

German Wirehaired Pointer Club of America

Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

Thursday December 17, 2020

Meeting to order: 7:02pm

Approval of October Meeting Minutes: Lee made the motion to accept the minutes, Bob 2nd.

1. Report of President –

2. Report of the Treasurer -

Fund	Total	Note
General Fund	47990*	Includes memberships and Wire News funds
Membership 2020		See Membership Report
Wire News		See Wire News report
Purina Partnership	4369	Limited to education & health research
Maturity	1805	Includes donations & nominations

*Includes Emergency Funds of \$1065

Items Paid October 26 - December 15, 2020

Amount \$	Notes
40.00	Constant Contact PP 11/13 + 12/13
45.00	Agility Medallion Ck#1115 (Agility competitors covered this in 2019)
271.82	E. Yarnish Reimbursement membership mailings +
18.00	T. Marshall Wordpres/website reimbursement
Wire News	
1963.40	Johnson Press Ck#1118 Winter WireNews print & ship
1000.00	Johnson Press Postage Estimate
1667.54	Johnson Press Ck#1116 (ck reissued, 1 st not received)
480.00	KMK Design Ck#1114
8.71	A Johnson PP Reimbursment

Please note not all checks may have cleared

3. Report of Secretary

- Kelton Hatton as responded to me about the shout out in the Wirenews looking for someone to take over the GWPCA Facebook page. Sounds very excited and says he has a few ideas related to engagement, membership drive and fundraising.
 - Would be in the best interest of the club to make this an actual committee. Social media is here to stay and instead of avoiding it, we need to embrace it and use it as a tool. Especially when the page is called the GWPCA page.

Stacy will contact Kelton you have him submit a proposal for the January meeting.

- I am looking into a Mail Chimp account for board to email communication with the membership. It is a free service up to 2000 recipients on the list.

Before moving ahead with this Lee will contact Steve K.

4. Committee Reports

A) Bylaws (Ray Calkins) Nothing to Report

B) CHIC (Karen Potter) No Report

C) AKC Delegate (Pat Laurans) No Report

D) FEAC (Liz Dixon) Nothing new to report from the FEAC. We still have 3 of our 4 judges from last year that are interested in judging for us in Michigan. We will discuss how to handle the 2020 Futurity being run in 2021. I will send out a letter soon to the committee to ask for any new judges names, etc.

E) Field Futurity (Tom Lococco) No Report

G) SEAC (Laura Reeves) The AKC Board of Directors last week approved the directive that clubs may hold TWO National specialties in the same year as the result of the show cancellations in 2020 due to COVID restrictions. It is this committee's recommendation to the Board of Directors that the '21 National date/location also host the '20 National events.

- 1) '21 is scheduled as a stand-alone national. One additional day (or two) of 2020 National/Sweepstakes and Futurity/Maturity classes will offer an additional opportunity for scarce major entries.
- 2) Proposed to add the 2020 National and non-regular classes on Thursday, 9/30, with potential to add Wednesday pm or Fri am classes optional.
- 3) The futurity/sweepstakes/non-regular classes will be held for the dogs that would have been entered in 2020, in their same breakdown/age division, just one year older. (This is already slated by Show Futurity Chair Laura Myles).
- 4) The National Specialty Judge, a renowned breeder, selected by the membership to judge, has committed to fulfill her original assignment.
- 5) Cost/benefit ratio should be a wash, as additional entries pay for additional day of the facility etc
- 6) If the 2021 Show Chair/Committee is willing to serve for the '20 show as well, that is the cleanest solution. If not, a show chair/committee will be selected by SEAC for the '20 event.
- 7) This is an issue that needs to be resolved in a timely manner so as to make plans as needed for the additional day(s).
- 8) If the BOD has any questions/concerns in re: the SEAC recommendation, please direct them to SEAC Chair.

Stacy made a motion that the BOD OK having a "2020" National Specialty in conjunction with the 2021 Events in Michigan. Mike 2nd, motion carried. The SEAC will work with the NEC on working out the details.

H) Rescue (Suzanne Oslander) No Report

I) Field Futurity (Tom Lococco) No Report

J) JEC (Judy Cheshire) The Royal Canin show gave me the opportunity to do some ringside mentoring. As far as K9 college goes they would like me to finish it up. However I truly think that we need to do more pictures and video on many dogs.

