports**
 - a) 2019 AKC Spring Test – Kevin McGinnis, Hunt Test Chairman.
 - i) Scheduled for March 1st – 3rd at Sawdust Ranch, Working on flight offerings now, should have final by our next meeting, we may offer an Owner/Handler Qual on Friday.
 - ii) Beverly Farris to speak with McDowell for ranch use.
 - b) HRC Charter Committee – Tony Gilbert presented data he had collected on recent HRC tests to the Board earlier tonight. The item was tabled until January Board of Directors meeting allowing for further Committee discussion and possibly a club wide survey.

- c) Master National / Master Amateur Updates – Dave Christianson reported.
 - i) Master Amateur Training Book/Running Order has openings for supporting ads. He reminded us that BCSRC and some individual members are charter to the MARC organization. There was a brief discussion followed by a motion to spend club funds to support the book and Allison Sutton volunteered to produce a design for it. *Moved by Tina Frankel/Kevin McGinnis, approved.*
David also advised that with the passing of a good friend and fellow sportsman John Blackbird that there has been an annual memorial award in his name. There was a discussion about the award and process to participate including deadline for submission of Jan 1st. David will share the link to participate. *Kevin McGinnis/Second moved that we nominated David Christianson as our clubs nominee for the award, approved.*
 - ii) The Master National will be in South Carolina. He also advised that the Judges Qualification amendment (previously presented) had passed. MARC will be in DeBuke, Montana 2019.

7) Old Business

- a) Emergency Response Planning Committee – Dan Wall/Kelly Curry.
 - i) Access to AED for Hunt Test. Kelly Curry brought forward the idea of use of Waterloo's AEDs on our test dates as they usually never overlap. David Christianson, who is also a WARC member will approach WARC leadership for the loan/borrow of AED and/or other equipment agreement and any possible reimbursement that may be needed and will report back.
 - ii) Reminder of CPR class to be held in February – details to follow.
- b) Training Days – Allison Sutton, Training Coordinator.
 - i) 10/20/18 was canceled due to inclement weather. We will pick up training in the Spring 2019; proposed dates will be brought forward at our January meeting.
 - ii) New members – none present at this meeting. Beverly Farris reminded novices to ask for help as there is a multitude of experienced members who would be available and helpful.
- c) Training Grounds Update(s).
 - i) Ridgewood Kennels – Dale Tolmsoff – no report. Other members report good recent experiences. A reminder that the times we can use the site changes to “appointment only” from Jan 1st to April 15th.
 - ii) Walnut Hill – Kevin McGinnis – all ponds full, site is being actively used.
- 8) Club Shirts Update – Victoria McDonald, Club shirt options style/material presented and discussed. Order process forthcoming.
- 9) New Club Website Update – Allison Sutton, discussion about a possible online store. She also reports realistically a deadline would be next summer. She will talk to Kevin McGinnis about trying Paypal acct for the site if needed.

10) New Business

- a) 2018 December Club Meeting/Christmas Party – Beverly Farris, advised the date should be Dec 15th at 4028 Church St, at the Masonic Lodge at 6pm, more detail to be distributed. Decorating details discussed. Reminder to bring a White Elephant gift of \$25 if you want to participate. Also consider bringing sides/desserts to go with Boiled Shrimp and Ham.

11) Presentation of New Members and Applications for Membership

- a) New member(s) presented – Kelly Curry, none today.
- b) Applications for membership – Kelly Curry.
 - i) Carol and Phil McClain
 - ii) Ann Millane

- 12) Next Meeting/Other Announcements – Beverly Farris, recognized a number of hunt test passes and accomplishments since our last meeting. Beverly Farris advised that a short

meeting will lead off at the club Christmas Party. Dave Christianson announced that Bluebonnet will likely have their Double Master test in January. Dave Brannon announced the planning of a CERF clinic with Diane Bates in the Spring. Beverly shared a moving short story with a point to think before you act or react to life situations.

13) Door Prizes – Beverly Farris – Sherry Payne \$25 Academy Gift Card, Hats went to Nellie Bird, Tony Gilbert, and Kelly Curry.

14)Adjourn – *Moved by Mike Farris/Tony Gilbert, approved.*