

Monterey Bay Hunting Retriever Club

Meeting Minutes, Sunday, June 30, 2013 | Jones Lake, Pescadero

Present: Lucy Bradford, Debbie Fulgoni, Michael Tancredi, Gaylene Cranford, Wendy Johnston, Pat Johnson, Brian & Denise Iwata, Paul & Judy Ernst, Eileen & Rich Oshiro, Rhonna & Mark Dias, Anne Pletcher, Freddie Jackson, Trig & Angie Birkeland

Guest: Tom & Lidia Bishop – Tom visited our training day after the meeting concluded. He has gunned for AKC events in the past including our Hunt Test in Los Banos. He and his wife are interested in talking with people to learn more about field dogs and possibly joining our club after obtaining a new puppy.

Brian called the meeting to order at 9:14 AM

The March 30, 2013 minutes were approved.

President's Report: Keep encouraging new membership.

New Members: AJ Cecchettini's membership application was approved.

Treasurer's Report: Lucy shared we have \$7,139 in the bank with ~\$2250 for insurance due in October.

Secretary's Report: Still learning – thanks for your patience.

Old Business:

Exploring 501c (3) Status: Mark Dias shared an update about 501c3 from his Taxadermy club focused on education, with 122 members and annual revenue just under \$25K. Michael Tancredi shared the formation of such a club status is about \$6K due to the laborious paperwork of over 30 pages. Debbie Fulogoni's CPA would oversee her completion of the forms.

Negatives: we are too small of a club, we would need to take on more responsibility and structure to meet on-going educational requirements. Additionally, our club would need to have a minimum annual income of \$10K to justify the additional cost of 501c3 stature. It was agreed to hold-off and table this direction.

Specialty Imprint Items: Trig shared various imprint items from Cabelas for us to consider ordering – hats with and without specific breed/animal imprints plus the club logo, hats in 4 different colors (camo, green, tan and black - \$8.00 ea), visors and he had on a nice shirt with the Cabelas-made MBHRC logo (\$30 for shirt + \$5 for imprint + shipping). Following a detailed discussion about the logo, Freddie will investigate and explore options to further refine the embroidered graphic to more closely reflect the club's logo. Discussion at the next meeting will focus on finalizing what to order, how to order, process for managing the items, etc.



Capital Reserve: Based on data provided by Lucy, Brian analyzed income and expense trends for the last few years. Brian recommends the club maintain a reserve of \$2500 to cover our mandatory expenses including: \$50 – Master National, \$100 – CRTA, \$50 – Tax filing, ~\$2250 for insurance. All agreed.

Super Single Series: Paul & Judy Ernst kindly offered to handle the hospitality (food & drinks) for the event. Anne Pletcher kindly agreed to co-chair the event with the assistance of Sharon Venture (if she agrees). Denise to outreach to Sharon.

Target date for the event: Sunday, September 8th at Jones Lake.

Blinds: Debbie Fulgoni suggested that if we consider a double-header hunt test in the future, we will need more equipment and blinds. Therefore, she recommends we keep the rebar blinds. Brian will research the cost of replacing the rebar with aluminum. It was also agreed the club requires two (2) new Butch Green 4-pole blinds. Gaylene will order the items and coordinate with Lucy.

New Business

2014 Hunt Test Committee

Hunt Test Chair	Denise Iwata
Secretary	Pat Johnson with Gaylene Cranford apprentice
Signs	Linda Christensen
Head Marshall	Freddie Jackson (with support from Debbie)Tandoc
Gun Captain	Open

Brian will approach Rich Anderson about Gun Captain. Anne Pletcher knows of a potential gunner, or maybe two!

We have four confirmed judges and Wendy is working on two more. It was suggested perhaps Joe Skorpa would work well.

Master	Bryant Meyers	TBD
Master	Wendy Rowan	Myna Zumwalt
Junior/Senior	Cindy Meyers	TBD

Raffle: Michael shared that Filson has committed to making a donation. Through a colleague of Herb Sporting Goods, Michael learned Herb regularly donates guns to CWA and Guns Unlimited and handles the gun sale and the FFL title transfer. Michael plans on purchasing a Browning A5 reproduction shotgun at ~\$1500 to feature at the raffle along with the Remington 870 the Hughes' kindly donated. Michael expects to recover the expense easily. Based on the success of the Hills Ferry gun raffles (>\$3K per gun), Wendy recommended we print tickets soon and begin pre-sales quickly.



Michael encourages everyone to begin to solicit cash donations or items now. A request was made for CWA or Ducks Unlimited prints. They make great raffle items and will be artfully displayed for the raffle. Bring your donations to the next meeting.

New Member Applications: Megan Eisele and her Chesapeake Pica submitted an application. We met her and Pica at our May meeting and will vote on membership at the July meeting.

Member Comments/Suggestions:

Michael shared, and some of you may already know, that California is in the midst of passing antigun laws that will also affect our ability to easily purchase ammo for our events. He encourages everyone to reach out to your congressman/woman.

Eileen Oshiro, President of Norcal GRC announced that they are hosting the 2016 National Specialty including <u>Field Trial WX and WCX</u>. Anyone interested in helping with the field trial, please contact Eileen or Debbie Tandoc, who is the Field Trial chairperson. The event is the weekend of **October 18, 2016.**

Next Meeting Date: Sunday, August 4th at Jones Lake, Pescadero

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM