

# Southern California Bluebird Club

## Monthly Meeting Minutes

Saturday, August 4, 2007  
8:30 AM

### I. Call to order

The monthly meeting of the *Southern California Bluebird Club* was called to order on Saturday, August 4, 2007, at *The Corner Bakery*, 13786-D Jamboree Road, Irvine, CA 92602.

### II. Members Present

Dick Purvis	Howard Rathlesberger
Bob Franz	Alan Andreasen
Richard Brewster	Norm & Judi Franz
Sully Reallon	Christine Tisher
Charles Meyer	Peter Wetzell
Susan Bulger	Bill & Inge Wallace
Jerry & Sandra Nicholson	

### III. California Bluebird Recovery Program (CBRP)

Several members have logged into the CBRP reporting web site and were able to enter data. The system is new and unfamiliar to most, so it is slow going. There was some disappointment expressed that the database collects data at the nestbox level, not the trail level like the paper form does.

### IV. Non-Profit Status

Bob Franz presented the results of research Mike Spohn had done re. filing for incorporation as a non-profit entity in CA. The list of requirements is long and it would require us to create a formal board of directors. A discussion very similar to previous meeting ensued.

There is reluctance among most club members to go to the trouble and expense of forming a non-profit when we are such a small group. The main reason to establish a non-profit is to allow us to open a bank account and provide tax deductible contributions.

Dick Purvis suggested we revisit the idea suggested by "Roy" van de Hoek during the July meeting. Roy has a non-profit established under the International Humanities Center (IHC). Based in Los Angeles, the IHC is a 501(c)(3) established to provide small groups like ours non-profit status.

It was agreed we will research this opportunity and learn more about it.

### V. North American Bluebird Society (NABS)

The latest NABS newsletter is out. Bob Franz advised everyone present read the President's message. It goes into some detail about the many changes the organization has made to help it get through the recent reorganization.

**VI. Golf Course Project**

Dick Purvis introduced Alan Andreasen, an avid supporter of the idea to solicit golf courses in southern CA to help support our effort. There was a lively discussion about the many ways we should approach golf course superintendents and get them involved in our program. There is a very strong desire for golf courses to be environmentally friendly and this type of partnership would be great.

**VII. “Hands-On” Presentation**

Susan Bulger presented some shocking photos of the dangers of Easter grass and monofilament fishing line. She showed an Oriole nest with a dead chick wrapped in nylon string and a dead adult hanging from the nest both feet wrapped in monofilament fishing line.

**VIII. Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Southern Californian Bluebird Club will be Saturday, September 8, 2007. Same location.

**IX. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 AM.

Minutes submitted by: Michael G. Spohn  
(Minutes compiled from notes provided by Bob Franz)