



Tejas Hunting Retriever Club

Meeting Minutes

November 5th, 2008

Vice President Chris Wise called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Speaker

Steve Biggers of Rocky Creek Retrievers was the guest speaker. The first half of his talk was directed to newer owners and younger dogs. He discussed the importance of high standards, consistent obedience and the use of single retrieves.

Visitors

Mr. and Mrs. Ludwick - Former member who moved back to Houston in August after being relocated overseas. They will rejoin the club. Have 1 black Lab, Lucy, 4 years old.

Jeff Casey - 15 week old male Lab, his 1st dog. Heard about us via the website.

The reading of the minutes was waived.

Treasurer's Report

No Treasurer's report was presented.

Hunt Test Committee Report

Clint Zentic reported that we ran 263 dogs at our Fall AKC Hunt Test. The results have been posted on Entry Express and judges scoring books and test summary submitted to the AKC. Initial financials suggest we netted \$2200 on this event. Clint is still waiting on gas receipts from some judges and the City Kids expenses before a final financial report is ready.

2009 Officer Nominating Committee

The 2009 slate of officers was presented by Committee Head Lou Davis.

President - Mark Littlejohn

Vice President - Chris Wise

Secretary - Bob Delperdang

Treasurer - Clint Zentic

Member at Large - Jerry Moulden

As these nominees were running unopposed, the vote was taken by a show of hands. 19 club members were present and the slate was approved by unanimous vote. Chris Wise congratulated the new and returning officers.

Old Business

Chris shared a report from Mark Littlejohn that invitations to the Club Christmas Party on December 3rd have been sent and should have been received. It will be at Guadalajara Restaurant on Katy Freeway from 7:00 until 9:00. The club will foot the bill for all members and a guest. We will have a fajita dinner and there will be a cash bar.

An reminder was given to all members who had dogs receiving titles in 2008 to submit them to Chris so an achievement plaque can be made and presented at the Christmas Party.

The Club is still looking for a Chairman for our Spring 2009 HRC Test. If one cannot be found, the event will be cancelled. Debbie Story has agreed to be the Test Secretary, but not Chairperson.

Sean Hale reported that the AKC has received our request for a Judges Seminar to be held in early 2009. Three potential Saturday dates were provided, with the event to be held at Gander Mountain. We are hoping for the February 7th date as it has the fewest conflicts with hunt tests, etc of the three.

Marty Thompson said that we won't be able to have our annual Pheasant shoot due to the fact that the National Open consumed all available pheasants in the area. To bring in birds from other states would be too expensive. Marty will contact Mr. Priesmeyer to advise him we won't be on the property after all.

Jerry Moulden said that he attended the new Orvis store Grand Opening opening. He manned a table and gave out club brochures and answered questions about the club. Attendance was low, Jerry thinks because of hunting season.

New Business

Training Coordinator Sean Hale said that we will have a mock hunt test on Saturday February 14th at the club training grounds. Volunteers were requested. If enough people attend, Sean would like to cook lunch for the participants.

Other training ideas and requests are to be directed to Sean.

Chris said that he has contacted two veterinarians and James Davis about speaking at 2009 meetings. No firm commitments from anyone yet. Chris circulated a questionnaire asking everyone what they wanted to about in 2009.

We will need a Chairperson and Secretary for the Spring AKC Hunt Test; anyone interested in volunteering should contact Mark.

The meeting was concluded at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karl Dahm
Secretary,
Tejas Hunting Retriever Club