

Announcement by Vickie Jacobs, Convention Planner: She thanked Region 3 for the hospitality and reminded delegates of the Saturday evening dinner at DiCicco's. She thanked Jose Haumont for her work in making up the nametags for the ACoD. Check out of the hotel is set for 1 PM on Sunday but the hotel can handle any possible snow delays.

The Annual Convention of Delegates (ACoD) was called to order by President, Ping Pirrung, at 9:00 AM.

A. ROLL CALL AND SEATING OF DELEGATES

Afghan Hound Club of America	Chris Anderson	Delegate	
American Whippet Club, Inc.	Claudia Miller	Delegate	X
Basenji Club of America, Inc.	Russ Jacobs	Delegate	X
Borzoi Club of America	Tom Golcher	Delegate	X
Colorado Lure Coursing Association	Renate Roder	Delegate	
Colorado Lure Coursing Association	Mickey Rubin	Alternate	
Colorado Lure Coursing Association	Peter Lowe	Delegate	X
Evergreen Basenji Club	Bill Bowlus-Root	Delegate	X
Evergreen Basenji Club	Mike Montgomery	Delegate	X
Gazehounds in Texas	Donna Murphy	Delegate	X
Gazehounds of New England	Ben Brodeur	Delegate	X
Gazehounds of New England	Clay Leslie	Delegate	X
Greyhound Association of North Georgia	Jerry Slattery	Delegate	X
Greyhound Association of North Georgia	Dale Parks	Delegate	X
Heartland Coursing Association	Vickie Jacobs	Delegate	X
Heartland Coursing Association	Josie Haumont	Delegate	X
International Silken Windhound Society	Lori Silvestri	Delegate	X
Iowa Coursing Association	Sean McMichael	Delegate	X
Mason Dixon Ibizan Hound Club	Lori Coulson	Delegate	X
Michigan Gazehound Association	Joe Shoemaker	Delegate	X
Mid-Atlantic Deerhound Club	KC Thompson	Delegate	X
Midwest Coursing Club	Gregory Breitbach	Delegate	X
Minnesota Coursing Association	Mike Leach	Delegate	X
Nebraska Coursing Association	Kent Standerford	Delegate	X
Nebraska Coursing Association	Marilyn Standerford	Delegate	X
Northwest Rhodesian Ridgeback Club	Jeff Falkner	Delegate	X
O.K.I. Gazehound Organization	Gayle Kytta	Delegate	X
Pharaoh Hound Club of America	Thom Haig	Delegate	X
Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the United States	Ross Jones	Delegate	X
Rocky Mountain Irish Wolfhound Association	Mike Hussey	Delegate	X
Rocky Mountain Irish Wolfhound Association	Shelley Hood	Delegate	X
Scottish Deerhound Club of America	Debra Narwold	Delegate	
Sight Hound Organization of Tidewater	Evelyn Jones	Delegate	X
Sight Hound Organization of Tidewater	Gary Roush	Delegate	X
Silken Windhounds of California	Barbara Deis	Delegate	X
Silken Windhounds of California	Keith Hicks	Delegate	X
Southern Oregon Coursing & Racing Association	Ann Chamberlain	Delegate	X
Southern Oregon Coursing & Racing Association	Leonard Luty	Delegate	X
St. Louis Area Sighthounds	Karen Frederick	Delegate	X
Tortoise and Hare Lure Coursers	Trish Borland	Delegate	X
Tortoise and Hare Lure Coursers	Dean Wright	Delegate	X

Tri-State Sighthound Club	Ping Pirrung	Delegate	X
Upper Chesapeake Bay Saluki Club	Jeff Lipps	Delegate	X
Upper Chesapeake Bay Saluki Club	Audrey Silverstein	Delegate	X

There were forty (40) member delegates present: twenty-one (21) is needed for a simple majority with twenty-seven (27) needed for 2/3rds.

B. APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARIAN, SERGEANTS AT ARMS, AND TELLERS

1. Parliamentarian: Ping Pirrung entertained a motion to appoint Russ Jacobs as the Parliamentarian. Motion, Seconded and Passed.
2. Sergeants at Arms: Motion, Seconded, and Passed to appoint Kent Standerford as Sergeant at Arms.
3. Tellers: Motion, Seconded, and Passed to appoint Marilyn Standerford and Vickie Jacobs as Tellers.

C. MINUTES OF THE 2012 ANNUAL CONVENTION OF DELEGATES - Karen Frederick, Recording Secretary
 Karen requested any corrections to the 2012 ACoD minutes that had been posted on the ASFA Website. Marilyn Standerford brought two housekeeping items to light: i.e. one previous motion had referenced an incorrect rule number from an earlier rulebook. She also suggested that in the listing of Awards, the Silken Windhound should have a notation that it was a Provisional breed. **Karen entertained a motion by Russ Jacobs to accept the copy of the 2012 Minutes with the two noted corrections. Gary Roush seconded and motion passed.**

D. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT - Ping Pirrung - Ping welcomed everyone to the snowy ACoD in Colorado. She highlighted that the committees had been working to post their goals and timelines. She discussed the output of the Communiqués and hoped that they would be on a monthly schedule. She thanked Bill Bowlus-Root for the editing and Lori Silvestri for the layout of the Communiqués. Ping also welcomed any suggestions for content and reported that any input would be needed by the 20th of each month for the next publication.

E. REPORTS OF THE VICE PRESIDENTS

1. **FIRST VICE PRESIDENT - Dean Wright -** Dean requested a moment of silence in memory of Les Pekarski and Shirri Peak from Georgia. Dean then commented about how impressed he was by the new Regional Directors and he thanked those who had worked on his various committees.
2. **SECOND VICE PRESIDENT - Thom Haig -** Thom commented that it was his first year on the Board and he did his best to keep his head down and to do whatever was asked. He also commented that he was working very hard to keep GANG going in light of the loss of Les and Shirri.

F. REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY - Karen Frederick - Karen requested that any items to be raised in New Business should be given to her by the end of the day to add to the agenda if the meeting were to go into Sunday or by early afternoon if it looks like the ACoD could be finished in one day.

G. REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY - Bill Bowlus-Root - Bill explained to the ACoD what his role as the Corresponding Secretary was. He reported that he has revamped some of the procedures for the on-line Board meetings. During the year, he did not receive any Statements of Irregularity, Protests with Appeal, Protests with No Appeal, nor any Protests Upheld. He did receive one Protest involving an October trial hosted by the California Coursing Association that the Board reviewed and rejected at their meeting.

He noted that two individuals were still suspended: Richard Erdmann for an indefinite period and Robbin Wiseman until 2031. These are posted on the ASFA Website.

Bill reported that the Portuguese Podengo Pequeno of America parent club did submit their application fee to ASFA in order to be separated from the Grande and Medio breeds.

