

North American Flyball Association, Inc.

Annual General Meeting

Raleigh, North Carolina

Unabridged Minutes

January 21, 2012

Present were: Executive Director Lee Heighton

Board of Directors
Sam Ford,
Nancy Garcia,
Leerie Jenkins,
Dana Nichols,
Karen Oleson,
Curtis Smith,
Dale Smith,
Ally Stern.

Executive Director Lee Heighton called the meeting to order at 7:21 PM EST. Kris Pickering (outgoing board member) and Dave Walt were unable to attend due to previous commitments. There were many guests in attendance.

Lee Heighton welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting.

I. Executive Director's comments

Lee introduced the Board members who were present.

Lee expressed thanks to:

- Amanda and Geoff Brown and all of DogGoneFast for hosting the AGM tournament & dinner.
- Kris Pickering for her many years of service on the Board.

II. Statistics

Lee reviewed some statistics from the 2011 racing year:

There were 337 events hosted in 39 states and provinces hosted by 131 different clubs.

8688 teams raced in these events from 369 different clubs.

4560 teams raced in Regular
823 raced in Multibreed
347 raced in Vets
2932 raced in Open
The remaining teams were in miscellaneous classes

6105 new titles were earned during the racing year by 3371 different dogs.

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14, 995, 271 points were earned during the racing year by 5673 dogs from 156 different breeds (one breed being mix).

1086 new dogs registered.

Lee presented a trivia question:

Out of the 340 Clubs that raced prior to the 2011 racing year AND during the 2011 racing year – how many of those Clubs set new best times (any team run under that Club number) during the 2011 racing year?

Answer: 110

Tie Breaker – what was the biggest improvement by a single Club?

3.661 seconds

Geoff Brown was the winner of the trivia question.

III. Regional Champions

The Regional Champions were announced.

Region	States/ Provinces	Regional Regular Champion	Regional Multibreed Champion
1	MI OH	Slammers	Slammers
2	ON	Rocket Relay	Some Ruff Competition
3	MN ND SD	High Velocity	Animal Inn
4	IL IN KY WI	Synergy	N/A
5	AR LA OK TX	Top Dog Racers	N/A
6	AZ NV UT	N/A	N/A
7	BC OR WA	The Flying Squad	N/A
8	MB SK	Holeshot Racers	N/A
9	NC SC VA WV	Fur Fun	Fur Fun
10	NB NS PE	Fast'n FURious	N/A
11	FL	Ketch This	Ketch This
12	AB ID MT	Northern Power Paws	N/A
13	CT MA ME NH NY RI VT	Canine Mutiny	Ruff Enuff
14	AL GA MS TN	The Gamblers	Lunatic Fringe
15	DC DE MD NJ PA	Hard Drive	Revolution Flyball
16	CA	Marin Running Riot	RF Revolution
18	AK	N/A	N/A

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19	CO NM WY	D.E.O. Speedwaggin'	N/A
20	ON QC	Paws on Fire	DogZworth
21	IA KS MO NE	Omaha Speedracers	Omaha Speedracers
NAFA Regular Champion		NAFA Multibreed Champion	
Northern Power Paws		Some Ruff Competition (16.475) Slammers (16.477)	

Multibreed champion this year was a tie between Some Ruff Competition and Slammers because times within 0.002 seconds of one another are deemed a tie by the EJS.

IV. Election Results

(complete results are attached as well as election return rates)

Board of Directors

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	Dale Smith	934.00	79.29
2	Nancy Garcia	862.00	73.17
3	Sam Ford	833.00	70.71

Clyde Moore Memorial Hall of Fame

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Snap</u> , 000470, Mix, Tooie Crooks of Flying Colors	425.00	38.67

Judge of the Year

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	Geoff Brown, Raleigh, NC	349.00	34.35

Ballot Question – Multibreed Question

Should NAFA amend the point-count rules for the multibreed class so that each dog on a team that runs with a recorded time less than 24 seconds earns 30 points; from 24 to 27.999 seconds earns 7 points; and from 28 to 31.999 seconds earns 2 points?

