



Bryan College Station Retriever Club Minutes

February 17, 2009

Larry Ringer Library, CS, TX

1. **Members Present** – Dale and Cindi Tolmsoff, Steve Cunningham, Dave and Vicki Christianson, Tony Lyles, Bret Collier, Dave Brannon, Cody Whitten, Charles and Sherry Payne, Max Hamilton, Dean and Shirley Wallace, Craig Steiner, Steve Hand, Danny Cranford, Mike Akeroyd, and Rob Somers.
2. **Visitors** – Jayson Arthur, Robert Rogers, and Chris Bourgeois
3. **President Report** – Dave Brannon reported receiving mail from the Responsible Pet Owners Alliance asking for monetary support from our Club to help finance their agenda. However; with us having two hunt tests coming up and low funds to start off with we decided to hold off. For more info contact rpoa@texas.net.
4. **Secretary Report** – Dale Tolmsoff
 - a) Present Jan minutes for approval - Motion to approve by – Charles Payne, 2nd by – Shirley Wallace.
5. **Treasurer's Report** – Sherry Payne
 - a) Financial Report – Current checkbook balance is \$105.32 (YIKES!!). Ribbons have been ordered and paid, one of our AKC Judges is being flown-in and tickets have been paid. Insurance has also been paid.
 - b) Membership dues – Membership dues need to be paid if they haven't been.
6. **Committees Reports**
 - a) Master National – Dave C. reported again that the MN wants to hire Retriever Club Members to throw birds at the '09 event Oct 25th – Nov 1. Dave said most likely our Club members would be needed for a full day Oct 29th or later. They will pay a donation of \$12/hour/ member/day to our Club. We will need to cough up 6-10 people per day to work. Vicki C. moved that Dave C. inform the MN that BCSRC will provide workers one day. Max H. 2nded; motion carried.
 - b) AKC Spring Hunt Test, Feb 28 & Mar 1, 2009:
Chairman Dave C. – We predict this will be a big test. Masters will likely need to be split into 3 flights, Juniors 2 flights both days, and maybe Seniors 2 flights on Sunday. A motion to split JR was made and 2nd; motion carried. Dave C. already has extra Judges lined up if needed.

Secretary Danny C. – Danny swears all is under control and made a few comments that have the rest of us concerned he'd been smoking something.

Head Marshal Tony L. – Need Marshals and test dogs for JR and SR. Dale and Cindi volunteered to Marshal the JR flight they are running Gus in.

Game Steward Max H. – Discussion was made to resolve permits. Dale will send Max address and acreage of Sawdust.

Head of Guns Rob S. – Rob has some gunners lined up and solicited more.

Equip Mgr Charles P. – All is Okey-dokey.

HQ/Food Craig S. – Craig reported he has meals all planned out (yeah right, we'll see). It all sounds really good; Judges' dinner will be at Sawdust Fri eve. Sat menu will be grilled chicken sandwiches with pasta salad and other sides and fine deserts. Tailgate will be simple but good. Sun menu will be Lasagna...yum, yum.

Raffle Coord: Steve C. – Donations have been tough due to economic reasons, but in spite Steve seems to have been successful in arranging yet another good raffle.

Academy has stepped up to the plate with a \$1000 donation for the entire '09 season; we decided to try to divide that between spring AKC and HRC, and fall AKC. Gander Mtn donated \$100, Burdett and son donated products, and Baskins donated a nice necklace with earrings. We encourage Club members to reciprocate to these businesses.

c) HRC Spring Hunt Test, Mar 28 & 29, 2009:

Chairman Rob Somers – Judges are approved. Working on Judges gifts but thinking about nice shirts with embroidery.

Secretary Glenda Akeroyd – Not present

Head Marshal Tony Lyles – Will work on volunteers after the AKC

Game Steward Max Hamilton – no report

Equip Mgr Craig Steiner – no report

HQ/Food Dave Brannon – Dave has the menus figured out; as usual food will be divine.

Raffle Coord Steve C. – no report

7. Old Business

a) Dale T. –T-shirt Orders from members will soon be placed and order forms for Non-members are ready to distribute. Dale will re-post link to order info. on the Club website.

8. New Business

a) Charles Payne mentioned we need 3 more bird crates due to attrition. We decided to require a deposit equal to the cost of new crates for those wanting to borrow one in the future. Charles will place an order this summer and will notify the Club when he's ready in case others want to piggy-back. Charles will also be placing orders for field loads and primers this summer.

b) Craig Steiner volunteered himself as a coordinator for routine monthly training days. There was discussion and Craig was granted permission to coordinate the events.

c) Charles Payne presented the idea of holding the Upland test every other year instead of annually. His logic is that we usually lose revenue on these events and that we could reduce losses by hosting them every other year. They could also be alternated with the few other Clubs holding Upland events. There was discussion and a couple points made were that the dates need to be re-evaluated and we need to advertise it better. It was decided to table this for a later meeting.

9. Presentation of New Members and Applications for Membership

a) New Member(s) presented – Rusty Adams

b) Application(s) for new Membership – Jason Arthur, Chris Bourgeois, Robert Rogers

10. Next Meeting – March 17th, 7:00 pm, Larry Ringer Library, CS, TX.

11. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn by David Christianson, 2nd by Rob Somers.