The British Flyball Association



Minutes of Committee Meeting No. 4-2007/08 Held on Sunday 9th March 2008 at the Manor Hotel, Meriden, Coventry Commencing at 10.00 am

Present: Chris Fulford, Penny Charlton, Anne Alcock, Tony Cain, Howard Campbell, Steve Leek,

Maureen Hendry, William Whiteley.

Apology: Judy Parker

1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (NO 2007/08-03)

Confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

2. MATTERS ARISING

2.1 Update on Lights -- Dave Long was asked to join the meeting for half an hour to discuss the lights as there are still problems occurring with the newer lights. They are being fitted with new sensors in order to hopefully solve these problems. It has been noticed that more teams are buying their own sets of lights which should take off some pressure of hiring the BFA lights and also helping Dave Long, who has to sometimes go to shows even if his team is not competing, just to take the lights. Sometimes he has left the lights at shows and then travelled home, only to be called back when problems arise. It was also agreed any lights being hired for shows, whether they are from the BFA or privately owned sets, the start sequence must be set at 1.2 seconds or as near as they can be.

2.2 British Flyball Championships 2008 – This event will take place on Friday 15th, Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th August 2008 at Holt Farm, Southam, Warwickshire. It will be run in strict seed order with the slower teams running on Friday and the fastest on Sunday. Anne discussed some of the details. It was agreed to limit this show with a first come first served basis. This limit is expected to be 168 teams.

- 2.3 Measuring Hoops It is expected that these new hoops should be ready by the AGM.
- 2.4 BFA Judges/ Ring Party Seminars were discussed and it was agreed that these would be free to all members.

3. SECRETARY'S CORRESPONDANCE

The European Charter is waiting for signing.

4. MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY'S REPORT

Membership as of 9th March 2008 is 1818.

180 primary teams.

The mail to the new PO Box is now coming through.

The new membership secretary does not appreciate phone calls after 9.00pm so if any member has any enquiry please either uses email or refrain from late night calls. Please have respect for committee member's privacy.

5. Finances

A detailed report was presented to the committee and they reviewed the current financial position.

The BFA insurance was discussed and the member-to-member liability is still being looked into.

The Committee expenses were discussed and it was agreed an increase was needed as these had not gone up for about five years and the cost of petrol/diesel has more than doubled since then. An increase from 15p a mile to 25p a mile was agreed.

6. SHOW SECRETARY'S REPORT

With Judy unable to attend this meeting, no report as such was available but all shows and schedules were being put on the website without any problems.

7. AGM PROPOSALS -

These were discussed and the agenda will be available shortly.

8. MATTER ARISING SINCE LAST MEETING

- 8.1 Hall of Fame This has now been started and it is hoping that it will be up and running by the AGM. Chris will carry on in this role after the AGM.
- 8.2 Rule Change History should be updated shortly.
- 8.3 BFA Website This was discussed in detail, as the webmaster has been away for long periods at a time; it has been difficult to keep the website up to date.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was agreed that all future shows must have updated dog height measurement forms to be displayed at all shows.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING - AGM 6TH APRIL 2008

Meeting closed at 5.00pm

Agreed as a true copy of events	

Chairman Signature.....(BFA CHAIRMAN)