

ATCA Hunting/Working Committee Minutes

Chairman Dave Morgan called the ATCA H/W Committee meeting to order at 7:05 pm on Friday, March 23rd, 2007. Committee members in attendance included Dave Morgan, Dorothy Miner, Lawrence Alexander, Joyce Contofalsky, Paula Falk, Karen LaPierre, Dave Merryman, Shelia Mors, Jim Middaugh, Dale Burrier, Kim Burrier, Jerry Sibert, Steve Gilbert, Bonnie Gilbert, Suzanne Hampton, Mal Graham. Guests in attendance included Mike Fisk, Kim McPeek, Tom McPeek, Stuart Tardif, Bill Westhaus, Sandi Cooley, Barbara Weiss, Dr. Ed Weiss, Corally Burmaster, Ellen Gordon, George Gordon and Barb Tulanko, Alan Gorab.

Roll call and introduction of guests.

TREASURY

In absence of a written report, Morgan instructed Treasurer Bonnie Gilbert to prepare the annual fiscal report to be filed with the board at the end of June. Suzanne Hampton requested that copies of this document and the board report be circulated to the committee at the end of the ATCA fiscal year. Bonnie reported a cash on hand of \$4,142.99 as of 3/16/07. Most cash expected to expended by the end of the Field Nationals, as we had spent \$2,000 since Tuesday. Dave commented that all fundraising, including MCKC was down for 2007.

CORROSPONDENCE

1) Cary Drijber has resigned from the HW Committee due to other pressing commitments and wishes the Committee success in future.

2) Brazilian Dog Magazine requested photos and info. Chris Halverson sent info (as she speaks some Portuguese).

3) Canadian KC 2008 offers possible hunt test/WC entries. Yvan Mongeon offered his application synopsis.

4) American Field Journal requests on the Field Nationals.

5) Steve reported on his Airedale Club of England Article.

6) NAHRA removed Airedales from titling list and Morgan resigned. NAHRA Pres asked Dave to return.

NATIONALS

HT Secretary Paula Falk reported approx. 180 separate entries, including 30 newcomers

REGIONAL TESTS

Dave asked Dale to report on Regional Hunt Tests. Dale reported that the 2007 Virginia Hunt Test and Workshop was successful. There was a good entry for the workshop and average entry for the fur test. Dale reported that the Cooley, Black Swamp (Dorothy) and Standish tests were planned and the Fun

event in November was set-up. Dale said that he and Paula will be scouting locations for a hunt test in conjunction with the Wisconsin floater

Dave thanked Dale for the regional report and the success of the Virginia event.

Stu Tardif offered to host a late September testing New England. Dave asked for a sub-committee to establish guidelines to establish non-ATCA HW hosting guidelines. Dale offered to do Steu's event as a "test case" and form a committee to evaluate procedures.

TROPHIES

Suzanne, Bonnie, Dara Fisk, Dorothy

Modify Road Dog trophy to all dogs passing most tests in the event of a tie, without consideration of score ranking.

Guest Sandi Cooley asked why Winston trophy had no catalogue photo. Dave replied that none of the memorial trophies had a photo.

Motion by Kim Burrier to include photos of all trophies. Middaugh second. All yes except 2 abstain.

FUR TEST

Dale, Steve. Middaugh, Lanning, Younkins No report on pre-novice level test, Dave asked the sub-committee to revisit the issue.

HUNTING INSTINCT

Dorothy and Dave developed, Weiss developed point system. Burrier prepared score sheet and will prototype tests at WOTA fun event day.

HISTORIAN

Dorothy, as Committee Historian made a plea for all information, documentation and photos, etc to be sent for a possible future display. Guest Weiss asked that a CD format be developed in future as backup, and for easy distribution. Dorothy agreed to prepare standing rules and procedures

TAX STATUS

Dave read Charlie's email from Feb 06

SVAIREDALE@aol.com Hide

To:

Evadnagrom@aol.com

Cc:

LYNAIRE@aol.com; SBoeving@aol.com; DBAIREDALE@aol.com; whodunitky@bellsouth.net; lbsf@hotmail.com; Ellgor@aol.com; mkippp@worldnet.att.net; Jimdee123@aol.com; BristolAir@aol.com; smetcalf@maine.rr.com;

I assumed the whole board was copied in.

3/3/06<<Dave:

As you suggested, to have H/W incorporate independently as did Rescue (e-mail

Feb/27/ 2006). I feel you should take this up with H/W Committee at your March meeting. Contact me and the ATCA Board with their proposal and background as to their reasons and we will include this on the agenda for the June meeting. I would appreciate your attendance at the June meeting to discuss this issue.

Charlie>>

Dave read last year's board minutes re-this:

Dave then spoke of the idea that the Hunting/Working Committee separate from the ATCA for tax and accounting purposes, as suggested by Charley Foley, ATCA president. Much discussion ensued regarding the pros and cons of becoming a separate entity. Suzanne motioned that the Hunting/Working Committee "wishes to reaffirm its commitment to remain an integral part of the Airedale Terrier Club of America, and to continue it's long term efforts to benefit the Airedale Terrier". Seconded by _____, the vote carried unanimously.

Dave asked for sub-committee report.

Steve reported on the history of Rescue's incorporation. Rescue continues to report financials to the board, but as a courtesy only.

Sheila reported that she had formed an Ohio corporation, Hunting Working Airedales, Inc and was pursuing 501C4 tax status with IRS. (spontaneous applause)

Westhaus asked about tax status issues based on his research for the ATCA. Bill advised a return must be filed even if no taxes are paid. Suzanne reminded that contributions were not tax deductible.

AS the corporation was at the disposal of the HW committee. The HW Committee approved:

1) The adoption of the corporation, Hunting Working Airedales, Inc., to operate the mechanics of the testing program.

2) Charged the sub-committee to develop the tax status of the new corporation. (since done 501C4)

3) The adoption of a logo for the corporation.

4) Tabled the adoption of a mission statement for further discussion. (Bonnie move-Suzanne 2nd)

Discussion of Tom Rose Seminar and grant from the Charitable Trust in support

Educational contribution from Clarks, Care-A-Lot discussed. Dave should write to them!

Suzanne moved to approved the 2006 minutes as distributed

New Business

Bonnie displayed WOTA artwork by June Dutchers Niece, showed new H/W Airedale Logo approved unanimously. Dale mentioned that commercial companies such as Kinkos will not reproduce logo without ok letter from artist.

Carol Walker asked what voice does the general membership have in H/W. Dave replied that H/W is a committee of the ATCA Suzanne and Bill Westhaus replied that other than joining a committee or voting.

Bonne spoke of Bill Westaus long serve to ATCA and would like to use him as advisor to H/W Airedales Inc.

Dave would like to form committee for Judges education for H/W events, approved unanimously.

Dave will ask committee members for ideas on H/W Marketing.

Lawrence spoke of Henry Johnson, being 82 years old, Dale moved that H/W committee retire bib #1 in perpetuity in Henry Johnson's name. passed unanimously

Dave spoke of Saturdays events and running order retriever and upland trials

Dave Merryman spoke of gunnary

Suzzane motioned to adjurn at 8:55 pm

'seconded by Kim Burrier.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly A. Burrier