

ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL FIELD TRIAL ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the

2018 Annual Meeting of the Delegates

Deer Creek Lodge and Conference Center

22300 State Park Road 20, Mt Sterling, OH 43143

4:00 pm November 14, 2018

1. Determination of Quorum

Quorum was achieved. 47 of 70 Clubs represented

2. Motion to approve 2017 was made, seconded, and minutes were approved.

3. Motion to approved 2017 financial report was made, seconded, and financial report was approved.

4. National Amateur Championship Topics

a. Report of the Nominating Committee – Election of Chairpersons

- i. 2019 MW John Meyer
- ii. 2020 ME Change from Bill Cosgrove the Mark Brookshire was made.
- iii. 2021 E Tim Edwards
- iv. 2022 W TBD

b. Presentation of the 2019 National Amateur Championship. John Meyer

- i. Number of points to qualify for 2019 will be 1. There was some discussion of keeping it at 2 to encourage people to attend more local trials. There was a motion to set the qualifying number at 1 which was passed by 29 and opposed by 13.
- ii. Entry fee set at \$300 with 36 approved and 5 opposed. Discussion included subjects regarding the cost of putting on the trial and the amount of money that is donated behind the scenes to support the event. The higher fee is intended to transfer more of the cost to the participants.
- iii. Closing dates: First closing will be November 16, 2019 and the second closing date will be November 22, 2019.
- iv. Date and time for 2019 Delegates' Meeting will be Sunday, December 1, 2019 at 4:00pm.

5. New Business

a. Presentation of proposal for 2020 NAC Bill Cosgrove.

- i. Mark Brookshire was identified as the general chair for the 2020 NAC.
- ii. Private grounds will be sought for courses.
- iii. Dates are not set at this time though conflicts with deer season will be taken into consideration. Deer season generally starts at the end of November.

b. Some discussion whether the Open National should have preference for dates when in conflict. Steve Beyer, the field vice president of ESSFTA noted that chairmen of each event should coordinate dates rather than making a rule.

c. Induction of Jesse Sekey to the Hall of Fame selection committee. A motion was made and seconded to keep Jesse as a member of the nominating committee. The motion was passed.

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- d. Using HuntSecretary for entries in the NAC and regional trials. This was for discussion only an no decision was required.
- 6. Other business – The following items were submitted too late in the agenda process to require a vote. These items will be kept on the agenda for the 2019 meeting.
  - a. Proposal to getting back to voting on the dates for the National every year as we have always done. The club holding the Nationals knows what best timing to hold the National for their region. We can/will hold the 2021 National Amateur on any date that gets voted on... Tim Edwards
  - b. Proposal to use Electronic voting for all matters relating to National Amateur by clubs prior to delegates meeting. This in turn will require all Proposals being presented to the National Amateur Delegates to be published at a time which gives the clubs time to talk about it the proposal then have clubs electronic vote. Tim Edwards
  - c. Proposal to discuss at this meeting the possibilities to change the clubs voting on National Amateur proposals to the people who are qualified to run that year's National Amateur, same as we do for voting on Judges. Tim Edwards
  - d. Presentation of 2021 in East
- 7. Report of the field trial chairman
  - a. Morning convoy at 6:30am from headquarters. The convoy was deemed unnecessary due to the ease and distance of getting to the grounds.
  - b. Lunches and breakfast will be available from a caterer on the grounds beginning at 7:00am.
  - c. Calcutta.
- 8. Adjournment