

Rocky Mountain Pointing Lab Club Board Meeting, Valhalla Hunt Club, February 5, 2011

Members present: Jim Blecha, Vic Rompa, Jeff Fryhover, James Cook, Mike McMillan, John Black, Rod Billett

BOARD ELECTIONS

Rod Billett was invited to join the board to fill the space left vacant by Kevin Eskam. John Black and Vic Rompa were re-elected to BOD positions. Unanimously approved by members present.

Board members voted unanimously to re-elect Vic Rompa as president, John Black as treasurer and Jim Blecha as Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

John Black reported that due to fund raisers including the RMPLC Training Day at Gun Club Labs hosted by Julie and Paul, and RMPLC hat sales, the club is financially healthy. Starting 2011 balance is \$4,129.85, which is slightly higher than the 2010 starting balance.

Club expenses for insurance, birds (for training events), Teal Lodge mock hunt tests, hats and embroidery, website, and membership expenses were all covered by fees or fundraisers throughout 2010.

INSURANCE

Renewal of the Club's liability insurance policy was proposed, seconded by Jim Blecha and unanimously approved by the board.

MEMBERSHIP

Discussion of dues and amounts included prorating dues throughout a year. Prorating dues was dropped due to the complicated nature of tracking and billing on a prorated basis.

The board also unanimously approved emailing membership renewals to all members in a DPF format in the second week of January of each year with renewals being due by February 1st of any year.

The board also discussed and approved the following membership dues structure:

New Members \$60, includes an embroidered RMPLC hat (not grandfathered for Jim :-)
Renewing Members \$50, \$25 of which may be worked off by a day of volunteer work at one of the two annual APLA Hunt Tests or volunteering in another board approved function, such as Bass Pro Day Events.

Board members agreed that Knutson's and Merritt's memberships should be complimentary in recognition of their training contributions to RMPLC.

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BASS PRO SHOP EVENTS

The board agreed that while the Bass Pro Shop hunting weekend events in August do not function as fundraisers, the visibility for the club and Pointing Lab breed are beneficial. John Black volunteered to contact Tom Osborne re: the event dates.

TRAINING EVENTS and HUNT TESTS

The board discussed and approved the following Club sanctioned training events and APLA Hunt Test opportunities:

March 6 and April 10, 2011 RMPLC training days at Knutson's. Weather permitting.

April 17, 2011, possible Mock Hunt Test at Teal Lodge. Mike McMillan volunteered to pick up birds at Premier Bird Barn.

April 30 - May 1, 2011, APLA Hunt Test for Colorado at Teal Lodge, Vic Rompa, chair. Volunteer opportunities for members and Boy Scouts will be hired to plant birds.

Summer 2011 (exact date TBD), Water Training Seminar at Knutson's. Vic Rompa will coordinate with Julie and Paul Knutson re: training and seminar, dates, times and content.

August 13 or 27, 2011, Bearpoint Kennels training day, pending approval by Merritts. Jeff Fryhover will coordinate.

September 3 - 5 (tent.), 2011 APLA Colorado Hunt Test at Bearpoint Kennels, Larkspur. Volunteer opportunities for members.

All members are encouraged to work together for informal training events at various training facilities along the front Range, including but not limited to Valhalla, Premier Bird Barn, etc.

RMPLC CLUB EQUIPMENT PURCHASES

Board members discussed purchasing the following training equipment at a maximum expense to the club of \$1,500. James Cook proposes storing equipment at Valhalla in a locked storage container accessible to board members.

Two bird wingers with electronics, three blinds, and suitable storage cabinet. James Cook will coordinate equipment website information and links, Jeff Fryhover will possibly

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be able to get pro pricing of up to 40% off list, and Vic Rompa will check prices with a local manufacturer he knows.