TMHSDC Spring 2017 Meeting Agenda

1. Welcome and call to order
2. Secretary reading and approval of minutes from the fall 2016 meeting Jessica read the minutes
3. Treasures report (Julie W.)
	1. Both the Secretary and the Treasures report were not needed for motion to accept according to Terry and Gary because there was nothing that could be changed.
4. Animal welfare report (Darlene)
	1. New law about owners being held responsible for their dogs bitting other dogs or damage to another dog.
	2. Not a lot of Rabies at this time. Just raccoons.
5. Correspondence secretary report
	1. Read by Darleen
	2. News Letter is on line
	3. Need to update contacts for club.
	4. Safety committee flyers
	5. Val will update the Resource links on the website.
6. Old business
	1. Recap of the 2016 – 2017 season
		1. 11/13 fall meeting and rig race
			1. Big thanks to Colby, Julie and Crew went well
		2. 1/21 Bradford sprint
			1. Went well (still happened)
			2. Ed’s mom cooked the food. It was great.
		3. 1/28 – 1/29 Brownville KI and Beyond
			1. Moved to new business
		4. 2/11 Milo
			1. Last year for this and it was a good turnout.
		5. 3/11 and 3/12 sportsmen show
			1. Amazing and successful. Good help.
			2. There was about 10 different breeds of dogs. Darleen, Tara, George (Blue Tick), Standard Poodle, Dakota, Val’s, Henry and Olive.
			3. Autumn and Tara helped with a demo. They did great.
			4. Good PR for the club.
	2. Education committee updated (Valerie, Julie B., and Jeff McRobbie)
		1. Flyer or bulletin board on safety issues.
			1. Val talked with the snowmobile clubs.
		2. Editorial to the MSA newsletter
			1. This Jill was going to do but has not yet done this. It has been tabled for now.
		3. Review safety issues prior to races with participants. This was a suggestion from Basics and Beyond. Responsibility of Chief Judge or delegate. Checklist?
			1. Terry and Gary will create this 15 minutes with new participants to go over trail curtesy.
7. New business
	1. Upcoming season
		1. Summer BBQ and auction
			1. Terry and Margies house
			2. Saturday July 8th
		2. Fall meeting and rig race.
			1. Viles Auborety
			2. Second Sunday in November. November 12th.
		3. Brownville KI and Beyond
			1. January 27th and 28th
			2. We need more help on Sunday.
				1. Day two is getting bigger.
		4. Bradford sprint
			1. First January 20th
			2. Second February 10th
			3. We will need a work day. Val has a lot of white birch trees that have fallen and need to be removed.
		5. No Milo
			1. Because of the amount of participation
		6. Sportsman show next year
			1. Yes. We will need a projector or a screen.
				1. Andrea will look for a TV for this.

TV should be better than a Screen because of the location. A projector would need to have dim light.

* + - * 1. This is to show still pictures on a computer.
				2. Talked about a calendar to help out with the cost of the sportsman show fees.
				3. The sportsman show is March 10th and 11th. The cost is $750.

Maybe able to get it cheaper if we split the cost with another vendor.

Cape town carts

Mountain ridge

Maine Made Sleds

* + 1. Basic and Beyond
			1. October 7 to October 9
			2. There is a scholarship for Basics and Beyond
			3. Laurie’s daughter mention that when learning how to massage a dog they will partner up with a person and will massage each other to feel how hard to apply pressure. Humans can verbalize if you are too rough.

* 1. Increase membership and or race entry fees. Proposal of $20 for race event and $10 for 2nd entry.
		1. This was denied.
			1. The mission of the club is to be affordable for all
			2. We are not for profit and we have money according to the treasury report.
			3. The vote was on not raising as proposed
				1. Jeff 1st
				2. Elaine 2nd
				3. This past. We will not be increasing the fees.
		2. It costs a lot to put on a race.
			1. There was a motion on the table to give $100/race to help out with expenses.
				1. Gary first
				2. Darlene 2nd
				3. This past.
	2. Awards for recreation class, do we provide or no.
		1. We will continue doing what we are doing until we run out.
		2. We will look into the cost of pins and buttons.
	3. Nominations and elections of club officers and board members.
		1. Nominations for the Alan Thomas
			1. From Gary: Tony Chambrillo
				1. For his loyalty to Larry.
		2. Nominations for the Leonhard Seppala Award
		3. Officers did not change
		4. Board members are Neil, Gary, and Joan.
1. Good of the club, Members are encouraged to share some good things from this past season.
	1. Jeff thanked the group for the support.
	2. Autumn and Tara did great with the sportsman show presentation.
	3. Lindy started a Facebook group called Mushing History of the North East
2. Adjournment
	1. Terry motion to Adjourn
	2. Jeff McRobbie 2nd it and passes Passed Unanimously