

ABDA Meeting Minutes July 18, 2013

April minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report

Don Stewart reported ABDA balance is \$7,135.43. Our net total for the fiscal year to date is -2,206.01. He noted this is better than last year at this time especially considering the fee for the website and all the birds for the events have been paid for.

WingShoot Alaska Dog Training Center – Trigg Davis

Trigg Davis reported mentioned Del Ray got the birds late this year and he wants to get them earlier next year. They will probably do quail again next year. This year, they may run out of chukar, but should have pheasants later into season. Cover this year is thin, but should be better next year since the elk will be gone. The port-a-potty problem is being addressed. Trigg reminded everyone not to drive on the fields.

Wingshoot is missing an orange bird crate. Please let Trigg know if you have it or know where it is.

Mike Lacey voiced concern about the grass seeds in the fields. Everyone is reminded to use eye wash for their dogs and check for grass awns.

Website Upgrade

Website is working well. Don S. said Wingshoot AK link needs to be added. Jeff Lipscomb suggested adding a copy feature to the registration process to make multiple entries. Don will check into.

Fun Day

Thanks to Barb Brandvold and April Ohlinger for a great job running the event.

Chukar Challenge

Another fun day for the event. There were 8 flushing dogs entered and 13 pointing dogs. Many thanks to all the folks that helped. It was a long day and it ran very smoothly. My appreciation to Dana Martin for helping me when I fizzled in the afternoon.

Hunt Tests

All the judges have been approved by AKC. There are 9 dogs entered in the upcoming pointing test. Mike Lacey volunteered to be a photographer at the event. Water pools are needed.

Help is needed to pull a trailer to North Pole with birds for the spaniel tests August 24th and 25th.

By-laws

Don Stewart addressed the need to revise our by-laws to change the fiscal year to begin in January, not October. Also, with the new website membership should be changed to one year from the date of joining and/or paying dues. There will be an automatic reminder sent to each member prior to renewal deadlines.

Gereth Stillman made a motion to adopt Don's suggestion to have an interim change in the annual meeting date. Lulie Williams seconded the motion. Trigg Davis moved to postpone the election of officers to the January meeting due to a lack of members available for the October meeting. Lulie seconded the motion. The motion passed. Current officers will continue until the January election of officers.

Trigg Davis, Lulie Williams and Don Stewart volunteered to work on the by-law committee.

The nominating committee will be Don Stewart, Jeff Lipscomb and Lulie Williams.

Miscellaneous

Judy Alderson received approval from the membership to pay \$85 to have the ABDA logo digitized.

Mike Lacey showed the proposed business card set up. A few changes were suggested and Mike will have the cards printed.

Gereth Stillman proposed adding a memorial section on our website.

Pheasant shoot with Ruffed Grouse Society will be held on September 28th and 29th.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by
Kathy Buesseler