

WASH Board Meeting

June 17, 2017

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:40 AM

2. Present: President- Maggie McClure, Vice President – Sandy Eccker (by T-Con), Secretary- Cindy Baker, Treasurer- Judy Norris, Directors- Jeff Marroni, Kathleen Torkelson, & Lisa Berglund.

3. Report of Treasurer:

Judy reports a total of \$5870.68 in the club account.
\$776.00 was paid for Insurance in May and a payment was given to Jane for expenses covering the Sunshine Fund.

4. Report of Secretary

Jeff wanted to show club support for Scio, celebrating 80yrs . Cindy reached out to Sue MacDonald, OSDS president to offer support to Ian Caldecott and have not gotten a response as of 2-17-17. It's been noted that Ian is not a member of WASH or OSDS. Club support was not pursued.

Membership Directory- was sent out to all members as a PDF in e-mail.

5. Report of President:

Maggi is very happy with the progress of the club! Some of the accomplishments so far this year include:

The Novice clinic: Kathy Knox clinic- Hosted by Cheryl Munson, Audit spot won by New member Susan Ritz, Faansie Clinic, hosted by Joe & Heather Haynes, Audit spot won by, Audrey Swanberg.

New Web page

Social Media- WASH Facebook page open to all, gets lots of looks. Board FB page

Judging night party- hosted by Lisa Berglund- Huge success, people present,13. The video of Dave Imas and Tip running in Nursery at Dirt Blowing trial was watched and judged, each person was given at judges score sheet and then discussion was open. There were lots of great questions, Sandy Johnson and Jeff Marroni gave their views on scoring. It was very informative.

To Jane's point: We did have some old members rejoin WASH so they could come to the Judging party. Both JB Brick and Gael Gann asked if they could attend and join

Clinic Audit spots for members

This has been a big boost to the club adding new members and return of old members.
BIG HUGS!! MUCH LOVE!! To everyone who has helped or attended a function.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

AWARDS BANQUET

It was suggested it be held at Fido's Farm Labor Day weekend, Jeff will contact Chris to see if she is okay with us holding it then. Unsure if this trial has pay out for placements.

Club awards this year will be pictures of award winning teams. Will ask winning teams for their favorite picture to be matted and framed. Lisa suggested having metal pictures made for the teams.

It was suggested that we also add dog awards such as toys & food.

It was also suggested that we pay a photographer to take those pictures.

Last year the wards cost \$250.00.

There are 6 (six) total awards. Jeff proposed \$500 as the award budget for this year- Board voted, all agreed to a budget of \$500 for awards. Jane brought up the that for awards there are 9 (nine) awards not 6 (six) awards. This needs to be clarified. The By-Laws are not specific on how many awards will be awarded.

Other award suggestions included:

At Chris's trail have collard sheep and the team that had a collard sheep in their group would be considered for a prize.

Team awards- Past history there were team awards with Nov, Pro Nov and Open on the team. It was a great way to engage with novice handlers.

AWARDS DINNER

Will have a BBQ- Free to members, and potluck for sides and drinks. Budget for the banquet \$200.00. Voted on by the board. All agreed. The budget for the Awards dinner will be \$200.00.

USBCHA STREAMING OF THE NATIONAL FINALS 2017

WASH will donate \$100 to support USBCHA streaming. The board voted- All agreed

Judy will send a check to USBCHA for \$100.00

WASH BUCKS:

We would like to offer to a member of the club \$250.00, to be used towards, Lifetime membership to WASH, OSDS, USBCHA, or a clinic of their choice.

We as a club feel we should offer cool stuff for our members. The idea is to promote education for members.

ALL members are included. Rules are: Members must be current in their membership as of Aug 1st of each year. A certificate will be given to the winner at the Awards Banquet. The winner will have to let the board know how they would like to spend their certificate. There will be no exchange of money from club to member.

Exchange of WASH BUCKS to be further discussed.

