



## March 11, 2025

### MARC Board of Directors' Meeting Bullet Points

- President Jace Tramontin called the Zoom meeting to order at 7:10PM
- Long Range Planning Committee update-Jace Tramontin reports that there are no updates yet.
- Communications Director Mike Heard has published a 1<sup>st</sup> quarter newsletter and that is available on the MARC website. The link to the newest newsletter is: <https://www.masteramateur.com/newsletters.html>. Mike confirmed last board meeting that AKC has given permission for the livestreaming of the 2025 MAI. Mike Heard hopes to have another newsletter that will target the MAI event available most likely in May.
- Progress continues in organizing the 2025 MAI event in Maine. Mark Frederick provided a Microsoft PowerPoint review of the status of membership, currently membership is 752 which is growing membership and the highest in history of the club. The 2025 MAI entry fees to \$425 and will open on April 2<sup>nd</sup> on entryexpress.net.
- Big news-Pat Burns, Elite Retrievers has been contracted to do the livestreaming, camera equipment and commentating for the MAI event.
- Work of the 2026 MAI Selection Committee is still underway. Tim Bass, Jace Tramontin, Wilson "Boogie" LeJeune and Anne Millane are working together on identifying the 2026 site. The announcement of the 2026 MAI location is traditionally made at the Opening Ceremony of the current year's MAI.
- David Markham is chairing the Nominating Committee and has issued an email to the membership regarding the upcoming election process. The following positions are available for nominations: Vice President-Western Region; Director-Eastern Region; and Director-West Central Region. Nominations close March 22<sup>nd</sup>. Voting will occur in select regions in April with the announcement of new board members at the 2025 MAI.
- The next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting is April 8<sup>th</sup>.