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The annual meeting was held May 25, 2004 at Gander Mountain in Forest Lake.

The meeting was called to order by president Bret Lindback at 6:45 p.m.

Members present were Michael Pinkosky, Bret Lindback, Steve Ralph, Fran Marier, Millie Frame, Bob & Coralynn Fischer, Brian Lange.

SECRETARY REPORT: read and corrections made on Hunt Test premium; contact should be Coralynn Fischer.

TREASURER REPORT: read and approved, balance of \$1,077.14

NEW BUSINESS:

- Steve will look into a check card from Wyoming Bank so we can use this for judges hotel reservations.
- Motion that the Pheasants Forever Sponsor donation be made to a local chapter instead of the National office, this year's sponsor will be Chisago County. Motion passed.
- Motion that we join the MN Woodcock Society as a Life member for a one time fee of \$300. Motion passed.
- Game Fair contract has been signed. Michael Pinkosky is in charge of the event. Volunteers are needed. If you can work any of the days, please give him a call.

FIELD TRIAL BUSINESS:

- Spring trial went well, a profit was made. Thanks to Brian and all that helped out this year. Discussed running only one course in the future, which would require us to take a maximum of 75 dogs.
- A letter from AKC, stating that we owed them more money for the dogs entered. Steve will contact AKC to straighten this out.
- Walking trial ran very well despite the rainy week-end. The trial made a profit. Thank you to Michael and all who helped out.
- Coralynn reported that the Hunt Test is planned for June 19 & 20 at Apple River Game Farm. She indicated that workers are still needed for this event.
- Fall Hunt Test application has been turned in for Sept. 25 & 26.
- Steve mentioned that he will try to put together a meeting for those who would like to see the new Fall field trial grounds. If your interested please contact Steve. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

GENERAL MEETING:

The June general meeting will be held Tuesday, June 22nd at Bret Lindbacks house in Wyoming, MN. Please contact Bret for directions at (651-462-4832) or by email at Bret.Lindback@ci.minneapolis.mn.us



— SCVBC SPRING FIELD TRIAL —

We had a great weekend in Minnesota at our annual spring field trial for the St. Croix Valley Brittany Club. The weather cooperated both days with temps in the mid 60's to 70's, until the very end when placements were announced. As I pulled the truck and trailer out of the grounds and headed home, I spotted a tornado not 10 miles from the grounds. All were able to get out before the tornado, I did get some really great photos of it (I was the last one out). We had some really great dogs and people attend this year, all helped make this a successful event. Thanks to everyone that helped plant birds, marshal and a big thank you to the judges.

— Steve Ralph

Congratulations to the following members and their dogs for their placements in this event.

Open Gun Dog

2nd place: Heidi's Sweet Jean Mac (Fran Marier)

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3rd place: Tally-O On The Go (Steve Ralph)

Amateur Gun Dog

4th place: Shady Way Stormin Norman (Bret Lindback)

For more photos and full results of these events, go to our newsletter's web site... <http://scvbc.tripod.com/photos.html>



— SCVBC WALKING FIELD TRIAL —

It was a damp weekend, but it didn't dampen the spirits of those who came out to enjoy the unusually cold and wet weather, even for Minnesota. After the running order on Saturday, those who chose to stay enjoyed a barbecue dinner. There was a good mix of pointing breeds represented, including German Shorthaired Pointers, Gordon Setters, English Setters, Vizslas, and, of course, Brittans. Two participants indicated at the trial that the amateur points awarded completed their Amateur Field Champion titles. Thanks to everyone who worked to make this year's event run smoothly. Thanks to Tina B. for last minute help with lunch! It was a great event. A warm "Welcome" to the few new members who stopped by to visit their first trial. We hope to see you all at Game Fair coming in August.

— Michael Pinkosky, Jr.

Congratulations to the following members and their dogs for their placements in the event.

Open Gun Dog - 15 starters

1st place: Max's Masterpiece (Francis Marier)

Open Puppy - 6 starters

2nd place: Tainter Creek Cheka Bullet (David E. Roll & Bruce Ristow)

3rd place: Bantam's Unleashed (Diane Hedstrom)

4th place: Over Under Nevens Showtime (Eileen Gust)

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

June 19-20 SCVBC Hunt Test, Apple River Game Farm, Osceola, WI

June 22 General Meeting at Bret Lindback's house. (651-462-4832)

July 10 & 24 Dog training at Four Brooks

— SCVBC HUNT TEST —

June 19-20 at Apple River Game Farm. For more information, contact Coralynn Fischer (651-459-2128).

— ARMSTRONG GAME FAIR —

Game Fair will be Aug. 6-8 and 13-15. We need volunteers to represent our club. A couple hours of your time would be great. No experience necessary. Get free admission. Bring your dog, share your experiences and have some fun. For more information please contact Michael Pinkosky Jr. (952-884-9627)

— SUMMER TRAINING —

Train with a Pro. Chad Hines from Willow Creek Kennels has again offered to help us with training. The dates this year will be Saturday July 10th, 24th, and Sunday August 1st at Four Brooks grounds. Starting time will be promptly at 8am and will continue until everyone has been helped. The cost this year will be \$10 per dog per day, which includes an average of two to three quail and/or pigeons. An MFFTC training permit will again be required, and will be available at the grounds. Cost for the permit is \$20, and is valid through Dec 31, 2004. Training is open to all members of the MFFTC clubs.

Please call Brian Lange at 7630-434-0713 by July 7th with possible dates you would like to attend so enough birds are brought along.

— PASSING OF A FRIEND —

Josie, a friend, companion and beloved pet of 14 years, passed away last month. She participated in field trials in her youth, and even won a Hunter's Special two months after giving birth to her litter of 7 pups. "Maybe she wasn't a field champion, but I wouldn't have traded her for anything! There isn't enough words to express her life and my love for her." — **Kathy Mills**