Bill also listed the successful motions from the online meetings:

Motion	Title
20120401	II Policy 207 Limited placements count toward Provisional eligibility
20120405	New Operational Policy RUL06 making the Rules on the website the official version
20120412	Accepting 2012 Committee Chairs and Members
20120418	Removing the 'within the last year' clause from II Policy INVIT02
20120511	Points earned during transition count toward Provisional titles
20120530	Revised Operational Policy RUL03 making the policies on the website the official version
20120601	Accept the NWRRC application for Full Club Membership
20120608	Accept the SWC application for Full Membership status
20120612	Modify policy JUDG20 to clarify which stakes Provisional judges can judge
20120614	New Operational Policy including Singles Stakes as an allowed stake for Provisional breeds
20120617	Revise the Registration Number section on the Official Entry form
20120712	Modify the Judges Sheet form to comply with policy TRIALS48
20120715	Accept the Proposal for the 2013 II
20120801	Adopt the Proposals for opposing the APHIS Changes to the AWA
20120808	Ann Chamberlain and Karen Frederick Committee Appointments
20120818	Appoint Bill Martin as Chair of the Public Relations Committee
20120906	Accept the CLASS application for Full Membership status
20121115	Direct the CRC to suggest replacements for <i>FAN</i> references in the Constitution
20121116	Direct the REC to suggest replacements for <i>FAN</i> references in the Rules
20121125	Conduct Club and Exhibitor trial improvement surveys
20121125a	Modify RD03 so Historical album is optional
20121220	ASFA contribution to final expenses for Les Pekarski
20121221	Adopt the revised guidelines for Regional Directors
20130116	Allow archived issue of <i>FAN</i> to be unbound for digitization
20130119	Accept the ISWS application for Full Membership status
20130219a	New Operational Policy requiring a single PDF file if premium lists are posted to the website

Bill also commented on his role as a surrogate for committee chairmen not on the Board. It will be his responsibility to bring their reports to the Board. Bill also announced that a Task Force has been developed to look into the procedures of electronic meetings. This group consists of Bill, Josie Haumont, and Thom Haig.

Bill also discussed the process of holding elections for Regional Directors and some of the difficulties in getting nominations from certain regions. The Board did discuss some of these issues in depth in their meetings. The CRC has been tasked to look in to the discrepancy of which clubs are allowed to vote in vacancy elections for RDs.

- H. REPORT OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER - Jeff Lipps - Jeff explained a couple different financial handouts that had been passed out to the delegates. Last year, a financial loss of \$12,500 was predicted due to the plan to invest in the infrastructure. However, for the first time in a few years, there was a positive balance at the end of 2012 of about \$800. He reported that we are a \$60,000 to \$62,000 revenue organization but the expenses were not incurred in the computer initiative budget as planned.

Jeff did note that that entry numbers continue to decrease but that a stable balance exists due to the prudence of the ASFA.

ASFA Annual Financial Report
1 January - 31 December 2012
Jeff Lipps, CFO and Sean McMichael, Treasurer

Category	Income	Expense	Difference	Budgeted Income	Budgeted Expense	Budgeted Difference
ACoD	\$ 4,025.00	\$ 3,893.30	\$ 131.70	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5000.00	-\$ 500.00
ASFA Wear	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Forms	\$ 2,840.17	\$ 4,226.02	-\$ 1,385.85	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 2000.00	\$ 2500.00
Interest	\$ 6.46	\$ 0.00	\$ 6.46	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Per Capita	\$44,114.00	\$ 1,302.81	\$ 42,811.19	\$45,500.00	\$ 3,000.00	\$42,500.00
Invitationals	\$ 3,589.00	\$ 1,302.81	\$ 2,286.19	\$ 5,900.00	\$ 3000.00	\$ 2,900.00
Trials	\$40,525.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 40,525.00	\$39,600.00	\$ 0.00	\$39,600.00
Membership	\$ 7,664.96	\$ 303.06	\$ 7,361.90	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7500.00
Committees	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,901.10	-\$ 5,901.10	\$ 0.00	\$25,500.00	-\$25500.00
Computer	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$10,000.00	-\$10000.00
Internet Initiative	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,500.00	-\$ 7500.00
Other	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 8,000.00	-\$ 8000.00
FAN	\$ 60.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 60.50	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Records	\$ 0.00	\$30,986.60	-\$30,986.60	\$ 0.00	\$29,400.00	-\$29,400.00
Salary	\$ 0.00	\$23,819.40	-\$23,819.40	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Taxes	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,845.84	-\$ 2,845.84	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Expenses	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,321.36	-\$ 4,321.36	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Historical Book	\$ 48.70	\$ 0.00	\$ 48.70	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Regional Directors	\$ 0.00	\$ 437.15	-\$ 473.15	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,500.00	-\$1,500.00
Board Meetings	\$ 0.00	\$ 9,005.94	-\$ 9,005.94	\$ 0.00	\$ 7,000.00	-\$7,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,734.82	\$ 4,546.70	-\$ 1811.88	\$ 650.00	\$ 2,000.00	-\$1,350.00
TOTALS	\$61,494.61	\$60,602.68	\$ 891.93	\$62,650.00	\$75,400.00	-\$12,750.00

Starting balance 1 January 2012
 Checking \$75,550.94

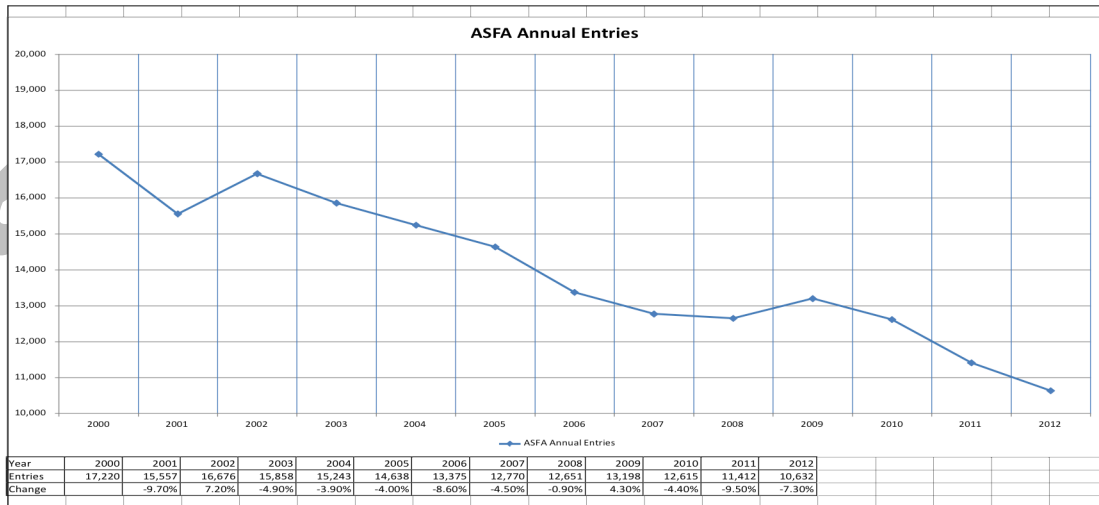
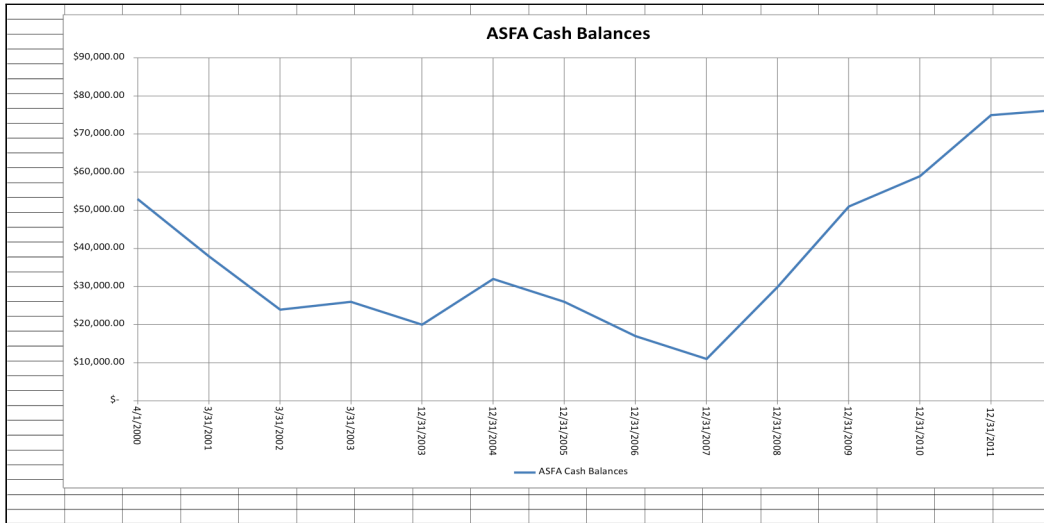
Ending Balance 31 December 2012
 \$76,442.87 Difference = \$891.93

