

Bryan-College Station Retriever Club

Minutes

Tuesday, April 15, 2003

J. Cody's Restaurant

Members Present: Charles & Sherry Payne, Chris & Dalene Barnes, Dave & Vicki Christianson, Cindi Tolmsoff, Steve Harlin, Steve & Rane Cunningham, Dave Brannon, Randall Cook, Nathanael Cook, Pat & Michele McHale, Brian & Summer (almost) Neumann; (if you were present and not listed, please let me know – the dog ate the sign in sheet.)

Visitors Present: Danielle Geary, Tony Gonzalez

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Charles Payne. He had the visitors introduce themselves.

Secretary Dalene Barnes read the minutes; upon a motion from Chris Barnes, and a second from Pat McHale, they were approved as read.

The bank account balance is \$5,858.87

Old Business

The club was reminded of the AKC Judges' and Handlers' Seminar that we are sponsoring. It will be on Saturday, July 12, 2003, at the Brazos Center, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The fee of \$25 will be paid by the club for all BCSRC members in good standing, others will pay at the door.

The Annual Spring Picnic will be on Saturday, May 3, 2003, at ex-Dr. Dave's place beginning at 7:30 a.m. with training. That will be followed by lunch, games, elections, awards, and a pheasant hunt. If anyone wants to hunt, they need to let Steve Cunningham know so he can order the correct amount of birds.

Steve Harlin, chairman of the Officer Nomination Committee, presented the candidate slate for the 2003-2004 elections.

President: Dennis Crain
Vice President: Dave Brannon
Secretary: Rane Cunningham
Treasurer: Dalene Barnes
Board Members: Steve Cunninham
Charles Payne
Dale Tolmsoff
Dave Christianson
Steve Harlin

The prospect of new club training grounds was again discussed. Dale Tolmsoff was never called back by the owner of the land we were checking into, so that will probably not be feasible for this year, but may still be in the future.

The Fall AKC Hunting Test was discussed. Steve Harlin has agreed to serve as Chairman, Cindi Tolmsoff as Secretary, Charles Payne as bird steward, Dalene will coordinate the raffle, Steve and Rane will cook. We may look at holding the test at Sawdust Ranch. Anyone interested in serving contact Steve Harlin.

The Marshal seminar has been set for Saturday, August 9, 2003, most likely at the Brazos Center, but still to be determined. A \$10 fee to help cover the room will be charged, as determined in a motion made by Pat McHale and seconded by Chris Barnes. Michele, Dale, and Vicki will continue to work on details, and have more at the June meeting.

Steve Harlin gave another report on the Dog Day Afternoon, which is scheduled for April 26. The guy has not returned any of Steve's calls, so it was agreed that this need not be pursued further.

The purchase of 870 shotguns was brought up. They are currently on sale at Wal-Mart for under \$200. Brian Neumann said that he had one for sale, also. Pat McHale made a motion that we purchase three (3) 870's from Wal-Mart, as well as Brian's if Dennis approves the condition of that gun. Dave Christianson seconded it, and after being threatened by Charles Payne yielding a Corona bottle, no one opposed the motion and it carried.

Rane Cunningham said that we had permission to put up a sign at J. Cody's about our club meeting there, much like the Lion's Clubs and Rotary Clubs do. The wording of the sign was discussed, and Rane made a motion that the sign read, "The Bryan-College Station Retriever Club meets here," and Vicki Christianson seconded it. The motion passed, with only one no vote being registered (which baffled everyone including the no-voter's wife).

New Business

Rewards for Qualified members were then discussed briefly. Pat McHale suggested that we continue to think about it and discuss again later.

Brian and Summer invited everyone to their wedding on May 17th. Summer gave all the details to Chris, who will post them on the club page. The club voted unanimously to allow them to get married.

Dalene read a thank you note received from the Greater Houston Golden Retriever Club for all the work BCSRC members did at their recent hunting test at Dave's house.

Dalene brought up that our Spring AKC test in 2004 will fall on February 28 & 29th. After much discussion, it was determined that this is the same weekend of the year we always have it (the 9th) it just falls all in February due to leap year. Chris Barnes wondered if we should try and switch our date with Brazosport who has theirs the weekend following ours, so ours would be March 6 & 7. The Board will address that issue later.

Dave Christianson raised the question of the club representative to the UKC meeting, and expressed an interest in that. Apparently, Dennis has that info, so Dave will talk to Dennis about it.

New Members

The following were voted in unanimously as new members:

Ken Selke	Shane Hesters
Matt Morgan	Bryan & Sherri Grantom

The following applications were presented for review now, and will be presented for voting at the May meeting:

Brandon Benson	Danielle Geary
Tony Gonzalez	Laura Gibson/Don Murphree
Clay Winder	Jayson Lyday

Upon a motion by Cindi Tolmsoff and a second by both Pat McHale and Steve Cunningham (who then argued like 2 year-olds over whose name got to be put down as the second....) the meeting was adjourned, with only Charles Payne voting in the negative.

Respectfully submitted,

Dalene Barnes
Secretary
BCSRC