**MINUTES OF THE GVC MEETING HELD**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm by President Val Smith. Location of the meeting was the RIB City in Des Peres, MO. 12 members were present. Welcome to new member, John Santangelo.

Minutes of last month’s meeting on October 11, 2016 were accepted.

**Treasurer report:** No activity to report this month other than some expenses for rescue this month.

**Secretary report**: Mary Martin reported that the AKC annual report of change in officers and board members is needed in December 2016, along with an updated list of current members. Mary will send this to the AKC after the election of our officers at the GVC Christmas Party.

**Committees**

**Show and Go:** This event is scheduled for Sunday, January 8, 2017, from 9-3 pm. We will hold the event with the search and rescue club. The location of the event is Westinn Kennels in Wentzville, MO. Entry fees will be the same as last year. Kristi Shaw has finalized the arrangement for the show. Kristi will get the show bills sent out to last year’s participants and at Westinn.

**Field Trial**: The trial will be held on Saturday and Sunday, February 18-19, 2017. Questions about the event will be sent to Michelle Hess. Event will be held at Jim Edgar Panther Creek state Fish and Wildlife Area in Chandlerville, IL, The reservation for the event is confirmed. Justin and Michelle Hess are going to be trial chair and secretary. We need volunteers to help with the field trial. The newsletter will explain what the volunteers need to do to help.

**Specialty**: Event will be held on Friday, March 3, 2017. We have sweepstakes judges. Pat Martin is the Show Secretary and has met all the AKC deadlines for the show. Trophies are all ready for presentation.

**Hunt Test**: Hunt Test is scheduled for weekend of March 25-26, 2017.The back course grounds at Missouri Gun and Quail has been cleared in preparation for the Hunt Test. Rodney Albin did most of the work on the clearing. The back course has a gate now. The hunt test course will be much easier to walk/ride as a result of the clearing of the back course. No gunners has been secured yet. DVDs have been purchased for viewing for the gunners, as required. Judges are being confirmed. Currently working on the assignment of judges for the different days and times of judging. One judge has been secured.

**Christmas Party:** The Christmas Party is being held on Saturday, December 10 at the home of member, Ed Kottmeier. We will have the gift exchange and the raffle. We will have a dinner. RSVPs will be sent to Mary Martin.

**Old Business**

No old business to report this month.

**New Business**

The **nominating committee** is at work getting a slate for a 2017 officer and board member needing to be replaced. Currently, the slate has Joyce Jackson to be nominated as President for outgoing Val Smith. Val Smith is slated to be a Board member to replace outgoing Justin Hess.

**Mock Hunt Test**: Due to the positive response from members, the Mock Hunt will be held the weekend before the Hunt Test. The day and time will be determined at a future date.

Due to the difficulty in finding restaurant locations to meet, discussion was held. It was suggested that we would alternate between Rib City in Des Peres, MO and Syberg’s on Dorsett in Maryland Heights, MO. It was put on hold until the December or January meeting

Send Mary Martin your Boasts and Brags for the monthly newsletter.

The next meeting will be on Saturday, December 10, 2016 at the GVC Christmas Party at Ed Kottmeier’s home. Email your RSVPs to Mary Martin by December 7. The January meeting date and location has not yet been determined. There will not be a meeting at the Show N Go.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Minutes submitted by Mary Martin, GVC Secretary