

# Minutes

## ***Board of Directors' Meeting***

Tuesday, March 18, 2003

J. Cody's Restaurant

Members Present: Dalene Barnes, Charles Payne, Steve Cunningham, Dale Tolmsoff, Dave Brannon, Dave Christianson

The Board of Directors of the Bryan-College Station Retriever Club met at 6:00 p.m., and the following items were discussed.

**Gas Money for judges:** The \$20 we've given in the past is simply not sufficient to pay for any gas. Many judges have started sending in exact receipts, for up to \$65 for gas expenses. It was decided that cash would be given with the judges' gifts, \$25 for those within 100 miles, \$50 for those over, and even higher mileage will be decided on a case by case basis. The chairman of each test will inform the treasurer before the test how much cash needs to be ready to give with gifts.

**Raffle items:** The group discussed if it was worth the club's expense to buy a few extra raffle items, like the cargo box and the wingers. Do they really boost sales enough to justify the expense? It was decided that they do; each tests' raffle committee will have to use good judgment and discretion.

**Primers for UKC test:** It was discovered that our field rep has approved shells that have been club-loaded, since they use "factory loaded primers." Our club had interpreted this differently, but this interpretation will save us lots of money. We will need to have club members start re-loading soon.

**Nominating Committee:** Those who volunteered last week were officially appointed: Steve Harlin as chair, Rane Cunningham, Sherry Payne; with Cindi Tolmsoff and Steve Sadler as alternates.

**Fall AKC Chair and Secretary:** Cindi Tolmsoff was officially appointed the Fall AKC Hunting Test Secretary, due to her previous experience and the fact that she volunteered. The Board will ask if there are any volunteers for the chairman position before appointing that position.

**Needed equipment:** The following items are things the club needs to purchase: Junior AKC Ribbons, shells (live rounds and poppers), 870 shotguns, more blinds. The club will look into the purchase of E-Z up canopies, and the group authorized Steve Cunningham to look into the purchase of more shotguns. It was also discussed that the ribbons might be better stored in a clear storage box vs. the cardboard boxes they are shipped in. Dalene will look into that. The group also discussed why we haven't been

using our 5-mile Motorola radios. No one knew the answer. We will check with Dennis, and see if they are feasible to charge and use for the next test.

**Fall AKC Test Location:** We will confirm that Byron Kay will allow us to use his land again this fall.

**Rewards for Members working at tests:** The group discussed if there should be additional rewards for hard-working members. Some ideas briefly discussed were: continuing to give free entries; allow free entries to be exchanged for raffle tickets; a group hunt; a group lease. This will be brought up to the club membership, and discussed there also before the Board makes any final decision regarding the 2002-2003 Qualified members' rewards.

**Chilifest Sponsorship:** Jason Cunningham and a friend, Shane, asked if the Club would be interested in sponsoring their chili cooking team for Chilifest. This would involve the club either paying for t-shirts and printing on them (our logo, their slogan) or them using our left-over green t-shirts and our providing the financing for the printing. They would hang our banner and give out brochures at the event. Cost, if buying all the shirts, would be about \$250.00. The event is April 5<sup>th</sup>, so they would need an answer by the end of this week. The Board agreed to bring it before the membership for their input before making a final e-mail/phone decision.

There being no further business and the rest of the club gathering, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Dalene Barnes  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Bryan-College Station Retriever Club