

# THE RIDGELINE

#### NEWSLETTER OF THE NEW ENGLAND RHODESIAN RIDGEBACK CLUB

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Meghan Terwilliger, Acting President (and of course Fox too!)

## President's Letter

Hoping this message finds you all well. I stepped in as acting President after Barb resigned in early October. I want to take a moment to thank you, Barb, for your time on the board and in the President's seat. We appreciate all you have done for the club.

We had some really fun gatherings this year with our membership! Our 6th Annual Regional Specialty was another success and we were fortunate to have had better weather than we did last year. It was followed by a luncheon with a delicious spread and our raffle and silent auction brought in over S1,300!

Our "Summer BBQ" was postponed due to extreme heat and became more of a "Fall BBQ", but despite the chill in the air, we had a wonderful turnout with some new faces and lots of happy Ridgebacks. After having a minor equipment malfunction, we were even able to hold an introduction to lure coursing. Almost every Ridgeback who participated had never seen the lure before, but nearly all of them knew exactly what to do! We're hoping to see those excited pups at future coursing events.

In terms of other NERRC events this year, it was kind of quiet. We are having a difficult time drawing our membership out to our smaller events like Trick Training, Canine Good Citizens, Intro to Barn Hunt, etc. We would love to see more of our membership participate in things we offer throughout the year, but we are scratching our heads trying to figure out how to get people more involved. I would be interested to know what is preventing you from attending these smaller events: Is it conflict of day/time? Not interested in the event/topic? Not sure if you are able to attend the event without prior experience? Too far away? If you have any thoughts on the matter, the board would love your feedback. Feel free to email me, or anyone else on the board, with your input.

Wishing you a wonderful holiday season and we hope to see all of you at our Holiday Party on January 8th (details listed later in this newsletter)! Looking forward to another great year of fun with you and our beloved Ridgebacks!

## Join Us for NERRC's Holiday Party and Luncheon!!



It will be held at: Winsome Riding Academy 384 High St., Randolph MA 02368

Sunday, January 8th from 12:00-3:00 Cost is \$10 per person; children under 12 free BOD Meeting starts at 10:30 - all are welcome



This is a brand new non-profit handicapped accessible horseback riding facility with a heated indoor arena and attached viewing room where you can stay warm. But, we will also have adult pony/horse rides available to anyone who would like one so dress accordingly and wear warm clothing and boots!

- NERRC will provide the food, paper goods and water.
- To help spread the workload we are asking that you bring a dessert to share.
- We will have a Silent Auction and a raffle table so bring some money!!
- Bring a \$25 (maximum) wrapped dog-themed gift and you can join in the Yankee Swap; it's always a fun event!

Please RSVP to Julie Paul by January 2nd via email - Dromkeenridgebacks@gmail.com





## Let 'Em Sniff, Part 2

### By Michele Ruest

In the previous Ridgeline we provided an overview of Nose Work (Scent Work). In this issue we thought it would be fun to provide a quick overview of each of the venues available for competition. While there are similarities, each venue offers something a little unique. This gives you the opportunity to select the type of environment and level of competition that best suits the interests of you and your dog.

#### National Association of Canine Scent Work

The National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW) was founded in 2009 by professional detection handlers. The NACSW strives to create a real-world search environment. Four search elements are used: Interior, Exterior, Container, and Vehicle. The combination of search areas will vary with the level and type of trial. To compete in a NACSW trial the dog and handler must be members. There is a one-time fee for each dog and an annual membership fee for the handler. Also, each dog must pass an Odor Recognition Test (ORT) for each of the target odors (Birch, Anise, Clove) before entering a trial. A handler can only run one dog at a given trial. Any breed of dog can compete including mixed breeds, dogs with disabilities, and reactive dogs. Possible titles include ORT, NW1, NW2, NW3, NW3-Elite, Elite-1, Elite-2, Elite-3, Elite-Champion, and Summit. Additionally, there are element specialty titles at 3 levels for each element.

For more detailed information please visit the NACSW web site at https://www.nacsw.net/

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**VVVV** 

Working a container search.

