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## President's message

I trust you had a delicious Thanksgiving and are looking forward to Christmas, Solstice, or Chanukah festivities with family and friends.

As the coursing year comes to an end, many are working on the final points to be earned for the year. There are several trials scheduled for the final days of 2013 so there are lots of coursing opportunities for December. Good luck to all and safe travels and runs to you and your dogs.

Due to lingering complications from a recent automobile accident Denise Como has found it necessary to resign as ASFA Scheduling Chair effective at the end of October. We wish her the best as she takes some time out to regain her health. Please see the following article regarding our search for a new Scheduling Chair.

*Ping Pirrung*

## Scheduling Chair Search

I know you will join the Board and me in thanking Denise for the monumental job she has done over the past seven years bringing ASFA Scheduling into the 21st century with her organization and timely responses to all requests.

Marilyn Standerford has very generously agreed to take over for Denise in the interim until a new Scheduling Committee Chair has been found. Please continue to

send your premium lists, date requests and questions for scheduling to [scheduling@asfa.org](mailto:scheduling@asfa.org).

The scheduling chair must have excellent computer skills, be very well organized and an excellent proofreader. As field Trial Secretaries (some new and some veteran) send in their date requests and premiums for approval there is a lot of working with "the public".





## Scheduling Chair Search

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If you or someone you know fits the profile for Scheduling Chair, please contact Ping at [president@asfa.org](mailto:president@asfa.org) to request a full job description and applica-

tion or if you have any questions. The deadline for receipt of applications is December 18th, or postmarked by December 16th if mailed. All applicants will be notified of the search results.

## 2014 II

The Greater Ocala Gainesville Lure Coursing Association (GOGLCA) and the Sunshine State Rhodesian Ridgeback Club (SSRRC) are busy working on the 2014 II to be held March 29 and 30, 2014, at the Florida Horse Park in Ocala, Florida.

They have a Facebook page titled "2014 ASFA II" to provide updates and information.

Mark your calendars for a trip to Florida at the end of March. It will be so nice to be warm after winter.



## ASFA Facebook Page

In case you are not aware, ASFA now has a Facebook page. Search for American Sighthound Field Association and "like" it.

This is a beginning so if you have suggestions on things to be included on the page, please contact Josie Haumont ([reg5dir@asfa.org](mailto:reg5dir@asfa.org)).

Here's a link to the page:

<https://www.facebook.com/AmericanSighthoundFieldAssociation>

## Officer Nominations

As was published in the last Communiqué, the nominating committee has submitted the slate of officers for the 2014-2016 term. The elections will be held at the ACoD next March. The slate of nominations has been posted on the ASFA website along with bios from each nominee. They can be found at: [http://www.asfa.org/acod/2014/2014\\_OfficerElections\\_SlateOfCandidates.pdf](http://www.asfa.org/acod/2014/2014_OfficerElections_SlateOfCandidates.pdf).

The nominees are:

President:	Ping Pirrung (PA)
First Vice President:	Tom Cigolle (WV)
Second Vice President:	Gary Roush (VA)
Recording Secretary:	William Martin (AZ)
Corresponding Secretary:	Bill Bowlus-Root (WA)
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## 2013 Committees

The interim reports from the ASFA committees have been posted to the ASFA website. You can review these to see the progress these committees are making. While reading these you may

have an idea for the ASFA. If so please write to Bill Bowlus-Root, the ASFA Corresponding Secretary ([CorresSecy@asfa.org](mailto:CorresSecy@asfa.org)) and he can forward it to the appropriate committee.



## New Policies

The Board recently approved a new policy to cover the possibility of splitting the singles stake. The policy is a new Operational Policy O-TRIALS50:

*"When the entries in the Single Stake reach 20 or more and the Stake is split, the winner of High Scoring Single shall be*

*the hound with the highest combined preliminary and final score within the stake, as a whole. If two or more hounds are tied for the highest combined score, each hound shall run a runoff course and the highest score of the runoff courses shall be awarded High Scoring Single."*

## ACoD

Remember to mark your calendars for the ASFA ACoD that is scheduled for March 22 and 23, 2014, in Dallas, Texas.

Stay tuned to the ASFA website for updates on the ACoD. The 2014 ACoD can be found under the special events tab.



*Merry*  *Christmas*

*It's very important that you distribute the "Communiqué" to your club's members so they can keep informed.*

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