

The Montana German Shorthaired Pointer Club Annual Meeting
Plunkett Lake Shooting Preserve
October 23, 2004

The meeting was called to order at 1:15 p.m. Members present Mark Webb, Bob Poublon, Kerry Newcomer, Jennifer Posthumus, Jim Wittilla, and Nancy Lane.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as printed. Nancy gave a brief update from what was sent out in her letter to the membership about the year's accomplishments. We are now a fully licensed AKC Specialty Breed Club.

The treasurer reported we have a \$793.37 balance in our checkbook. We do have some outstanding expenses not yet submitted from the Jon Hand Seminar. Jim paid the airfare to MT and has not submitted the bill for it to the club. Carol thinks we should order at least four more reversible collars before our next events. Jim returned the collar he still had from our last event. Carol also reported we have two prints, one framed and one matted that were donated that we can maybe use for a raffle to raise funds.

A long discussion followed about what events to pursue in the coming year. The members decided to go with a second John Hand seminar and to have two hunt tests in April or May and a three day event in August to include a walking FT and two HTs. We will need lots of member support to make these events successful.

We have several new members from our complimentary memberships when they buy a pup from one of our current club members. Our new members are: Scott and Crystal Dinges, Dave and Cindy Hyatt, Brian and Amy Sebull, Kris Atteberry and Jennifer Posthumus, Tom McGuire.

Nancy made a motion to clarify our current complimentary membership if we want to continue with it. It was approved to continue giving a complimentary membership with a pointing dog puppy purchased from any of our club members or adopted through rescue. The membership is to be for the current club year, whether it be for 12 months or two.

Leanne made a motion to raise the club dues to meet our fixed expenses. She suggested \$75 for a couple and \$45 for a single. A discussion followed and a decision was made to table the motion to look at again in the future. It is hoped we can make more money with our events in the coming year and not have to resort to raising the dues.

The annual election ballots were counted, all 12 submitted were for the slate of officers as nominated, there were no write-ins.

We need to make an inventory list of all paper goods and other items members have stored for the club in their homes. Then when we have an event we will not have to purchase items we already have. Please send your lists to Leanne so she can try to keep track for us.

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m so the members could continue the fun hunt on the preserve.

Nancy Lane