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Indicating he found the scent

#### United States Canine Scent Sports

The United States Canine Scent Sports (USCSS) was founded in 2016 by performance dog trainers. The USCSS strives to create a fun search environment with more flexibility for trial hosts. Competitors are allowed to spectate after they have run and can run additional dogs For Exhibition Only (FEO). Dogs must be at least 6 months and handlers must be at least 10 years old. Any breed of dog may compete, reactive dogs, dogs with disabilities are allowed to compete. There is no odor test required. There is a free lifetime membership for the handler and a one-time registration fee for each dog. The odors used are Birch, Anise, and Clove. The classes offered are the classic elements: Interior, Exterior, Vehicle, Containers, and game classes: Detection Dog Extreme, Copy Cat, Double Dog Dare, Go the Distance, Heap O'Hides, LudicrouSpeed, Scenting Sweepstakes, Team Spirit. Possible titles include Novice A, Novice B, Intermediate, Advanced, Senior, Master.

For more detailed information please visit the USCSS web site at http://www.uscaninescentsports.com/

#### Performance Scent Dogs

Performance Scent Dogs (PSD) is like USCSS in that it offers more flexibility to the trial host. Not all elements must be present in all trails. There is a one-time registration fee for each dog. Each dog must pass a Target Odor Test (TOT) before entering a trial. However, odor tests from other venues can be used to qualify (such as the NACSW ORT). The odors are birch, anise, and clove. Any breed including mixed breeds can compete in PSD trials. Reactive dogs and dogs with disabilities are also allowed to compete but, refer to the PSD rule book for specific considerations. PSD offers five search classes: Buildings, Exteriors, Containers, Distance and Speed. There are three levels of competition: Novice, Advanced and Excellent. Each class is a unique title and is titled at each level.

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For more detailed information please visit the PSD web site at https://www.performancescentdogs.com/

#### American Kennel Club Scent Work

The American Kennel Club (AKC) Scent Work has two divisions, the Odor Search Division and the Handler Discrimination Division. The Odor Search Division is like the other venues where the dog is searching for a target odor in different search elements. The AKC search elements are Interior, Exterior, Container, and Buried. The target odors are Birch, Anise, Clove, and Cypress. In the Handler Discrimination Division the dog is searching for the scent of the handler on articles provided by the handler. Please refer to the ACK Scent Work rule book for details on valid articles and proper application of scent. Both divisions have four levels, Novice, Advanced, Excellent, and Master.

Any breed, including mixed breeds can compete. Dogs must have an AKC number from one of the following: AKC Registration Number, Purebred Alternative Listing (PAL), AKC Canine Partners Number, or Foundation Stock Service®(FSS) Number.

AKC Scent Work also offers a "Detective Class" for dogs who have achieved at least one Master title in the Odor Search Division. The Detective Class offers the opportunity to search in an integrated search environment including one or more search elements and an unknown number of hides. Ten qualifying scores are required to earn the Scent Work Detective title.

For more detailed information please visit the AKC Scent Work web site at https://www.akc.org/sports/akc-scent-work/



Michele and Ripley

#### <u>About the Author</u>

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I have been a Ridgeback owner since 1999. I started nose work in 2011 and we earned our first title in 2013. Currently, I have four Ridgebacks and a terrier mix who are all trained in nose work. My oldest Ridgeback Symetri Here We Go Again CGC ELT -CH (Ripley) is the first Ridgeback to achieve NW3-Elite, ELT1, ELT2, ELT3, and ELT-CH with the National Association of Canine Scent Work (NACSW). She is retired from competing but still loves to practice. My oldest male CH Symetri's Echo In My Heart CGC LIV (Echo) didn't care for the trial setting and retired from competition early on. But he still loves to practice around the house. Two of my younger Ridgebacks are preparing for their first Odor Recognition Test (ORT) and I hope to be competing with them in the fall. My terrier mix just earned his NW2.

## THE HOLIDAYS ARE RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER ...

Don't forget to order your new shiny 2023 rescue calendar!!

2023 Rhodesian Ridgeback Rescue Calendar

> PRESENTED BY HODESIAN RIDGEBACK RESCUE. INC. PRINTED IN THE USA

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Elala and Hamilton

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MONDAY OCTOBER 30, 2023 This desktop-style calendar has a different Ridgeback picture each day. Beautiful, colorful, and spiral-bound ... suitable as a memento or gift.

## **BONUS DAYS:**

An extra week has been added to the calendar. That's right, instead of 365-days you will get 372 days.

