VDD-GNA Atlantic chapter

2018 Annual Meeting Minutes

Middletown PA

20 may 2018

A). Call to Order, 11:00am

1) Roll Call of Board Officers, Present Vice Chairman, Chris Jones. Breed Warden, Fred Turjan, Treasurer, Joe Lowery.

2) There were twenty chapter members in attendance. (Fred will forward the sign in sheet to Nancy)

3) There were no alterations to the agenda

B). There was a motion, not to review the 2017 minutes. This motion was seconded, and the chapter approved. (Since Ana was not present, we did not have a copy of the 2017 minutes to review anyway)

C). Old Business,

1).The chapter fall test schedule is almost complete. And was reviewed with the chapter. These test will be posted by the 1st of June to the GNA web site. We are also trying to add a BTR to this falls line up.

The chapter opted not to do a breed show this summer. And would rather wait and have a breed show at our next annual meeting.

D). New Business

1).The operation protocols regarding RR has been amended. There will no longer be voting by proxy. A member most be present at the meeting to vote. One person one vote! However the chapter does wish to maintain the regional reps as a source of contact for new members.

2).The chapter voted to have the 2019 chapter meeting at the Middletown Pa angler and hunters club. On 2-3 March 2019, this meeting is to include a breed show. There will also be trap shooting available. Several chapter members are also DU organizers. And would like to combine our meeting with a DU dinner that night. This was widely thought to be great idea. There will also be seminars involved.
3). The 2019 test schedule was discussed. All of our normal test dates for the spring are pretty well set. Fred may move his test south to a new location. These plans are being worked out.

4). The Armbruster was approved for Gettysburg. The dates should be 25-28.09.2019. Fred is going to check with the local DNR about the dates. Our alternate dates are 18-21.09.2019. TD: Chris Jones, TC: Fred Turjan, Prize table coordinator: John & Lorraine Macintyre, Game Coordinator: William Miller. All of these members were nominated and unanimously approved. We will need to find a way to incorporate as many GLC members has possible. Mostly on the basis of gaining experience. So they are able better run their own armbruster in the future.

5). VDD/GNA AGM motions,
AC Chapter motions,
1). TEST & BREEDSHOW ENTRY, Failed unanimously
2). TRAVEL EXPENSE, Failed unanimously
3). OUT OF REGION JUDGE, Failed unanimously
4). SENIOR JUDGE CRITERIA, Failed Unanimously. The vice chairman explained this motion is somewhat incorrect. The out of chapter judge does not need to be the senior judge. The recommendation is, that they should act as senior. It is still up to the TD to designate the senior judge before the test.
5). GRIEVANCES, Failed unanimously. The chapter felt that there are sufficient rules in place to handle these situations.
6). MEMBER RETENTION, Failed unanimously.

GNA Motions,
1). Raise puppy registration fees, Approved, with one opposing
   2). Apprentice reimbursement, Failed unanimously

Great Plains chapter motions.
1). LOYALTY AND MERIT AWARDS, Failed Unanimously
Heartland chapter motions.

1). GNA PAY FOR ALL VZPO, VGPO’s FOR ALL VR’s, Failed unanimously. The chapter felt that since we pay for our VR books each chapter should do the same. Many of these chapters have substantial bank accounts! They can buy their own damn books!

Midwest north motions.

1). Timeliness of payments, Failed unanimously

2). Number of stud dog breeding’s, Failed unanimously

3). Kennel registration, Approved unanimously. It was noted that this motion will die in Germany if it gets that far. Kennel registration is part of the breeding regulations.

Wild West motion,

1). Most beautiful male/female. Approved unanimously.

6). AC motions.

Motion 1, Repair Delsea beagle club for VDD use. The motion was approved and amended. The AC shall front the money, not to exceed $2,000 for the repair of the rabbit pen. This money is to be reimbursed to the chapter. The money will not be forwarded to Joe until he receives a written contract with the beagle club for the use of the grounds.

Joe Lowry is drafting a letter. That will be sent to all members via email. Asking for a minimum donation of $20 dollars. Any member who chose’s to make a donation will receive a VDD / beagle club card. Allowing them access to the grounds and the pen for training. This is completely voluntary, no member is required to participate. Joe is also organizing work parties throughout the summer to prepare the pen.

This work is critical to our chapter maintaining a testing area in southern NJ.

Joe raised, I believe $450 for the project at the meeting.

AC motion 2, NJ training days, failed unanimously.

Mac and Lorraine, sold $250 worth of merchandise at the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30PM