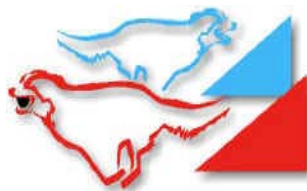


# **The British Flyball Association**



## **Minutes of Committee Meeting No 2 -2004/05 Held on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2004 at the Ansty Arms Commencing at 10.00 am**

**Present:** Wayne O'Rourke, Penny Charlton, Doreen Smith, Dianne Halsted, Dave Long, Betty Potts, Judy Parker, Chris Fulford, Alison Booth

### **1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (NO 1 - 2004/04-5)**

- 1.1. Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record.

### **2. MATTERS ARISING**

- 2.1. Assets Register – 6 banners are now accounted for. Asset Register now complete.
- 2.2. Judy to acquire Acrobat Writer for Val Currie (new Record Editor).
- 2.3. Markfield Seminar certificates in hand
- 2.4. BFA Lights – Martin Pollard's lights tested at Whitewater – fault lights under construction. These should be ready for use in a couple of weeks. Martin to invoice Betty direct.

Battery for original lights leaking – Dave to arrange replacement.

Request from Alison Moyes to have a set of lights sited in Scotland, this was considered but deferred to later date.

- 2.5. Update on Insurance – no change.
- 2.6. Training of scribes and lights operators – unable to be done at end of racing due to time restraints and the weather. Another idea required.
- 2.7. Training Days – format issued by Dianne. Comments from Peter (training officer) still awaited. Selby full. Markfield 5 for Saturday, 16 for Sunday. Dianne to ask whether some people will move from Selby to Markfield venue. Penny forward Markfield directions to Dianne.

Betty or Dianne to contact Peter Roberts to discuss requirements etc.

### **3. STATS COORDINATOR**

- 3.1. Stats are almost up to date following some problems with the website which the webmaster has been helping to resolve.
- 3.2. Help was discussed for Stats Officer re issue of certificates.
- 3.3. Clarification was reached regarding teams who go NFC during racing. In this instance the team would lose all points gained so far and also any placings gained. However a team who are forced to withdraw, a dog would retain anything gained up to that point. Naturally to retain their position/points the team must present themselves at the ring. Judy to raise a note to be put in the Flyball Record.

Chris to check the Rules and propose any changes which may be required.

#### **4. SHOW SECRETARY**

- 4.1. New computer not required now that Judy is helping put things on the web. Judy will now be obtaining a scanner.
- 4.2. Diary getting filled for next year.
- 4.3. Dianne to send a note requesting all Show Organisers send a C6 with the cheque to the Treasurer.
- 4.4. Judy now getting schedules on the web. Organisers to be informed that if a schedule is to be placed on the web it must be forwarded in Word or Acrobat.
- 4.5. Letter received and noted regarding an incident at Ryecroft Farm.

#### **5. SECRETARY'S CORRESPONDENCE**

- 5.1. Following considerable discussion the Secretary to write a reply to The Awards Secretary.

#### **6. FINANCES**

The Committee reviewed current financial situation.

- 6.1. Float for Flyball Record to be increased to £300.
- 6.2. Business Plan will be raised in time for the AGM.
- 6.3. Wayne to continue investigation into training video.
- 6.4. Copy of current business plan to be forwarded to all committee members ready for it to be updated in time for the AGM.

#### **7. AREA REPRESENTATIVE REPORT**

A meeting was held at the Daventry show in June. The new Getting Started leaflets had been distributed. Doreen apologised for not having passed on the 'Northern' copies. Penny to contact Sue to check whether all Area Reps now have a supply of leaflets and whether Wayne needs to arrange for a reprint.

#### **8. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY**

The secretary tabled a report showing that the membership had now increased to 958 with 76 teams on the list for schedules.

#### **9. MATTERS ARISING SINCE AGM 2004**

- 9.1. It was decided that the BFA should have a History of the Association page on the website. It's essential that this is started whilst we still have members who remember the 'old days'. Wayne was nominated to pull together the initial ideas. This should be added to each and every year depicting outstanding achievements during that year.
- 9.2. Young Competitor Award. It was agreed that this award would start in January 2005. As a trial it would initially encompass dog handling and box loading. Awards would be given to suitable age groups 7-11 and 12-16 inclusive. Age group for each handler would be the age the handler will be during that year, i.e. 11th birthday during 2005 – will compete in 7-11 until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2005.

1 point to be allocated for each division the task is performed. At each tournament the handler must nominate the dog and/or team they will run/box load for.

It is the young competitor's duty to obtain a form from the website in advance of the tournament. This form to be completed, signed and forwarded to the appropriate nominated adjudicator in a prompt and timely manner. All forms to be received by the adjudicator within two weeks of the tournament.

Both child and dog must be paid up members.

The full details of qualifying criteria will be published at a later date.

## **10. SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP 2004**

10.1. Feed back from the membership has been good. Salter's Dog Foods seemed happy.

10.2. Date for 2005 pencilled in as 20/21 August. Judy to check whether Daventry is available.

10.3. Qualifications to be as used in 2004 with 54 teams competing on the day. 9 shows to be attended for qualification. £15/team – camping £5 for weekend.

## **11. BUTCHER'S SPONSORSHIP**

Butcher's have been difficult to contact and somewhat unreliable. Penny to ask about her show and will also ask whether they are still interested in sponsorship next year.

## **12. MATTERS ARISING SINCE LAST MEETING**

12.1. Time sheets for lights with timers on one side. Penny to pass to Nigel to load onto the web for the show organisers use at tournament. Dianne to inform show organisers of their existence.

12.2. The Chairman to write a reply regarding DSC matter.

12.3. Letter received from Graham Nye regarding entry fees, a reply will be sent.

## **13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

21<sup>st</sup> November 2004

**Meeting closed at 8.00pm**