ONLY \$29.95 plus shipping

Ensure you get your calendar before the holidays, order by November 22nd!

https://www.ridgebackrescue.org/calendar/orders/order.php

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## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 2, 2022 | Carriage Hill Farm | Hopkinton, MA

Meeting called to order by Meghan Terwilliger at 10:20 AM

Attendees: Board Members: Helen McCune, Alan Fraser, Julie Paul, Meghan Terwilliger, Maura Bushior, Cheryl Fraser Board Members: Absent – Barbara Ferguson, Bonnie Johnson Guests: Don Melchior, Michele Ruest, Nikki Newton

#### President's Report -- Barbara Ferguson

#### Secretary's Report – Cheryl Fraser

Minutes from the NERRC BOD meeting held on August 26, 2022, were sent to BOD members on September 2, 2022 for review. Need a motion to accept the minutes. Helen McCune made a motion to accept the minutes from the NERRC BOD meeting held on August 26, 2022. A second was provided by Julie Paul. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

New applications received -

Tammy Boyer-Lewis; Sponsor Nikki Newton

Deborah Cabral; Sponsor Alan Fraser

Robin Adair & David Lucius; Sponsor Alan Fraser

Pamela Larter; Sponsor Julie Paul

The resumes from the candidates nominated for election to the board were mailed to all club members on September 13th.

Background - A new art design was presented by Meghan Terwilliger to the NERRC Board to be used on some new wearables for retail at NERRC Lure Coursing events. ABC Designs has provided us with an estimate of around S620.00.

A motion was made on September 15, 2022 by Cheryl Fraser to approve an expenditure of up to S700.00 to purchase wearable merchandise for Lure Coursing events. Alan Fraser provided a second to the motion. MOTION PASSED.

Add to the Secretary Role Policy & Procedure to send electronic copies of the newsletter to the NERRC Historian.

Search for back issue e-copies of the NERRC newsletter and provide them to the Historian.

#### October Board Meeting Minutes Continued

#### Treasurer's Report – Alan Fraser

Alan provided an Income and Expense Report:

Rescue Funds S 2575.28 General Funds S11,090.08 Show Funds S 666.67 Total S16,588.13 - Bank balance as of 9/30/2022

See Attachment A for details.

**Regional Specialty Show -- Barbara Ferguson** No report provided.

#### Mass Fed -- Vacant

#### Historian – Michele Ruest



- Some of the electronic copies of documents are corrupted. Cathy working on providing new files.
- Update on digitizing and professional scanning services:
  - Digitizing is used when the goal is to have usable data for other applications. I suspect this is not needed for NERRC.
  - Professional scanning can create searchable PDF files. I suspect this is more useful for NERRC.
    - One estimate I have assumes 10 full banker's boxes, 50% pages, 50% books.
      - Maverick Group: 9 cents per image, ranging \$135 per box to \$180 per box (assume full 10 boxes \$1350 \$1800)
      - Scans bound items without taking them apart
      - Creates searchable PDF files
      - Delivers files on encrypted USB drive
      - Optional portal access for downloading
      - Turn around time is 7 days
      - Includes shredding if we do not want documents back
    - I am awaiting additional estimates
    - I have not yet done an inventory and I expect that we may not choose to have everything scanned.
    - I am able to do scanning myself, but it will take more time to complete and the results will not be searchable.
    - Update on storing the electronic files:
      - We can use a cloud-based storage provider such as Dropbox or AWS. These services tend to charge monthly and by number of users. For example, Dropbox costs 16.99 per month for 6 users. Personal cloud storage can be cheaper but creates a challenge when the responsibility for the storage needs to move from one person to another. Alternately, we can do local storage using DVD or USB drives (this should be used as a backup for cloud storage regardless of approach).

#### • Next steps:

- Perform full inventory of hard copy documents.
  - I expect to have this completed by the end of November 2022
  - Once complete we can determine what should be scanned and stored electronically. This will enable a more accurate estimate for professional scanning (if desired).
- Establish secure and consistent storage methods for hard copy documents.
  - I expect to have this completed by the end of November 2022
  - Build club history for web site
  - I expect to start providing content in December 2022

#### October Board Meeting Minutes Continued

#### Membership Care – Don and Chris Melchior

The Membership Cares Committee has nothing to report for this period.

#### Rescue – Cheryl Fraser

Calendar Sales are now the focus for the 2023 Ridgeback-A-Day Calendars!! Orders can be made via this link. https://www.ridgebackrescue.org/calendar/orders/order.php

A Tisket-A-Tasket – Time to call for a Basket! The New England Basket will contain many locally crafted beverages from New England, along with a selection of snacks, treats and coffee. Anyone travelling to Ohio, please stop by the RRRI Booth during the week. Thank you.