L) Rescue (Suzanne Oslander) No Report

M) Awards (Lisa Krueser)

N) ROM (Hadley Ramirez) No Report

O) Show Futurity (Laura Myles) No Report

P) Maturity (Jennifer Jacobs) No Report

Q) Merchandise (Kristen Wehking) No Report

R) Versatility (Ariel Wolf) -If water test is to continue to be required for JH, it should be required for NA and JHR as well. The water test includes a 20 yard bird retrieve, whereas in NA it is often bumpers and just far enough to see the dog swim, but nowhere near 20 yards. Comparable retrieves are already done in JHR, but for continuity's sake, especially since water tests can now be submitted virtually, it makes sense to require it to earn the 2 field points for the versatility program.

-PennHIP no longer states if results place a dog within the tightest 50% of the breed. PennHIP's recommendation is to breed a dog that is equal or lower than the breed DI. So when using PennHIP rather than OFA in award application, hips should be equal to or tighter than the GWP average DI. On the Pennhip paperwork it will say what the breed DI is at the time of the dog's testing.

-Master Hunter Retriever does not appear in the 10 point field area as an option and should be included for continuity as JHR and SHR are included.

-Should Preferred Obedience be scored lesser than regular obedience classes when in Preferred Open and Preferred Utility? The only difference from regular obedience is the option for lowered jump height. The same can be said of Preferred Agility classes.

-Should RACH be worth less points for a versatility award than all other prefix performance titles? Rally is to obedience as scent work is to tracking; they have similarities at the start but diverge quite a bit as the levels progress. Champion Tracker (CT) and suffix title Scent Work Detective (SWD) are different but 10 points in respective categories on difficulty. OTCH is competitive and requires wins over other exhibitors. RACH, like the MACH is not competitive, but requires a certain number of points earned in specific classes and qualifying scores in multiple classes. The MACH requires 20 QQs in the Excellent B classes. The RACH requires 20 QQQs in the Advanced B, Excellent B, and Master classes.

-Is Therapy Dog titles not a form of versatility given that it requires both training and certification to become a therapy dog? If it is deemed a form of versatility, the titles should remain in an ancillary category.

Addition of Disc Dog in the ancillary category with the following point designations:

1 point: Disc Dog Bronze (DDB)

2 points: Disc Dog Bronze Elite (DDBE), Disc Dog Silver (DDS)

3 points: Disc Dog Silver Elite (DDSE), Disc Dog Gold (DDG)

4 points: Disc Dog Gold Elite (DDGE), Disc Dog Platinum (DDP)

5 points: Disc Dog Platinum Elite (DDPE), Disc Dog Unobtainium (DDU), Disc Dog Unobtainium Elite (DDUE)

The ancillary dock diving category presently is as follows. AKC has recently added additional title options that I've included in bold. I propose those changes get made to the dock diving area.

Dock Novice OR Dock Junior OR Dock Senior OR Dock Master OR Dock Elite OR Air Retrieve Novice OR Air Retrieve Junior OR Air Retrieve Senior OR Air Retrieve Master OR Air Retrieve Elite OR Hydro Dash Novice OR Hydro Dash Junior OR Hydro Dash Senior OR Hydro Dash Master OR Hydro Dash Elite (1 point)

Dock Novice Advanced OR Dock Junior Advanced OR Dock Senior Advanced OR Dock Master Advanced OR Dock Elite Advanced OR Air Retrieve Novice Advanced OR Air Retrieve Junior Advanced OR Air Retrieve Senior Advanced OR Air Retrieve Master Advanced OR Air Retrieve Elite Advanced OR Hydro Dash Novice Advanced OR Hydro Dash Junior Advanced OR Hydro Dash Senior Advanced OR Hydro Dash Master Advanced OR Hydro Dash Elite Advanced (3 points)

Dock Novice Excellent OR Dock Junior Excellent OR Dock Senior Excellent OR Dock Master Excellent OR Dock Elite Excellent OR Air Retrieve Novice Excellent OR Air Retrieve Junior Excellent OR Air Retrieve Senior Excellent OR Air Retrieve Master Excellent OR Air Retrieve Elite Excellent OR Hydro Dash Novice Excellent OR Hydro Dash Junior Excellent OR Hydro Dash Senior Excellent OR Hydro Dash Master Excellent OR Hydro Dash Elite Excellent (5 points)

This has been tabled until next month's meeting.

