

Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 14 Oct 2017

Meeting Called to order: 4:21 PM by President Maggi McClure

Present at meeting: Maggi McClure President; Sandy Eccker Vice President; Cindy Baker Secretary; Judy Norris Treasurer; Tim Browne, Lisa Berglund, JB Brick, Jane Hickman Directors and Cheryl Munson WASH Web master

Opening statement: Maggi wanted to read our Mission statement because this is the focus of our members and club. To keep on track, we will review our mission statement often.

“The mission of the Washington Association of Stockdog Handlers is to encourage good stockmanship and positive sportsmanship, while fostering the spirit of camaraderie and good will through training clinics, ISDS style or field trial competitions, clinics, and other events.

The association seeks to provide mentorship and educational opportunities that encourage conscientious handling of stockdogs, which limits stress on both livestock and dogs.:

Treasurers Report by Judy Norris

Current balance \$7,585.57

\$1200 out of PayPal to checking account.

Paid out:

Chris Soderstrom \$340 for Novice Clinic

Jeff Marroni \$30.95 for Novice booklet

AWARDS Dinner- Held Sept 2nd at Fido's Farm

Awards Dinner final cost:

S/W Insurance Donated \$500 to offset our awards. WASH had not received the payment at the time of the meeting. It has been received now.

Cindy- \$63.00; Sandy: \$152.29; Jeff \$21.00. No receipts were received from Kathleen Torkelson for last year's awards.

That'll Do photography was paid \$100 for image & printing was \$25 for Noel's photo

Bags \$250 +Embroidery \$68.42 = \$318.42 Budget was \$350

AWARDS- missed spelled names, Paul Murray, & Ann West. Will need to be fixed.

Donations: last year, \$100 donated to Ravensgate for the Maryann Lindsey Award 10/15/2016.

Jane motioned to donate \$100 to Ravensgate for the Maryann Lindsey Award, Maggi 2nd the motion all present agreed. \$100 will be donated to Raven's Gate

Secretaries Report by Cindy Baker

Membership renewal process. The best and most accurate information comes when Judy forwards the PayPal receipt. It's difficult to keep accurate member information when all their information is not sent.

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Suggestion is to have renewing members who drop off cash or check complete the membership form on line, so it can be sent forward to the secretary.

OLD BUSINESS

The live streaming of the National Semi Finals in Virginia was held Saturday Sept 30, at Lisa Berglund's home. Breakfast of Bacon & Eggs served, It was a GREAT day, 6 people attended and watched all day.

WASH BUCKS- winner Tim Ballard

WASH BUCKS Winners will register and pay the regular registration fee for the clinic or club of their choice. Then the club will reimburse the member after the clinic is completed or the receipt for club membership. A picture with the clinician would be nice to be able to post.

Chris Soderstrom has asked the club to hold an Outrun/lift/fetch day.

WASH's Fall clinic will be an Outrun/lift/fetch clinic and will be held in Honor of Roger Edwards

Date will be 16 Dec at Fido's Farm.

There will be 3 stations: Post & Pen, Set out and exhaust. With 3 levels for outrun practice, Novice/ Pro Nov and Open. Advanced handlers will be available to help Novice handlers work with sheep without their dogs, Novice handlers can also help with set out and exhausting of the sheep if they choose. Those interested will sign up.

INSURANCE- Tabled- on going for more research and discussion are needed.

NEW BUSINESS

Member input for next Novice Clinic

NOVICE Clinic

Linda & Ross Morgan-would be interested in learning more about all aspects, thanks. Knowing more about managing the draw, if there are any particular tips.

Susan Ritz- I haven't trialed yet, something on the first trials...do's and don'ts and tips could be helpful. Also, any funny OMG's from first trial experiences that the now experienced handlers could share with the very newbie novices like me.

Kathy Rivers-How about a little discussion on caring about the sheep? Don't run them all over, common courtesy at trials, understanding the different sheep. How to handle your dog to make you a better competitor.

Education Suggestion by Sandy: Judging clinic, Judging the open double lift. Suggested open judges, Norm Close, Patrick Shannahan or Alasdair MacRae.

AWARDS

The trial host requests sanctioning by USBCHA, there is a cost involved to sanction. OSDS there is no cost to sanction but must specifically ask.

WASH does not sanction trials we are specific for WASH trial Points only. The top 5 trials a handler team enters are tallied for top spots.

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JB suggested a Library for training & sharing resources

Books, video to loan by other members. - On going discussion
Chris Soderstrom has a Library.

Suggested idea to have available to novice handlers are Webinars, on line tutorial about basics and "Little Hats" link.

Kathy Knox Clinic October Audit spot- Big THANK YOU to Cheryl Munson who offered two spots one WASH member, Ellice Freas and OSDS Member Sally Tibbits

Meeting adjourned: 6:26 PM Tim 2nd, all agreed. Meeting was adjourned.