The RRRI Booth will be participating in Waters Farm Days October 15-16, 2022 in Sutton, MA. This is a fun fall event. Lots of things for the family to do, 4-H displays and farm animals, tractor pulls, apple crisp, car show, music, crafters etc.

HOME CHECKS –The use of Zoom and FaceTime and other virtual means are being used. If you would be able to perform home checks for potential adoption applicants, please let us know. We have a checklist of questions to ask applicants while virtually visiting them in their home. Help is always needed to vet adoption applicants.

#### NERRC Website – Meghan Terwilliger & Cheryl Fraser

NERRC's business website builder is up for renewal on October 8, 2022. The cost is \$539.64 (plus tax) for 3 years.

On September 29, 2022, Meghan Terwilliger made a motion to renew the website for another 3 years. On October 1, 2022, a second was provided by Cheryl Fraser. This Motion was voted on at today's NERRC BOD meeting, the MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Everything is up to date on both social media page and website.

#### NERRC Policy & Procedures – Cheryl Fraser

Cheryl Fraser emailed the Ways & Means P&P, the Secretary duties P&P and the Treasurer duties to the BOD. A request was made to re-send this information again.

#### The Ridgeline – Helen McCune & Maura Bushior

The 2nd issue of The Ridgeline was sent out on September 6th. A 3rd issue should be ready to go by the end of October.

If anyone has any ideas for articles please let either Maura or me know.

#### Ways and Means – Cheryl Fraser

We had a good day of sales at the Regional Specialty Show. We took in S160.00 for Ways & Means. There is a new Lure Coursing design being screen-printed and will be available in T-Shirts and Sweatshirts at the NERRC LC event later in October.

A request was made to put together an order to ABC Designs for NERRC Logo merchandise.

#### October Board Meeting Minutes Continued

Bylaws – Alan Fraser Nothing to report.

#### Social Media – Meghan Terwilliger

Social Media is up to date with event pages for all upcoming events: Picnic and Coursing.

#### Regional News (for The Ridgeback Magazine) – Bonnie Johnson

No report provided.

The correct NERRC BOD information needs to be provided in the next report to RRCUS.

Lure Coursing – Nikki Newton Nothing new to report.

#### Unfinished Business

Holiday Party – Julie Paul volunteered to be the Holiday Party Chair. A date in January was suggested, Sunday January 8, 2023, with a venue of Winsome Riding Academy in Randolph, MA.

#### **New Business**

Nikki Newton asked if there were interest in a collaborative event between NERRC and the local Saluki club for an ASFA event for April 2023. It would be a 2-day weekend event, with the 2 clubs splitting the cost and intake. Things like insurance and equipment sharing were discussed. A motion was made by Cheryl Fraser to request that Nikki Newton provide the NERRC BOD with the details regarding a co-hosted ASFA event with the Saluki Club. A second was provided by Meghan Terwilliger. The MOTION PASSED unanimously.

Maura Bushior suggested the club evaluate Fort Adams State Park in Rhode Island holding a Lure Coursing, or a FAST Coursing Ability Test (CAT) trial.

Next Meeting: December 6, 2022 at 6:30PM. with a ZOOM format.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 AM Respectfully submitted / Cheryl Fraser / NERRC Secretary



Three Ridgebacks on the lookout for the man in red

### MISSION STATEMENT

To have a group of Rhodesian Ridgeback owners and enthusiasts associated together for the improvement of the Rhodesian Ridgeback in the area and for the spirit of cooperation and good sportsmanship that prevails amongst us. To conduct functions, including but not limited to matches and educational seminars as well as conformation, obedience, tracking and lure coursing events for the Rhodesian Ridgebacks of the New England area. To provide support to organizations that provide for the rescue, care and adoption of Rhodesian Ridgeback dogs in need.

## Fun at the NERRC Annual Picnic October 2, 2022



## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2022 | Virtual

Meeting called to order by Meghan Terwilliger at 6:33 pm

Attendees: Board Members: Meghan Terwilliger, Maura Bushior, Julie Paul, Alan Fraser, Helen McCune, Cheryl Fraser Board Members: Absent – Bonnie Johnson Guests: Michele Ruest

#### President's Report – Meghan Terwilliger

#### Secretary's Report – Cheryl Fraser

On October 27, 2022, Barbara Ferguson submitted her resignation from the office of President of NERRC due to family priorities.

A motion was made on November 1, 2022 by Cheryl Fraser accept the resignation of Barbara Ferguson as NERRC President. Alan Fraser provided a second to the motion.

