



Monterey Bay Hunting Retriever Club

Meeting Minutes, Sunday, June 22, 2014 @ Jones Lake

NEXT MEETING: Sunday, July 20th, 9:00 AM at Jones Lakes followed by training
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Present: Lucy Bradford, Linda Christensen, Wendy Johnston, Brian and Denise Iwata, Luane Vidak, Gaylene Cranford, David Rant, Kateryna Shilova, Jim Reynolds

Linda called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM.

The May 24th meeting minutes were approved.

President's Report: Linda is concerned about the Single-Series. Without Anne at the meeting, Linda will contact her to gain an update. Linda sent the event flier to Hills Ferry. Denise to send the flier to NORCAL and Marin. Anne Pletcher, event chair has someone lined up for the BBQ. Linda is concerned about members not coming to the meetings. Our meetings are important especially when we are planning events. Linda is also concerned about the Hunt Test and Raffle (chair). One proposed idea is to include agenda topics in the meeting reminders. Maybe include a personal note from "Linda" or call those who are not able to join the meeting to gain their reports. Today we have a special award that will be fun.

Secretary's Report: A change will be made in the new member application process. The application will be sent to Denise with a copy to Jamie, membership director. This change will foster updates to the roster, web and Yahoo Groups once members are voted in. Checks will continue to be forwarded to Lucy.

Treasurer's Report: The new roster, with associate members, will be printed and mailed out next week. The bank balance is \$12,400. Lucy created a six-month profit/loss statement. We have \$6096 profit. Insurance is due in October. Two judges from the 2014 hunt test plus once scratch entry have not yet cashed their reimbursement checks. Lucy will email each person before voiding the checks.

Old Business

Don Campbell Award: Wendy provided background about this award. Don Campbell was a very early and long-time member of this club. He and his wife ran Campbellcroft Retrievers with dogs that excelled in the show ring and in the field. They were an interesting couple with more anecdotal stories. Don Campbell was well known for always having his hand on his dogs. He always encouraged new members to get involved in sports with dogs. Upon his passing, his wife and Pluis (Davern) wanted something to sustain Don's passion for dog sports, and the Don Campbell Award was produced. The award is presented to those club members who contributed the most towards supporting the club, participation in the sport of retrievers and assisting newcomers and their dogs. This year the award was presented to Brian and Denise Iwata (THANK YOU!)



Single Series: Linda is not sure where Anne is regarding judges for the event. Unsure if Sharon Ventura is helping Anne. Linda will follow-up with Anne regarding the birds she is ordering from Metzger. Lucy is unsure if she is to pick up the birds, when, etc. Denise will mail the flier to Christine Hsu (NORCAL), Laura Judd (Marin) and all MBHRC members. Wendy will take care of the mowing of the field prior to the Single Series.

Today's Training Theme: Based on RSVP responses, today's training theme will focus on senior level-training as well as gun handling at the line. Please list your dog's level to help set-up the training.

New Membership: Luane suggested we extend invitations to new interested members to 'watch' the Single-Series to generate enthusiasm about the sport and consider joining our club. A good idea, but the club must limit the number of cars/parking on the Jones Lake property. The idea will be explored after August 1st if all spaces are not filled.

New Business

Hunt Test:

- **Hunt Test Judge's Dinner:** Luane made reservations at M&M Italian Restaurant in Los Baños for Friday, February 13th at 5:30 PM. She will finalize the menu in January (2015).
- **Hunt Test BBQ:** Luane also researched two options for catering our Hunt Test BBQ Saturday, February 14. The members elected to go with Hot City BBQ.
 - Option 1: Hot City BBQ. Able to deliver dinner of ribs, chicken, 2 salads and garlic cheese bread at a cost of ~\$13.00 – \$15.00 depending on the prices in February. The quote does not include plates, serving ware or beverages. It was recommended our members serve the food (versus open buffet). A \$100.00 non-refundable deposit is due now, 50% due February 4 and the balance due the night of the hunt test. Lucy will send in a check.
 - Option 2: España's. Provides a similar western buffet menu with ribs, chicken, corn, salad, fruit, bread and coffee. Delivery only (without servers) is \$20.00 per person plus a 23% adder for delivery and gratuity. Similarly plates, serving ware and beverages other than coffee are not included.
 - It is estimated that last year 58 meals were served with 42 paid (judges and bird boys are served at no cost). It was suggested we consider offsetting the cost of the free dinners with a slight increase in the ticket price. We will require at least 2 tables for serving the food. Denise will talk to Steve about serving (and recruit others to help serve).
 - BBQ Chair Needed to coordinate the dinner, tables, etc.
- **Raffle:** We need a chair for the raffle. Next year the club will feature a few large-ticket items as well as a gun or guns versus featuring smaller basket items. Denise will ask the Garcia's if they are interested.



- **Hunt Test Judges:** Wendy secured the Hilton's for one of the master stakes. Three others Wendy approached are unavailable this year but are eager to assist in 2016. Wendy is waiting for a reply from Don Aker, a fair judge with 8 points as one of the master judges. Brian suggested John Schulte as a master judge. It was also suggested to consider Linda Brown for judging senior – she now judges that level. Wendy will follow-up.
- **Hunt Test Venue:** Wendy will follow-up with Pat regarding the need for a grounds permit and possible fee to use the Los Baños Wildlife Refuge. The expense could be \$400.00.
- **Hunt Test Volunteers:** A head marshal has not been named. Gaylene will get back to the club next week. Brian offered to serve as gun captain. Linda offered to be a line marshal at a master stake.

Master National Request: The Master National Committee requested our club consider donating one free entry for our 2015 hunt test (value = \$80.00). The request was approved. Denise will follow-up with Yvonne Becker.

New Membership Applications: None

Member Comments/Suggestions: Jim had a question regarding hunt tests. Are Springer spaniels eligible to participate? He knows an avid springer trainer who may be interested and serve as an excellent member to our club. Wendy will follow-up.

Next Meeting Date: Sunday, July 20. Jones Lake at 9:00 AM (Booked with Pat J)

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 AM