

2008 ABC Board of Directors Meeting & Membership Meeting Highlights

- **Results of BOD Election :**
East Coast: Lisa Pollock
East Central: Kent Patterson
Central: Ed Janulis
Midwest: Gary Smith
West: Bob Wire

- **Officer Election Results:**
1st VP: Tom White
3rd VP: Chris Ward-Weber
Sec.: Mary Jo Trimble

- **ABC Dog Hall of Fame**
2x NFC/AFC Diamond Hill Dan
FC/AFC Shady's Chick-N-Little

- **ABC People Hall of Fame**
Rosco Staton

- Voted to run The National Championship and National AAA Championship at Blue Mt. for the next 3 years.
- Pending AKC approval: Voted to change the Qualification wording for both All Age and Gun Dog Nationals to indicate that dogs may not run in both all age & gun dog nationals in the ***SAME CALENDAR YEAR*** instead of *succeeding year*.
- Pending AKC approval: Drop the requirement for a second placement to qualify for the National Amateur All Age Championship.
- Voted to accept the Montana Big Sky Brittany Club as a provisional ABC Regional Club.
- Add to 3rd Vice President's section of the policy book a statement indicating that they should present to the BOD in their Agenda Report the proposed show site for each of the following two years.

- Change in policy book as to how agenda items are to be submitted for BOD's consideration. Items must be submitted 6 (six) weeks prior to the board meeting. Items must be from an ABC officer, committee head, or Regional Club *who has first voted on the item by that club's members. Items from individual members should first be discussed with one or more of that person's Regional Directors before being submitted. The individual's item should be supported by 15 (fifteen) different actual signatures. Since agenda items need to be presented by someone to the Board, one of the regional directors shall present the Agenda item to the Board.*
- Voted to accept the recommendation of the remaining members of the Southern New Mexico Club that the club be dissolved and dropped as a regional ABC Brittany Club.
- Add a Dual Dog Chairman to the list of single appointments by the President to the list on page 28 of the Policy Book.
- Increased budget for the Agenda Book to \$500.
- Increased budget for the Program Director at the Nationals from \$500 to \$800.
- Approved Criteria for ABC Ringside Mentors with amendments: (This will be posted to the website at a later date and added to the policy book.) Basically said anyone who has been a member of ABC for 12 years and is a member in good standing of a regional club may mentor if they have attended a national event in the past and meet the criteria as outlined in # 5, page 29B of the Agenda book.
- The American Brittany Club recommends that Regional Clubs whenever possible hire specialty show judges who have met the five years judges' education criteria.
- The American Brittany Club recommends that judges for the Summer Specialty and National Specialty meet the five year judges' education requirement.
- Raffle committee budget increased to \$3000.
- Add to duties of the 1st and 4th Vice Presidents: appoint someone to promote fund raisers, auction, raffle tickets, etc.
- Adopt Futurity Policy Book changes as proposed but with amendments.
- Futurity Amendment: Nominations will not be accepted after 180 days of a litter's whelping date. An additional \$100 will be charged after 90 days.

- Yearbook policy changes: 1. *One copy of the Yearbook per full-page ad purchased may be forwarded without charge to each advertiser in that year's edition.* 2. *Full page black & white ads shall be offered to all official Sponsors of the ABC Nationals, the Wrangler, and the Cover Artist for the Yearbook. Companies or individuals donating \$300-499 worth of goods to the National events may be offered a half-page black & white ad in the Yearbook at no cost, and those donating \$500 or more may be offered a full-page black & white ad.* 3. *Amended the next to last paragraph regarding distribution & sales indicating responsibility for sales at the show & field trial site.*
- Delete the last line stating "One copy of the Championship Program Yearbook should be mailed to each club secretary each year. (This was done when books were only letter size with qualified dogs, and we had no website for that information. etc.)"
- Dual Dog Award: The single Dual Dog Award was maintained. Changes to the original award as appeared in the policy book may be found on the web site, news section, Agenda Items, Single Award proposal.