

MANITOBA GUN DOG ASSOCIATION INC.

April 19, 2023

7:00 PM

Zoom Video Call

**Attendance – Blake Hasiuk, Larry Lewarton,**

**Matt Mutcheson, Crystal Fulton, Allan Robertson, Peter Dozois, Bob Norris, Ross Peden**

**Absent - Dustin Dola, Dewayne Hay**

1. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order at 7:02pm
2. **Approve Agenda** – Ross motioned to approve the agenda, Peter seconded it, all in favour.
3. **Previous Meeting Minutes Approval** – The minutes from February were approved via email and will be posted to the website.

**a**.Apparel – Crystal showed the example page for apparel and order form. Everyone is ok with the files, so an email will be sent to membership with both and a note that orders are to be completed and sent back to Crystal by Apr. 30. That should give enough time to have the items for June events.

1. **Treasurer Report** - Larry reported there were no bank transactions for the past month so the balance remains unchanged at $29,476 ($6000 in reserve). Blake mentioned he has received 4 payments for the Orientation which have not yet been transferred to the MGDA account.

Ross motioned to approve the report as presented, Bob seconded it, all in favour.

1. **Correspondence/ New Business –** Larry submitted a Grounds Use Request on behalf of the Labrador Retriever Club of Manitoba and River City Labrador Enthusiasts to host a WC at our grounds on Sept. 16 & 17, with the usual donation of $150/day. Peter made the motion to accept this request, Allan seconded, all in favour with the exception of Larry, who abstained.
* Crystal received a donation request from the Vancouver Island Retriever Club for the National Retriever Championship. Ross made a motion to donate $200 which will give a full page advertisement, Peter seconded, all in favour.
* We also received an inquiry through the website for someone looking for help to train him to train his dogs. As this person is located closer to Brandon, Crystal replied to him with this information as well as asking a few questions about his experience with training. At the time of the meeting there was no response.
1. **Membership Update** –no change to membership at this time.
2. **Event Discussion** – a. Orientation – 11 spots are filled; one is a previous club members. There are 5 labs, 5 goldens and 1 poodle signed up.

b. Field Trials & Hunt Tests– June HT judges are approved and Crystal has received notification that all June FT judges are approved except for one who needs to pay his CKC membership.

Blake has decided to try using DogShow.ca for entries to the June HT. He will let us know how the process worked. DogShow.ca will only be charging a 5% fee on FT and HT entries this year, instead of the usual 10%.

1. **Equipment Update** – at this time just discussed Clubhouse cleanliness. Bob had previously forwarded photos of the stove with wood, cardboard and a BBQ lighter right beside the stove door and wondered if we should consider changing the keys/key pad so that the clubhouse is more secure and hopefully left in better condition. At this time we don’t think it is necessary.
* Also discussed fixing or building a new ramp to move things in and out of the equipment trailers more easily. Bob will look at pricing of some railroad ties and gravel to perhaps build gravel ramps on each trailer instead of having to move the plywood ramp.
1. **Grounds Development & Maintenance –** Cattails - some cattails around the west side causeway/tech pond were knocked down by James Oake (the executive thanks James for his donated time). No further discussion as Dewayne was not present.
2. **2025 National -** Monika Robertson has agreed to be the secretary. Crystal will recirculate the Letter of Intent to host for final review and will then submit it to NRCC.
3. **New Business –** any new items have been covered above.

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1. **Scheduling of next meeting and location** – Next meeting Thursday, May 18, 2023 @ the grounds at approx. 7pm. This should be the second week of Orientation and will give attendees a chance to meet the executive. Bob motioned to adjourn at 7:56pm, Ross seconded, all in favour.