



## MONTEREY BAY HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB

REVISED Minutes of Saturday May 14, 2016 Meeting

@ Jones Lake

**Next meeting:** Saturday, June 11, 2016, 9 AM @ Denverton (to be confirmed) GRIZZLY RANCH, T1

**Directions to Grizzly Island:**

[http://www.crtonline.com/grizzly\\_ranch.html#prettyPhoto](http://www.crtonline.com/grizzly_ranch.html#prettyPhoto)

**Password to member section of MBHRC website:** duckseason

**Present:** Wendy Johnston, Lucy Bradford, Linda Christensen, Brian and Denise Iwata, Pat Johnson, Rich Anderson, Steve Kesselring, Hamilton, Michael Tandredi, James Sprecher

Linda Christensen opened the meeting at 9:01 am.  
Minutes of April 9, 2016 meeting were approved.

**President's Report:** Appreciated everyone's attendance. Looking forward to the Single Series – think of where you can help out.

**Secretary's Report:**

**Reminder:** Bill Hillman seminar, May 28-29 at Lost Hills. Another highly recommended trainer is Dave Roram who offers seminars that are good to watch or participate. <http://www.roremretrievers.com/>

Hunt Test Committee to be named. Proposed and agreed.

Wendy Johnston (Chair), Denise Iwata (Co-Chair), Anne Pletcher (Secretary), Lucy Bradford (Treasurer), Linda Christensen

Hunt Test Judge Recommendations: Wendy Rowan (per Rich A., she already offered), Ron Sauls and Janet Peters, Chuck and Sharon Hilton.

Rich and Brian will secure 4 cases of ammo for the hunt test, #6.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lucy reported that the bank balance is \$15,634. We have a good sustainable balance. Mark Sachau will donate a winger to our raffle next year (Jones Lake member). Two Butch Green wingers need repair. Wendy spoke to Debbie Fulgoni who reported her neighbor is a welder and will try to fix them. **ACTION:** Denise to talk to Debbie about submitting a receipt for the tire she purchased and discuss preventative maintenance on the trailer (bearings, check for roof leaks, etc.)

**Note: 2017 Hunt Test is: February 18-19, 2017**

**Ongoing Business**

**Rush Ranch:** Due to the conflicting dates each year with the NORCAL GRC flyer day on the same weekend, it was agreed to cease conducting demos at their annual event. **ACTION:** Denise will recommend they contact the Sacramento Valley Retriever Club or the Marin Retriever Club.

**Single Series:** Anne Pletcher is chairing the event. Recommended date, Saturday, August 20. Pat reserved the lake. Judge recommendations / and volunteers: Rich Anderson and Michael Tancredi (for the advanced stake), Pluis Davern, Mike Jepson, plus Bruce Hayes. As this is a fun event, it was recommended people interested in learning about judging are encouraged to judge, partnering with a qualified judge. Inviting other club members aims to spark participation. The categories were clarified. Puppies are dogs under 12 months of age. Veterans are dog 8 years or older. Juniors are defined as dogs with no senior passes.

he Directors are elected by the Membership, and the Board of Directors elects the Officers.

**Recommended slate of Officers and Directors:** Per the club's By Laws, Directors are elected by the membership. After Steve's recommendations and discussion, the recommended slate of Board of Directors was unanimously elected:

Lucy Bradford	Linda Christensen	Debbie Fulgoni
Brian Iwata	James Sprecher	Hamilton
Wendy Johnston	Denise Iwata	Steve Kesselring

**New Business**

**Master National Retriever Club proposal to amend By-Laws.** Wendy provided the background and the club members voted. Since the early 90's, a two-thirds vote by master national (MN) club members is required to make changes to the By-Laws. Tests are almost unmanageable (i.e., there were over 700 entries in the South Carolina Master National last year). Any recommendations such as to set-up 'regionals', etc., is stalled due to the required two-thirds vote. Laura Judd of the Marin HRC and other former officers proposed a change to the By-Laws to require fifty (50%) percent plus one to make a change to avoid gridlocks. The opposition comprises current board members who feel broader agreement is better; but things get stuck. Janet Peters and Wendy Johnston are to gain input for the ballot. Part of the answer is the new Amateur National, but there are challenges due to the fact both nationals are not running simultaneously. It was reiterated the size of the MN is unmanageable and there is a high cut rate after the first round. Running five to ten days, the event is too long. A vote "For" the proposal starts moving the MN in the right direction. Like industry, you have to evolve and change – the MN has not done anything to change. The motion was approved. Wendy will notify Janet Peters to cast a vote of **YES**.

**New Hunt Test Rule:** Brought up by Rich, there are a couple new AKC rules including one that birds used for a hunt test must be killed within 24-hours of the test; no frozen birds allowed.

**Membership:** Rose and Andrew and their three dogs, joined our meeting and submitted an application. Additionally, Steve and Dianne Sloop joined the meeting and also submitted an application. They have 3-week the lab puppy that they will pick up next month and are eager to join the sport.

**Member Suggestions:** Lucy reminded the club that we joined Denverton (CRTA) and should consider holding a training day at the site, particularly T3. It was agreed to hold our next meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> at Denverton (if available). Here is a link to the site for more information:

<http://www.cртаonline.com/denverton.htm>

**UPDATE:** Denverton is not available. Lucy booked our next meeting at CRTA's GRIZZLY ISLAND, T1. Refer to this link:

[http://www.cртаonline.com/grizzly\\_ranch.htm#!prettyPhoto](http://www.cртаonline.com/grizzly_ranch.htm#!prettyPhoto)

**Training Theme:** Water and puppies

**Next meeting:** Saturday, June 11 at Denverton

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am

A very special thank you to James Sprecher and Steve Sloop – together they provided captivating photos during our training! Check out the pix on our website.

**MBHRC Board Meeting: May 14, 2016 at Jones Lake**

Linda called the Board meeting to order at 9:53 am

At a meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors following the membership meeting, the following slate of officers were unanimously elected

<b>President:</b> Brian Iwata	<b>Vice President:</b> Wendy Johnston	<b>Treasurer:</b> Lucy Bradford
<b>Secretary:</b> Denise Iwata	<b>Membership:</b> Jamie Warren	

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 am