



MONTEREY BAY HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB

Minutes of Sunday, November 1, 2015 Meeting

@ Jones Lake

Hunt Test dates: February 20 -21, 2016 @ Los Banos Wildlife Reserve

Password to member section of MBHRC website: duckseason

Next meeting: Sunday, December 13, 2015 @ Jones Lake

Present: Wendy Johnston, Lucy Bradford, Linda Christensen, Brian and Denise Iwata, Gaylene Cranford, Hamilton, Pete Wilson, Steve Kesselring, Rich Anderson, Jim Reynolds

Linda Christensen opened the meeting at 9:12 am

Minutes of the September 26, 2015 meeting were approved

President's Report: Linda received and sold gun raffle tickets at the meeting. Tickets will be mailed to club members to either purchase or sell. Please send all checks directly to Linda. Linda thanked all the members for coming out for the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Submit your input/articles for our web site.

Treasurer's Report: Lucy reported that our bank balance is 12,286. One smaller insurance payment of about \$700 is due soon.

Ongoing Business

Hunt Test February 20-21, 2016

Judges panel set:

Master A –Joe Skorupa and Joe Reinhardt

Master B – Julie Cairns and Ray Kaufman

Junior and Senior – Kimberly and Chris Dotson. The Dotson's will book their flight now to obtain the lowest fares.

HT Secretary Report: Hunt Test applications are now processed out of the Fresno office. Anne submitted our application a few weeks ago and the Fresno office is not responding. Loni from the Wildlife office in Los Baños offered to assist. Anne will continue to follow-up. Our club is required to pay an additional \$300-\$400 for use of the Los Baños Wildlife Refuge area in 2016 plus submit a rather lengthy application to the state. Anne and Wendy do not foresee any issues.

Raffle: Thanks to Hamilton's connections, in addition to the Winger Zinger Wendy will purchase for the raffle, Hamilton gained confirmation from Garmin for the donation of a Sports Pro 500 collar. One hundred Garmin goodie bags are also being sent to the

club! Additionally Garmin is offering a 30% discount on other items. The club will order the Winger electronics with the discount. Hamilton will talk with Wendy about where to have the training collar sent. In addition to the two guns, the club will offer the Winger Zinger with electronics and the Garmin training collar.

Michael Tancredi ordered our guns for the raffle. Anyone interested in assuming this role for the 2017 hunt test, please let Michael know.

Denise to contact the Ranks to learn if they are able to provide four tables.

Volunteers: Over fifty percent of our members signed-up to fill a role for our hunt test. THANKS! Denise is reaching out to other members to confirm their support.

Purina Donation: Gaylene has been in touch with a Purina rep, Becky Ozuma, interesting in putting up a tent at our event. Ron Sauls, our club member is the Purina rep we work through. Gaylene to re-connect with her contact and provide that update. Gaylene will also contact Ron for support.

MBHRC Imprint Attire: Steve reported only small sized of the hoodies and tee-shirts remain in inventory. With the club's agreement, Steve will obtain prices for placing a re-order of all larger sized. The minimum order in the past was 36 items. Wendy will obtain sizing information of the judges. Hoodies will be included in the thank you gift package.

Judges' Dinner: Luane is in the process of booking M&M in Los Baños for the judges' dinner. Last year's menu selections will be repeated except for the eggplant parmesan. She will contact the restaurant to learn about alternatives. Luane will make-up meal tickets and drink tickets for the judges. She also will need an estimated count for the reservation.

BBQ: Luane will contact Hot City BBQ to cater our dinner. A \$100 deposit is required. Lucy will provide a check to Luane or mail it directly after Luane contacts the restaurant. It was requested extra meat be ordered. Price for the BBQ will be \$20.00 Members will have an opportunity to order tickets in advance at the discounted rate of \$15.00. Wendy will alter the premium with the new price. Luane is creating the fliers.

Brian will manage the dinner tickets for the gunners

Lucy will manage the dinner tickets for the bird boys and judges

Miscellaneous Topics:

Luane reported there are hook-ups available at the Los Baños fairgrounds. Further research is needed to confirm. If the grounds are open to the public, the information will be added to our premium.

Wendy shared that the Hills Ferry Hunt Test date changed and is now scheduled for the weekend following our hunt test. It will be at Salt Slough. This change may play favorably for attracting registrants who may wish to stay in Los Baños for both hunt tests.

New Business

Master National: Wendy shared that the amendment to the Master National Bylaws to relax the requirements of judge qualifications to reflect a Master National judges need not have participated in a Master National hunt test, failed. The nominated judges from our area named include Laura Judd, Ron Margiotta and Jim Charboneau. It required 2/3 approval. Held in South Carolina, the recent Master National was the largest AKC event ever with 932 dogs. About 270, or one-third passed.

Membership: James Sprecher from Livermore and his you Chesapeake joined our meeting and training. He is interested in joining. From Hollister, Rick and Kim Cooper who own a black lab sent in their application. Unable to join the meeting today, they hope to meet us at our next meeting. Denise will send the meeting information.

Member Suggestions: Jim Reynolds shared the opportunity for members to join an apprentice hunt at Grizzly Island. This is a great initiative to get young hunters interested in the sport. Jim also introduces information about our club. Club members interested in joining the hunt scheduled for November 21, please contact Jim.

Training Theme: Replicate the master test from the recent hunt test.

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If it is **raining**, the club will hold the meeting at Duarte's in Pescadero.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:58 am