

Agenda and Minutes

ABDA General Membership Meeting

(19 Nov 2015)

- Welcome- sign-in- recognition of new members (20 members present including 1 new member)
- Last GM meeting minutes review and approval

MOTION: move to approve GM minutes from July 16, 2015 meeting. Motion by Dan Brandvold; second by Lulie Williams. MOTION PASSED.

- Training event: Dog First Aid (Dr. Chuck Muschany)
- Membership Status (Don):
 - __76__: __51_ individual and __25_ family
 - __23__ renewals and __21_ non-renewals
- Budget Status (Don): The FY for the club is November 1 . October 31. Balance at start of year was \$7734.19 and at the end of the year was \$2429.19. Unusual expenses this year were a website upgrade and bird losses. See attached spreadsheet.
- 2015 Calendar Review (Tim):

| Dates | Event | Location | Lead | Notes |
|------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------|------------------|
| 13 June | Fun Day | LLC | Derek | 20 Registrations |
| 27 June | Chukar Challenge | LLC | James | 24 Registrations |
| 11-12 July | Pointer Tests | LLC | Lulie | 8 entries |
| 25-26 July | Flushing Tests | LLC | Brian | 18 entries |
| 15-16 Aug | Pointing Tests | LLC | Judy | 12 entries |
| 22-23 Aug | Flushing Tests | Chena Project-North Pole | Jeff | 21 entries |
| 26-27 Sep | RGS Hunt | LLC | | Cancelled |
| 6 Dec | Holiday Party | Gallagher's Residence | Tim | 2 PM Potluck |

- 2015 General Membership meetings (7 pm; 3rd Thur/1st Month/each Quarter)

| Date | Location | Speaker | Notes |
|-------------|-----------------|--|-----------------------|
| 15 Jan | Carrs (Muldoon) | - | |
| 16 Apr | Carrs (Muldoon) | AK Mill and Feed- Kim McCourtney- dog nutrition | |
| 16 Jul | Cabelas | ADF&G- Rick Merizon, small game biologist- upland bird update | |
| 19 Nov | Cabelas | Dog First Aid for Home and Field- Chuck Muschany | 20 members present |

- Misc Topics:
 - Board nominations: Nominations for the Board elections scheduled for the January 21, 2016 meeting are needed. There is a proposal to change the bylaws to make the term of office for all Board members two years instead of the current one year, and to stagger the terms of office to provide continuity on the Board. This and other bylaws changes will be presented to the membership for a vote. If the changes are approved, then in 2016 a new President, Treasurer and Member at Large will be elected. Don Stewart and Derek Tomlinson and Bud Rice will be on the nominating committee.
 - Training bird status (Don): There will be a meeting with Ashers on Nov. 21 to discuss 2016 purchases. There will likely be a 50% downpayment on birds due in January 2016. The ABDA order will be 400 birds so we will need \$3200 for birds. There will be further discussion of this at a special membership meeting this winter. There will also need to be a Bird Coordinator assigned for 2016 as Don Stewart will be unable to fill this role.
 - Expanding ABDA presence at community events (Tim): we need ideas for posters and locations of events. There was a suggestion that for marketing purposes businesses could get advertising with us by making a donation. Advertising venues could be ad space in premiums, a banner at events etc.
 - LLC Topics (Liaison- Derek): Nothing to discuss

- Improvement of website (Don): Our hired webmaster is Brian Earl, he has upgraded the website making it much easier to renew or join. He is also working on glitches with Hotmail email addresses.
- Clinics for 2016: Discussion- Last year we had 3 pointing dog clinics and there is interest in having some for this year. Lulie Williams will coordinate having a pointing dog clinic in 2016. Mike Kasterin and Trigg Davis are working on some ideas for a flushing dog clinic which would focus on field trialing and hunt tests with Dan Murray. James Ohlinger (with help from Mike Kasterin) will coordinate the flushing dog clinic for 2016.
- Fundraiser idea related to clinics: Put on a 4 hour short class on one focused topic that could be held either in association with a novice class or with NAHVDA events.
- Next GM Meeting is January 21, 2016 at Cabela's meeting room.

2016 Events*

| Dates | Event | Location | Lead | Notes |
|--------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------|-------|
| | | | | |
| 11 June | Fun Day | LLC | | |
| 18 June | Training Day | LLC | | |
| 25 June | Chukar Challenge | LLC | | |
| 9-10 July | Pointer Tests | LLC | Lulie/Judy | |
| 16 July | Training Day | LLC | | |
| 23-24 July | Flushing Tests | LLC | | |
| 6 August | Training Day | LLC | | |
| 13-14 August | Pointer Tests | LLC | Lulie/Judy | |
| 27-28 August | Flushing Tests | Chena Project-North Pole | | |
| December | Holiday Party | | | TBD |

*To be added are any clinics and the fun pointing hunt test which will follow one of the AKC events

