



March 2019

Wisconsin Amateur Field Trial Club



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Officers

President: T. McLeod
Vice-President: Nancy Bauer
Treasurer: Paul Lampert
Secretary: Jim Powers

Board of Directors

Dick Dallesasse 2020
Dana Williams 2020
Nancy Bauer 2020
Paul Lampert 2020
Jim Powers 2020
Michelle Chalupka 2021
John Pena 2021
Nan Hegerty 2021
Carl Matuszeski 2021
Mark Tesch 2021
Richard Reesman 2019
Dave Juedes 2020
Rich Barnett 2019
Tom McLeod 2019
Jeff Schilz 2020

Board Meetings

April 15, May 6, July 8,
Aug 12, Nov 4, and
January 4, 2020, 3 PM,
Board Meeting and Annual
Banquet at Iron Ridge Inn
Restaurant

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Membership

Membership Report: The secretary reported the mailing of 117 renewal notices and as of the January 5th board meeting 84 had responded (about 72% as compared to the previous year). One person has indicated she will not be renewing, Elaine Gauthier. Jim stated that he had received \$12,487 in dues renewals, \$2,775 in assessments and a \$100 donation from Fred Kampo. Jim distributed a sheet of members who have not responded as of yet and who have assessments. Members had until January 31st (grace period) to renew or face being non-renewed.

2019 Board Members: The opening and tabulating of the sealed ballots was entrusted to Judy Powers and her assistants George Hegerty and Karen Schilz. The secretary announced the results of the election. Elected board members to serve three-year terms ending in 2021 included: Mark Tesch, Nan Hegerty, Michelle Chalupka, Carl Matuszeski, and new board member John Pena.

Election of Officers: For Treasurer: Motion made by Dana Williams and seconded by Dick Dallesasse to nominate Paul Lampert for treasurer. Paul accepted. Motion passed. For Secretary: Motion made by Paul Lampert and Tom McLeod to nominate Jim Powers for office of secretary. Jim accepted. Motion passed. For Vice-President: Motion made by Paul Lampert and seconded by Dave Juedes to nominate Nancy Bauer for Vice-President. Nancy accepted. Motion passes. For President: Motion made by Paul Lampert and seconded by Dave Juedes to nominate Tom McLeod for the office of President. Tom accepted. Motion passed.

Life Membership Requests: The secretary stated that he had received three letters requesting life membership from the following: Mary and Sergio Castineyra, Gary Epple and Tom McLeod. Jim read a letter from Mary and Sergio requesting life membership. They have met the time and age requirements. Motion by Dick Reesman and seconded by Paul Lampert to approve. Motion passed. Jim read a letter from Gary Epple requesting life membership. Motion by Paul Lampert and seconded by Dave Juedes to approve. Motion passed. Lastly, Jim read a note from Tom McLeod requesting life membership. Tom has met the requirements with the exception that he will turn 65 in February. The board waived the one month difference. Motion made by Paul Lampert and seconded by Dave Juedes to approve. Motion passed.

Professional Membership Application: The secretary indicated that there will be an anticipated vacancy on the pro membership roster with the expected non-renewal of Rick Winnie due to health problems. Jim said he had contacted Greg Brda to see if he was interested in applying for WAFTC membership in 2019. Greg stated he was interested and Jim mailed an application to him. Due to Rick Winnie's health problems, motion was made by Dave Juedes and seconded by Paul Lampert to waive Rick's assessment for 2018. Motion passed. Motion made by Nan Hegerty and seconded by Paul Lampert to extend the same provision of the club having application and check in hand to enable Greg Brda to use the grounds prior to he being voted on. Motion passed.

Financial

Treasurer's Report: Paul Lampert sent copies of the report to board members and also provided additional copies at the board meeting for distribution. The report covered activity from January 1 through December 31, 2018. There was a balance of \$56,104.06 in the club's general account; \$1,349.99 in the hunting test account; and \$1,500 in the field trial account for a grand total of \$58,954.05. The current mortgage balance is \$106,750.62. All bills have been paid. Motion by Michelle Chalupka and seconded by Carl Matuszeski to approve the treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Budget vs Actual Expenses for 2018: Paul Lampert distributed a comparison report of 2018 actual expenses against budgeted amounts. The club showed a budget surplus of \$6,423. As planned this covered the \$6,100 the club spent on major projects.

