

Minutes of Carolina PBGV Club meeting, Saturday, October 18, 2008, at Sleep Inn Hotel and Suites, Concord, NC, Hunt Test Weekend.

In attendance:

Mike Williquette, Ruth Hoffman, Lynn Rowell, Wendy Murphy
Elizabeth Cates , Eccates@gmail.com, Phyllis Lindquist, Shirley Knipe , sknipe@earthlink.net
Maggie Lutz, Ralph Hattox, Susan Hattox, Ron Haas, Wanda Haas, Bobbe Jackson
Paul Urban, Shirley Van Camp

Meeting called to order at 7:17 pm.

Motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting (Lynn Rowell, seconded by Mike Williquette) approved unanimously.

No President's report.

Treasurer's report: Mike W. reported income of \$70 in dues from last quarter, expenses of \$147.77 (judges gifts and goodie bags for October Hunt), with a balance of \$2080.77 remaining.

Secretary's Report: 32 member households with a total of 42 voting members. No applications read. Donna Bruce and Grace Allen (applications read at the last meeting) unanimously approved as members.

Committee reports:

"B" Match--Wendy Murphy reported that the "B" match (to be held Friday, November 14, 2008 at GMKC show after end of the show) has been publicized on the PBGVCA website, the CPBGVC website, and by e-mail to our membership but so far no entries (nothing like leaving it to the last minute, you guys!) She received a communication from AKC in response to our application to hold the match. The salient points were that they strongly recommend against having a 3-6 month class since puppies under 6 months are not supposed to be on the show site, and also that we can't include Grands in our match since we aren't a licensed club yet. We will abandon the 3-6 month class and have Grands participate in an educational event (fun match) after our "B" match activities are complete (conformation anyway).

Hunt Video Committee--Mary Fluke reported that the HVC had met the previous night and discussed some key issues. The first was to determine how and when to involve PBGVCA in this project. While it could be very helpful to go to PBGVCA for resources for larger cost items (post production mainly), the concern was that we weren't really far enough along in the project to be able to determine what we actually needed at this time. The goal is to produce a video aimed at new handlers as well as more experienced people which demonstrates correct hunting behavior of PBGV's in the field, specifically covering the elements in the HIT and Junior Hunter Test. The Hunt Video Committee will put together a plan for getting access to the field with enough people with cameras following dogs that we can hopefully get examples of the various aspects of the hunt that we are trying to document. We discussed

the relative merits of hiring a videographers vs. trying to do our own video. Overall the feeling was that we should work on our own at this point and see how it goes. If at some point in the future we decide that we have something that we can offer to PBGVCA (finished or raw) we will do so but for now the membership decided to continue on our own for the moment.

February Hunt Committee--Kim Mabe has elected not to continue as Hunt Chair after this October Hunt. We thank her for her efforts and her leadership in developing a viable Hunt program over the last 3 years--well done, Kim! Mary Fluke will take over as Hunt Chair for the February 2009 Hunt.

2011 National Committee--Ralph Hattox said that he had received no confirmation from PBGVCA that we could go ahead and negotiate for the hotel venue but Mike Williquette (who is on the board of PBGVCA) stated that the board was operating on the assumption that we would go ahead and continue the process.

Bobbe Jackson and Cass Fisher (in absentia) proposed that the agility event could be held in conjunction with the Charlotte Dog Training Club agility trial that will be held at the same time as our National week. Cass observed that it would be much simpler and cheaper to offer PBGV prizes and trophies at a trial that was already organized by somebody else than it would be to get our own trial together. Mike Williquette expressed concern that there would be overlap between agility and other events (particularly other companion events). Mary Fluke wondered if it detracted from our claim to be holding all of the different events if we piggybacked on a different club for one of them (sort of a bait and switch). Bobbe will confirm the dates for the CDTC agility trial so we can see which way the conflicts will run. Overall the sentiment of the meeting was to go with Cass' plan as described.

Nominating Committee--(report included in the last minutes) all officers will continue to serve in their current positions. Lynn Rowell is nominated for the open seat on the board (which is the seat that she is rotating out of!) No additional nominations were made at the meeting.

No unfinished business.

New business:

Ralph Hattox asked for someone to serve as an advertising co-ordinator. This person will create ads that will be ready for distribution as needed. Maggie Lutz volunteered to take on this role (thank you, Maggie!)

Mary Fluke will send a letter to Karla Diethorn expressing the grateful appreciation of the club for all of the help and mentoring that she has provided us over the years in developing our hunt program and in working with our individual dogs. The membership is encouraged to communicate with her on a one to one basis to further emphasize how much we appreciate what she has done for us.

2009 Regional Specialty at GMKC in November, 2009. Bobbe Jackson has approached PBGVCA regarding this proposed specialty (feasible since the National is in Tuscon that year). Mike Williquette said that the PBGVCA board was fine with us submitting an application to hold this regional. This will be a dry run

for our 2011 National. Bobbe said that we could use the GMKC show classes as our specialty. We would have our choice of judge (must be acted on by the judges selection committee meeting in November) but GMKC would actually pay the judge so we save there. We can have non-regular classes as well (and also performance events included). We will need to get in on the hotel negotiations (not a problem since Bobbe is the specialty chair for the show!!)

Bobbe moved that we apply to PBGVCA to hold a regional specialty in November 2009 (using the GMKC classes as our regional). Seconded by Shirley Van Camp. Approved.

Shirley Van Camp volunteered to be trophy chair for the event. Bobbe will serve as interim Show Chair to help shepherd us through the judges selection process but will not be able to serve after that so someone needs to step up. If anyone wants to volunteer for this position, please contact Ralph or Bobbe.

Our annual meeting will take place Saturday, November 15, in Concord in association with the GMKC show. Ruth Hoffman will identify a restaurant where we can meet and eat.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mike Williquette, seconded by Lynn Rowell. Approved.
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Minutes submitted by Mary Fluke, DVM.