Projected for 2012 Year
 Income \$62,650
 Expense \$75,400
 Net \$12,750

Actual
 1 Jan - 31 Dec 2012 = \$61,491.61
 1 Jan - 31 Dec 2012 = \$60,602.68
\$ 891.93

The following two charts show that the financial balance of the ASFA appears to be stable but it is a major concern to see that the number of entries continues to decrease.

Fifteen breeds had declining entries but it should be noted that increases were seen in the number of Single Stakes entries as well as those from Silken Windhounds. Without those two, entries would have decreased by an approximately 1500 more. The Silken Windhound owners have created clubs and have held trials to help support ASFA lure coursing.



Jeff Lipps entertained a motion to approve the financial reports: Motion by Kent Standerford and seconded by Gary Roush. Motion passed.

Colorado Lure Coursing Association delegate Renate Roder arrived at the meeting at this point so the delegate count changes to 41. Simple majority would still be twenty-one delegates but two-thirds would be twenty-eight.

- I. REPORT OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTORS - Josie Haumont, newly elected chairman of the RDs - She reported that the new RDs are an enthusiastic group and that people should utilize them when necessary.

1. Region 1 - Jeffrey Falkner - Jeff reported that his region consisted of nine Clubs and one on Fast Track affiliation. They had 628 entries, which was down 116 from 2011. He discussed their Regional Invitational and reported that a Greyhound won the Best in Regional. Challenges include finding inexpensive fields. He also thanked Avery McLeod for his help in the transition.
2. Region 2 - Rick Wolpin - Rick was regrettably absent but Bobbie Diaz gave his report to the ACoD. He reported that the region had seven fewer trials in 2012, which resulted in a decrease in entries. He mentioned that the expenses for the ASFA coursing trials have increased but holding the AKC CAT tests help the clubs financially. He also commented that the region needs more judges.
3. Region 3 - Tom Golcher - Tom commented that he was proud to have been elected from his region and noted that the availability of fields was not an issue for them. They had one less trial held last year but had an increase of over 200 entries which did not include the entries from the International Invitational. CLCA was the top club in holding trials in 2012 but #2 in total entries.
4. Region 4 - Jack Downing - Donna Murphy gave Jack's report since he was unable to attend. Donna had moved to Texas from Pennsylvania and was the current nominee for the RD position. She reported that the Regional Invitational was well attended. LSBC and CdECA were the two highest performing clubs and held four trials each. She also reported the end of the Afghan Hound Club of Greater Houston and thanked Garry and Judy Newton for their dedication to coursing over the years.

At this point, Debra Narwold, delegate of the Scottish Deerhound Club of America, arrived at the ACoD and increased the delegate number to forty-two. This changed the simple majority number to twenty-two and two-thirds level remains at twenty-eight.

5. Region 5 - Josie Haumont - Josie reported that her region consists of seven all-breed member clubs, one affiliated, and three national clubs. The region held two fewer trials in 2012 but had an increase of 4% in entries. The Regional Invitational was held by Heartland Coursing Association with Bailey the Whippet taking the Best in Field. All clubs were scheduled to hold the same number of trials in 2013 with Nebraska Coursing adding an extra weekend in April.
6. Region 6 - Greg Breitbach - Greg started by thanking Steve Curry and Gayle Kytta, previous Region 6 RDs, for their help and guidance in the transition. Greg reported they have thirteen member clubs and two specialty clubs as well as one newly applied club, the Raisin River Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of Michigan (R4COM). There was an overall increase in entries by approximately 100 in 2012. The Regional Invitational was held by OKIGO and in 2013, it will be held by Midwest Coursing Club, celebrating their 50th Anniversary as a club. The region will also be holding the 2012 International Invitational in mid-April in Muncie, Indiana. Some of the issues brought to his attention by the region's clubs included the need for training huntmasters and lure operators as well as increasing the membership of the clubs. He also brought up possible advertising on the ASFA website.
7. Region 7 - Dale Parks - Dale began with mentioning the losses in the region in 2012: Les Pekarski, Shirri Peek, and Amy Rutledge. He highlighted the increasing costs of attending trials and hoped to get a club started in Alabama. He mentioned that he heard some great ideas about outreaching from the RD meeting. He liked the idea of assembling teams to help any clubs, i.e. equipment maintenance.
8. Region 8 - Gary Roush - Gary began with covering the location of his region and reporting that it was home to eight member clubs, two affiliated clubs, one fast-track club, and two parent clubs. He commented that his region has similar problems to everyone else such as the competition with numerous dog activities. Gary reported that SHOT will be holding the Regional Invitational in Williamsburg, VA on October 19 and 20.
9. Region 9 - Richard Whritenour, interim Regional Director (absent) - Ben Brodeur gave a report in Rich's absence. Ben reported the status of the region. They are trying to bring in new judges with limited funds. They currently have three member clubs, another on Fast-Track, and another club applying for ASFA Membership. They welcome any coursers to come test their new lure coursing equipment.

10. Region 10 - Keith Hicks - Keith reported that the region has eight clubs and that six of them hosted a total of twenty trials, five all-breed and fifteen specialty trials. He commented that many of the hounds have moved over to AKC coursing and that has impacted the entries for their ASFA clubs. He's hoping new judges and new fields will help draw those entries back.

J. INVITATIONALS COMMITTEE - Josie Haumont - This committee consists of all the Regional Directors. Josie commented that this committee is responsible for gathering bids for future International Invitationals as well as for the Regional Invitationals and that the guidelines for both will be getting reviewed. The 2013 II will be held in Muncie, Indiana but no bids have been received for 2014 or 2015.

Joe Shoemaker, one of the two Field Chairmen, was introduced to discuss the upcoming II in Muncie. He reported that the field was wide open and had no trees or boundaries. Joe reminded the delegates that the deadline for entries would close on March 27, 2013.

1. AWARDS COMMITTEE - Evelyn Jones - Evelyn announced the Top Hounds in ASFA Lure Coursing for all of the eligible breeds.

