

Rainier Hunting Retriever Club
Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2021

Attendance: Betsy Reali, Doug Gallucci, Jean Fowler, Liz Gibson, Susan Bell, Cat Martini-Rashid, Bill Woll, Eric Marek. Absent: Sue Meyring, Dianne Clark

President Betsy called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. Minutes from the September meeting were approved as written.

Treasury Report: Sue Meyring was absent however there should be little change from the September report with about \$13,000 in the Rainier account.

Master National Debrief – Several board members spoke about their experiences at the 2021 Master National held in McCall, Idaho. Many RHRC members attended the event. Prior to the opening ceremonies, 4 of the 14 judges had to be replaced due to medical issues (Covid) and this delayed the start from Saturday, October 2 to Sunday, October 3. Given the number of dogs under judgement and the shortened time for the event, only 4 series could be completed rather than the 5 – 6 usually presented. Closing ceremonies were held on Friday, October 8 and Saturday, October 9. Weather was good (clear/cold) for the most part with a little rain on the last two days. RHRC member, Susan Bell, served as a judge at the event and shared that she saw a “lot of good dog work”. Next year’s MN will be held in Eastern Washington and a lot of help is going to be needed to support the event. Contact Susan, Mike Colson or Katie Williams if you can volunteer.

Three Boom Guns were purchased for \$650 at the Master National Auction. Hopefully the Tri-Club will approve sharing the cost of this equipment. It would mean an increase of \$20 for EGRC and \$40 for PSLRA/RHRC for Auction Boom Guns – 3 purchased @ \$650 (\$550 pre-approved via email). Tri club will probably approve purchase.

Automated External Defibrillator (AED): After a discussion regarding the merits of renting/buying this equipment and the fact that we really need one at every stake, the issue was tabled due to additional research needed. The Board will resolve this issue before May.

First Aid Seminar: Dianne Clark will be contributing an article for the newsletter on the material covered during the seminar. Proceeds from the seminar will be split between RHRC, PSLRA and EGRC.

Gary Abbot Photography: Gary plans to contribute a portion of the proceeds from the sale of photos taken at the RHRC August Test, to RHRC. He received 5 photo orders.

Old Business

Grievance Follow-up: President Betsy followed up on concerns raised at the September Board meeting. She requested that the goals of RHRC be moved closer to the front of the club newsletter.

Tri Club Meeting Planning: A meeting between RHRC, PSLRA and EGRC has been postponed to November due to many members either hunting or attending the Master National in Idaho. Items to be addressed at the meeting include:

****Pre-Purchased Items by RHRC (request to share costs):**

- ✓Field First Aid Kits: \$383.30
- ✓Gas Canisters: \$85.68
- ✓Boom Guns: 3 Guns Purchased by RHRC at the Master National Auction for \$650. Pre-approved expenditure by Tri-Club was \$550. If agreed, EGRC would owe an additional \$20, PSLRA and RHRC would owe \$40 (each).

****Proposed Expenditures:**

- ✓Automated External Defibrillator (AED): Need discussion on renting vs purchasing. Cost estimate is \$1500/AED. We would need a minimum of 3 to be safe.
- ✓Event Canopy: Cost estimate \$120 - \$150

Event Birds: Wendy will still be available to provide birds for 2022. Price has not been determined.

HRT Dates: Dianne will post our 2020 Hunt Test Dates on Entry Express.

Open Board positions 2022: Treasurer, Member at Large. Jean will ask for recommendations/volunteers in next newsletter. The nomination committee will be appointed at the November board meeting per RHRC bylaws.

Annual Banquet: Liz Gibson will contact Liz Skillingstad to see if she will work with the Tacoma Yacht Club to establish cost/availability in 2022.

2022 Event Judges/HRT Secretary: Members have submitted names of individuals they would like to see as judges for RHRC hunt tests. Three RHRC members are asked to serve on a judge selection committee: Bill Wohl, Susan Bell, Dianne Clark. They are asked to report back to the Board at the November Board meeting. Cat Martini-Rashid volunteered to help with the HRT Secretary job. Susan volunteered to mentor her.

New Business

Sunshine Committee: Dianne Clark will send cards to club member, Katie Mearns, for the loss of Golda, MH and a get-well card to club member, Lee Redd, who had an accident at home.

Fund Raising Ideas: Bill Woll recommends that we hold another raffle at our August HRT and would like to see RHRC have a fund-raising committee. There was a motion to appoint a Fund-Raising Committee that was seconded and passed. Appointments will be made soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Jean Fowler, RHRC Secretary