

Foresters Meeting

Tuesday, 09.19.2023

Agenda

1. Phil Chimino walked the members through the club officers' nominations. All were ratified as presented in the meeting minutes from 9/12.
 2. Mike Verdak walked us through the club's treasury status.
 3. Bob Dietz volunteered to be our Field Coordinator to take point on identifying photo opportunities and coordinating field trips.
 - Bob let the group know about the 2023 Dwight Harvest Days & Basset Waddle Weekend, September 21 @ 6:00 pm - September 24 @ 5:00 pm. Lots of photo opportunities.
 4. Steve Zasadny walked the members through his efforts to get the club advertising via the Patch newsletters and community Facebook pages. Some of the communities covered are:
 - Homer Township
 - Palos
 - Tinley Park
 - Lemont
 - Thank you to Steve and Bob who are working to ensure our club's ad is driven to the top of these pages by submitting the write ups and photos to draw attention. They have also offered to pay the upcharge for the banner posting out of their own pockets. But discussion was held about having the club reimburse them. Further discussion to be held with Mike Verdak.
 5. Phil has offered to conduct a mentorship program for new members and has been working with Linda. If you feel you need specific assistance, reach out to Phil and he will either assist you himself or refer you to another member with the needed expertise.
 6. Phil mentioned that Jim Shover is our CACCA representative, but that an alternate is needed. Mike Verdak agreed to be the alternate for contact purposes, but that he's not able to commit to going to the meetings requiring on site presence. Bob Dietz has volunteered to be the tertiary contact.
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- Other members who would like to attend CACCA meetings on an adhoc basis should reach out to Jim Shover. He'd be happy to have others join in.
 - Jim will be ensuring all paid Forester members are signed up for access to the CACCA website so they can view the content and submit entries for the individual competitions.
7. Jack Martin walked everyone through how to make submissions for the club competitions. Detailed instructions are available on the club's web page via this [LINK](#).
- Jack once again extended his offer to print images for members for a nominal price. **(Prices to be confirmed)**
 - A couple of methods that can be used to provide images to him that were discussed are via a thumb drive or wettransfer.com
 - Boards for mounting print competition submissions are available from the club for \$1.00 or \$1.25 thanks to a deal Steve Zasadny got us.
 - We'll be doing the judging utilizing volunteers from within our own club again. This is consistent with how we did it last year. All members are strongly encouraged to take a turn as judges.
8. Jack has agreed to post a copy of each of our meeting minutes on the website going forward.