

ECSCA FTC MINUTES – October 2, 2012

Present: Kim Wiley (Chair/Mid-West), Joe DeMarkis (At-Large), Sue Wilson (South), Olivia Steele-Mortimer (West), John Dartt (At-Large), Robert Griffin (At-Large), and Sue Rose (Guest)

Absent: Terry Oliver (East)

The agenda was reviewed. The ECSCA operating expense was added and the agenda was approved and the meeting was called to order.

2012 NCC Update – Terry Oliver

Terry Oliver was unable to make the meeting. Kim Wiley will contact him and send the committee an update on the NCC. People are having difficulty locating the proper person for NCC catalog ads. Kim will check on this and advise the correct contact information. 2013 NCC judges have been selected and will be announced at the NCC banquet.

All Variety Spaniel Stakes:

The committee agreed that this topic should be on the agenda for discussion at the general meeting. More input from the field trial community is needed. This type of trial would provide new venues and promote new cocker field trial enthusiasts in the western United States. However we need to move forward with caution and an eye toward what's in the best interest of our breed before making a decision.

*****NCC General Meeting*****

ECSCA Members and interested field trial participants encouraged to attend.

When: 4:00PM, Tuesday 10/23/2012 at the Fox Ridge Resort

NCC General Meeting Agenda:

The committee discussed various topics for the general meeting agenda. All-variety spaniel stakes, 2012 statistics, Hall of Fame, and the approved cocker judging criteria were some of the items to be included. Committee members who will be in attendance are: Kim Wiley, Terry Oliver and Sue Wilson. Olivia Steele-Mortimer will not be able to attend. Joe DeMarkis, John Dartt and Robert Griffin were not able to confirm their attendance at this time.

ECSCA Operating Expense – Kim Wiley

It was brought to the attention of several field trial committee members that the ECSCA Board had approved a portion of the NCC Field Trial fund to be used toward the club operating expenses. Committee members had not previously discussed, nor were aware of this change.

Kim Wiley explained that with the exception of the NCC Field Trial funds and the National Specialty Boutique funds, all ECSCA funds are held in a general operating account. The NCC Field Trial funds have been held in a separate account from its inception in 1998. The NCC 2011

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earned a profit of \$7000.00 and currently there are funds totaling \$21,000.00 in the NCC Field Trial fund.

ECSCA funds not only the NCC but also field trials in areas where there are no local clubs available to host these events.

At the April 30, 2012 ECSCA Board Meeting in Gettysburg, PA, the Board asked Kim if, in his opinion, it would be reasonable to appropriate a portion of those funds to be used towards the club operating expenses. They would be used towards covering the field trial community's portion of the club's insurance and accounting expenses. Kim responded that he felt it would be fair and reasonable.

The Board decided that 15% of the NCC profits from the 2012 NCC and future ECSCA hosted field trials would be appropriated from the NCC Field Trial account and added to the general fund to be used towards the field trial share of the insurance and accounting costs. Kim was notified of this change in a letter dated June 21st 2012.

The committee agreed that covering our share of the expenses was reasonable. Joe DeMarkis questioned the percentage, as he felt the number sounded high. Sue Wilson pointed out that this information should have been shared with the committee last spring. By not dispersing this information, committee members were placed in an awkward position when questioned by constituents who had learned of it. This was a decision we should have discussed and our input encouraged.

Sue Rose pointed out that the field trial community is doing well. Robert Griffin congratulated fellow committee members on their successes at fall field trials.

The meeting was adjourned.

General meeting Tuesday, October 23, 2012 4:00PM EDT

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 6, 2012 7:00PM CST

Respectfully Submitted ~ Sue Wilson