

Winter Meeting 1/6/19: Springfield, Illinois

The meeting was called to order by President Chadwell with 26 in attendance followed by a moment of silence. The secretary report was approved as mailed. The treasurer's report was placed on file.

President remarks: We would like to see more attendance at our banquet and meetings. We have new site managers coming on board in 2019 and we must develop good relations with them. Due to politics we may see many changes in IDNR. We are working on a building project at JEPC and provided us some history as to where we are at this time. The donation agreement was discussed as well as ways to fund this project. We have experienced some difficulties at our sites mostly due to inexperienced personnel understanding our needs. Cooperation is the key to making these sites work for us.

Mary Jo Trimble provided an update on legislative issues. She spoke of the new law passed by the Illinois legislature regarding the authority of police to break into a car if an animal is in trouble. She expects more issues to crop up as the new legislature gets underway.

### **Old Business**

none.

Break time: raffle winners were Ed Lierman, Sean Pat Derrig.

## **Grounds** reports

Des Plaines: Sharon Fitzpatrick reports that the Field Trial Clubs of Des Plaines have been meeting and working with the site manager and have repaired some near the horse barn on the West grounds as well as some fencing. Repairs are needed to the field trial building on the East grounds. They have developed a map for mowing and staff will know where to mow each year.

**Middlefork**: Site manager has already burned several areas.

**Moraine View**: Only one club uses this site and it is deteriorating we do not know how much longer we will be allowed to use the facility.

Wayne Fitzgerrell: It's very wet. And not being used.

**Hamilton County**: No report – no trials held there

**JEPC**: This site was discussed earlier. The crossing West of the barn has not been repaired yet. However, the parking lot and wolf road has been graveled. The mowing has been done for hunting but not necessarily for some of the courses that we use.

**Pyramid**: discussed earlier and there will be 2 Vizsla championships coming this year

# **CHAMPIONSHIP REPORTS**

**Illinois Brittany Championship:** This event was cancelled in 2018 due to the weather.

It should start on 1/15 this year

**Region V Shooting Dog Championship:** held at Grove Springs

The all age championship will be held 2/22 - 24 at JEPC. It is recommended it be open to all breeds.

NGSPA Region V Championship: will be after the all-breed event this year.

**CBWC**: was not held in 2018.

Walking Winners Classic: Mid South to host at Orchardville in March

Prairie State Brittany Championship: Will run in Missouri.

Illinois Shooting Dog Championship: Scheduled for 2/28 to run to conclusion

**Egyptian Shooting Dog Championship**: Starts 4/1/19 – **Winners Classic:** planning to run at Middlefork April **All Breed Championship:** Scheduled to start 3/9

Red Setter National:

Mid-South Championship: Illinois Brittany will host.

Another raffle break: Matt Collins, Donna Janulis, Ron Fitzpatrick, Lori Rezzardi, Terry Tryzcinski, Mary Jo Trimble.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Nominating chairman Lori Rezzardi presented the slate willing to run for office President – Chad Chadwell

Directors: Brian Sheehan, Gene Salmons and Sean Patrick Derrig

There were no nominations from the floor. Hearing no nominations the slate is elected by acclamation. Thanks to the nominating committee for doing a fine job.

Thanks to all directors for their work and support of FTCI.

# **OPEN FLOOR TO MEMBERSHIP**

The lack of membership and entries at some field trials was brought up for discussion. The brochure was also mentioned and members want to see it distributed.

**MOTION**: to adjourn. Mark Johnson, Gene Salmons Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 11: 40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted Neveta Salmons Sec-Treas