

March 12, 2024: ARC General Board Meeting

RSG: Robert Galusha, President

KC: Kimberly Cardona, Vice President

AG: Ann Glynn, Secretary

ANG: Adam Gray, Treasurer

SL: Sue Ledoux, Director

SM: Sherma Miles, Director

LO: Lew Olson, Director

MT: Michelle Tribble, Director

TW: Tonya Williamson, Director

Date: March 12, 2024. **Start Time:** 8:05 PM EDT **End Time:** 9:57 PM EDT

Minutes recorded by Ann Glynn and the duration of meeting was 1 hour and 52minutes.

Roll Call: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Motion to excuse Kim Cardona. Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Michelle Tribble.

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

***Kim Cardona has joined the meeting at 8:10 PM EDT.**

Minutes for the February 6th meeting have been posted on the members-only section of the ARC website.

Motion: Robert Galusha. Second: Sue Ledoux.

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

Presidents Report:

The National Specialty Donor Incentives has been a real success. I would like to personally thank Tina Walters and all members that have made this happen.

Secretary's Report:

MM1: Member motion from ARC member Randi Garske to change the National Specialty Standing Rules to the following proposal:

~~NSSR.14.F. The dates of the ARC National Specialty fluctuate from year to year. Puppies are eligible to compete in the first ARC National Sweepstakes held on or after the date they reach 6 months of age, and only in this Sweepstakes. Occasionally, puppies entered will be older than 18 months on the date that the first Sweepstakes for which they are eligible occurs. When needed, the additional class of "18 months" will be added to the normal classes listed below. The exact age qualifications for this additional class will vary from year to year and will be stated in the Premium List. Example: Sweepstakes 2015 held on April 17; Specialty 2016 held on April 23 the 18 class for the 2016 Sweepstakes would be for dogs that were born between October 18 and October 23, 2014, thus making them 18 months to under 19 months. (10/20/13)~~

Puppy Sweepstakes for the ARC National Specialty will be divided as follows:

Puppy Dogs, 6 months to under 9 months

Puppy Dogs, 9 months to under 12 months

Puppy Dogs, 12 months to under 15 months

Puppy Dogs, 15 months to under 18 months.

Puppy Dogs. 18 months to under 24 months.

(Same classes for Puppy Bitches)

Effective date starts with the 2025 ARC National.

Discussion:

***Motion to table MM1, to be brought up at the April 9, 2024 Board meeting.**

Motion Tonya Williamson. Second: Michelle Tribble.

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

MM2: Member motion from ARC member Karen Bang to change the National Specialty Standing Rules to include the following wording to Randi Garske's proposal:

NSSR.14. F Puppy Sweepstakes is open to all Rottweilers at least 6 months of age but under 18 months of age, which are NOT Champions of Record, and which have not completed the requirements for championship prior to the closing of entries for the ARC National Specialty. Puppies shown in Sweepstakes must be entered in one of the

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regular classes at the regular entry fee.

Puppy Sweepstakes for the ARC National Specialty will be divided as follows:

- Puppy Dogs, 6 months to under 9 months
- Puppy Dogs, 9 months to under 12 months
- Puppy Dogs, 12 months to under 15 months
- Puppy Dogs, 15 months to under 18 months.
- (Same classes for Puppy Bitches)

Effective date starts with the 2025 ARC National.

Discussion:

***Motion to table MM2, to be brought up at the April 9, 2024 Board meeting.**

Motion Tonya Williamson. Second: Michelle Tribble.

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

MM3: Member motion from ARC member Jane Dyar to reduce the Individual Membership for members 65 years of age and older to \$25.00 per year.

Motion is out of order. [The motion on age requires a bylaw change, AKC approval of new bylaws and then a membership vote on new bylaws.]

MM4: Member Motion from ARC Member Erin Piercy-Foreman - I'd like to file a motion that ARC national sweepstakes rules be unchanged and if they are to be changed, that the change be put to the general membership for vote to decide. Discussion:

***Motion to table MM4, to be brought up at the April 9, 2024 Board meeting.**

Motion Tonya Williamson. Second: Michelle Tribble.

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

Treasurer's Report:

February 29, 2024, Treasurer's Report

US Bank - General Checking	\$	15,688.99
US Bank - General Savings	\$	92,494.59
US Bank – Nationals Account	\$	4,961.73
Huntington Bank – Membership	\$	200.00
US Bank Investment Account	\$	<u>121,291.09</u>
Total Account Balances:	\$	234,636.40

Interest Earned on the General Savings account Feb 29, 2024: \$22.14

Interest earned on the US Bank Investment Account (Patricia DeMarzo Memorial Tracking Fund) Feb 2024; \$12.63. Qualified Dividends received in Feb 2024 \$0.00, Realized capital gain(loss) in Feb 2024 \$0.00. Advisor fees applied quarterly.

