

MANITOBA GUN DOG ASSOCIATION INC.

March 16, 2023

7:00 PM

Zoom Video Call

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

**Matt Mutcheson, Crystal Fulton, Allan Robertson, , Dewayne Hay, Peter Dozois**

**Absent - Bob Norris, Ross Peden**

1. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm
2. **Approve Agenda** – Dewayne 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**.Insurance Update – the company supported by the CKC offered a good rate for liability, but they will not cover us for property insurance.  Our current carrier covers us for both property and liability but will not cover us for just property.  So at this time it is suggested to remain with the current provider.

**c**.Pets in Vehicles By-law –our provincial CKC director is aware of the by-law. Any amendments to be the by-law must be lead by a city councillor. At this time there is nothing to be done; Ross and Peter will remain in communication with CKC.

1. **Treasurer Report** - Larry reviewed the bank transactions for the past month. He reports that our current balance is $29,476 ($6000 in reserve).

Dewayne motioned to approve the report as presented, Peter seconded it, all in favour.

1. **Correspondence/ New Business –** received a thank you email from Mimi Chrystal for the flowers we sent.
2. **Membership Update** –at this point we have 54 members, including 7 lifetime, 5 spousal and 1 associate.
3. **Event Discussion** – a. Orientation – all 10 spots are currently filled, however 1 person will have a very young puppy. Blake is looking for helpers

b. Field Trials & Hunt Tests– June FT premium is posted on CanuckDogs with “CKC approval pending” for judges.

c. Brandon Retriever Club will host a sanctioned hunt test in May in order to be approved to hold a licensed hunt test the weekend of July 8.

1. **Equipment Update** – 209 primers are available at Cabela’s for approx. $12/100. As there has been a shortage, Peter motioned that we should purchase 1000 rounds (if allowed to get that much at once), Blake seconded, all in favour. Dewayne will pick them up.
2. **Grounds Development & Maintenance –** Cattails - Dewayne met with Tim Baryliski to show him the areas of cattails that we would like dug/mulched as well as some of the areas that we would like digging and other work done. Tim is to provide 2 separate quotes for each project. James Oake will also provide a quote for the digging.
3. **2025 National -** no update at this time.
4. **New Business – a.** 2024 Handler Seminar **–** Matt has been in contact with Kenny Trott & Marcy Wright regarding an “Advanced” handlers seminar for July 2024 for 12 dog/handler teams and unlimited observers. Final prices are still TBD, but the charge to the club would be approx. $1000/day + hotel.

**b.** Helping transition new members to training groups - as most of the people from last year’s and this year’s Orientation sessions are brand new, there was discussion how to help the people who are interested in progressing. We will strongly encourage those people to attend either or both of the June events to get a better understanding and then possibly set up some more structured “transition” sessions.

**c**. Apparel **–** Dewayne provided some mock-ups of the design for shirts/hoodies and pricing for those as well as hats. Once some final adjustments to the design are finished, Crystal will make up an order form to distribute to the membership. If people are interested, we can also order some handler’s jackets from Dakota Creek to have embroidered with the club logo.

1. **Scheduling of next meeting and location** – Next meeting Thursday, April 20, 2023 @ 7pm via Zoom. Blake motioned to adjourn at 8:28pm, Allan seconded, all in favour.