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May 15, 2018

Secretary Report

- 1. Sorry I won't be available for this meeting. Will be in Portland for a family gathering.
- 2. Work continues on putting together possible tri-fold or canvas/vinyl publicity poster for the PLTA. Several ideas have been thrown out, but nothing has been established as to overall cost and what should be placed on the publicity poster. Work will continue on this project.
- 3. Currently working with ILR regarding the placement of PLTA Trial certification letters (such as BPL to EPL or ESPL). Will be visiting with Susan from ILR on Monday, May 14, 2018 and will provide updates.
- 4. 2018 Burns Pack Trial:
 - a. Was held during a four day period, May 3-6, 2018
 - b. 11 animals were successfully NACA screened by Beau Baty.
 - c. 13 Trials were held at different levels, both male and female.
 - d. 16 total llamas and 20 handlers were involved with Trials.
 - e. 14 llamas received certificates of achievement.
 - 2 Elite llamas passed, trained by Lisa Wolf (Marty and Patron)
 - 2 Elite llamas passed, trained by Tom and Sue Seifert (Cisco and Merlin)
 - 7 llamas passed Advanced Trials
 - 4 llamas passed their Basic Trials
- 5. 2018 SSLA Spring Pack Trial held at DuPont State Forest, North Carolina
 - a. Was held the weekend of April 28, 2018
 - b. April 28, 2018 5 llamas participated at Advanced Level
 - 15 llamas participated at Basic Level
 - c. April 29, 2018 4 llamas participated at Advanced Level
 - 11 llamas participated at Basic Level
 - d. 6 animals were newly registered
 - e. 5 annual memberships were added
 - f. 15 associate memberships were added
 - g. 10 llamas successfully completed Basic Trials
 - I will contact Mary Rose Collins regarding pictured certificates. They must request them with a picture of their choice for the certificate.
 - h. Debbie Andrews, several years ago, submitted the registration for ALCA Live Action, and this llama completed one leg of the Basic Trial. The PLTA does not keep one part of a successful trial, only the overall completion of that Trial. Live Action completed part two of Basic, with Mary Rose Collins vouching for the completion of part one. I will send her a certificate if photo is received.
- 6. The goal is to have all certificates completed this week. (of those we have pictures of.)
- 7. I received a phone call from a lady in upstate New York who is quite interested in holding a Basic Trial in October. My recommendation was to look over the website (packllama.org), gave her my name and internet address so as questions developed, I would be able to direct her to possible solutions. Would there be someone in the SSLA that might help her? She also seemed quite interested in a geo—llama-caching program. Told her it was in its infancy and not fully developed, at this time.



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- 8. A second phone call was received from a lady in central Virginia who was also interested in the PLTA. Directed her toward our website, (packlama.org) and she should explore the SSLA and what they are doing. Gave her my information as contact info and let her know, any questions (she had) any of us would be happy to help her get more involved. She is also looking to hold a Basic Trial.
- Kameron Gordon, a policeman from Klamath Falls, Oregon. Wonderful prospect for membership in the PLTA – I will keep in touch with him, in attempt to get him a membership. Just starting in the llama business.
- 10. Beau Baty, Idaho Falls, Idaho and his brother-in-law, Bryan from Oakley, Idaho also attended the BLT Trials and did the Ccara testing. Both went out on an Advanced Trial with Beau doing an entire documovie of the trial. Beau is an outfitter with 100+ Ilamas on his farm. Bryan has around 14 females he is working with and attempting to breed.
- 11. It is with a sad heart we see Lisa Wolf resigning from the Presidency. What she has accomplished in holding the PLTA together, cleaning up and establishing a great foundation for the future of the PLTA. She will be sorely missed her work ethic was beyond reproach, her commitment to llamas and the PLTA could never be questioned. Lisa, you will always be considered a friend and mentor.
- 12. Tom Seifert, will continue to serve as Secretary of the PLTA, with no thought of taking on the Presidency role. During the course of the next few months I would like to help a new president take over, help them through some speed bumps, complete all the certifications that people have requested, complete some small projects on my plate, and toward the end of the year, also terminate my secretarial role.