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Upcoming Events and Dates for 2002

Board Meetings:

June 18

August 20

October 15

December 17

General Meetings:

May 21st

August

September

Club Dog Events:

**May 17/18/19 Training grounds off limits for
this weekend. Boy Scouts Spring Camporee.**

May 11th Pointers Fun Trial

May 25/26 - Spaniel Hunt test
Training Grounds/Black Bird

Jun 15th Pointers Fun Trial

Jul 20th Pointer Fun Trial

Jul 27th & 28th Retriever Hunt Test

Aug 17th Pointers Fun Trial

BOARD MEETING 16 Apr 02

Meeting opened at 7:10pm.

Members present- President Randy Setzer, Arthur Van't Hult, David Kirkland, Brian Herzog, Dan Marsh, Kerri Payne, Tracey Setzer

Secretary's report: none

Treasurer's report: none

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Pointers: Dave Kirkland

Results of the NSTRA event held on April 5th & 6th. 1st place to John Edwards and Hawkeye a GSP. Training has begun on Thursday evenings at the training grounds. There will be birds. Handlers must wear orange even when walking their dogs. The training turn out thus far has been excellent. There will be a fun trial on May 11th, 2002.

Spaniels: The field trial that was held on April 6 & 7 was a good event. The financial report is not in yet but it appears that some money may have been lost. For this reason the group is considering moving the trial to the fall.

reason the group is considering moving the trial to the fall. Some reasons for this are: Birds are cheaper in the fall. The birds are better, and therefore fewer birds will be used. Results of the field trial are:

1st place in the open Heather Maxcy and Mesa. This win gives Mesa her (FC) Field Championship.

1st place in the Amateur to Gary Hanvey and Jagger. This win gives Jagger his (AFC) Amateur Field Championship.

John Wright & Sam placed 2nd in the Amateur.

Retrievers:

Well how do I start. It has been a long time since I've been on the board. The last time I was with the spaniel group. Now a little black lab pup showed up and I'm ready to get a new bird dog trained and ready for this years hunting season. The retriever group had had two meetings so far and we have got a lot accomplished. First of all we would like to invite all new and old to our training sessions.

Training sessions on Wednesday starting at 6:00pm and Saturday starting at 1:00 PM unless you hear otherwise. We will be meeting at the horse pasture. We will then split up into two groups one for puppies and the other for the more experienced dogs.

We are asking everyone to pitch in two dollars per training session to take care of training supplies used. Last of all, our hunting test has been scheduled for July 27th & 28th.

Brain Herzog

The fun trial held between the MHGDC & TSRC on March 23rd had a great turn out. There were 31 dogs entered. Placements as follows:

- 1st Richter - Handled by Willene Hunt
- 2nd Rowdy - Handled by Joe Braverman
- 3rd Sunshine - Handled by Anne Olson
- 4th Ernie - Handled by Cal Horner

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -

Dan had purchased the decoys. Dan will get the weights and a bag for the decoys. Dale Spartas would like to make a donation to Block Management - this was tabled to the next meeting following some research that needed to be done.

NEW BUSINESS -

The Boy Scouts will be camping out the weekend of May 17, 18 & 19 at the training grounds.

Fish and Game has limited training just to the training grounds. Other areas of the park are not to be used.

The pointer group had requested the the club look into the purchase of an enclosed trailer to haul items to events. Such items include tent, chairs and such.

A motion was put before the board to look into purchasing a trailer for the club, size approx. 6x12, and at a cost of no more that \$1500.00. The motion passed.

All club members were asked to keep their eyes open for a good used trailer.

The Lewistown Pointer group had requested to use Headwater's tent for the Regional Trials in September. Conrad Kradolpher said he would be there to set up and tear down the tent.

A motion was put before the board to let the Lewistown Pointer group use the tent for the Regional in September under Conrad's supervision. Motion Passed.

It was brought to the attention of the board that the bird pens at Randy Setzer's place were in need of repair. The cost to repair the bird pens was approx. \$89.00 the cost might go as high as \$100.00

A motion was put before the board to repair the bird pens. Motion passed.

The club needs to order ribbons for the events. The price of ribbons has increased, so Tracey is checking pricing.

A motion was put before the board to purchase ribbons. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Pheasant Championship

On Saturday March 16th we held the annual Pheasant championship at the Headwaters training grounds. The weather was nice in the morning and colder and colder as the day went on. I can attest to the cold wind.

First off, I would like to thank the workers who made this event possible. My CO chair, Randy Setzer, contributed more to the event that anyone would expect. He planted virtually every bird, helped organize, helped set up and carried all equipment back after the event.

Tracey Setzer did all of the above and made lunches and hot chocolate for everyone, with help from Karri. Ryan Flair, Al Gadoury, Durc Setzer and Dan Marsh helped plant. Please remember without these folks there is no event. Thank You to all. Please accept my apologies if I missed you.

There was excellent dog work by all of the dogs. Every dog had it's moment in the sun. The handlers and gunners hit some and missed some.

John Mester received the most nervous handler award. Alan Neeley's dog Max, made the longest retrieve. Alan missed his shot but Max would not be deterred. He ran the bird down for over half a mile.

First place went to Dale Spartas/ Ike Todd and Addy (Lab). Addy turned in a truly outstanding performance. She found every bird and retrieved every bird (6) in 17 minutes. No other team was even close. Dale and Ike did not miss a shot. It was a pleasure to watch them.

Second place was taken by Jim Ward/Ike Todd and Jack (English Pointer). They completed their run in 25 minutes. Jack ran big and his finds were outstanding. The team only used 8 shells. I missed their run but I heard that if they had not missed a couple of shots they would have finished much sooner. Great Job

Third place went to Dick Josephson/Ron and K.K. (Wirehaired GP). They got 5 birds and only missed one shot. A good team effort was shown.

Fourth place went to the team of Bill Warden/ Ralph Ferraro and Ellie(GSP). Ellie had some great finds and ran great. Her gunners used a few extra shells or they would have been in the running. Congratulations to Bill, Ralph and Ellie.

I hope everyone had a good time. I know it is always rewarding for me to see all of the different breeds work. Every dog and every handler had their moments of perfection. It was beautiful to watch.

Thanks again to everyone who helped make the event a success. Respectfully Jack Weiss

PUPPIES

Arthur Van't Hul's female GSP Van's Idaho Rose has puppies born 4/25/02 4 males & 4 females. Also 2 year old Rebel's chief is for sale.

FOUND

Chain gang with two stake's - possibly left after the last pointer trial.

Pegging ? - rawhide slide knot to hang birds from. Call Dale Sweetser at 580-8184

Dale also loaned someone his pinch collar. If anybody knows it's whereabouts he would like to have it back.

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