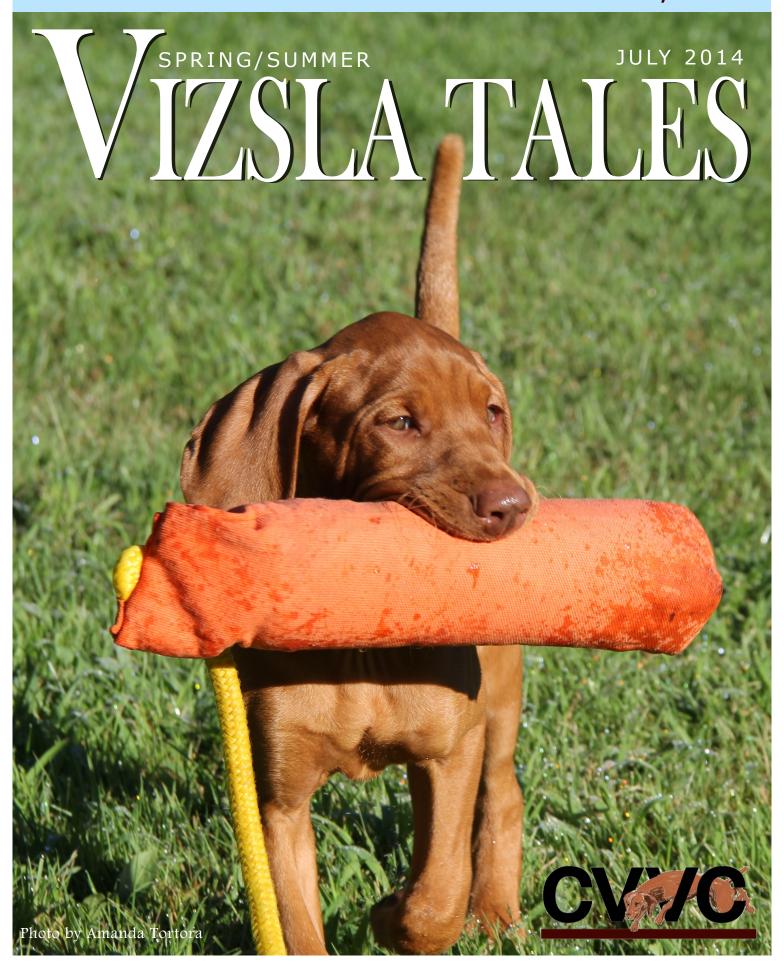
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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to another year with CVVC, a club that is working to make a difference in the dog world, and at the same time, keep our lives with our V's active and event-full.

We are lucky to have club members interested in many different aspects of the dog world. We run two conformation Specialty shows and two Supported Entries each year, as well as two successful Field Trials and a well-attended Hunting Test. The events are known very well by those interested in the various venues, and, as a club, we should be proud of the manner which they are run. These activities are handled by Standing Committees whose members work all year so that CVVC is able to hold the events. I want to thank everyone who helped at the events this year~-your hard work has been greatly appreciated.

Membership participation is always needed at these events to continue to make them run as smoothly as possible. Contact me if you are interested in working with any of these Committees.

One of our newest ventures is joining the Connecticut Federation of Responsible Dog Owners, which will keep us up to date on legislation that is going to affect us as we live with our dogs. Read the summary of the meeting in this edition of Vizsla Tales for an update on how our state government is trying to change our lives.

Our upcoming year promises to be exciting--continue to watch the newsletters and minutes for information about future activities and meetings and have fun with your Vizslas this summer!!!

Linda Morris



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IT'S SHOWTIME - PART 2

BY JOAN TOEPKE



Photo by David Margolin

OK, where did we leave off? Your homework was to check out the AKC website "Rules and Regulations" applying to dog shows.

Little Red Rico Suave is entered in his first show, the show is "closed" and your "Judging Program" is on it's way in the mail. It's time to talk about the day of the show.

Make a checklist to be sure you do not forget anything. You will need a show lead, towel, bait, water bowl and water, poop bags, your show paperwork. If the show is large, bring a crate and a folding chair for yourself if the show is outside or inside--maybe

say 'so you can sit and relax outside the ring.

You want to allow plenty of time to get to the show, park your car, get to the ring with your dog and all your stuff. You will need to make sure your dog is pottied. Allow a little more time to set up your crate, get your armband number from the Steward and acclimate your dog to his new surroundings before your class begins.

Always remember to keep your dog on a very short lead around other dogs at the show. Some dogs might not be as congenial as Little Red Rico Suave, and don't want their butts sniffed. The last thing you want is an unpleasant incident in or out of the ring.

Generally the judges run on time, but, they can not start any earlier than the listed time on the judging program. Get your armband number and put it on your left arm.

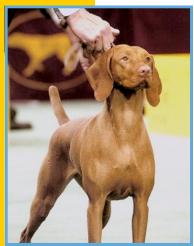


Photo by Joan Toepke

The Steward will call for the first class of dogs to enter the ring in numerical order. All dogs go first, in the following class order: 6-9 months of age, 9-12 (months etc), 12-18 months etc, Amateur owner handler, Bred by exhibitor, American bred and Open. Each of these classes are awarded 1st through 4th place. After the last class Open is judged, all first place winners go back in the ring to compete for "Winners Dog". The Steward will call each class winning dog by number, into the ring, with the Open dog at the head of the line and 6-9 (month old) dogs last in line. The Winners Dog is the only dog to receive points.

