

Colorado Lure Coursing Association
Semi-Annual Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2021 6:30PM ZOOM

Roll Call - Screenshot - In attendance via Zoom call - Darci Kunard, Heather Fletcher, Connie Sullivan, Pete Lowe, Claudia Miller, Cathy Day, Linda Pocerull, Frank Cassano, Mike Hussey, Deann Britton, Robin Phinney, Michele Bisbee, Tom Golcher, Dan Heidel, Heather Minnich.

Meeting was brought to order.

October Meeting Minutes: Accepted as-is.

Side Note: One change - **Grand National Dates are September 17, 18, 19.** May Meeting Agenda was NOT correct.

President's Report: Darci thanked everyone for volunteering before, during, and after the trials. It really helps move things along and ensures the trial runs smoothly. Please consider helping/volunteering at future trials - we'll train you to learn something new! Some members may have noticed that our most recent trials have been mask-free - this is due to a change in the rules from El Paso County. It is up to each individual and their comfort level. She also shared successes from CLCA members at the ASFA II, held just last weekend in Cedar Falls, IA - it was fantastic seeing familiar faces and great running dogs. The event was well-run and very efficient. Next year's II will hopefully be in October in Muncie, IN - but we won't know that until October of this year due to scheduling.

Corresponding Secretary Report: Dan has been posting the ASFA communiques on the CLCA FaceBook page and ASFA Region 3 page. Not much else going on.

Treasurer's Report: Deann did a balance sheet, and we are sitting pretty with a good amount of funds in the bank - many successful trials and expenses were down in 2020. Now, with the GN upon us, there will be substantial expenses for the ribbons because we'll order for the rest of the year.

Committee Reports

- **Membership:** Connie reported that we added 6 new members: Michelle Evans, Maureen Sheridan, Sue Visocchi, Amy Solberg and 2 former members have rejoined: Patty Olney and Karen Catov-Goodell.
- **Webmaster:** Darci reported that Russ revamped the CLCA website and has been great about keeping it up-to-date. If you haven't had a chance to check it out, please do so!
- **2021 Grand National:** Deann and Connie reported that the planning phase is going well. Kent Standerford agreed to judge, as well as Heather Minnich. Darci is FTS. Still thinking about the theme - the proposed theme "Grand National Unmasked" as not well-received due to possible political implications. We talked about "Back to Abby Normal" from Young Frankenstein. Deann and Connie will noodle on it some more, and Mike will design the logo. Linda P will send name of person for Pete to contact at Latigo for dinner. We agreed that could be a good option. Pete will contact the tent company for a smaller one with sides. Cathy will do the raffle. Darci will do trophies. Linda P will do t-shirts. Stay tuned for more info!

- **LGRA Racing Committee:** Next trial will be at Tom's place June 26-27. Premium due out soon! We'll also have one on November 6/7.
- **Equipment Committee:** Tom thanked the CLCA BOD for being so forthcoming with funds for updating and maintaining equipment. Tom has a good system in place and will continue to bring needs to the BOD for approval.
- **2020 Awards Banquet** - Gina Hayden was not in attendance, so Darci sent her an email asking about the availability of the restaurant for Saturday August 7th. We'll communicate the time and location to the membership shortly.
- **Constitution Committee** - Deann reported that the committee had their first meeting October 8th 2020 after the last general membership meeting. There were a few "to do" items, and those went by the wayside. So, Deann will reconvene and schedule a meeting with her committee. One of the more pressing issues is resolving online meeting and voting.
- **Tally-Ho:** Open
- **Historian/Archives:** Open - However, Pete sent some great pictures back in 1976 and those would be great for the website. Pete will get with Russ to arrange putting them on our website. Mike mentioned he had a lot of historical items and we should get someone to digitize those. We're looking for a volunteer or more to help preserve the history of CLCA. Pete will temporarily help as he is able to get these important memories saved and shared.
- **Regional Director Report:** Tom reminded us that USRRC will hold a 1-day ASFA trial on Monday, May 31st, in conjunction with their 2-day AKC trial. Other than that, not much going on in the region as of yet.

Unfinished Business:

- **ACOD Report** - Tom and Pete were the CLCA delegates at ACOD, which was the second virtual event, held in March 2021. Tom provided the following achievements: CLCA ran 243 dogs last year in 11 trials, making us the #2 club, and earning the Gold award. Connie Sullivan's and Deann Britton's Afghan Hound Summer was inducted into the Hall of Fame - Congrats Connie & Deann! Tom said that next year is ASFA's 50th Anniversary, and the ACOD may be held in-person and virtual (both)... not sure yet. Dan is the CLCA delegate to ASFA.
- **Remaining 2021 Trials - schedule and assignments are below:**
 - June - LGRA 26/27; Deann race secretary (premium due out soon!)
 - July -16/17/18 - Mike Chair, Darci FTS (premium at ASFA awaiting approval)
 - September 17/18/19 - Grand National - Deann/Connie Chairs, Darci FTS
 - October 9/10 - Mike Chair, Gina FTS
 - November - LGRA 6/7; Deann race secretary
 - December 18/19 - Deann Chair, Darci FTS
 - December 31/ January 1 2022 - Pete Chair, Deann FTS

New Business:

- **Welcome New Members**

Darci welcomed Michele as this was her first CLCA meeting as a member.

- **Next Meeting**

Next Meeting Date, and Place October 2021 - some lively discussion regarding whether to hold in-person or on Zoom. Zoom seemed to be the prevailing choice due to other commitments and being able to get more people and run a meeting more efficiently. Darci will send out a survey as to what night of the week will be preferred - via FaceBook.

- **Pulleys**

Connie reported that there are new pulleys: Phil Fullam makes metal part and her son-in-law has made the wooden parts. We will need some in the near future, so she's working on that. Heather M will forward info on the bearing pieces to Connie.

Meeting was adjourned.