

English Cocker Spaniel Club of America

Field Trial Committee Minutes

February 4, 2014

Present: Kim Wiley, Chairperson, Terry Oliver, Barbra Defalco, and Robert Griffin

Absent: Joe Demarkis, Keith Meissner and Buck Grabowski

Call to Order – Agenda Approved (Defalco, Griffin)

Unfinished Business

- a) FTC 2014 Secretary – Keith Meissner has agreed to be the secretary for 2014 beginning with the April FTC meeting.

- b) NCC 2014 Tyrone, PA update - No update

- c) NCC 2015 – (from February’s minutes) currently there is not a proposal for the 2015 NCC. There is a group of ECSCA members that are considering grounds in Minnesota but will not make a decision until after the spring trial on the grounds. Other clubs or groups of members from other parts of the country are encouraged to consider submitting a bid for 2015 or 2016. Questions should be sent to your FTC representative. The FTC would like a bid by June 1st.

- d) ECSCA Versatility Award for field trial dogs - Barbara has created a committee made up of Kate Romanski (Archive Committee Chair), Sandy Marr (Performance Committee Chair), Lisa Brown and herself. They plan to have a proposal to the FTC for review by the next FTC meeting.

- e) Green Book update – Kim received information from Sue Rose that Sue Dwelly has scanned the book and is in the process of cleaning it up prior to sending out the electronic version for the AKC rule updates.

- f) NCC and ECSCA Trophies and Awards (Open to All) document – A list of existing trophies and awards, along with their descriptions was combined with the previously approved NCC and Annual Awards protocol. This is a list of trophies and annual awards which are open to all participating dogs in AKC Cocker/English Cocker field trials. This list will be compiled with the “How to Run and NCC document” which can be found on www.fieldcockers.com as well as filed with the ECSCA Archive Chairperson, Kate Romanski. Its design is in alignment with other ECSCA trophy and award documents. A

special thank you to Lisa Brown for developing the list and Bethann Wiley and Kate Romanski for the creation of the document.

New Business

- a) ECSCA NCC/FTC account information from Karen Spurlin, ECSCA Treasurer and Chereen Nawrocki, ECSCA President.
 - 1. Currently the balance is \$31,719.00. This money is from the profits of the NCC and ECSCA field trials and is kept in a separate account by the ECSCA.
 - 2. 15% of each year's NCC profit (not the balance of the account) goes back to the ECSCA to pay for our share of administrative expenses. (i.e. insurance and other operating expenses)
 - 3. The NCC/FTC account balance is available for ECSCA Board approved projects that the FTC requests to fund such as the Hall of Fame request several years ago. This is also the account that funds each year's NCC expenses and regular ECSCA field trial expenses. If an NCC or regular trial were to lose money it would be covered by this account, which has happened several times in the past.
 - 4. The ECSCA expectations are that our events are not necessarily profitable but will pay for themselves. Budgets are required for each ECSCA event.

Adjournment at 8:05 p.m. CST (Oliver, Griffin)

Next Meeting – April 1, 2014 7:00 p.m. CST

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Wiley