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President's message

Brrrr. The Farmers Almanac was right, this is a cold winter. Here in the north, this is the time when the dogs stick pretty close to the couch and venture out only when very necessary. In the south this is your coursing season. So for those who are feeling a need to participate in an ASFA field trial, take a trip south!

We are looking forward to the upcoming ACoD and II at the end of March. There are additional details later on in this edition of the Communiqué.

I am also looking forward to seeing many of you at both the ACoD and II. Stay warm.

Ping Pirrung

ACoD

The ASFA Annual Convention of Delegates (ACoD) is your opportunity to participate in the ASFA. It's a great chance to get together with old friends while at the same time get to know others from different areas of the country. There's a good chance that it will be fairly warm in Texas at the end of March.

The deadline of February 22nd for registration for the 2014 ACoD is rapidly approaching. The

registration form can be downloaded from the ASFA website (www.asfa.org). It will be March 22 and 23, 2014, in Dallas, Texas. Registration information has been sent to all club delegates as well as posted on the website.





ACoD

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Start making plans to attend. This is your opportunity to participate in the ASFA.

Look under the special events tab on ASFA website for information and updates on the ACoD (<http://www.asfa.org/acod/2014/index.html>).

New Policies

The following policies have been approved/updated/deleted by the Board. Please check the website for updated policies.

1. Approve a new Administrative Policy, A-ELECT05, to allow expedited voting for RD Special Elections: "In Regional Director Special Elections, once a candidate receives a majority of eligible votes, he or she takes office immediately."
2. Approve a new Administrative Policy, A-BOD23, allowing the Board to consider appeals of protests of judging decisions in its online meetings: "An appeal of a protest re-

garding a judging decision may be considered on the Board's on-line discussion list."

3. Update Administrative Policy A-BOW01 to refer to the Top Twenty system: "Each year the ASFA shall offer a plaque to each parent breed Club. This plaque is to be awarded to the owner of the highest placing hound of that breed for the preceding year, under the ASFA Top Twenty system, that is owned by a member of the parent Club."

4. Delete four obsolete policies: A-CLUB01, A-JUDG02, O-JUDG07, and O-TRIALS38.

2014 II

The Greater Ocala Gainesville Lure Coursing Association (GOGLCA) and the Sunshine State Rhodesian Ridgeback Club (SSRRC) are busy working on the 2014 II to be held March 29 and 30, 2014, at the Florida Horse Park in Ocala, Florida.

The premium list is posted on the ASFA website in the trial schedule calendar under the "Field Trials" tab. Additional information will be added over time on the 2014 II page, which you can access from the Special Events menu (<http://www.asfa.org/ii14/index.html>).

They also have a Facebook page titled "2014 ASFA II" to provide updates and information.

Mark your calendars for a trip to Florida at the end

of March. It will be so nice to be warm after winter.

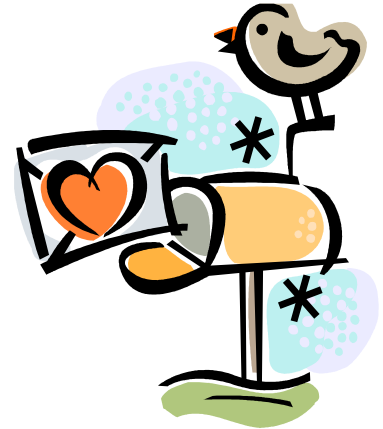


2014 Committees

The 2013 committees of the ASFA are busy wrapping up their work and will have their reports for the ACoD.

Looking forward, we are beginning to work on the formation of committees for 2014. Committees are the force behind the ASFA. This is where ideas for improving field trials, rules, etc. are formulated and discussed as well as taking care of directives from the Board and ACoD. For those of you that have a passion for ASFA lure coursing, this is an area in which you can be involved.

If there is a committee you would like to be on please contact Ping at president@asfa.org. The ASFA is an organization that is comprised of the force of the clubs and members of the fancy.



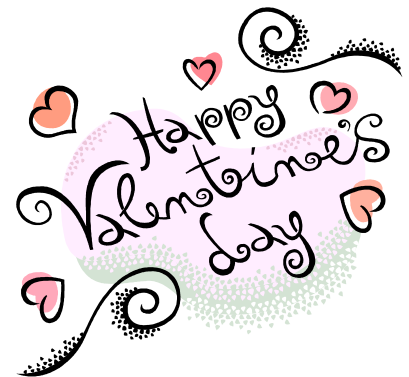
Officer Nominations

As has been published in past Communiqués, the nominating committee has submitted the slate of ASFA Officers for the 2014-2016 term. The elections will be held at the ACoD. The slate of nominations has been posted on the ASFA website along with bios from each nominee. They can be found at: http://www.asfa.org/acod/2014/2014_OfficerElections_SlateOfCandidates.pdf.

The nominees are:

President:	Ping Pirrung (PA)
First Vice President:	Tom Cigolle (WV)
Second Vice President:	Gary Roush (VA)
Recording Secretary:	William Martin (AZ)
Corresponding Secretary:	Bill Bowlus-Root (WA)
Chief Financial Officer:	Jeff Lipps (OH)

It's very important that you distribute the "Communiqué" to your club's members so they can keep informed.



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