



Monterey Bay Hunting Retriever Club

Meeting Minutes, Sunday, November 23, 2014 @ Jones Lake

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, January 10, 2015, 9:00 AM at Jones Lakes followed by training

Present: Debbie Tandoc, Anne Pletcher, Pam Durkee, Steve Kesselring, Pat Johnson, Lucy Bradford, Linda Christensen, Wendy Johnston, Brian and Denise Iwata, Gaylene Cranford, Debbie Fulgoni, Luane Vidak, Greg Hubbell

Linda called the meeting to order at 9:16 AM.

The October 12, 2014 meeting minutes were approved.

President's Report: Linda thanked all that attended today. She is managing our gun raffle ticket sales and encourages all members to purchase a minimum amount of tickets to support the raffle. Fliers were sent to other clubs. Tancredi's have been selling many tickets – Thanks.

Hunt Test Raffle Tickets: Great Stocking Stuffers! Contact Linda

Secretary's Report: Web updated with gun raffle. Visit the Members Section of the club web site to view notes, plans, etc. Password: duckseason

Treasurer's Report: Our insurance is paid (\$1885) leaving a bank balance of \$9139. One gun was paid; Tancredi will bill the club after the raffle for the second gun. Lucy will be sending out membership renewal notices soon. A note about raffle tickets will be included.

On-going Business

Imprint Items: Steve Kesselring shared a sample shirt showing the quality of imprint his vendor is able to produce. Members really liked the look and feel of the white tee. The club agreed to increase the suggested purchase prices to serve as a fund raiser. Tee's will sell for \$15.00/Sweatshirts, \$25.00. Prices for XXL sizes may be slightly higher; Steve is checking. Steve will also try to learn the measurements of the clothing items to help with size selection when pre-ordering. A non-refundable screen charge of \$200 will be applied to our order. Steve will collect all pre-orders. Denise will manage 'add-on' quantities for the club to sell or give away as gifts. All but one member agreed to include an imprinted sweatshirt in with Hunt Test judge's gift. Anne will contact judges to obtain their size preference.

PRE-ORDERS DUE DECEMBER 10, 2014. Send completed order forms and checks to Steve.

The blank form is attached and available on our website.

Hunt Test:



- **Running a safe and timely hunt test:** Debbie Tandoc shared excerpts from the Retriever Hunt Test Rules. Based on issues during a few recent hunt tests there appears to be a trend for judges to be secretive about their set-ups. Such approach has caused severe delays in tests because marshals and workers are unable to quickly set-up on Saturday, and in some cases resulted in unsafe testing conditions that required mitigation. After consulting with a respected hunt test judge, Debbie reconfirmed Hunt Test roles and responsibilities. Hunt Test Committees and Hunt Test Marshals must a) know their roles and the extent of their authority and b) per AKC hunt test rules, ensure the test is timely and safe.
 - Friday set-up: MBHRC Hunt Test Chair and Marshals will convey to judges prior to set-up that a) the test must be timely and safe and b) marshals must know the set-up in order to deliver and set-up equipment in a timely manner on Saturday morning.
 - Issue resolution: IF there is an issue during Friday set-up or during the actual hunt test, Marshals are to immediately contact Wendy Johnston, or if she is not available, Denise Iwata with the problem. Wendy will take appropriate action – talk to the judges, and if necessary, call a committee meeting to determine the best course of action.
- **Judge's Dinner:** Luane gave an update about the dinner. She will select 3 entrees plus one vegetarian dish for diners to pre-order. The dinner will be at H&M Italian (same as last year) in Los Banos.
- **Raffle BBQ dinner:** Luane has been in touch with Hot City BBQ. Prices may change by next February therefore, final pricing is not available yet. Pat and Gaylene will give Luane dinner count based on prior years' numbers. The club has plenty of plates, plastic ware, etc. Servers will be needed to help Steve who will handle the cash sales. Members are asked to bring canopies and buckets/rope and lanterns.
- **Tables:** David Rant will provide 3 tables. Denise will contact him to bring four (4).
- **Volunteers:** Many members have offered to work/support various needs. Please contact Denise, or Wendy, to find an area to help out.
- **Gunners:** Brian has 3 gunners and will have 6 – 7 for the hunt test.
- **Secretary Report:** judges' letters sent out. Hotel/Port-a-potty, will be ordered in December.

New Business

Rush Ranch contacted us to see if we are interested in running a demo again in 2015. The date is set for **April 25, 2015**. It was agreed there was interest, but a committee / chair is needed before we make a full commitment. Denise will continue to seek a chairperson. Debbie shared that Norcal has a flier day on Sunday, April 26th.



New Membership Applications: Laura Forbes and her chocolate lab Bailey joined our training session. Bailey certainly had a good time running around the lake. We look forward to seeing them again.

Member Comments/Suggestions: Discussed above.

Training Theme: Head swinging

Next Meeting Date: Saturday, January 10, 2015 (HAPPY NEW YEAR) Jones Lake at 9:00 AM (Booked with Pat)
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Meeting adjourned at 10:31 AM