Afghan Hound	Autumn	Cameo Rah-Wynd Indian Summer, LCM, JOR	Schulz/Sullivan/Britton
Azawakh (tie)	Ayur Ahzi	I'kmer-Ayur-Ikmer Idiiyat-Es-Sahel, FCh Al Haras Wingo, FCh	J Butterworth E MacMillan
Basenji	Zuri	GCH DC Jerlin's Our Zuri Pupin, LCM, vLCM, MC, SGRC, VB, LCX	T Colbert
Borzoi	InSanity	UCH Del Sol End of Reason WNS, FCh, GRC	S Van de Water
Cirneco dell'Etna	Maserati	Cy'Era Maserati di Hadranensis, FCh	M L Prieto
Greyhound	Cheyenne	Windrock Rodeo Queen	K & C Fritzler
Ibizan Hound	Butch	DevillezTryinToGetTheFeelingAg, LCM11	R DeVillez
Irish Wolfhound	Marigold	DC Tralen's Merry Gold Purl, FCh, GRC, SC	T & L Luty
Italian Greyhound	Toby	FC Elmar's Bayou Fast Dobmann, LCM, MC, LCX, GRC	E & K McNamee
Pharaoh Hound	Bajja	FC Hallam's Zafis J'Bajja of Arolet, FCh, SC	Butterworth/Carota/Sipperly
Rhodesian Ridgeback	Voodoo	DC Highveld's Black Magic OfImarika, LCM, SC	G & P Kytta
Saluki	Vulcan	DC Windrush Duodecuple Vulcan, LCM4, SC	K & J Lipps
Scottish Deerhound	Selene	GCH DC Tormore Selene, SC	G & G Lovato
Sloughi	Baha	Ocerico Baha Al-Din	A & D Bruhwiler
Whippet	Catori	FC Taditha Written in the Stars, LCM8, SC	M & J Libersher
Singles	Ranger-Sa	Windrush High Five	J & K Lipps
* Silken Windhound	Gilbert	Aeracuras Fantasy Gilbert	Smith/Franklin

* provisional

Plaques were awarded to each top hound. If the owner was not present, the Regional Director accepted the award on their behalf. Evelyn announced that the 2012 Highest Scoring Hound in ASFA went to the Whippet, Catori.

K. EXCELLENCE IN PERFORMANCE AWARD - Josie Haumont - The purpose of the ASFA's Excellent Performance Award (EPA) is to recognize and reward those clubs which go the extra mile in providing the lure coursing fancy with good sport and the highest quality field trials. Nominations for this award are solicited from the Regional Directors. For 2013, the EPA goes to Apalachee Coursing Club of Region 7.

L. REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES

1. GUIDELINES COMMITTEE - Dean Wright - It was reported that he is working on assembling the guidelines for each committee and position within ASFA.
2. FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE - Jeff Lipps - The primary role of this committee is the budget and one that was approved by the Board the day before was passed out to the delegates. Jeff pointed out that the per capita of \$40,500 was same as the one attained in 2012. However, the budgeted amount for the International Invitational has been increased since the ASFA has moved away from a per capita system and towards one that is guaranteed amount due to an agreement from the host clubs. The number of entries will be higher in Muncie, IN than in Colorado. On the expense side, money has been allocated for the Internet Initiative and a line item was added to account for a projected cost of the rewriting of the Records program.

**American Sighthound Field Association
Budget
Year Ended December 31, 2013**

	Income	Expense
ACoD	\$4,500	\$4,500
Forms	4,500	2,000
Per Capita	40,500	
Invitationals		
International	3,600	
Regionals	3,000	3,000
Membership	7,600	
Miscellaneous	1,000	2,000
Internet Initiative		6,000
Board Meetings		8,000
Regional Directors		1,500
Records		32,000
Computer		4,000
Committees		6,000
Records Program Upgrade		3,000
TOTALS	\$64,700	\$72,000

Recap:
 Income \$64,700
 Expenses \$72,000
 Net (\$7,300)

With a loss of \$7,300, it leaves a cushion of \$68,000 in the bank. **Jeff entertained a motion to accept the 2013 budget as presented. Motion to accept the 2013 budget by Marilyn Standerford, seconded by Ben Brodeur. Motion carried.**

3. **CONTRACTS COMMITTEE** - Jeff Lipps - Jeff reported that this committee had no contracts to review in the past year. The only two contracts that currently exist in ASFA are with Lori Coulson, Records Coordinator and Jean Hampton, webmaster.
4. **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE** - Scott Miller (absent) - Josie Haumont summarized his report about the Membership Committee. She reported that Scott has been very busy with the housekeeping of all the membership data and has digitized all the information. He also sends the website updated club delegate information monthly.

2012 Current Clubs:	101 (-2)
Member Clubs:	75 (+2)
Affiliated Clubs:	24 (-4)
Fast Track Clubs:	1(-1)
Applied Clubs:	1 (+1)

Four Affiliated Clubs successfully completed the requirements and were voted in as full Member Clubs: NWRRC, SWC, CLASS, and ISWS. Two Fast Track clubs became regular Affiliated Clubs: AWFA and PHONE. There was one new Fast Track Club, PAHC, and one new Affiliate Club, SSRRC. The new Applied Club is R4COM.

Region Breakdown:

Region 1	9 Clubs	Region 6	15 Clubs
Region 2	9 Clubs	Region 7	12 Clubs
Region 3	7 Clubs	Region 8	15 Clubs
Region 4	10 Clubs	Region 9	6 Clubs
Region 5	11 Clubs	Region 10	7 Clubs

5. **SCHEDULING COMMITTEE** - Denise Como (absent). Karen Frederick gave Denise's report. She reported that Denise continues to be very quick in responding to any scheduling questions and if she fails to send a response within twenty-four hours, please resend the e-mail. She reported that many are very happy with submitting premiums online for her approval. The financial outlay for Scheduling is about zero since the electronic method of scheduling has become the norm. The only expenses seen are with an off-site back-up system. As in years past, Denise requested that with any premium being submitted for approval, please have the breeds in the judging grid be in alphabetical order. If you want to include a running order, please put it in a different place other than the judging grid.
6. **RECORDS COORDINATOR** - Lori Coulson - Lori reported that there was an error in the multipage report that was given to the delegates and that she would be happy to send an updated report if anyone contacts her. There were 263 more hounds competing in 2012 along with 47 more new hounds. There were nine TCP (Title of Coursing Proficiency) titles awarded but no certificates have been awarded since those have to be done manually. Lori also reported there were twenty-four less trials given in 2012 and a drop of 780 entries. More hounds competed but not as often. She pleaded for Field Trial Secretaries to read the RECORDS 101 that was included in the packet. Lori reported she was trying to be patient about the updated records program but she was more optimistic after the Board meeting the day before.
7. **COMPUTER COMMITTEE** - Todd Birchfield (absent) - Bill Bowlus-Root gave the report for Todd. It was reported that the progress for this committee was a bit sporadic. They had attempted to get Lori Coulson, Records Coordinator, a new laptop with the necessary program but that was not possible. He did report that they were working on a new Initiative to centralize all of the ASFA's needs such as records, website, scheduling, and membership.
8. **WEB LIAISON** - Marilyn Standerford - Marilyn reported that her role is to provide quality control of website submissions in a professional and timely manner. Those include Titles and Top Twenty, Membership, and Scheduling. She also has updated the rulebook with current REC and CRC changes that were effective January 1, 2013. Marilyn thanked the webmaster, Jean Hampton, for being very responsive to updates and changes to the website.

