

# Minutes for October 3, 2004 NCBC Meeting

There was no special speaker for the October meeting. It was a general business meeting and brain-storming session. Topics covered included way to increase membership and meeting attendance.

It was suggested and approved that Kelsie Holtje will be thanked in the next newsletter for her service as club president for the past nine months. Carol Rees has agreed to do this task

A vote was taken and the club voted to subscribe to Ed Cravens' newsletter which did cost \$12/year some time ago. It provides articles that can be included in our club newsletter. The actual cost may be higher than that but is not expected to exceed \$25. John Long will give Carol Rees the email address to obtain it.

Since The Animal Exchange is no longer providing items to raffle off, their advertisement will be discontinued in the newsletter.

A raffle will be held at all future meetings. John Long will provide the raffle items.

The club minutes from the previous month will be read at each meeting and approved by the attending members.

It was brought up that the newsletter exchange memberships should be reviewed. The club currently exchanges newsletters with 17 other entities.

The following board positions are open and need to be filled immediately: Vice-President, BCV Delegate, AFA Delegate. Currently the club has one AFA Delegate, Tom Marshall, but there are actually two AFA Delegate positions. The BCV has meetings in Richmond approximately six times per year that the BCV delegate would need to attend.

The non-board positions of BCV Delegate, AFA Delegate also need to be filled. Currently the club has one AFA Delegate, Tom Marshall, but there are actually two AFA Delegate positions. The same applies to the BCV. BCV has it's meetings in Richmond approximately six times per year that the delegate would need to attend. Some meetings are held on line so a computer with an internet connection is required

Kelsie Holtje currently has possession of the library materials as well as the club banner and raffle ticket cages. Wayne Porter will pick up all club materials from her residence and transfer them to John Long. John Long and Elizabeth Moore will inventory the library materials after they are received.

The Librarian will need to store the library materials, determine the lending policies, and keep records of the items on loan and in the library. When there is a Librarian, a listing of the library items will be put in the newsletter along with the lending policies.

It was brought up that the next bird mart for December 5, 2004 is scheduled for the same day as the December meeting of the bird club. Because of this it was decided that the December meeting date will be changed to December 12<sup>th</sup>. The December meeting is the Holiday Party.

Currently, Bozena Pait has the old magazines and has been storing them at her house and bringing them to the bird marts. She will be given the club banner after it is obtained from Kelsie so that she can bring it along with the magazines to the bird marts.

It was decided that the club would host a bake sale at the December 5<sup>th</sup> Bird Mart. Members donating baked goods will receive free admittance the Bird Mart. Baked goods should be brought to the mart before 10am. Elizabeth Moore will be in charge of organizing the NCBC table and will be assisted by Fran Feiner. An announcement about the bake sale will be put on the front page of the next newsletter.

The club is reinstating the club achievement award. A member will be selected by the general membership at the December meeting, and the award will be purchased and presents by BCV each year at the BCV convention banquet.

The club board of Director will meet at designated times to decide on the club's direction and goals and present their plan at the following meeting for club discussion.

Tammy Ellison volunteered to reserve the club meeting room for 2005 and will send Carol Rees the 2005 meeting dates after they are confirmed.

Carol Rees will send Laurel Rosinger and Andrew Buechele the electronic files she has for the club logo. They will attempt to refine the image and enlarge it. We need a good electronic version of the club logo for future fund raising projects such as club tee shirts, tote bags, and decals.

Wayne Porter will be looking into pricing information on golf and tee shirts.

Carol Rees will provide all of the board members with a current roster of the club members.

It was suggested that new members receive a membership kit. One suggestion was a list of area avian veterinarians. Carol Rees will provide the latest list that she has for this and it will be reviewed by the membership to make sure that it is accurate and complete to the best of our knowledge. Hopefully, there will be other suggestions for the membership kit.

Anybody who signs up between now and January 1, 2005 for 2005 club membership will receive the remaining 2004 newsletters for free.

Starting with the next issue of the newsletter, the membership form included in it will be for 2005 rather than 2004.

Laurel will be asking members if they are will to host the Holiday Party.

New flyers need to be done. They will be needed for the December Bird Mart to hand out to prospective new members. Also, flyers that can be put up on bulletin boards with pull-tabs attached to them (with Elizabeth's phone number and our web site address) need to be done. These can be put up at grocery stores, libraries, and other places. Carol Rees will give Elizabeth Moore and John Long prospective samples and they will review them. Elizabeth Moore will get them reproduced.

It was mentioned that the club used to have name tags at the meetings. We might want to invest in these again.