With the resignation of Barbara, Meghan Terwilliger now assumes the position of NERRC President.

Minutes from the NERRC BOD meeting held on October 2, 2002, were sent to BOD members on October 19, 2022 for review. A motion was made on November 18, 2022 by Cheryl Fraser to accept the minutes from the NERRC BOD meeting held on October 2, 2022. Helen McCune provided a second to the motion. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

#### Treasurer's Report – Alan Fraser

Alan provided an Income and Expense Report:

Rescue Funds: S2,590.28 General Funds: S13,632.90 Show Funds: S2,912.94 Total: S 19,136.12

Uncashed Checks: \$3,121.83 (\*Nikki Newton / NERRC LC equipment purchase) Bank Balance: \$22,072.95 (as of 11/30/22)

\*The check for LC equipment written August 11th still not deposited by Nikki Newton.

- Oct LC balance shows a profit of \$1,555 although I believe Nikki has more expenses to be paid
- Ways & Means includes income of \$580 due to selling NERRC clothing at the RRCUS National

General Expenses this period: Mass 2022 filing; 3 year renewal for website builder; Membership renewal printing and postage Renewal Status: 1 BOD members and 3 committee chairs have not renewed to date

• See Attachment A for details.

#### Regional Specialty Show - Barbara Ferguson

Our 2022 Regional Specialty was another success! A special Thank you to those who sponsored a Trophy and or Rosette! We would not have been able to accomplish a Regional Specialty without your support. The trophies this year were pottery with the NERRC logo made by Sue Zimmer of Stone Pony Pottery and were beautiful! Sue is a pleasure to work with and you can find her pottery on Etsy. I also want to thank those who generously contributed to the Raffle and Silent Auction!

Susan Morrill, Intrigue Ridgebacks, was our Sweepstakes Judge this year and did a fantastic job judging the 8 entries.

Frank DePaulo, Tahari Kennels, was our Breed Judge and we had an entry of 21 which allowed the club to be able to award the Medallion and major points. You can find all the results on infodog.com

https://www.infodog.com/results/results.htm? evno=2022173104&bno=28200&sdt=09/07/22&edt=10/06/22

| Income                         |            | Expenditures:        |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|
| Raffle                         | \$314.00   | Trophies             | \$609.0-   |
| Silent Auction                 | \$990.00   | Shipping             | \$128.61   |
| Unclaimed Sweepstakes Checks   | \$7.41     | Rosette              | \$462.84   |
| SSKC rebate Check for rosettes | \$37.80    | Catalog              | \$20.00    |
| Sub-Total                      | \$1,349.21 | AKC Fee              | \$15.00    |
|                                |            | Sandwich Platter     | \$192.00   |
| Trophy Sponsorship             | \$690.00   | Trophy Gift Bags     | \$32.25    |
| Rosette Sponsorship            | \$440.00   | Welcome Bags         | \$172.34   |
| Sub-Total                      | \$1,130.00 | Judge Expenses       | \$150.00   |
| 040 1041                       |            | Tatal Emanditures    | \$1,782.04 |
| Total Income                   | \$2,479.21 | - Total Expenditures | 91,702.04  |
|                                |            | Profit/Loss          | \$697.1-   |

Income from the Regional Specialty

Next year the Cranberry Cluster will be held September 14 – 17th and work has begun choosing the judging panel. I have always tried when possible to alternate between Breeder Judges and non-Breeder Judges so next year will be a non-Breeder Judge.

#### Mass Fed - Vacant

#### Historian – Michele Ruest

Historian Report –

• Full inventory of hard copy documents complete. Full inventory provided in spreadsheet.

#### Summary of contents: 1.NERRC Publications a.Premium: 2 b.Directory: 1 c.Ridgeline: 148 i.Date Range: 1985 - 2017 ii.Duplicates: 64 iii.Labeled as scanned: 20 1.Scanned files I can open: 6

2. RRCUS Publications:

- a.Books (including bound, 3-ring binder, spiral bound): 24 -mostly Albums of Champions and National Specialties
- b.Catalogue: 19 (specialty shows)
- c.Newsletter: 202 (The Rhodesian Ridgeback News)
- d.Pamphlets: 7 (6 copies of History of the Rhodesian Ridgeback Hunting Guard Companion) 3.Publications by other clubs (including international/foreign language):
- a.Book: 1 b.Magazine: 25 c.Newsletter: 60 d.Pamphlet: 21 e.Premium: 1 4.Bound Books/Traditional Publishing: 8 5.AKC Publications: 1 6.Ridgeback Register Magazine: 23 7.Random Items: a.Personal correspondence b.Photographs
  - c.Pedigrees
  - d.Pins, Pendants, Keyrings, Decals, Rubber Stamps
  - e.Show ribbons
  - f. Champion Certificates



