

ECSCA FTC MINUTES-August 6th, 2013

Present: Kim Wiley (Chair/Mid-West), Barbara Defalco (West), Buck Grabowski (South)
Joe DeMarkis (At large), Robert Griffin (At large), Rod Beck (guest).

Absent, Terry Oliver (East), John Dartt (At large),

2013 NCC Update: Rod Beck, NCC 2013 Chairperson

The Headquarters hotel will be the Comfort Inn, 1030 East Interstate Ave, Bismarck. 701-223-1911. This is DIFFERENT than the Comfort Inn and Suites which was listed in last months minutes. The \$10.00 pet fee will be waived when you mention the NCC while making you reservation. Also a heads up that there is a dog park three blocks from the hotel.

The Welcome Party on Tuesday, Oct. 22nd has been changed to the Comfort Inn from the Heritage Center due to construction delays.

Rod reported that the details are coming together. Logistics, such as table settings and menu for lunches are being organized and a tent with heaters, tables and chairs has been planned. Rod was able to procure enough ammo for the trial. Rod also reported that 3/4 of the NCC fund raising goal has been met. Included in the fund raising efforts are donations from twelve corporate sponsors.

Chris Dartt has been doing an excellent job as the trophy chair. Most of the trophies now have a sponsor except 2nd place and High Point Open Handler. Contact Chris if you would like to enquire about the remaining opportunities. cjdartt@msn.com

NCC Judge nominations and Biographies

A reminder to all, nominations for NCC 2014 judges are due Monday August 12th.

When the list is completed one ballot for each dog qualified will go to the owner of that dog. The completed ballots are then sent to the ECSCA Corresponding Secretary to be tallied. They will be mailed out by September 3, 2013.

Harold Bixby Award Nominations

Harold Bixby award nominations are due to Kim Wiley by August 26th in order to get the information organized by the September 2, 2013 FTC meeting. Please send the nomination to your FTC rep. or Kim Wiley. The criteria is as follows:

Harold S. Bixby Service Award

The Harold S. Bixby Service Award was dedicated to a person, Mr. Harold Bixby, who has given an immense amount of time and energy to cocker field trials. This award had gone unnamed until 2005. The award now honors Mr. Harold Bixby, a true gentleman of the game. The official wording for this award, which will continue to be awarded at the National Championship Field Trial, is this:

The Harold S. Bixby service Award recognizes the individual who has continuously, unselfishly, and distinctly given of themselves to advance the cause of English Cocker's field work. The winner is selected to exemplify the high standards set by Harold S. Bixby, whose generosity and unselfish support of English Cocker's in the field has contributed enormously to the success in all field events.

The Harold S. Bixby Service Award may be given annually at the discretion of the ECSCA FTC in recognition of the individual who has continuously endeavored to promote the spirit of English Cocker's working in the field. The recipient will be nominated and selected by the ECSCA FTC members and awarded at the National Cocker Championship banquet of that year.

Next meeting September 2nd, 2013
Respectfully submitted-Barbara Defalco