

MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB – Board Meeting

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY

Ann Rowe

Andy Hall

The July 15, 2020, Board meeting of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club was called to order by president Ann Rowe at 7:06 p.m. by Zoom conference. The following officers and board members were present:

Ann Rowe – President

Andy Hall – Secretary

Robin Burket – Vice President

Dee Thibodeaux – Treasurer

Board Members:

Marilyn Booher; Pam Ginn; Dot Hively; Pat Kopco; Ted Misilo; Michele Thom.

Absent: Ann Moya

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT (Ann Rowe)

Ann reported that there is some interest from a club member about becoming a member of the board.

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT (Robin Burket)

The board approved two membership applications:

Tina Brooke, Osteen, FL (no sponsor on application; Pat Kopco volunteered to be sponsor)

Angela Barber, Palm Harbour, FL (Karen Brady is sponsor)

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (Andy Hall)

Andy is working with club webmaster Tom Misilo to do a member survey.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER (Dee Thibodeaux)

Dee reported that new tags for the club’s trailers have been paid for.

All club accounts are in good standing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Summer Specialty (Robin Burket)

Robin continues moving forward with preparations for the Summer Specialty, part of the Tampa Cluster that was rescheduled to the intended dates of Sept. 23-27, with the MFGRC Specialty on Friday, Sept. 25. Onofrio is now the superintendent due to the rescheduling. Robin has proofed the premium list and she and Michele Panetta are close to ordering rosettes. Discussions about safety measures planned for the event due to the pandemic and if they will be adequate.

NOTE: The day after the board meeting, and after further consultation with the event promoter, the board made the decision to cancel the Specialty due to ongoing concerns about the pandemic in Florida.

October Agility Trial (Dee Thibodeaux)

Fall Agility Trial is Oct. 9-10-11 at Grand Oaks. Dee has had four judges cancel because of them being unwilling to travel to Florida. She has two local judges scheduled. Trial will be smaller than usual because there are two other trials being held that weekend. We will not have the students who usually help us. Dee will work with Grand Oaks on steps that have to be taken due to the pandemic.

Dee is selling the club's two sets of weave poles that had to be replaced.

November Hunt Test (Pat Kopco for Mike Orloff)

As of now, Mike has not been able to get enough judges because they don't want to travel to Florida and the Florida-based judges want to compete. Mike will press on and keep trying to find judges.

Pam Gin suggested that Marilyn Booher could be a JH judge due to her qualifications and experience.

December Specialty (Andy Hall for Caroline Kendrick)

All is on track and the Royal Canin show in December is still on as of now. Laura Topping asked if someone could take over from her as the reporter for Golden Retriever News for the event and Dot Hively said she would.

2021 National Specialty (Pat Kopco)

Pat updated the board on progress for the club's hosting of the 2021 GRCA National Specialty.

She has a new contact at the World Equestrian Center and has received a new contract for the rescheduled event.

Club member Julie Paine stepped up to offer storage space for the club to house raffle items and other materials that had been gathered for when the National was going to be held this year.

Pat and Robin Bowen are in the process of changing the hotel deals over to next year.

Pat is almost finished with the revised logo for the event.

OLD BUSINESS:

Club awards – Discussion of what to do about the club’s annual awards with little to no activity this year due to the pandemic. Decision will be made at next board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Zoom – club will spend approximately \$280 to open its own Zoom account for holding board meetings, general meetings and meetings of the 2021 National Specialty committee.

Nominations for 2021 board – Dot Hively will be nominations chair.

WC/WCX Awards -- Pat asked for some help in creating new Faye Simpson Award certificates. She emailed a copy of a previous certificate to all board members and several said they would work on making them.

Motion to adjourn, seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

The next general meeting is July 23 by Zoom.

The next board meeting will be August 12 by Zoom.

Andy Hall – Secretary