

Idaho Retriever Club—03/30/2015—Board Meeting & Minutes
(*DRAFT*, pending approval at subsequent Board meeting)

President George Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m., at his home in Meridian. Attendees were Secretary Brett Crow, Treasurer Chuck Kiehn, and Board Members Jack Smith, Pete Eromenok, Willie Alderson, Mike Wheeler, Pat Kilroy, and Ben Echevarria. Micah Duffy and Dina Perugini also attended. Vice President Rich Charrier was absent.

Jack Smith moved, and Chuck K. seconded, that the reading of minutes be waived. A voice vote affirmed the motion.

Brett and Chuck jointly addressed financial matters, because their schedules have delayed the full transfer of Treasurer responsibilities to Chuck. Still, they have met and plan to complete transfer details before mid-April, by meeting at the bank to arrange Chuck's signature authority. Chuck has arranged address changes for the Club's investment accounts, a detail not addressed since Mary Hanrahan's departure. Quarterly statements for the accounts will arrive soon. The checking account holds approximately \$10,900.

Willie Alderson addressed planning matters for the April Hunt Test. The judges' dinner will be at Killian's in Ontario, Friday 04/17. Transportation from the airport for judge Jim Charbonneau needs to be arranged. Willie has Motel 6 arrangements but Brett also has Clarion arrangements—upon confirming that judges find the Motel 6 appropriate, Willie will contact Brett to cancel the Clarion arrangements. Credit card authorization for the Motel 6 will then be needed.

Dina will be the Head Marshal. Micah will be the head Gun Captain. Willie has five hired throwers and will work with Chuck to ensure that W-9 tax forms are properly filled out. Brett will take care of toilet delivery. Willie knows to contact Jeff Weber about live ammo, popper guns, and popper loads. George will procure water, drinks, and ice. Barb Young will take care of lunches. Brett observed that the most recently used Subway restaurant, just north of the grounds on Hwy 95 in Fruitland, is no longer in business. Willie will relay that information to Barb.

Blaine will serve as Gun Captain for the O/H Qualifying, and Dina will be marshal. Dina raised a hunt test participant question—about the possible provision of duck bands for entrants who receive a qualifying score. Dina will research cost and other details about possibly doing so in the future.

Some field trial planning has begun, and final planning details may occur via phone and email. George has awards for the April O/H Qualifying—nicely sized and engraved wooden cutting boards. The Board approved the same as awards for the Spring and Fall trials, and George will get them. George will also see to judges' gifts for all the events—Cabela's gift cards in the amount of \$50.

George is in the process of lining up help for the May field trial. Dina will marshal the event. Dina has four reserved rooms for judges at the Birch Glen for the fall trial, which occurs this year on Labor Day weekend. George will investigate reduced RV rates at the Riverside trailer

park for trial participants. George and Linda will also consider asking Phil Davis about limited dry camping for trial participants on the ranch property. Also, George has placed a deposit at the Fisherman's Point park in Cascade for a Saturday evening tailgate. Plans are for a raffle, and a meal in the \$10 price range (roughly: grilled steaks, sides, spuds, rolls, dessert).

George hopes for a work day at the Pete C. Fruitland property, although time is short. Burners and cutters are needed for brush and tules around the ponds, but the next two weekends feature Easter, a TVHRC training day, and the TVHRC Hunt Test. After discussion, Micah will take the lead, with Brett contacting Club members via email about working at 1 pm on Friday 04/03. Willing and able Club members should contact Micah.

Brett has received a nomination request for 2016 Master National judges, along with a list of eligible persons. The discussion narrowed the list to Paul McGinnis, Bill Teague, Allyn Foster, and Katherine Urquidi. Brett will meet this week with Laura Foster, the Club's MNRC delegate, to narrow the four down to three, have the form signed, and mail it in.

Linda Harger presented a request, via Brett, for a \$150 donation by the IRC, for the worker's party at this year's National Amateur in Ronan, MT. George so moved, Pat seconded, and a voice vote approved the expense. Brett will handle the details.

Finally, there was some loose discussion about possibly seeking a different summer hunt test date. Dina noted that last year's committee had found such a move difficult, in the sense of actually finding an available and suitable weekend. We will wait and see how things go this year at the second test.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.