2017 FINALS

It was suggested there be a special award to the WASH Members qualifying for Finals. Discussion included members were acknowledged last year with a card and posting on the WASH FB page. Suggestion for an award to the highest pointed WASH team using USBCHA points. No vote was taken to create an award for the highest pointed WASH team.

NEW BUSINESS

NEXT NOVICE CLINIC

Coming soon

October 21st & 22nd.

Where: TBA- suggestions included Joe & Heathers, Fernando's or Lori Schubert's place.

NEW MEMBERS!

Directors leaving us are Jeff Marroni and Kathleen Torkelson. Thank you for your contribution and hard work. You will be missed by all of us.

New directors for a 2 yr. term will be Tim Browne and Richard Wilson. We all Welcome you aboard!

Secretary will continue to be Cindy Baker

The 2yr term will start August 1, 2017. Welcome everyone

INSURANCE

Maggi felt this is very important and all members should know.

OSDS insurance used for clinics only cover OSDS members if an incident should happen requiring insurance coverage. It's recommended that all members should also become members of OSDS and USBCHA to benefit from their insurance coverage.

USBCHA sanctioned trial classes, not including Novice. Cover their members.

More discussion is needed about current insurance for WASH club and OSDS coverage. It's a very complicated topic. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Membership renew opens July 1st. Cindy will notify all members. Judy has said members can give her membership renewal money to her at any trial she attends.

Board meeting adjourned: Cindy motioned, Kathleen 2nd meeting adjourned at 11:56AM.

Jane brought up concerns about this topic.

Maggi response is, that the insurance issue needs to be dug into for more information. From what I understand only members of the "host" club are covered and only trial committee people who are members are covered by the Sportsman Policy. So, if a competitor has something happen at a trial they are not covered by the policy but a member is. The host cannot be held liable. BUT, I would like to get more information and clarity before our next meeting.

GENERAL MEETING

Called to order: 12:03

Members attending: President- Maggi McClure, Secretary- Cindy Baker, Directors- Lisa Berglund, Jeff Marroni, and Kathleen Torkelson. General members present- Ellice Freas, & JB Brick.

Maggi welcomed all members attending and brought the members up to date on club activities for the year so far.

Directors- Jeff Marroni and Kathleen Torkelson leave, New Directors Tim Browne and Richard Wilson, Cindy will stay as secretary.

The club is celebrating 10yrs as a club this year 2017.

New Program with WASH Bucks, \$250.00 certificate offered to all current members.

The club will donate \$100 to support streaming of the Nationals this year.

Lisa has updated the WASH web page to be more user friendly and added the WASH Facebook page and WASH board member page.

Kathleen suggested the club sponsor a speaker to speak in Eastern Washington

The club wants to increase membership annual dues from \$15 to \$20. This will be put to a full membership vote. We have accomplished a lot this year, offering members more learning opportunities and we will be in line with the other clubs.

JB suggested the club have a stockman ship clinic. No dogs just about sheep. Ideas were shared

Washington Sheep Association as a place to find a speaker. Someone from the extension program. Mike Neary is one of our ABCA directors, a dog trial enthusiast, and professor at Purdue. He heads the Purdue Animal Sciences Research and Education Center (Sheep).

Cindy suggested using Ronny Smiths farm during lambing time to have a one or two day lambing class.

Members thought the audit spots are a great idea along with the Novice Clinic. They really appreciated the judge's remarks when standing at the post and appreciate the WASH FB page.

Good feedback was given about Temple Grandin speaking at the Vashon Sheepdog Classic this year. Some remarks were that she was a very dynamic speaker, very engaging.

There is interest in speakers unique to other clubs and the trialing community.

JB wanted to know what the club does to keep things in balance and keep the club running. i.e. influx of income coming in with income going out.

Next Board Meeting- TBA

Suggestions include creating merchandise, changing the logo to be simpler to use creating merchandise. Car magnets, hat, shirts.

JB will work on a new logo and propose it at the next meeting.

Focus is still towards education of the younger groups and better handling.

There was GREAT feedback from all attending.

Meeting was adjourned at 1250