Note: The US Bank Investment Account balance reflects the value of the stocks held in the account on the statement date, plus interest and dividends earned less Foreign Tax Paid, less expenditures on tracking events and seminars.

Committee Reports:

Website Development:

- Weekly check-in for WordPress & Plug-in Updates
- Weekly server & backup check to ensure site is running optimally
- Updating and assisting member account setup & password support
- Requested photos/text from NYC MTB to put up an article about the event (no input from team yet)
- Updated Carting titles through 12/23
- Updated the Sweepstakes Judges Application
- Setup ARC Heroism page including writing copy
- Setup ARC Heroism blog post

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- Posted February Board Minutes
- Reviewed and approved ARC events submitted
- Updated standing rules
- Setup online payment option and form via paypal for Judge's education
- Met with website team Robert, Adam, and Sue
- Made copy change to Specialty donations page
- Updated the Membership directory
- Posted Q1 ARK
- Posted a blog article from ARK

National Specialty

Just a few short weeks to the 2024 ARC National! The anticipation and enthusiasm is building!! Thank you to Tina Walters for coordinating class/placements sponsorships. Almost every class/placement is sponsored.

The catalog updates have been provided to BaRay. Three events are full: herding, carting and tracking. For herding, the ht/pt judges were swapped to accommodate those Rottweilers that were entered after the preference period for Rottweilers ended. All events except agility and scent work close on 3/20. Agility closes 4/3 and scent work closes 4/12. Both agility and scent work have very solid entries.

Britney Mazer visited the site to plan for the carting test. There are several great locations within a short walking distance to the Event Center. She has also provided information for a local dog wash. Thank you, Britney!

Randi is in the process of adding building information for each of the events being held at Estes Park Event Center to the schedule. The updated schedule should be on the website within the next week. An aerial map of the Estes Park showgrounds will be included in the downloaded schedule.

New Business:

Motion to Amend 7.1.23 Motion to the National Specialty Standing Rules - ARC will pay a ~~\$50.00~~ **\$75.00** per trial stipend to stewards for conformation, obedience, and rally at ARC Hosted National Specialties. Volunteers for these positions should have prior experience in the event they are stewarding. Stipend paid for a full trial or day. A 15-minute break may be taken but relief help does not qualify for a stipend. Estimated cost: ~~\$1200~~ **\$1800.00** for the entire National; to be paid from the general fund. Event Chairs need to be notified prior to the event if a steward has a dog to run and what class.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Adam Gray Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

Tabled 1.9 Motion to approve the Hoosier Rottweiler Club to host two carting tests on April 13, 2024. The tests will be held at Bartholomew County Fairgrounds. The address is 750 West 200th, South Columbus, IN 47301. The judge for the tests will be Tonya Williamson. The carting Chair is Liz Petters Lucas and the secretary will be Tonya Bowers.

Contact:

Test Secretary

Tonya Bowers

812-718-1590

cinniamongirl1972@gmail.com

Motion: Tonya Williamson Second: Robert Galusha Discussion:

***Motion to Postpone Indefinitely 1.9 Motion until event is ready.**

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Michelle Tribble. Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

UCF 2.18 Motion to pay \$1350 to AKC for monthly Companion, Performance, and Conformation events subscription reports for 2024. These reports are pre-approved per SR.C.28 although the amounts have now slightly increased. Standing Rules will be amended.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Sherma Miles Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

2.19 Motion to Amend SR.C. 28. ARC will purchase the following monthly AKC Rottweiler Award Reports:

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Conformation (Conformation, Juniors); Companion (Obedience, Rally, Agility); Performance (Herding, ~~Tracking~~). The annual cost for each report is ~~\$420~~ \$450, for a yearly total of ~~\$1,260~~ \$,1350 to be paid out of the General Funds. The reports will be sent to Marilyn E. Piusz, “Statistician Coordinator”, who will distribute to the appropriate Top ~~10~~ Dog/Junior Statistician for each venue. This fee will automatically be paid each year, unless a price increase occurs at which time the Board will have to approve the change.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Tonya Williamson Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

2.20 Motion to request Stats from the Barn Hunt Association regarding Rottweilers. Teresa Bradley will be assigned as ARC's representative for any Barn Hunt communication. She will keep the stats and evaluate if there is a way to formal the stats to be published in the ARK.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Sherma Miles Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

2.21 Motion To add Kate Player to the ARC Breed health Committee.

Motion: Adam Gray Second: Robert Galusha Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

