RCA Meeting Minutes August 4, 2020 Teleconference 907-519-0235 Code 33788543#

Meeting came to order at 4:05pm

Present were Mary, Joanne, Harry, Rich, John, and Gwen.

Motion to approve *June Meeting Minutes* was made by Joanne, Mary seconded. Motion passed

Motion to approve the *Treasurer's Report* was made by Joanne, and John seconded. Motion passed

Mary asked how many birds were used for the hunt test in order to expense them on the Per Event sheet. Joanne said she took 75 out, and brought back 40.

Mary said she is missing receipts from Marianne, and asked what land was used for the Hunt Test. John said AJ (\$100.00) and Robinson (\$200.00), and they used Paula Ferguson's for Master.

**Field Trials** – Harry said AKC came out with new rules for conspicuous blind retrieves for handlers to be able to see the end of the blind.

Both events were held at Turnagain. They used three boxes of popper shells. Harry asked Joanne to use live shot if possible, for the last hunt test due to expense. Most of the ammo is in the trailer.

\*The frozen bird order came to \$31.00 per bird. We need to get an invoice from Debbie Ganley. Joanne asked about shipping costs, and Harry said to check with Whistling Wings since Joanne said if birds are ordered in the winter, they are still frozen in shipments of 45 birds per box.

**Hunt Tests** - There should be 208 birds left in the locker. Joanne said she needs to take out 60 birds, and has 40 in her own freezer. She mentioned AKC rules that for HT, the birds used for faux fliers must be unused.

Joanne said there should be zero cost on the Per Event sheet for the 40 birds in her freezer. There was discussion regarding this, and Harry mentioned that having frozen birds is like having them in a savings account. The reality is that we will be using dead birds, and Joanne did not disagree. The birds used during the event will be expensed on the Per Event report.

Harry said the HT's will each have three bird kids. He cleaned and organized the trailer, washed all white coats.

Joanne asked if we have enough MapGas cannisters. Harry said yes, but to please use all opened ones first.

Harry asked Pete to let him know exactly what fields will be used for the HT. Pete said probably old Byler's and Hecker's place if the hay is down.

Fairbanks will need to use the trailer if AKC approves their request to use PtMac grounds since they are unable to use normal test grounds due to COVID restrictions.

Raffle tickets – Mary will give all stubs accounted for to Dan to bring out to the last event. She said after the drawing the plan was for him to bring them back, or give to Joanne or Pete to give to Mary. The winners will be contacted by Pete, and the winning tickets clearly marked.

The next meeting will be September 21st at 4:00pm via teleconference.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:46pm