

Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever Club (USA) ONLINE BOARD BUSINESS SESSION

Beginning Friday June 22, 2018

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 2018 Online Board Meeting Minutes

(Please see: Attachment A – March 2018 Online Board Meeting Minutes)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None submitted

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Please see Attachment A

TREASURER'S REPORT

None submitted

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None submitted

REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS

None submitted

AGENDA ITEMS: OLD BUSINESS

Proposal #1: Official Club Facebook Policy

Submitted by: Kim Simons

Description: The NSDTRC (USA) will seek a Facebook (FB) Chairperson to manage the official NSDTRC (USA) Facebook page, as well as seven individual official NSDTRC (USA) Region pages for the Club. At the Chairperson's discretion, the official Club page can be managed by the Public Education Coordinator (PEC), who will coordinate with the Facebook Chairperson. If at some point the PEC no longer wants responsibility for the official Club page, the FB Chairperson will take on responsibility.

Pages will be open for viewing to Club members as well as non-Club members.

The Chairperson will be responsible for the content of each of these 8 pages, and work closely with the NSDTRC (USA) Board of Directors (particularly the Region Directors), as well as the PEC and all event committees, to make sure content is relevant, timely and informative. The content could feature such things as even notices and updates, articles about Tollers, fun facts, event results, etc. The FB Chairperson will be the main administrator for each page, but the Region Directors, Event Chairs and BOD will have admin rights as well. No other rights for

posting will exist until content is cleared by the administrator. If a member/non-member posts content, the administrator will review and if appropriate, will allow the content to be published or question to be asked. Members will be allowed to post comments, however they will be reviewed and removed if not appropriate.

Once these pages are established, Club members will be invited to join the pages. At that point, Event Committees will be encouraged not to set up individual FB pages for each event, and utilize the Region pages for information, schedules, results, brags, etc.

Beginning November 1, 2018, Kim Simons, ex-officio President will be willing to take this on and work with Jennifer Hollis, PEC, to establish the pages. Kim Simons is willing to make a 2 year commitment to this position.

Justification: To cut down on the number of individual Facebook pages being created by regions, regional members, and for events, this policy designates no more than one official Facebook page for each region.

Financial Implications: None

Specific Board Action Requested: To approve the Official NSDTRC (USA) Facebook policy as stated and to appoint Kim Simons as the Facebook Chairperson.

Proposal #2: Approve the Ramp Judged Breed Survey

Submitted by: Francine Kaplan

Please see Attachment B

NEW BUSINESS

Proposal #1: Donation to the AKC Museum of the Dog

Submitted by: Marile Waterstraat

Description: Donate \$2,500.00 of the money gifted to the Club by Sue Van Sloun for the AKC Museum of the Dog. (This will leave \$5,000 remaining). This donation will enable the Club to be listed on the "Club" wall showing our support of this important resource.

Financial Implications: \$2,500 of the money gifted by Sue Van Sloun.

Specific Board Action Requested: Board vote in support of this proposal.

Proposal #2: Establish a committee to review and make recommendations regarding clarifications and amendments to the NSDTRC(USA) Bylaws.

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Submitted by: Carolyn Kurth

Proposal Description: This proposal is to request that the BOD establish a committee to review and make recommendations regarding clarifications and amendments to the NSDTRC(USA) Bylaws. Once the BOD has reviewed, discussed and agreed upon any proposed changes, the proposed changes can then be brought to the membership for input and approval.

Proposal Justification: The NSDTRC(USA) Bylaws need to be reviewed and updated accordingly. There is some outdated language; ambiguous language; duplicative language; and sometimes contradicting language in our current Bylaws. The Bylaws also currently mandate a June 30th Fiscal Year End which is not in the best interest of the organization based on the present business model of the NSDTRC(USA).

Administration: Given the complexity of the task, I'm recommending that the committee consist of 3 members, Carolyn Kurth as Chair (finance and regulatory background) and 2 additional members with diverse perspectives for greater input. Fran Kaplan would be a good recommendation for the committee because she brings the legal background that balances nicely with the finance and regulatory background. The 3rd member to be selected based on BOD discussion of the task at hand.

Financial Implications: None

Specific Board Action Requested: To approve the creation of the Committee to review and make recommendations regarding needed clarifications and amendments to the NSDTRC(USA) Bylaws.

Proposal #3: Allow Tollers to participate in the AKC Spaniel Hunting Test program.

Submitted by: Ann DiSilvestre

Description: Based on the history of Tollers upland hunting abilities and the recent demonstration on June 22, 2018 of Tollers participating in an upland hunt, inclusion of the breed in the AKC Spaniel Hunting Test program is desired. Dan Rode, Region 2 Director, will write to the Companion and Performance Events department of the American Kennel Club to seek approval.

Administration: Once approved, the Records Chair will recognize the new titles.

Financial Implication: None

Action Requested: Approve Tollers to participate in the AKC Spaniel Hunting Test program, pending AKC approval.

ADJOURNMENT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Proposal #1: Discussion of Corporations

Submitted by: Ann DiSilvestre and Francine Kaplan

Proposal #2: Appoint the Inspectors of Election

Submitted by: Ann DiSilvestre

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