

Minutes of the 2001 National Amateur Delegates Meeting

The annual meeting of the English Springer Spaniel National Amateur Championship was held December 6, 2001 at 6:50 p.m. at the LaQuinta Inn, Huntsville, Texas.

General Chairman Bob Iversen called the meeting to order. Secretary Patricia Bramwell took the roll call. There were 41 delegates present.

Bob Curl, Chairman of the Nominating committee for 2001 gave his report for the slate of officers for the next four (4) years.

- 2002 General Chairman David Anderson, West Interclub
 - 2003 General Chairman Elect Bob Bertoncini, MidEast Interclub
 - 2004 General Chairman Elect Doug Miller, MidWest Interclub
- And Patricia Bramwell, Rocky Mountain Interclub as Secretary-Treasurer.

Dean Reinke made a motion to accept this slate. It was approved.

Old Business

Chairman Iversen asked if anyone was unhappy about the new judges voting procedure. Secretary Bramwell said she had 132 that were qualified to vote; 85 voted, which is a 64 percent return.

George Keiller stated there was a conflict in that Jason Givens was put on this year's Amateur ballot & he's been selected to judge 2002 Open. He asked if there is a way to overcome this. After a lot of discussion, Dean Reinke made a motion that we take the top six (6) judges selected for the Open off the Amateur list. Carried.

The Secretary will not send out a letter asking if those on the judging list want to be on either judges list but ask if would judge amateur national, if selected.

The Secretary passed out last year's minutes & financial reports prepared by outgoing Secretary Sharon Mueller. Again, there was some discussion as to why certain items were so high (bird planting as an example).

Esther Faraci made a motion to accept the minutes and financial report. Carried.

New Business:

Ed Faraci made motion to keep same club dues at \$75.00. Carried

Chairman Iversen mentioned that we need to find a way to help those clubs that haven't paid. If not, one of these days we'll have to increase the entry fee. Last yr had 48 clubs paid. This year 41.

Jeff Miller questioned why bird planting was so high (2000). He stated he hasn't had a chance to look over financial. Pat mentioned that Sherrie sent this information out last May to all clubs.

Esther Faraci suggested that Interclubs should push clubs to pay \$75. There's a lot of issues to be discussed at our annual meeting besides voting on judges.

Dean Reinke questioned why we should have club dues. It should be the participants that support the nationals – not the clubs. He thought this was a very minor income compared to the whole picture. He mentioned that it costs \$270 per dog to run Nat'l.

Ed Faraci thinks each club should be able to put up the \$75 to help support the national. If they put on trials then they should be able to help national – don't pay –no trials.

It was also suggested that the national catalog should list those clubs that have not paid their dues.

George Akkouris suggested a committee to figure out way a way to solve the financial problem and present it next year. Bill Boeckman made a motion that Bob Iversen head this committee. Carried. George Keiller, Doug Roberts, Sharon Mueller, Cathy Lewis and Steve Kane volunteered to be part of this committee.

Dean Reinke moved to keep the 1 point eligibility. Don Giddens suggested 3 points. 1 point carried.

Ed Faraci moved that entry fees stay at \$125. Carried

Chairman Iversen introduced Field Trial Chair 2002 Larry Bugge In. The nationals will be held December 3, 2002 (Tues) until conclusion at Yankee Slough Hunt Club in Lincoln, CA. This is a private club owned by Betty Ann with 800 acres of irrigated cover. The Sacramento International Airport is 27 miles from hotel. The grounds are 17 miles from hotel.

2002 judges were announced. – Billie Jo Hopkins & Don Bramwell.

Ed Faraci made motion to accept dates and location. Carried

Tim DeGross, Field Trial Chairman gave updates for the trial.

A motion was made to adjourn. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Bramwell

Field Trial Secretary