9. WEBSITE PUBLICATION COMMITTEE - Josie Haumont - Josie took the time to thank the active members of her committee as well as the Website Liaison, Marilyn Standerford. She also thanked Jean Hampton, the webmaster, for her great work. Josie reported that the website now has space available for regions to advertise their Invitationals. They also added a useful feature of a Google search option on the website. Another planned feature is to post old copies of the *Field Advisory News* on the website and they are trying to locate old *FANs*. Please contact Marilyn Standerford if you have copies you'd like to donate. This committee is also checking on changing the current hosting server of the website. Josie plans for this committee to coordinate with the Computer Committee to avoid making more work than necessary for either committee.
10. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Bill Martin (absent) - Mike Leach gave the report for the PR Committee. Mike reported that the committee managed to do some good work in the past year. They started their own Yahoo Group so they could file documents for the committee to view and to better communicate. They are also trying to have better ties with the sighthound publications and would like to have an advertising budget to help with this. Bill also mentioned the need for some writers to help with submissions to the publications.

Josie Haumont commented on the FaceBook page proposal that had been approved by the Board the day before. A trial period of six months will be given to see how the page works with the fancy.

11. FORMS COMMITTEE - Marilyn Standerford - Marilyn reported that the Forms Committee had two main tasks to perform this year. First was to change the registration area on the entry form and the other was to add Provisional in to the Stakes on the Judge's Form. Also added was a designation for the Best in Event (BIE) to help when two-day Regionals are held. Marilyn reported that she had four packages of the old forms left but that the updated forms were at the printer. She also commented that it was currently only 30 cents more to mail out the forms with Priority Mail than with Parcel Post. Marilyn also mentioned that a shipping calculator was to be added to the website so that actual shipping costs would be added to the forms cost instead of it being included in the cost of the forms. When questioned, Marilyn reported that the Regional decals would not be re-ordered.
12. POLICY COMPILATION COMMITTEE - Rich Whritenour (absent) - Gary Roush, new chairman of this committee, gave the report. He commented that Rich had done a great job in summarizing the changes in the Policies. As per his report, three new policies were approved. O-RUL06 made the Rules on the website the official version. O-TRIALS49 included the Singles Stake as an allowed stake for Provisional Breeds and O-SCHED20 addresses that approved premium lists needed to be in a single ready-to-post pdf to be included on the ASFA website.

Three policies were modified. O-RD03 made the Policies on the website, the official version. O-JUDG20 was clarified by adding the word 'only' in defining that Provisional Judges are considered regularly licensed to judge Limited and Singles Stake. A-RD03 was modified to make maintaining an historical album for each region optional.

Two International Invitational Policies were revised. INVIT02 was modified so that Limited placements would count toward Provisional eligibility and it was also adjusted by removing the 'within the last year' requirement.

13. JUDGES COMMITTEE - Ann Chamberlain - Ann wanted to mention how much they all missed Les Pekarski on the Committee and how they had to deal with the resignations of Steve Curry and Dawn Ferris within the past year. Despite their depleted ranks, Ann reported that the Committee carried on. Ann also thanked Leigh Littleton for his advice.

An important task this committee had to deal with was revising the requirements for Provisional and Apprentice Judges. They carefully examined Chapter XI of the Rule Book. They reduced the number of dogs required for licensing while strengthening other aspects.

They also were concerned with accepting AKC lure coursing judges as provisional, without an apprentice process. The Judges Committee came up with a revision they feel will bring these judges into line with those who come up through the ASFA system.

So this Committee recommends requiring a number of dogs PER STAKE instead of entrants per breed. This will ensure some cross course judging while reducing the overall number necessary for completing requirements in Provisional Judging. They also recommend that the Limited Stake counts towards provisional requirements. These recommendations were not forwarded in time to be dealt with at this ACoD but will be in the coming year. The Board referred these on to the REC at their recent meeting.

Ann also reported that in January, this committee was sent the proposed REC revision of Chapter XI, Section 12 regarding disciplinary procedure against a judge. Members of this committee had some strong disagreements about the REC proposal but will be trying to work to iron these out.

The Judges Committee considers the seminar program as a pressing issue. The goal is to make the program viable for both prospective judges and exhibitors.

14. JUDGES LICENSING COMMITTEE - Leigh Littleton (absent) - Ann Chamberlain read his report to the ACoD delegates. His report began with the fact that all license applications have been received and processed promptly. He also commented that there have been no major problems that he had to deal with. He lends his support to the idea of simplifying licensing requirements for people in those areas with limited trial entries. He reported that letters have been sent out to those inactive judges and once confirmed, they have been removed from the Judges' List. Leigh also reported that he supported the Judges Committee views on revising the rules on judging discipline.

Top Twenty-Five Judges - 2012

25. Don White	227	12. Jeff Lipps	305
24. Ping Pirrung	228	11. Kathy Sanders	312
23. Jim Anthony	237	10. Kirby Overcash	342
22. Todd Birchfield	240	8. (T) Kathy Nelson	362
20. (T) Rita Figg	246	8. (T) Josie Haumont	362
20. (T) Jack Downing	246	7. Frances Abrams	374
19. Janet Lotz	255	6. Scott Hurlbert	386
18. Karen Frederick	269	4. (T) Bob Marciszewski	414
17. Katie Kaltenborn	279	4. (T) Don Ewing	414
16. Peter Lowe	291	3. Ian Davies	503
15. Judy Lowther	293	2. Dean Wright	536
13. (T) Claudia Miller	300	1. Paul Kytta	601
13. (T) Mike Hussey	300		

Judges by Licensing Status, by Year

YEAR	ALL-BREED	LICENSED	PROVISIONAL	TOTAL JUDGES
2003	135	12	5	152
2004	133	10	6	149
2005	136	10	7	153
2006	138	10	4	152
2007	141	7	7	155
2008	139	10	5	154
2009	132	8	7	147
2010	135	9	7	151
2011	137	10	8	155
2012	130	13	10	153

Availability of Judges by ASFA Region

REGION	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
1	13	13	13	12	13	15	16	15
2	8	8	9	12	8	8	10	9
3	10	10	14	12	14	14	15	17
4	15	16	13	14	13	13	14	13
5	14	13	13	12	11	11	11	11
6	32	34	33	33	31	32	32	32
7	20	19	18	15	16	16	17	17
8	21	20	23	23	23	23	23	23
9	7	7	6	8	8	8	8	6
10	13	13	13	13	10	11	10	10

15. ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL COMMITTEE - Dean Wright - Dean began with thanking his committee and then discussed the collection of coursing items from Les Pekarski's estate. It was divided between Hanover, PA and Tecumseh, KS and included awards and trophies as well as the original Lyle Gillette lure coursing machine. He hopes that an inventory can be completed this year of all the items between the two locations. At this point, Russ Jacobs read a historical story, originally penned by Ruth Reynolds, called "ASFA - The National Provisional Committee for Lure Coursing".