2.22 Motion to appoint ARC Sieger Show Committee member Susi Metzner, as Assistant ARC Sieger Show Coordinator to conduct all administrative duties pertaining to the approval and release of Judges for Non-ARC Sieger Events. All Non-ARC events that submit Judges names for approval will be received by this assignment and submitted to the Board for Approval. Once assignments have been approved, Independent Clubs will be notified. This assignment is to help relieve administrative duties placed on the ARC Sieger Show Coordinator.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Lew Olson Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.1 Motion to approve the Colonial Rottweiler Club to host a roundtable discussion with Mr. Steven Wolfson, on the evening of May 7, 2024, at their specialty, Mr. Wolfson is not charging CRC for speaking at this discussion, but CRC will be charging \$15 per person admittance at the door, or \$10 prior to May 1, 2024. We are hoping this to be a learning experience for our members and non-members alike. No CEU's will be earned for participation at this event.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Michelle Tribble Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.2 Motion to approve the nomination by Pamela Boles Schroeder to Buddy the Rottweiler, The American Rottweiler Club Heroism award for the act of Heroism by staying by the side of 2-year-old Thea Chase until people came to her rescue after she was lost approximately 4 hours in the woods after wandering off.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Michelle Tribble Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.3 Motion to approve The Rottweiler Club of Alaska, Inc request for approval to hold two independent specialties with both veteran and puppy sweeps, junior showmanship, stud dog/brood bitch, best puppy, best bred by and best veteran on August 10, 11, 2024. The show will be held indoors at Sirius Ranch in Wasilla, Alaska.

Specialty and Junior Judges will be Dawn Gabig and Harry Schulman, and our sweepstakes judges will be Gretchen Keim and Mara Snyder. Awards of Merit will also be given.

Contact person: Cher Hagen stoneridgeak@gmail.com.

Motion: Ann Glynn Second: Robert Galusha Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.4 Motion for the Sierra Rottweiler Owners to host an Independent Regional Specialty on Friday August 16, 2024. The show will be held indoors at Reno-Sparks Livestock Convention Center Reno, NV. Events offered are: Conformation to be judged by Mrs. Nancy R Griego (AKC#90264) Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes to be judged by Jeff Shaver. The ARC will donate \$100 for trophies toward each venue for a total of \$300.

Motion: Ann Glynn Second: Robert Galusha Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

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3.5 Motion for the Sierra Rottweiler Owners to host an Independent Regional Specialty on Saturday August 17, 2024. The show will be held indoors at Reno-Sparks Livestock Convention Center Reno, NV. Events offered are: Conformation and 4-6 Puppy Competition to be judged by Mr. Michael Canalizo (AKC#17022). The ARC will donate \$50 for 4-6 Puppy Competition.

Motion: Ann Glynn Second: Robert Galusha Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.6 Motion to amend Standing Rule H.7.

Any Rottweiler Educational seminar that is being published or offered, charges a fee, and potentially solicits AKC judges, needs to obtain ARC Board approval. The seminars must use ARC approved educational material and adhere to AKC judges' education rules. Presenters will use the AKC Judges Education forms and send all paperwork to AKC and ARC. Every ARC approval sent to a club to hold a Rottweiler Specialty shall include a flier that offers the club a Judges Education Program, including ringside mentoring and per AKC, satisfies an educational requirement for the Specialty Club. **Any Rottweiler Educational Seminar that doesn't qualify for Judges CEU's, must clearly be printed on all publications for the seminar. Fliers that only qualify for Judge's CEU's shall** ~~This flier will also be posted on the ARC Judges Education website.~~

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Sherma Miles Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.7 Motion to reorder checks for the general fund account totaling \$176.52 to be paid from the general fund.

Motion: Adam Gray Second: Michelle Tribble Discussion:
Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.8 Motion to approve the Colonial Rottweiler Club to host two carting tests on May 6, 2024. The tests will be held at In The Net. The address is 798 Airport Rd. Palmyra, PA 17078. The judge for the tests will be Tonya Williamson. The carting Chair is Laura Wells and the secretary will be Tish Edwards.

Contact:

Test Secretary

Tish Edwards

540-219-9300

P.O. Box 340, Calverton, VA 20138

Motion: Ann Glynn Second: Robert Galusha Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

3.9 Motion to approve Colonial Rottweiler to hold 2 AKC Temperament Tests on Saturday May 4, 2024, at the Elizabethtown Fairgrounds, Elizabethtown, PA, in conjunction with the specialties the following week in Palmyra, PA (it's the same location as our Scent Trial). The judges will be Hollee Russell, Deborah Haldeman, and Sharon Baublitz.

Motion: Robert Galusha Second: Tonya Williamson Discussion:

Approve: RSG, KC, AG, ANG, SL, SM, LO, MT, TW.

Passed 3/12/2024

Next meeting April 9, 2024, 9:57 PM EDT.

Motion to adjourn: Robert Galusha. Second: Lew Olson Unanimous. Adjourned at 9:57 PM EDT.

Respectfully Submitted

Ann Glynn