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Event Chairs

Spring Licensed Field Trial
Tom McLeod 262.673.4869
Mark Tesch 920.210.1164

Fall Licensed Field Trial
To be assigned

Licensed Trial Secretary
Nan Hegerty 414.491.2520

Spring Hunting Test Chair:
Rich Barnett 847.878.0269
Stu Henderson 920.948.4323

Summer Hunting Test Chair:
Rich Barnett 847.878.0269

Hunting Test Secretary
S. Dorscheid 920.583.3460

Grounds: Carl Matuszeski
920.689.2396

Newsletter: Gary L. Epple
262.662.1038

Calendar of Events

Spring Fld Trial, May 10-11-12
Spring H.T., May 25-26-27
HMHRC Event, Jun 21-23
Ozaukee Fld Trial, Oct 3-6

Membership Mtg, 5:30 PM
& Annual Banquet
January 5, 2019

Board Meeting 3:00 P.M.
Iron Ridge Inn
Restaurant

Financial (cont)

Budget Proposal for 2019: Paul Lampert distributed copies of the 2019 budget which showed \$45,800 in revenue and \$53,217 in projected expenses. The difference of \$7,417 to be taken out of cash reserves to balance the budget. Paul stated that we need 4 new wingers at a cost of \$475 each.

Committee Reports

Grounds Improvement Committee: Nancy Bauer distributed a spreadsheet on the status of projects completed in 2018 and anticipated projects for 2019. Nancy stated that she did not anticipate any problems in presenting the club's proposal and request for a permit for the extension of the road on the Ev Hosea property at the Dodge County Board Land Resources and Parks Committee meeting. (The Dodge County Board voted and unanimously approved our request). It was noted that the club would still have one full year to complete the project after the permit was granted. Also, the scrape to be done east of ditch and the road going up the hill on the Ev Hosea grounds are still in the 2018 budget and have to be completed. Proposed projects for 2019 in priority order include: 1) Seeding of disturbed areas (est \$1000) 2) Scrape east of ditch (est \$2,500) and 3) Completion of road north to the end of hill on Ev Hosea property (est \$3,500).

Grounds Maintenance Committee: Dave Juedes distributed copies of the weed control plan offered by Wisconsin Lake and Pond Resource LLC. The report offered two options to deal with algae/plant growth and to improve pond/water health. Option 1 offered the club a Basic Pond Management Plan where the club would be relieved of any management requirements. This plan was the most expensive. Option 2 offered an "as needed Management Plan" where the club is responsible for contacting WI Lake & Pond when the ponds needed treatment. Estimated cost per acre would be \$550 to \$600. It was suggested that the club present this opportunity of maintaining our ponds to the membership, hoping someone would step forward. Carl Matuszeski announced that the grounds work days for 2019 would be February 2 and August 3. He also announced that Brad Strobel from Neosho will again cut/hay our property in 2019. He plans to do two cuttings and will pay the club \$850 for 170 bales.

Events

Ozaukee Request for Grounds Use: Michelle Chalupka, secretary of the Ozaukee RC presented a written request from the Ozaukee RC to again lease WAFTC grounds for its October 3-6 field trial event. The terms of the offer to lease the Ev Hosea grounds would be similar to last years to include: \$500 for use of grounds, plus \$5 per running dog and proof of insurance. Motion was made by Paul Lampert and seconded by Nan Hegerty to approve the lease request and to counter propose the price per dog from \$5 to \$6. Motion passed.

Horicon Marsh Hunting Retriever Club Event: The president received a request from Cheri Lewitzke to again lease the WAFTC grounds for its June event. Set up day will be Friday, June 21st with testing to be done on June 22 and 23. Financial arrangements will be the same as in the past with \$1,500 for grounds rental and \$6 per dog ran. WAFTC will need proof of insurance. Motion made by Paul Lampert and seconded by Carl Matuszeski to approve HMRC's request.

Spring Field Trial: Dates of the spring trial are May 10, 11 and 12. Tom McLeod and Mark Tesch have graciously consented to co-chair the event,

Spring Hunting Test: Dates of the spring hunting test/owner hander qual are May 25, 26 and 27. Rich Barnett has recruited Stu Henderson to co-chair the event.

Announcements and Correspondence

The secretary reported that longtime friend and member of the Madison RC, Vern "Nellie" Nelson had passed away at the age of 81. Also, the secretary read a letter from the Bird Dog Foundation, thanking the club for its donation of \$129.50 to the Retriever Building and Endowment Fund.