S) Nominating Committee (Jodi Quesnell) No Report

T) Wire News (Angie Johnson)

2020 Winter Wire News Expenses. (60 Pages)

Printing \$1,972.90

Graphic Design \$ 480.00

Shipping (Mass Mailing) \$ 990.50

Priority/Foreign/Extra \$ 169.90
Total Expenses \$3,613.30
Add Revenue \$3,100.00
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Profit/Loss \$-513.30
Budget Summer Wire News Profit/Loss \$-513.30
Membership Contribution 30% of 2019 Membership/4 for 4 issues = \$1,227.00 an issue.
Spring Issue \$361.91 under budget
Summer Issue \$-83.71 over budget
Fall Issue \$-21.73 over budget
Winter Issue \$713.70 under budget
Total Budget 2020 UNDER BUDGET \$970.17
Total 2020 Profit/Loss – Loss \$3,917.82

U) Membership Report (Erin Yanish)

- 142 Members
- 100 Households
- 1 Foreign Member

November/December Birthdays

(Birthday Card & Gift Card)

Ryder Hellbusch
Charlie Zimmer
Ja-el McIlvain
Blayre Bastian
Gabriella Ward

Finances

Membership - \$6,440.00
Emergency Rescue \$0
Breeder Listing – \$400.00
Stud Dog - \$90.00
New Application Fees/PP Fees - \$69.78

V) Wire Mail (Steve Kreuser) No Report

W) Wire Web (Taylor Hickman) Website - Dual Champion and NFC/NAFC pages are nearing completion. A legislation page was recently added and is being updated as information is sent. I am getting requests for 2021 National information but haven't received anything official from the BOD to get posted yet. Please send anything that is set in stone.

X) Legislative Liaison (Joan Payton) No Report

5. Directors Reports

West – Cindy Heiller – It appears that Cindy has resigned her position as Western Director. Between work, stress, being depressed and bone tired, she feels she needs to step down at this point. She is sorry she could not finish her term, but being exhausted has net been good. The board will need to appoint someone to her position. Laura Myles, Ray Calkins and apparently Meg Eden are interested in the position.

- Sea-Tac
- Central Oregon
- Oregon
- N. Cal – will have a slate of new officers
- S. Cal

East – Mike Braddock

- Sun Coast
- Fort Detroit
- Del Val Club

Midwest – Linda Smith-Eidemiller I don't have anything to report for our upcoming meeting. I would

like to suggest that the board sends out a Christmas wish to the membership.....haven't seen this before and think it would be very nice. Can someone do this? I'd like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Hoping 2021 will bring you cheer and success with your GWP's.

- Eastern Nebraska Club
- Wisconsin Club
- Twin Cities Club
- Iowa Club

The BOD will email the interested parties asking for a bio and why they feel they would be a good Western Director. It will be discussed and decided at the January meeting.

6. Old Business

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Motion made by Stacy and 2nd by Lee to accept these new members. Motion passed.

Adjournment: 8:37pm

As this was outgoing President Jim Boyd's last meeting everyone took a minute to thank Jim for his time and dedication as President. In January we will welcome Liz Dixon as our new leader and chief.

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2022-Make up Midwest

Potential show site located working with field trial association on potential dates.

Storefront - The merchandise chair and I are working on a selection of items for a November opening.

New Business

Gooddog.com – From Laura Reeves...This is something the BOD might want to consider.... \$2000 for the club to spend on say, for example, the national... and lots of other goodies... I'm an advisor to this platform and can vouch for it... Lisa George is as well. The Good Dog Club partnership program offers cash and/or in kind support... I think I sent you the flyer, but can add more info. No catch. They simply want to help support clubs & responsible breeders. Seems like something we could use for our national events. I think they ask, like Purina does, to use their logo as a sponsor of the event or similar. I can get more details or arrange for a representative to join the bod meeting if that is something folks are interested in doing.

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