

2019 ABC Membership Meeting
Club House, Blue Mountain – J. Perry Mikles WDA - Booneville, Arkansas
Thanksgiving, November 28, 2019

Call to Order and Welcome: 1st Vice President Kent Patterson

Kent called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the annual Membership Meeting of the American Brittany Club. He then explained that President Ed Janulis was unable to be in attendance this year due to an injury.

Highlights of the 2019 ABC BOD Meeting were presented by Kent Patterson:

- Dogs elected to the Bird Dog Hall of Fame:
 - FC AFC Blaze Dakota Trucker
 - NFC DC AFC Ru-Jem's A Touch of Bourbon
- Person elected to the ABC Hall of Fame:
 - Delmar Smith
- Results of the 2020 ABC Board of Directors Election:
 - East Coast: Leslie J. Hunt, reelected
 - East Central: Vincent Anderson
 - Central: Burton Wice
 - Midwest: Bret Lindback
 - West: Mary Brown, reelected
- Request to split the American Brittany and the Epagneul Breton into separate breeds failed.
- Removal of the ABC/AKC required condition of awarding a FC or AFC only to those Brittany's who have a 3 point or better major (OGD, AGD, OAA, AAA Stakes) in a licensed or member field trial held by a Brittany Club passed.
- Allow beeper collars in Grouse & Woodcock field trials was tabled pending info from regulating agencies.
- ABC Magazine Cover Photos to remain for the National Winners of the NOAA, NAAA, NOGD, NAGD, NWOGD, NWAGD, NSSBOB, NHIGH IN TRIAL, NAGILITY, NBEST JUNIOR. Remaining 2 months to be determined by ABC Magazine Committee. PASSED
- Acceptance of the 2018 Financial Statement and Adoption of the 2020 (Corrected) Operations Budget and 2020 Futurity Budget presented by Judy Graves passed. ***Kent announced the ABC is seeking a new Treasurer to replace Keith Wolnewitz who is stepping down at the end of 2019.***
- Standing President Ed Janulis was reelected as was 2nd Vice President Jeri Conklin.
- Margaret Horstmeyer, Chair of the Health & Genetic Defects Committee, requested use of the ABC Membership List to distribute a "Brittany" specific Health Survey and this was passed.
- Remove verbiage "tricolors are allowed but not preferred" from the ABC Breed Standard, page 22, ABC Policy book. This item will be sent to the Breed Standard Committee for their research and findings.
- Page 102, ABC Policy Book: Trophies, Section 3 – Remove verbiage "cash prizes prohibited" failed.

Necrology Report: Mary Jo Trimble read the list of names of ABC members, former ABC members and friends of the ABC who had passed away since the last Membership meeting. Those names included: Larry Meeks, Missouri, July 16, 2019; Jack Higgins, PA & ANT BC, Nebraska Field Trial Assn, Dec 2018; Les Casselberry, Williamsport, PA, passed Dec 10 2018 while grouse hunting; Ron Hamp Jun 2019, FTCI; Lewis Hott, July 28, 2019, FTCI; Art Leenerman, Nov 2019; Jim Leverich, Pampa, Tx, April 4, 2019, BDHOF; Joy Searcy, DeLeon, Tx, April 22, 2019, Former Executive Secretary, Magazine Editor, Trophy Chair; Christine Walkowicz, East Moline, Il, Sept 13, 2019; Phillip Willis, Lincolnshire, Il, June 26, 2019; Stacy Perkins, Galena, Kansas, June 25, 2019, Pro Pointer Trainer & Handler; Karen Barrows, [Roseburg, OR, 2019, Owner: North Umpqua Brittanys:](#) Vern Brunen, Canada, May 28, 2019, Owner of Am/Can DC Kinwashkly Dirty Ned Pepper; Richard Schwartz, 2019; Richard Johnson, CNE BC, 2019; Diana Requet, Iowa, 2019; Susan Kerns, San Diego BC, 2019 Former ABC Director; Jack Hires, Ionia, MI, July 19, 2019; Caitlin Ford, CBC, 2019; Jim Skorik, Niagara BC, 2019; Kay Rusk, Skyline BC, 2019.

Lifetime Members Present: Mary Jo Trimble, Ray Trimble, Mary Karbiner

ABC Hall of Fame Members Present: Mary Jo Trimble, Ray Trimble, Bob Rankin, Mary Karbiner

Mary Karbiner ABC Statistician: Mary requested all field trial secretaries to please completely fill out the Field Trial Report Form (AKC/AF/ABC) as neatly as possible then CAREFULLY PROOF READ IT before sending it in.

Kent Patterson requested everyone to please pay Linda Milam for their camping fees as soon as possible.

RICHARD BEAVER received special recognition from Kent for his extraordinary efforts during the running of the Nationals this year. Richard spent long hours completing countless tasks that were required for these events to take place. Special thanks to Tom Ettinger for delivering donuts each day for the dog wagon.

With no further items for discussion the meeting adjourned so we could all eat Thanksgiving Dinner.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Kilpatrick, Executive Secretary
American Brittany Club