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	No	916.00	73.75
2	Yes	326.00	26.25

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Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Gwen</u> - Border Collie - Gregory Homann - Rockin Flyball Gang	16.00	40.00

Regional MVP, Region 2

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Daisy</u> - Jack/Parson Russell Terrier - Carol-Anne DeVenne - Ballderdashers	42.00	52.50

Regional MVP, Region 3

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Elvis</u> - Mix - Jennifer Rohling - Balls Out	38.00	70.37

Regional MVP, Region 4

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Scout</u> - Mix - Christina Tresch - BC Boomerangs	26.00	54.17

Regional MVP, Region 5

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Katy</u> - Border Collie - Diane Bissell - Texas Twisters	19.00	24.68

Regional MVP, Region 6

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Snap</u> - Mix - Tooie Crooks - Flying Colors	12.00	100.00

Regional MVP, Region 7

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Phoebe</u> - Jack/Parson Russell Terrier - Joy Adiletta - Jet City Jumpers	61.00	100.00

Regional MVP, Region 8

No nominees

Regional MVP, Region 9

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Scandal</u> - Shetland Sheepdog - Julie Jenkins - Fur Fun	47.00	61.04

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Regional MVP, Region 10

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Caber</u> - Border Collie - Craig & Shari Dawson - Fast 'n FURious	24.00	44.44

Regional MVP, Region 11

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Dusti</u> - Shetland Sheepdog - Christine/Richard Sells - Too Hot to Handle	29.00	53.70

Regional MVP, Region 12

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Jonah</u> - Border Collie - Pat LaValley - Redline Dogsports	50.00	100.00

Regional MVP, Region 13

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Blu</u> - Australian Shepherd - Chris and Trish Bjurling - Howl	35.00	39.77

Regional MVP, Region 14

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Jax</u> - Labrador Retriever - Jeanne Harem - Dixie Flyers	38.00	55.88

Regional MVP, Region 15

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Mischief</u> - Border Collie - Russell Bobb - Scallywags	81.00	100.00

Regional MVP, Region 16

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Skyler</u> - Jack/Parson Russell Terrier - Stacie Popejoy - Surf City Flyball	32.00	49.23

Regional MVP, Region 17

No nominees

Regional MVP, Region 18

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Ginny</u> - Mix - Christy Garrett - Alaska Dogs Gone Wild	11.00	100.00

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Regional MVP, Region 19

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Cutter</u> - Australian Shepherd - Kay Radinsky - Westside Woofers	32.00	49.23

Regional MVP, Region 20

Rank	Candidate	Votes	%
1	<u>Striker</u> - Whippet - Irene Doucet - Hot Diggity Dogs	18.00	32.14

Regional MVP, Region 21

TIE:

1	<u>Camden</u> - Mix - Stephanie Hanson – Outrun	22.00	41.51
1	<u>Jester</u> - Mix - Steven Branin & Jayne McQuillen - Skidmarkz	22.00	41.51

Regional MVP, Region 22

No nominees

V. Question and Answer Session

Lee opened the meeting for questions.

- Lynda Oleksuk indicated she agreed with theory behind the multibreed proposal - to keep the class functioning. She asked if the Board was going to consider other alternatives to keep the class alive.

Lee said that the Board has started discussing other alternatives, but welcomed outside suggestions. He said that the clear message from delegates seems to be not to alter the point system. The Board is open to suggestions and is researching possible options. The Board feels it is important to preserve our historical classes.

- Geoff Brown inquired whether the Board has considered holding the CanAm event in Canada? The issue has been researched for several years. Lee indicated that it's a relatively complicated question because the site must be central enough to draw the population needed for the event and at the same time be large enough to accommodate the event within a reasonable price structure. Lee said that we are open minded to moving the event, but this year it will remain in Indianapolis. He also recognized that competitors like returning to the same site because they know the resources, such as hotels, site set

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up, shopping, etc. Being at the same site also allows us to build the vendor base and local resources.

He said it is important to balance all those factors.

Sam expressed thanks to the host club and attending teams for their hospitality during the tournament today.

The following officers were elected during executive session in the meeting January 20, 2012:

Chair – Leerie Jenkins

Vice Chair – Curtis Smith

Secretary – Dana Nichols

Treasurer – Nancy Garcia

Dale moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dana seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM EST.