

SMART meeting 12/18/2016

Attending: Derede Arthur, Rob Michalski, Karey Krauter, Ernie Mill, Roberta Troxell, Diana Wilson, Deb Langley, Susan Paulsen, Kraig Paulsen, Katrina Parkinson, Tracy duncan, Kathleen Alles, Janet Massolo, Dee Hutton, Vici Whisner

Meeting is called to order at 12:00noon.

Election for Vice President, Treasurer, Member at Large

Kraig Paulsen is running for Vice President and won, Janet Massolo is running for Treasurer and won, Roger Ly, Penni Price and Roberta Troxell is running for member at large. Roberta Troxell, the incumbent, won her position again.

Katrina Parkinson gave a president's report.

Trial all set for New Years, Vici is planning some fun and festive events and food. Rachel Evers is helping with the food. Ernie has been updating the equipment for the new jump heights, spreads will be built with 2 jumps and he is fixing the tire.

Does SMART need to buy a wall jump? Bay Team will be borrowing one to try it out. It is more difficult to store, takes up a lot of space. Maybe it could go in the ribbon trailer. The ribbon trailer could use a work party to clean it out, it is already full of stuff and not well packed at the moment. They are \$600-\$700 to buy new.

The chutes have all found new homes. Katrina is bringing the tunnel huggers to the SMART trial to try those out there. There have been a few incidents with the drills, chains and course builder's fingers.

Aframes are still hopefully coming before the trial.

Membership Renewals-about 60% of the members have renewed, the new paypal is very popular, some people are still paying with checks. SMART is very grateful to Michelle Pressell for setting that up. SMART will miss Michelle as a vice president.

April trial date is now confirmed, the date had to move because of the titlemania event in Southern California. It will be held at Thorsens on the last weekend of April, which is the old trial date weekend. Manzanita Park was not available. That weekend is 29-30.

It was brought up to perhaps work with Manzanita and pay for field upgrade, but was quickly decided this would be very cost prohibitive.

Sky Park in Scotts Valley is an idea, that had been a contender last year. The parking was the only issue of no rvs, and that trailers couldn't come on to the field. If the trial chair is interested in thinking of that as a site, it is a popular idea. Thorsens though is already set, so perhaps for 2018. Santa Cruz County fairgrounds is a possibility, Michelle would be happy to arrange a tour for people of these two sites. July 2017 trial isn't set yet, so that would be a possibility for that trial if it was investigated. Laguna

Seca used to hold PASA trials a long time ago, no one really remembers why they were not able to be held there any longer.

Diana Wilson will be the new sunshine czar and send condolence cards to people who's dogs die. Currently it's a donation to ACVM of \$10. Michelle suggested changing the donation to birchbark foundation, which is more local. That was approved, so now Birchbark foundation will get the \$10 donation for each dog that dies that belongs to a smart member.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:50pm.