

Idaho Retriever Club 2024 Annual Meeting
January 27, 2024

President Dale Langhorne called the 2024 annual meeting of Idaho Retriever Club members to order at 7:50 p.m., at Louie's Restaurant in Meridian. He extended a warm welcome to the evening's approximately 30 attendees, who had just enjoyed a combination of Italian dishes, pizza, and dessert.

Dale first extended thanks to Pete Ciraulo, the Davis family, and Jeff Weber and Chris Merrill (Hot Dog Heaven in Emmett) for event grounds use in 2023.

Linda Harger acknowledged and thanked several longtime Club members in attendance—Raleigh and Dee Hawe, Jack Smith—while also noting the ours is a Club of longstanding, since 1949 (the oldest such club in the northwest).

Dale asked for a Treasurer's report from Blair. That report indicated a checking account increase of about \$3,700 and a year-end balance of \$10,879.16. The Club's investment accounts also recovered about \$6,640 in value, up to \$40,021.06.

The Nominating Committee of Micah Duffy, Scott Hayes, and Laura Nordberg had submitted the existing officer slate and new Board nominees of Jan Holshevnikoff and Mark Rombal. Dale brought the slate up for member consideration. Dina Perugini had questions about the process, which Micah addressed. The slate was approved by a vote of 15 to one.

Diane Mazy gave an update about the Club's website. The prior webmaster has been contacted and new volunteers found to take over. Dina Perugini had questions about the process, seeking to ensure that the Club does not again lose website control.

Linda Harger moved that the Club hold a February special meeting at which matters of concern raised by Dina could be discussed. The motion received several seconds and was approved by voice vote. Dale will proceed with planning. Linda expressed the hope that all would attend.

Most picnic trial entrants have switched to training rather than competing, but one award was forthcoming. George Rogers won the Open class with Blaine Hyde's dog Deke, a fitting tribute to their long friendship after Blaine's passing last year. Brett noted that a volunteer will be needed for the Saturday 3/9 picnic trial because he will be out of town.

The meeting was officially adjourned at 8:30 pm, followed by the evening's raffle of varying prizes donated by Club members.