

MID-FLORIDA GOLDEN RETRIEVER CLUB – Board Meeting

PRESIDENT

Ann Rowe

SECRETARY

Andy Hall

The April 21, 2021, Board meeting of the Mid-Florida Golden Retriever Club was called to order by president Ann Rowe at 7:11 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:

John Blair; Marilyn Booher; Pam Ginn; Caroline Kendrick; Ted Misilo; Laura Topping.

Absent: Michele Throm.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT (Ann Rowe)

No report

REPORT OF THE VICE PRESIDENT (Robin Burket)

Reviewed and approved the applications of four prospective new club members:

Jordan VanScoy, Osteen, FL (sponsor is Dalia Ruffato)

Deborah Brinkman, Riverview, FL (sponsors are Pam Ginn and Dalia Ruffato)

Amy and Rick Krumenauer, Englewood, FL (sponsor is Maura Roxby)

Mona Pent, Hutchinson Island, FL (sponsor is Anney Doucette)

Mona Pent is eligible to be voted in when she attends a general meeting. The others have already attended a meeting and can be voted in at the next general meeting.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY (Andy Hall)

No report.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER (Dee Thibodeaux)

Club accounts are in good standing. Some income from entries for the April agility trial now in the bank.

Dee sending expenses from February Hunt Test to Marilyn Booher for review for possible reduction in the future. Dee recommended raising our entry fee as it is currently lower than others in the area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

April Agility Trial (Dee Thibodeaux)

All is in place for the club's Spring Agility Trial April 23-24-25 at Grand Oaks Resort. Dee reported that the trial has the largest entry of any agility trial in the state for this year. Saturday is full. Grand Oaks has raised prices for lunches so we will have some additional expense for feeding judges and workers.

Dee again reminded the board that this will be her last year as agility trial chair and the club needs to find a replacement in order for the trials to continue.

Dock Diving Fun Day (Andy Hall)

All is on track for May 15 at Central Florida Dog Sports in DeLand. The registration form went out to members and people are signing up.

Summer Specialty (Robin Burket)

The club's Summer Specialty as part of the Tampa Cluster will be Friday, June 18. Robin said she is ordering rosettes. The club also will present "usable" prizes rather than trophies including slip leads, water buckets, etc.

Barn Hunt Fun Day (no report)

Club will hold a Barn Hunt Fun Day and general meeting on July 10 at Das Hund Haus in Lakeland.

August Obedience/Rally Trial (Andy Hall)

The club's Obedience and Rally Trial is Aug. 13-14-15 in Daytona Beach. The premium is out and some entries have come in. Andy has been working on recruiting stewards.

December Specialty (Caroline Kendrick)

Caroline reported she has a judge for the Specialty – Ms. Pluis Davern from California. She and trophy chair Camille Nasca will discuss trophies soon. The Specialty is Dec. 17 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando.

2021 National Specialty (report from chair Pat Kopco)

No report

OLD BUSINESS:

Insurance (Dee Thibodeaux) – Dee has revamped the club’s insurance and has gone with Liberty Mutual. Every event location is added to the policy for liability. We pay what we do for the coverage because of our use of live ammunition at the hunt tests. The board members are also insured by the club. Everything has to be renewed year-to-year.

NEW BUSINESS

Activating members (Andy Hall) – Since the board is always basically begging members to help with events, and members are especially going to be needed to help with the National, Andy presented an idea of identifying club members who rarely are heard from and don’t help with any events – the board members will divide the list and contact the members by phone to talk with them about why they aren’t active and some opportunities for them to get involved.

Zoom meetings (Andy Hall for Michele Throm) – Michele had suggested to the board that we should continue doing weeknight Zoom meetings for the membership because they have been successful. The last meeting in March had more than 40 members on it. The board agreed that we will continue to have meetings when we have an in-person event such as the upcoming Dock Diving Fun Day but we will do Zoom meetings otherwise.

New Hunt Test Equipment Chair (Andy Hall for Mike Orloff) – Per the recommendation of outgoing hunt test chair Mike Orloff, the board agreed to purchase five new 13x13 tents for the hunt tests. They were on sale at Costco at a big discount so Mike agreed to get them for the club.

Motion to adjourn, seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

The next board meeting is May 12 by Zoom

The next general meeting is May 15 at Dock Diving Fun Day.

Andy Hall – Secretary