

Minutes of 2012 IHCUS Annual Membership Meeting

September 13, 2012 7:30 PM Holiday Inn Eureka, MO

The Secretary distributes a sign in sheet to establish if a quorum is present. A quorum is present.

Officers Present: Secretary and Acting Chair T Burke, Treasurer J. Rivers, Board Members C. Kauffman, C. Allen, Absent: President L. McKay, R. Castillo, N. Little, L. Williams

Report of the President: Secretary is acting for President who was unavoidably absent at the last minute. Calls meeting to order at 7:38 PM. Casual Remarks and Welcome to all present. On behalf of the Show Chair (L. McKay) many thanks to all those who volunteer and support our national specialty.

Report of the Secretary:

Status of Tax Exempt application and brief explanation. The IRS approved our application for tax exempt status under 501 c 4. Received on August 7, 2012. Noted for members IHCUS is now officially exempt from federal tax on income generated by IHCUS. IHCUS does not qualify as a 502 (c) (3) charitable organization; therefore donations to IHCUS are not deductible from the donor's own federal tax returns.

Treasurer's Report: IHCUS fixed income and expense numbers were reported along with followed by notification that IHCUS dues were increased at the September Board meeting to cover increased fixed costs. Review of significant actions to include establishing an IHCUS account with a national bank to expedite transaction and maintain continuity when Treasurers transition.

Report of the Committees:

Newsletter: New Editor Jeannie Armstrong is introduced and makes remarks. Results of the recent poll to members regarding providing digital editions to judges and other suggestions were reviewed.

Webmaster: Assistant Webmaster C. Allen reminds members that she can be contacted for assistance with posting information or access to member only sections. The IHCUS store is now up on the website. Minutes from Board meetings are now posted promptly and stored online.

Performance: Chris Allen reviewed IHCUS support of performance events for our Ibizans such as agility, ASFA and AKC lure coursing, Rally, and Obedience at specialties and how Purina Farms assists by providing location and equipment. To continue these offerings IHCUS volunteers are needed to learn how to put them on and help as workers.

Old Business:

All action items from last years annual meeting were completed including:

Limited Registration: IHCUS did send a letter to the AKC stating the club opposition to removing this as a registration option.

Videotaping of National Specialty: based on input from annual meeting last year the Board did pursue this and this year will be a trial to see if there will be support for this. Chris Allen who managed this project provided an overview of what is offered and how to order.

New Business:

Meet the Breeds: Erica Kasper is the organizer for NYC MTB in November. Seeking coordinator for MTB in conjunction with Eukanuba in FL this December.

Remaining Time Available for Questions and Comments. Please understand that the Board may not have the answers at hand or some action might be needed. Whatever cannot be fully addressed here will be taken as action item by the Board and outcome put in the minutes of the Board Meeting.

No comments from members present.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM

## IHCUS Annual Membership Meeting 2012 Members and Guests List

### **Members:**

Teddy Burke

Chris Allen

Jeannie Armstrong

Shelley Kozinski

Karen Catt

Bob Wasick

Sue Ellen Wasick

Jill Nester

Denny Nester

Janet Rivers

Carol Kauffman

Alison Henson

Michelle Fitzgerald

Kristie Stocker

Sarah Murphy

Heidi Clevenstine

Christy Shaw

Meegan Pierotti – Tietje

### **Guests:**

Susan Tinch

Darlene Tolman

## Awards Report for 2010 Annual Meeting

Thursday, September 23, 2010

Since the IHCUS awards program started over a year and a half ago, we have confirmed 4 Hall of Fame recipients, 3 Register of Merit titles and 6 Versatility Gold Cup titles. For the next cycle that closes on January 1, 2011, there are currently 12 applications on file. I am very happy to see the increasing interest in these awards because our dogs deserve it with all their accomplishments! I also hope you have enjoyed the *Awards Chronicle*, which showcases these hounds, and if you have any questions about the IHCUS Awards, don't hesitate to contact me. I know there are many more eligible Ibizans so send in your applications.

In 2009, Ibizan Hounds were competing in most of the sports and this is the time to honor those marking the year as #1 in their respective fields. Congratulations are in order for:

"Pauli" – *Ch Bodean's Six Pack Pauli Girl* – #1 in AKC Conformation

Lisa Sikora & "Magic" - *Ch Ahram's Do You Believe In Magic* – #1 Owner/Handler team

"Diesel" – *DC Orion's Xxx Of Eden MC LCX3 GRC ORC* – #1 in AKC Lure Coursing

"Sailor" – *DC IcyCold Firstmate SC LCM4* – #1 in ASFA Lure Coursing

"" – *Lykans Born Under A Gypsy Moon CD RAE* – #1 in AKC Rally

At this time, we did not have Ibizans competing in the top levels of Agility and Obedience for the annual rankings, but I hope we can get there soon. Additionally, 2009 was the year we crowned the most conformation champions in a single year with 61 and the most field champions in a single year with 33. We also confirmed the 1000<sup>th</sup> bench champion since 1979.

Finally, IHCUS will be presenting its first AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award to a club member for their work within the club and breed. After receiving nominations for 5 individuals deserving of the award, we can only give it to one. This year, our Outstanding Sportsmanship Award goes to Luane Williams.

Keep up the great work in the ring and on the field and best of luck for the rest of the weekend!

Justin Dannenbring, IHCUS Awards Chairman

### **2010 IHCUS Rescue Report**

2010 was relatively quiet for rescue. Only two dogs came into rescue but the dogs from the Florida group surrendered in October 2009 kept us busy as we rehabbed them and looked for homes. We have found homes for 5 of the 6 dogs that came from the group in Florida. Shay is still looking for a home. His foster mom, Michelle Mercer, has done a tremendous job with him and is to be commended for how much she has helped him to overcome issues related to his previous life.

Chevy, an adult wire male, was surrendered and adopted to a new home. We have a new rescue in Florida: a 4 yr old smooth female named Maggie. She was an owner surrender. The owner acquired her from another rescue group. She has some allergy issues and the foster home is still evaluating her. Look for more information on [ihcus.org](http://ihcus.org) as we get to know Maggie better.

I'd like to thank Erica Kasper and Lisa McKay for their help on the rescue committee. Thank you to everyone who has helped rescue with transports, donations and time in the last year!

Michelle Barlak

## **2011 IHCUS Annual Membership Meeting Roster**

**MEMBERS:** total 18. Quorum Present

Chris Allen, Teddy Burke, Carol Kauffman, Robin Castillo, Lisa McKay, Janet Rivers, Patricia First, Luane Williams, Holly Hamilton, Eric Liebes, Alisa Barbour, Pamela Mutchek, Brandi Reyna, Pat Onley, Meegan Pierotti-Tietje, Jeannie Armstrong, Kristie Stocker, Shelley Kozinski,

**GUESTS:** total 1

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