

Meeting Minutes from 2/10/2019

Second half of meeting began at 12:05

Started off with the election of officers and board members all were voted on and approved

All new members were voted in

Hunt test dates were confirmed and a double master hunt test was discussed again for May. A question was brought up by a member regarding the possibility of changing the date of our test due to so many other events going on at the same time.

Workers at the hunt test were discussed and the boards were out for members to sign up for upcoming hunt tests.

Denise asked for volunteers to head up and organize club training days.

Wolverine Retriever Club showed some interest in possibly using the grounds in May or June for a Derby and a Dbl Q

Discussed the confusion on the rule that required judges to have at least 3 judging assignments per year to stay current. This paragraph is taken from the AKC Rule book and should explain the requirements to maintain judging status.

Must attend a second Seminar (good for 3 years) after having judged at least 3 times at any level within a 3 year period. However, if an individual has earned 6 judging points at the Master level, the 2nd Seminar is not required.

(Cannot attend the 2nd Seminar until 6 months prior to the judges eligibility expiring)

After 2nd Seminar, must take and pass a written test every 4 years with a score of 90% or better.

(Cannot take a test until 6 months prior to judge's eligibility expiring)

Must judge at least once every 4 years to maintain eligibility. If no assignment in a 4 year period you must attend a Seminar.

Must have handled a dog for a qualifying leg at the level to be judged or higher within 7 years of the event to be judged. (Club's responsibility to monitor.)

Also discussed holding an advanced judging seminar

The increase in training membership was discussed and it was decided to raise the membership from \$100 to \$250. This was to help cover the costs of the improvements made by Aaron to the grounds. Improvements included clearing of new land, larger parking lots, pond improvements, the work on a new pond between the heart shaped pond and the gator pond.

3 Hunt tests/1 Marshbanks and 60 new members could potentially get us to the \$25,000 that the Jorgenson family is requesting.

Went over the data from the sign in book and Denise reiterated the importance of signing in and out of the book.

2019-2020 the fields will remain alfalfa but in 2021 the fields could change over to corn.

Discussed holding a fall event to make some additional money for the club some ideas were Super singles, fun hunt, picnic trial (field trial based)

Discussed the implementation of a \$50 late fee being added for all training memberships not received by March 31st. Regular membership is due March 1 per the bylaws.

Denise stressed the importance of being mindful of the alfalfa crops and to not drive on them when they are long.

The possibility of hiring a ground crew was discussed. Funds for this would come from the MSTR/SR stakes at hunt test the entry fees for these tests will increase \$5

Current grounds crew is Mike Foley, Greg Seddon, and Peter Ketola

There will be 4 cuttings that are done by Aaron around the 25th of May, June, July and August depending on the weather.

The board wants to create a hunt test committee to break down the major jobs into smaller responsibilities. There would be a chairman for that committee who would then report to the Hunt Test Chairman. A detailed explanation of each committee will be sent out soon. We are in need of members to Chair/Co-Chair these committees for the upcoming 2019 season. Please contact Heidi Wszolek or Denise Sejalon if you are interested or have questions.

- Hospitality
- Raffle
- Judges
- Grounds
- Birds
- Equipment
- Gunners

The bylaw and constitution committee will be Winn Harper and Mary Ann Abbott and they have asked for more help. They have a goal of May 1 for a new draft.

The raffle committee has some new information that will be announced at a later date.

Heidi Wszolek suggested putting together a First Aid/CPR class for humans and dogs. And also discussed holding a fun event of some kind to help fund additional AED's. It was discussed during the meeting to have an AED at each stake.

Judy Merians reminded everyone to request master codes by April 1

Volunteers are needed to be a part of the porta potty committee it was also suggested to put a donation bin by the porta potty during hunt tests.

Awards and Rememberances were announced

Meeting adjourned motion by Sue Gehrke and Cynthia Geller