



BULLET POINT FOR MAY 2024 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

- The MARC Board of Directors met through Zoom on Tuesday May 14, 2024
- Meeting was called to order by President Fred Nusbickel
- David Christianson provided the Treasurer's Report on behalf of Carolyn Kurth who emailed all pertinent documents to everyone prior to the meeting for review
- The Board of Directors had approved a CD deposit for earnings with the new banking institution and it is doing well earning interest
- Mark Frederick provided a membership update reporting that only one state Vermont does not currently have a MARC member other interesting facts will be shared at the MAI during the annual meeting regarding membership patterns
- The Long Range Planning Committee will again begin its work on visioning for the Master Amateur Retriever Club's future after being on hold for the MAI preparations
- Rhonda Reed, Vice President of the West Region reports that the Snoqualmie grounds are in good shape for the upcoming MAI and a new pond has been built for use
- Communications Director Mike Heard detailed how livestreaming the MAI event will take place setting a precedence for a broader audience of spectators
- Mark Frederick updated the Board on the status of the 2025 MAI in Maine having secured three properties for use
- Julie Cairns reported that barriers have been obstructing any plans to allow alcohol at the Opening Ceremony largely due to permitting requirements and insurance liability
- John Dawber mentioned that a dog qualified for the MAI are automatically qualified for the CKC Master National traditionally held the 2nd or 3rd week of August. Mike Heard pointed out that Canada requires special recommendations for entry into the country.

The annual meeting of the MARC will take place during the Opening Ceremony at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe.