

# **Bryan/College Station Retriever Club**

## **Minutes for the July 17, 2001 Meeting**

**Members Present:** Doug and Amy Thompson, Dennis Crain, Cary Beason, Shannon Ramsay, Dottie Mikeska, Chris and Dalene Barnes, Dave and Vicki Christianson, Jeff Harrison, Steve and Rane Cunningham, Jason Cunningham, Dave Brannon, Pat and Michele McHale, and Rody and Kristin Best.

**Guests Present:** Phil and Sharla Riggs, Francis and Tammy Landry, Mitch Peck, and Michael Heaney.

President Rody Best called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, July, 17 2001.

Each person present introduced himself or herself.

Secretary Amy Thompson read the minutes of the June Club Minutes.

### **Speaker:**

Shannon Ramsay gave an informative speech about nutrition to the club. She spoke about different types of foods and explained what your dog needs in their food. Shannon brought samples and distributed them to all the club members.

### **President, Rody Best gave his report that included:**

- **The Club Newsletter** - It was decided that, since the printing and mailing costs of the monthly newsletter are so high, the August newsletter would include a card to be mailed back to Amy Thompson. It will give you the choice of getting the newsletter via mail rather than off of the website.
- **Club Skeet Shoot** – The Club is having a skeet shoot July 22, 2001 at Twin Creeks Ranch in Franklin. It will be at 6:00 and Club members will meet at the Brazos Center at 5:00.
- **Fall AKC Hunt Test** – There was a call for volunteers. The test will take place October 20-21, 2001 at the Kay Ranch in Iola, Texas.
- **The HRC Magazine coverage of the Grand, plus photos** – We got the cover! The picture of Tom Pool and his Golden Retriever, Dylan, is gracing the cover of the next HRC Magazine.
- **AKC Judges Seminar** – Tom Pool and Rody Best went to the Seminar July, 14, 2001. Their money will be reimbursed by the Club after the Fall AKC Test.

- **De-Snaking Clinics** – The club was reminded that there will be a couple of De-snaking clinics held in the next month. Pat McHale reminded the club that they snakes mouths are stapled for the dog's safety.

Treasurer, Dalene Barnes, reported that the Club has about \$460.00. Rody Best commented that he has received \$260.00 for the HRC for compensation of a lost radio and winger top.

## **Unfinished Business**

- **Club Website** – Chris Barnes and Amy Thompson are working on the main menu structure of the site. The new site will, hopefully, be up in September.
- **Public Relations Committee** – To find out how to get new members involved in the club, Steve Harlin asked all of the meetings guests to tell us how they heard about the club. Suggestions were made that the club could reach out to 4-H, FFA, and other youth groups to promote the club. Each club member should promote the club, be more active as a group, and club members were asked to bring photos and phrases to the next meeting. Dottie Mikeska brought up donating something and going to the DU Banquet.

## **New Business**

- **Training Days** – Dennis Crain volunteered to be the training coordinator. Training days will be held the Saturday after the monthly meeting. If you plan to attend a Club training day, please bring birds, bumper or anything else you might have.
- **Speakers** – Suggestions were taken and it was decided that the club would like to hear from a Game Warden about the upcoming season.
- **August Activities** – There was a discussion of a Club fishing trip. It was decided that suggestions would be sent to club member via email.
- **Club Constitution and Bylaws** – Last month, the revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws was either handed out or mailed to all of the club members. The club voted on and passed all three changes. They included: changes to the membership dues, allowing for fluctuation time of the Spring Picnic, and the new time frame for the election of officers. Please review document that you received for details.

**Election of new members** - The Riggs family, Steve and Julie Harlin, and Pat and Michele McHale were voted into the Club.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy Thompson  
Secretary