- Establish secure and consistent storage methods for hard copy documents.
  - I planned to have this completed by the end of November 2022 but after finishing inventory I decided I would wait to see if the board wanted to keep everything. Once we understand what we want to store it will make more sense to decide how to store it.
- Build club history for web site
  - I expect to start providing content in December 2022 (I still feel I can provide some content starting this month)

The Board thanked Michele for the very detailed inventory and update of NERRC Historian items and memorabilia.

#### Actions resulting from the discussion:

1.Cheryl Fraser to provide any e-copies of past newsletters to the historian 2.A review by the board of some of the items in the inventory to determine significance to NERRC.

#### Membership Care – Don and Chris Melchior

Membership Cares Report:

On October 25, Welcome Greetings were sent out to:

- Elizabeth & Chuck Aleksinas in Morris, CT
- Sarah Lechak & Chris DiMartino in Wrentham, MA

#### Rescue – Cheryl Fraser

Calendar Sales are now the focus for the 2023 Ridgeback-A-Day Calendars!! Orders can be made via this link. https://www.ridgebackrescue.org/calendar/orders/order.php

RRRI took in 3 Ridgeback puppies and their Momma from a shelter in Brockton. A backyard breeder was unable to sell the pups and turned them over to the shelter. One pup remains available for adoption, the others have all been adopted to new families. Our THANKS to NERRC club members for fostering!!

HOME CHECKS –The use of Zoom and FaceTime and other virtual means are being used. If you would be able to perform home checks for potential adoption applicants, please let us know. We have a checklist of questions to ask applicants while virtually visiting them in their home. Help is always needed to vet adoption applicants.

#### NERRC Website – Meghan Terwilliger & Cheryl Fraser

Everything is up to date on both social media page and website.

#### NERRC Policy & Procedures – Cheryl Fraser

A request was made to re-send the Ways & Means P&P, the Secretary duties P&P and the Treasurer duties to the BOD. This was done but there has been no further discussion.

#### The Ridgeline – Helen McCune & Maura Bushior

The next issue of The Ridgeline is planned for December 19th.

A flyer for the upcoming Holiday Party scheduled for January 8th is needed.

#### Ways and Means – Cheryl Fraser

Sales of the new Lure Coursing design and other club items were sold at the NERRC LC trial in October. Sales were brisk for a total of \$505.00.

Ways & Means sold the 3-puppy design T-shirts and sweatshirts at the National, on a commission basis. Sales from that was \$580.00 Cheryl Fraser to prepare an order of wearables for club sales.

#### Bylaws – Alan Fraser

Nothing to report.

#### Social Media – Meghan Terwilliger

Social Media is up to date with event pages for all upcoming events: Picnic and Coursing.

#### Regional News (for The Ridgeback Magazine) – Bonnie Johnson No report provided.

Lure Coursing – Nikki Newton No report provided.

#### Unfinished Business

Holiday Party – Julie Paul volunteered to be the Holiday Party Chair. A date in January was suggested, Sunday January 8, 2023, with a venue of Winsome Riding Academy in Randolph, MA. Party time Noon-2pm.

Is there an update? - A motion was made by Cheryl Fraser to request that Nikki Newton provide the NERRC BOD with the details regarding a co-hosted ASFA event with the Saluki Club. A second was provided by Meghan Terwilliger. The MOTION PASSED unanimously. No report was provided from the Lure Coursing Committee chair.

Is there an update? - Maura Bushior suggested the club evaluate Fort Adams State Park in Rhode Island holding a Lure Coursing, or a FAST Coursing Ability Test (CAT) trial. No action has been taken on this.

#### New Business

The 2023 NERRC Calendar and scheduling of NERRC BOD meetings will be set at the BOD meeting planned for January 8, 2023 10:30 AM.

Next Meeting: January 8, 2023 at 10:30 am Winsome Riding Academy in Randolph, MA. Inperson

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cheryl Fraser, a second was provided by Meghan Terwilliger. MOTION PASSED unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm Respectfully submitted / Cheryl Fraser / NERRC Secretary



