

## **ABDA Meeting Minutes January 23, 2014**

October minutes approved.

### **New Members**

Jim Sheridan (Chesapeake Bay Retriever and Griffon)  
Jason Evoy (Springer Spaniel)

### **Treasurer's Report**

Don Stewart reported end of year balance \$10,694. Increase over 2012 end of year balance attributed to income from the novice classes, the website, and increased membership.

### **WingShoot Alaska Update**

Trigg Davis reported WingShoot is no longer. He is working on access to land and birds. He hopes to have written agreements completed soon. Trigg has ordered 1,000 birds for ABDA (chukar and quail) which will be arriving in April or May. He estimates 400 birds will be needed for ABDA events (RGS Upland Hunt included). He is also ordering birds for Midnight Sun Gun Dog Association's national event. If members want to place orders for birds, contact Trigg directly. He would like to have members request birds 50 or 100 per order.

A committee was formed to establish how to deal with the birds, i.e. payment, care, etc. Dan Brandvold, Lulie Williams, Derek Tomlinson, and Mike Griffin volunteered for the committee.

### **Hunt Tests**

**Pointing:** July 12 – 13  
August 9 – 10

Co-chairs will be Lulie Williams and Judy Alderson, assisted by Mike Fuller and Nicole Hickman.

**Spaniel:** July 26 – 27 Derek Tomlinson, chairman  
August 23 – 24 Chena grounds near Fairbanks, Jeff Lipscomb chairman.

### **Chukar Challenge**

Scheduled for June 28<sup>th</sup>. Dan Brandvold and James Ohlinger will be co-chairmen. Event name will be changed to "Upland Bird Challenge". Updated info will be posted on the website.

### **Fun Day**

Date will be set at the April meeting. Derek T. chairman.

## **By-laws**

The by-laws still need revising. Committee is Trigg Davis, Lulie Williams and Don Stewart.

## **Website**

Don Stewart noted some members had problems renewing. A temporary fix is in place now with a permanent fix soon. Contact Don if you have problems at [info@arcticbirddog.org](mailto:info@arcticbirddog.org). He can give you a temporary user name and password. More info on how to use the site will be added to the site. Don also said if you are not getting ABDA emails, check your junk mail.

Sherry Tomlinson would like a contact telephone number for ABDA listed on the site and volunteered her home phone number and she will take calls directed to ABDA. Currently, Mike Kasterin gets emails regarding spaniel training and Dan Brandvold handles pointing dog questions. Don either handles emails regarding ABDA or directs them to the person who can appropriately respond.

## **Novice Classes**

Mike Kasterin and Dan Brandvold will take on the novice classes this year for spaniels and pointing dogs. Dan would like to limit the number of dogs in class to 12. Mike and Dan could use help with these classes, please contact them to help. If you can't help with the instruction, both Mike and Dan will have phone calls, help with birds, etc. that would make it easier for them to focus on teaching. The classes will start the week of April 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **Election of Officers**

The following were elected unanimously:

President:	Derek Tomlinson
Vice President Spaniels:	James Ohlinger
Vice President Pointing:	Lulie Williams
Treasurer:	Don Stewart
Secretary:	Kathy Buessler
Past President:	Mike Kasterin
Member at Large:	Dori Hollingsworth

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by  
Kathy Buessler