16. FIELD TRIAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE - Lisa Voss (absent) - Ping Pirrung presented this committee's report. She reported that the committee developed two surveys that were sent out to club delegates and trial entrants. The Board has requested the raw data from these surveys.

17. LONG RANGE PLANNING - Jack Downing (absent) - Ping Pirrung commented that no report had been submitted.

M. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS - Ping Pirrung
[Proposal #1](#)

Article IV, CONVENTIONS, MEETINGS, DELEGATES and VOTING

Section 2. Annual Convention of Delegates. There shall be an Annual Convention of Delegates held in March or April of each year. The location shall rotate across the country so that each section of the country will host the convention once every three (3) years. Sections are:

- West: Regions 1, 2, 3 and 10;
- Central: Regions 4, 5 and 6;
- East: Regions 7, 8 and 9.

This rotation will be followed if reasonably possible, but if there appears not to be support for a Convention in a particular area, as of the time the Site Selection Committee solicits proposals, then the Committee may recommend an alternate location, with the decision to be made at the upcoming Convention.

The ACoD Site Selection Committee shall, during the year prior to each ACoD, determine the section of the country that will be the site for the ACoD three years hence, and shall solicit written proposals from clubs or other groups from within that section. Such proposals shall specify the site, potential hotels for the ACoD, and information on accessibility, costs, and other relevant circumstances. The Site Selection Committee shall then recommend to the Board of Directors no more than four sites for ACoD consideration from the submitted proposals. The Board of Directors must select a site for the convention from the list recommended by the ACoD Site Selection Committee.

The date for the ACoD shall be selected by the Board of Directors. The date and location shall stand unless overridden by a two-thirds vote of the delegates in attendance at the ensuing Annual Convention

of Delegates. Each member club shall be entitled to be represented by two (2) convention delegates, who shall be identified by the club on an appropriate form.

Rationale: The addition allows leeway in the event a site in the stated rotation of the three regions of the county is not available then an alternate site can be sought. The aim is to keep the rotation but allows for flexibility.

Motion to accept Proposal #1 by Jeff Lipps, seconded by Gray Roush. Motion carried.

Proposal #2

Discussion:

The 2012 ASFA Board requested that the CRC and REC consider the appropriateness and request them to work together in terms of better defining and clarifying the provisional status. The Board approved the new policy Trials 48 which clarified provisional classes in Article X Section 5.

REC has the proposals for rule changes to clarify the running of the Provisional Stake. *This is an informational item. There is nothing on which to vote.*

Proposal #3

Discussion:

The 2012 ASFA Board requested that the CRC replace the references to FAN and Field Advisory News in the Constitution with appropriate wording.

Article IV

CONVENTIONS, MEETINGS, DELEGATES and VOTING

Section 1. Club Delegates.

... Names and addresses of all club delegates shall be ~~printed in the July/August issue of the Field Advisory News~~ *posted on the ASFA website and maintained on a quarterly basis by the Membership Committee....*

Section 10. Definitions.

Club delegate: a person designated by a member, affiliate or applied club to represent them for the ensuing year. Their names and addresses is ~~published in FAN~~ *posted on the ASFA website.* and All official ASFA correspondence ordinarily goes to clubs via ~~these~~ *this delegates....*

Article VI

THE ASSOCIATION YEAR, NOMINATIONS, and ELECTIONS

Section 2. Officer Nominations.

(a) ... The committee shall submit a list of nominees for officers to be ~~published in the Field Advisory News~~ *the Corresponding Secretary 150 days prior to the next Annual Convention of Delegates to be posted on the ASFA website, published In the ASFA Communiqué and sent to each club delegate....*

Article VIII

EXPERIMENTAL PROGRAMS

... The results of the program must be ~~reported in FAN~~ *posted on the ASFA website, published in the ASFA Communiqué and sent to each club delegate* at the end of the year trial period and/or before an experimental program is proposed as a running rules change.

Article X

RECOGNITION OF ADDITIONAL SIGHTHOUND BREEDS

Section 3. Approving Limited Status.

... Recognition in Limited status will be ~~published in FAN~~ *posted on the ASFA website, published in the ASFA Communiqué and sent to each club delegate* and will begin the first of the month after approval.

Article XI

AMENDMENTS

Section 3. Amendments to the Constitution shall be ~~published in the first available issue of the Field Advisory News~~ *posted on the ASFA website, published in the ASFA Communiqué and sent to each club*

delegate and shall go into effect January 1 following the ratification, unless otherwise determined by the Annual Convention of Delegates that approved the amendment.

Rationale: Since FAN (Field Advisory News) is no longer being published it is appropriate for those referring to the Constitution to know where to find referenced material.

Motion to accept Proposal #3 by Marilyn Standerford and seconded by Gary Roush. Motion carried.

N. AMENDMENTS TO THE *RUNNING RULES AND FIELD PROCEDURES - LURE FIELD TRIALS* - Russ Jacobs

Russ Jacobs entertained a motion for the order of action, two minutes alternating pro and con, in the discussion of the proposed amendments. Motion by Marilyn Standerford, seconded by Jeff Lipps. Motion carried.

The following Rule Change Proposals will be submitted for approval to the 2013 Annual Convention of Delegates. New wording is underlined; deleted wording is ~~struck out~~. Explanations for the proposal are included, along with REC recommendations. THESE ARE PROPOSALS ONLY; those that receive a favorable vote will be considered a change in the *Running Rules and Field Procedures for Lure Field Trials*. Such proposals will be published on the ASFA website after the 2013 ACoD, and will go into effect on January 1, 2014.

Rules Change Proposals for the 2013 ACoD

(1) Chapter I, Section 6

The following clubs shall be considered national clubs: the ASFA, parent clubs as defined by AKC, and the American Saluki Association (ASA) ~~and the Greyhound Club of Canada (GCC).~~

Effect: To remove the Greyhound Club of Canada from the list of national clubs.

Reason: GCC is no longer an ASFA club.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to accept Proposal #1 by Gary Roush, seconded by Mike Hussey. Motion carried.

(2) Chapter IV, Section 8 (3)

The following items must appear within the premium list, in approximately the order indicated (only minor deviations from the indicated order will be approved):

- (a) Club officers and directors.
- (b) Judges and ~~their complete addresses,~~ their city and state of residence and assignments. (An asterisk shall be used to denote provisional status.)

Effect: To eliminate the need to list the complete address of Judges in the Premium List.

Reason: A complete address is unnecessary to identify a judge: this change will enhance Judges' privacy.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to accept Proposal #2 by Marilyn Standerford, seconded by Ben Brodeur. Motion carried.

(3) Chapter V, Section 7

First placing hounds in all regular stakes of each breed shall run-off or withdraw from Best of Breed competition. Unless all ties for first place and Best of Breed can be resolved in one course, all ties must be broken before running Best of Breed. Best of Breed competition must be resolved in one course. However, for breed specialties or the International Invitational and in the case of three or more multiple flights in any one stake, an overall winner in the Open stake, an overall winner in the Field Champion

~~stake, and an overall winner in the Veteran stake must be determined by run-off or forfeiture unless the Best of Breed can be run in one course. all flight winners will be eligible to compete directly for Best of Breed.~~ Determination of this overall Best of Breed winner shall be determined in the same manner as tie-breaking; namely, all hounds in contention shall be randomly drawn in as many courses as are necessary, and after a single run of each course, the high-scoring hound will be considered the overall winner (ties must be forfeited or run-off). ~~The winner of this run or the remaining hound shall be declared that breed's Best of Breed.~~ Only hounds winning a Best of Breed run shall be awarded points equal to the points awarded the highest-placing hound in that breed which it defeated. In the event of a single entry in any breed, or all hounds in a breed entered in one stake, the Best of Breed winner shall be determined solely by the highest combined scores of the preliminary and final courses. A hound must earn a qualifying score in the run-off in order to win Best of Breed. A hound who wins a Best of Breed run, and is a single entry in a stake, shall be awarded a first placement with competition.

