

Monterey Bay Hunting Retriever Club Minutes of Sunday, January 10, 2016 Meeting at Jones Lake

Present: Rich Anderson, Lucy Bradford, Linda Christensen, Gaylene Cranford, Pam Durkee, Debbie Fulgoni, Hamilton, Pat Johnson, Wendy Johnston, Anne Pletcher, James Sprecher, Sharon Ventura, Jamie Warren, Pete Wilson

Linda Christensen opened the meeting at 9:07 am.

Minutes of the November 1, 2015 meeting were approved.

President's Report: Linda thanked members for coming to the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Secretary not present therefore no report.

Treasurer's Report: Lucy reported our bank balance is \$11,575. So far we have received \$2,065 for gun raffle tickets. Lucy has paid for printing of gun and raffle tickets, hunt test permit to Fish and Game, bird deposit and judges' airfare for the Dotsons.

Ongoing Business: Hunt Test

Steve Kesselring has offered to assume the gun purchases for next year's raffle.

Steve placed a new order of MBHRC sweatshirts with hoods and reported the cost has increased, therefore it was agreed to charge \$30 instead of \$25 per hoodie sweatshirt.

Gun Ticket Sales: Linda urged everyone to send their gun raffle sales money sold prior to hunt test to Lucy. There was a discussion of the great opportunity to sell gun raffle tickets during the hunt test at the stakes and prior to the raffle in the parking lot.

Luane sent out an e-mail for the judges dinner at M&M Friday evening and the Hot City Diner BBQ dinner.

Linda urged members to join the Friday night judges' dinner: good food and good people. Order your tickets, select your menu and send your check to Luane by February 15th and Tickets for the dinner are due by February 15th.

Saturday's Hot City BBQ cost is \$15 if you mail in your check by February 15 otherwise it is \$20 at the BBQ.

Luane was unable to contact the Ranks for tables at the BBQ and raffle. It was agreed to rent 4 tables from A-Z Rental in Los Banos. Linda will contact Luane to order the tables.

Anne reported the fee for use of Los Banos Fish and Wildlife has been paid. Rooms at the Quality Inn, Santa Nella have been reserved for judges and club members

(dog rooms available). When making room reservations advise that you are a member of Monterey Bay HRC for a discount rate.

Anne has two volunteers to help at our test.

Wendy will contact the Los Banos trap shooting club to have 8 volunteers for the master stakes. The “family of 4” has volunteered to help again this year will be assigned the junior and senior stakes.

Scott, the bird steward, will be delivering birds, picking up and moving birds and may be available to gun as well.

Wendy reported that hunt test entries will open on January 27 and close February 8. MBHRC members running master dogs may enter one day early, January 26. This will allow sponsoring club members a spot in a limited entry test. Contact Wendy for a list of codes.

Wendy further reported the Entry Express is increasing their fee by \$3.00 per dog. Hills Ferry is increasing their Hunt Test entry by \$3.00 for their upcoming test. Our club will be charged this additional fee next year therefore we should increase our entry by that amount next year.

Test dogs. Wendy will check with Debbie Tandoc regarding test and set up dogs.

Rush Ranch Open House: Rich Anderson said at least 5 people were needed to make the event a success. After a discussion it appears there are enough volunteers to join the open house on Saturday, April 30 from 10 am to 3 pm. Volunteers receive a free lunch. Rich said MBHRC signs would be needed to direct the people to our demonstration.

Quarles Seminar, March 12-13 at Denverton: Wendy inquired if our club would like to co-sponsor a Quarles seminar training day with Hills Ferry. It was agreed to join Hills Ferry and commit 3 to 4 of our members to be in the field during the event. Cost would be \$100 a day or \$175 for two days; the fee for observers would be \$30 a day or \$50 for two days.

Membership applications:

James Sprecher was voted into the club. Welcome!

Rick and Kim Cooper were not present therefore no action made.

Members' comments: There was a question regarding the possibility of blue/green algae in Jones Lake. Recently there has been blue-green algae in California waters that is fatal to dogs. There has been no evidence of algae in Jones Lake and fresh water has been pumped in from the streams recently as well as rainwater.

It was agreed to train on land first following the meeting.

Next meeting is scheduled for Saturday March 5, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.