Effect: Winners of all flights of the individual stakes would be eligible for the Best of Breed run at events such as Specialties and International Invitationals.

Reason: All competitors for Best of Breed would have the same number of runs, or as nearly so as possible.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to approve Proposal #3 by Jeff Lipps, seconded by Gary Roush. Discussion ensued. Motion failed.

(4) Chapter V, Section 10. Limited Stake

Limited stakes will be offered by all host clubs if there are any breeds approved for Limited status. All rules and procedures pertaining to competition in the Open stake shall apply to Limited stake competition except where inconsistent with the following:

- (a) Each Limited stake shall consist of entries of only one breed, dogs and bitches. All Limited status breeds will be run in braces or trios, if possible. Scores and placements will be tallied by breed.
- (b) Limited stake entry is allowed for hounds of breeds that: 1) are considered sighthounds by their national parent club or the parent club from the country of origin but are not eligible for competition in the ASFA regular stakes, and 2) are on the list of such breeds that the ASFA has currently approved for entry. Such list can be found on the ASFA website. ~~(The current list of such breeds consists of: Chart Polski, Galgo Espanol, Magyar Agars, Peruvian Inca Orchids, Portuguese Podengos, and Silken Windhounds.)~~

Effect: To remove the list of Limited stake breeds from the Rulebook.

Reason: It should not be necessary to revise the running rules every time a Limited breed is added or removed.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to accept Proposal #4 by Marilyn Standerford, seconded by Gary Roush. Motion carried.

(5) Chapter V, Running the Meet, New Section 11: Provisional Stake

(Renumber subsequent)

Provisional stakes will be offered by all host clubs if there are any breeds approved for this stake. (Please reference Article X of the ASFA Constitution.) All rules pertaining to Regular stakes shall apply except when inconsistent with the following:

- (a) Provisional stake breeds will compete in the provisional open stake, the provisional field champion stake, and the provisional veteran stake.
- (b) Eligibility to enter the provisional field champion class will be based on points and placements earned during the provisional recognition period that would otherwise entitle a hound in an ASFA recognized breed to be awarded an ASFA Field Champion title.

- (c) However, as per the Constitution Art X Sec 5, no ASFA title or certificate shall be awarded to any member of the breed until the breed obtains full recognition.
- (d) Provisional stake breeds are not eligible for Best in Field.

Effect: To clarify how breeds will compete and be awarded points once Provisional status has been achieved.

Reason: The current rulebook does not adequately deal with these issues.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to accept Proposal #5 by Jeff Lipps, seconded by Mike Montgomery. Motion carried.

(6) Chapter VIII, Section 2

Hounds shall be disqualified by the judge, or by agreement of both judges where two are used, for the following reason: fighting - the aggressor in fighting in the field. In the event that only one of two judges disqualifies a hound, this disqualification constitutes a dismissal. Hounds disqualified by any other lure coursing organization shall be considered disqualified by the ASFA.

Effect: Adds a current policy to the Rulebook.

Reason: This will make the requirement easier to find.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to accept Proposal #6 by Marilyn Standerford, seconded by Vickie Jacobs. Motion carried.

(7) Replacing references to FAN in the Rulebook

Chapter I, GENERAL RULES

Section 5. The Board of Directors shall have authority to issue, from time to time, where necessary, policies that amplify, clarify or interpret these running rules. These policies shall become effective when published ~~in FAN~~ on the ASFA website or any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors, and shall remain in effect unless...

Chapter IV, SCHEDULING THE MEET

Section 8. Required Contents of Premium Lists

- 3. The following items must appear within the premium list,....
 - (h) ...These are listed ~~in each issue of the Field Advisory News~~ on the ASFA website.
- 4. It is highly recommended that the following information be included in the premium list mailing.
 - (a) ~~General information on Field Advisory News.~~ Address for the ASFA website.

Chapter VI, RECORDS & FEES FORWARDED TO ASFA

Section 1.

(g) A per capita fee, as set by the Board of Directors (see schedule of fees ~~in current issue of Field Advisory News~~ on the ASFA website)

Chapter VII, PLACEMENTS, AWARDS and TITLES

Section 1. Placements.

Proficiency and Championship points are not official until published ~~in the Field Advisory News~~ on the ASFA website

Chapter XI, LICENSING OF JUDGES

Section 1.

Publication: an applicant's name shall be published ~~in Field Advisory News~~ on the ASFA website or any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 2. General Requirements

(a) ...When these initial requirements are met, the Judges Licensing Chair will publish the applicant's name ~~in FAN~~ or on the ASFA website or any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors, as may be appropriate: ...

Section 3. Pre-Licensing Requirements (apprentice status)

(d) ...The Chair of Judges Licensing shall publish a new judge's name ~~twice in FAN~~, on the ASFA website and in any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors, ~~or in both locations~~, as may be appropriate at the time.

Effect: To remove references to FAN (*Field Advisory News*) from the Rulebook and replace them with more appropriate language.

Reason: FAN is no longer being published.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion by Marilyn Standerford and second by Tricia Borland to separate the question of Proposal #7 for individual approval. Motion carried.

Chapter 1 - **General Rules - Motion to accept by Gary Roush, seconded by Marilyn Standerford. Motion carried.**

Chapter 4 - **Scheduling the Meet - Motion to accept by Gary Roush, seconded by Tricia Borland. Motion carried.**

Chapter 6 - **Records & Fees - Motion to accept by Marilyn Standerford, seconded by Vickie Jacobs. Motion carried.**

Chapter 7 - **Placements, Awards - Motion to accept by Gary Roush, seconded by Mike Hussey. Motion carried.**

Chapter 11 - **Licensing of Judges - Motion to reject by Kent Standerford, seconded by Marilyn Standerford. The discussion concerned the timing as in Section 3. Motion withdrawn.**

Motion by Jeff Lipps, seconded by Marilyn Standerford to adjust the proposal as originally interpreted by the REC (eliminate the strike-through in Section 3 for ~~twice~~ and only eliminate the reference to FAN). Motion carried.

(8) Replacing references to FAN in the Appendix to the Rulebook

(Revision of this section will require a 2/3 majority positive vote.)

Appendix, GENERAL INFORMATION ON ASFA POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Revising the Running Rules

Section 3.

(a) ... The Regional Director must also submit the proposal for posting to the ASFA website and any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors within 30 days of the meeting with a notice that this proposal has been generated by the region and submitted to the Rules Evaluation Committee for consideration. At the same time, a copy of the proposal shall also be ~~mailed sent~~ sent to each club delegate in the region with a notice that it has been submitted to the Rules Evaluation Committee, ~~and to the Field Advisory News~~ the ASFA website, and any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors.

(b) Proposals submitted to the Rules Evaluation Committee, ~~and to FAN~~, the ASFA website, and any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors must be accompanied by appropriate explanatory material (i.e., "reason" for proposing the rule change and the "effect" of the rule change, if passed).

Section 6. Proposals passed by the Rules Evaluation Committee as outlined previously shall be submitted to the Field Advisory News the ASFA website and any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors for publication with all appropriate explanatory material.

Section 7. Proposals passed by the Rules Evaluation Committee and published in the Field Advisory News posted on the ASFA website and any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors as outlined previously, shall be submitted to the next Annual Convention of Delegates for a vote.

Section 9. ... Such proposals shall be published in the Field Advisory News in the first available issue posted on the ASFA website and any other method of publication as approved by the Board of Directors and shall go into effect January 1 following ratification.

Effect: To remove references to FAN (*Field Advisory News*) from the Appendix and replace them with more appropriate language.

Reason: FAN is no longer being published.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to accept Proposal #8 by Gary Roush, seconded by Kent Standerford. Motion carried.

(9) Chapter XI, Section 12. Replace entire section

Section 12.

(a) In accordance with the procedures set forth herein, the Board of Directors may revoke or suspend a Judge's license for cause in which his performance or lack of performance has substantially compromised his effectiveness as a judge..

(b) Reports of alleged misconduct by a judge should be in writing and sent to the ASFA Corresponding Secretary. Should the Board of Directors decide on their own initiative to proceed against a judge for misconduct, the basis for such alleged misconduct shall be reduced to writing. These written statements, upon receipt or creation by the Board, shall be sent promptly by registered mail to the affected judge.

(c) The affected judge shall be afforded 30 days from receipt of any such written statement to respond in writing to the allegations and submit any other materials he or she believes would support the Board taking no action to revoke or suspend his license.

(d) The Board, in its discretion, may decide to convene a hearing at the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting, not less than six weeks thereafter, to consider the matter. Notification of the hearing date shall be sent by registered mail to the affected judge. The affected judge may personally appear in his or her own defense and bring witnesses if he or she desires.

(e) After due and proper consideration of all materials submitted, and/or after a hearing should one be scheduled, the Board may revoke or suspend the affected Judge's license. Notification of such revocation or suspension shall be sent by registered mail to the affected judge.

Effect: To make the process by which Judges privileges can be suspended or revoked more specific.

Reason: Current rulebook language does not specify clear procedures for the consideration of whether a judge's license should be suspended or revoked for misconduct.

The REC recommends that this proposal be ACCEPTED.

Motion to approve Proposal #9 by Jeff Lipps, seconded by Gary Roush.

Motion to table Proposal #9 by Ann Chamberlain, seconded by Dean Wright. Discussion ensued and motion failed by an 11-26 margin.

Original motion was then back on the floor and passed by vocal acclaim.

O. AD HOC COMMITTEES OF THE CONVENTION

1. ACoD Site Selection Committee - Vickie Jacobs - Vickie reported that the following was the planned schedule: Dallas 2014, Pittsburgh 2015, and West (Regions 1,2,3, or 10) 2016. She received some suggestions from the Board, including Phoenix, Seattle, Portland, and Reno, but will entertain any suggestions from the clubs for 2016.
2. ACoD Planning Committee - Vickie Jacobs - It is the goal of this committee to break even financially for an ACoD but in 2012, there was a profit of \$131.70. For this year, there were forty-five delegates registered. For the next ACoD, PayPal will be possible for registration but a signed form from a club officer will still be required. Plus, she pointed out that those hotel rooms reserved outside the ASFA block, but in the same hotel, will be charged a rate for staying at an outside hotel.
3. Advisory Committee on Animal Issues - Vickie Jacobs - She reported that she is subscribed to various legislative sites and reviews the alerts to check on those that are pertinent to our organization. She will then forward those one to the specific Regional Directors. The Federal 'PUPS' bill has been reintroduced and is of concern to all areas.
4. Gary Forester Award Committee - Gary Roush - Gary announced that the achievement award is based on nominations to the committee consisting of Deann Britton, Kathy Nelson, and Sean McMichael. For 2013, the Gary Forester Achievement Award went to Janet Lotz, a judge since 1991.
5. Lure Operator of the Year - Russ Jacobs - Russ announced that the winner of the LCJA Lure Operator of the Year was Sean McMichael.
6. Lure Coursing Hall of Fame - Dean Wright - Dean reported that the person nominated for the Hall of Fame was Les Pekarski and the hounds nominated include Gala (Whippet), Luxor (Pharaoh Hound), Pee Dee (Rhodesian Ridgeback), Rory (Scottish Deerhound), Wynona (Whippet), and Kelly (Irish Wolfhound).

Dean entertained a motion to limit biographies to 250 words or less for nominations. Motion by Marilyn Standerford and seconded by Ben Brodeur. Motion carried.

Marilyn Standerford made a motion to require that the nominations for Hall of Fame be presented to ASFA Clubs at least 45 days before the date of the ACoD. Russ Jacobs seconded and motion carried.

After balloting, the following were added to the Hall of Fame:

- Les Pekarski
- Gala - Whippet
- Kelly - Irish Wolfhound
- Rory - Scottish Deerhound

7. Ad hoc Committees - Ping Pirrung announced the following committees:
 - Hall of Fame - Dean Wright (chairman), Tricia Borland, Leigh Littleton, Kathy Sanders, Mike Hussey. **Moved, Seconded, Passed**
 - ACoD Site Selection - Vickie Jacobs, Sean McMichael, Jack Downing. **Moved, Seconded, Passed**
 - ACoD Planning - Vickie Jacobs, Evelyn Jones. **Moved, Seconded, Passed**
 - Constitutional Revision - Ping Pirrung (chairman), Russ Jacobs, Jeff Lipps, Leigh Littleton, Donna Murphy, Dean Wright. **Moved, Seconded, Passed**
 - Gary Forester Award - Gary Roush, Kathy Nelson, Deann Britton, Sean McMichael, Rick Wolpin. **Moved, Seconded, Passed**
 - Animal Advisory - Vickie Jacobs, Jeff Lipps, Lynn Shell-Whitlock. **Moved, Seconded, Passed**

P. NOMINATING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS - Ping Pirrung - Ping reported that the Nominating Committee would consist of Dean Wright (Chairman), Dawn Ferris, and Beth Levine.

Q. OLD BUSINESS - none

R. NEW BUSINESS

1. **Motion by Gary Roush, seconded by Mike Hussey to have the ACoD pass an ACoD policy authorizing the ASFA Board of Directors to fill any vacancies on an Ad hoc Committee of the ACoD. Any committee member so appointed shall serve until the ensuing ACoD. Motion passed.**
2. **Motion by Mike Montgomery to have the ACoD direct the ASFA Board of Directors to form a task force to explore possible options of working with the AKC to accept ASFA titles. Seconded by Greg Breitbach. A long discussion resulted. Motion failed, 9 - 24.**

S. **ADJOURNMENT - Ping Pirrung entertained a Motion to adjourn the ACoD. Motion by Tom Golcher, seconded by Audrey Silverstein, and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 15:46.**

Karen Frederick
ASFA Recording Secretary

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