Now, just to confuse you a little more...When the Winners Dog is chosen, the judge will give them a ribbon and he will exit the ring. The rest of the dogs will remain in the ring for "Reserve Winners Dog". For example, we will say the Open class dog won Winners Dog. The dog who placed 2nd in the Open class, will now enter the ring and fill the Open dog spot. The judge will now choose "Reserve Winners Dog". This is similar to the "Runner-up" in a beauty pageant.

Now, the exact same procedure begins for the bitches. After the Reserve Winners Bitch is chosen, Best of Breed judging will begin. Dogs and Bitches who are already Champions of record will compete for the Best of Breed and Best of Opposite Sex awards, etc. The line up in the ring is as follows in numerical order: Dogs, Bitches, Winners Dog and Winners Bitch. The latter of the 2 will compete for Best of Winners.

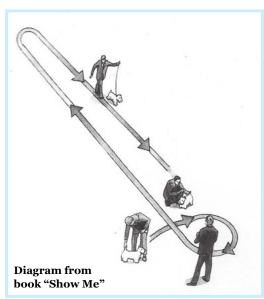
When the judge has made their selection, the final line-up will be in the following order:

Best of Breed, Best of Winners, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog & Select Bitch. If this is a Specialty show, following these will be Awards of Merit. It is far too complicated to get into Specialty show ins and outs at this time, so we will just stick to the basics for now.



Now that we have reviewed the running order, let's go back to our turn in the ring.

If you have the opportunity to watch the judge prior to your class even if it's a different breed, watch where the judge is asking the dogs to set up initially, how they are examining the dogs, etc. This will give you a little insight as to what you can expect when it's your turn. From the moment you set foot into the ring...Judging has begun! Pay attention and listen to the Judges instructions. Nothing irritates a judge more than, not paying attention, being late, and not following directions.



Your class is called into the ring. Stack your dog. The judge will ask you to take the dogs around the ring together. The first person in line should turn to the people behind and ask... Are you ready to go? After you go around, the first person will set their dog up, to be examined by the judge. The judge will ask you to take the dog "down and back", (they want to see your dog's front and rear in motion.

SEE DIAGRAM

Try to focus on something at the other end of the ring and stay in a straight line. About 5 or 6 feet before approaching the judge, you will "free stack" or "present" your dog to the Judge. You have the Judge's undivided attention at this moment, so make your dog look good! They will ask you to take the dog around the ring so they can see the side gait. After all dogs are

moved and examined, the judge will select 1st through 4th. Ribbon or no ribbon, praise your dog for a job well done. This is supposed to be fun for you and your dog. If something went wrong in the ring, it is almost 99% handler error. So... "Don't blame, Train"!

One more thing to mention is "Dog show attire". What you wear in the ring is a direct reflection on your seriousness in showing your dog. No one expects you to wear designer clothes for obvious reasons, but showing up in jeans and flip flops is disrespectful. Low cut dresses, skirts too short and clothes too tight, should be avoided. After all, we don't want the "Dog show fashion Police" showing up and giving you a citation! Always wear comfortable, non-slip shoes. Another nice touch is to wear a color that will complement the dog, so your dog will stand out

So now we are nearing the end of the show and Best of Breed is about to begin. If this is a large group, the Judge might make "a cut", pulling out a few that they like best and dismissing the rest of the class. The line-up begins and the order will be as follows:

Best of Breed, Best of Winners, Best of Opposite Sex, Select Dog, Select Bitch. If this is a Specialty show, there will also be "Awards of Merit".

If you are lucky enough to receive a ribbon in the classes or in the "Grand Finale", accept the ribbon graciously and be sure to congratulate the other winners. If you do not receive a ribbon, be gracious and congratulate the winners before leaving the ring. Good sportsmanship is of the utmost importance.

I have only been Showing and Breeding dogs for 15 years. Some of my very dearest friends are those that I have met at dog shows. There is so much more than just winning ribbons. There is a bond with your dog that can be the biggest accomplishment you can ever achieve. So get out there with Little Red Rico Suave, and enter the wonderful world of dog shows and all it has to offer, but most of all....Have FUN!

Best of Luck, Joan Toepke, Artisan Vizslas - Breeder of Merit



CT FEDERATION OF DOG CLUBS MEETING REPORT

BY SUSAN POTOCIK



June 3, 2014

The basic goal of the Federation is to be proactive, not reactive, on behalf of ALL CT dog breeders, trainers, pet stores and pet owners in order to protect us all against legislation that controls and limits our ability to function.

Unfortunately that premise lumps together responsible, caring and respected breeders with those that are not (pet stores, pet store breeders etc). However, as the legislation is under *one* umbrella, so are we in our very necessary effort to fight on behalf of ALL restricting legislation as a united front.

The speaker on the evening of June 3 was Arnold Goldberg DVM. He was interesting, knowledgeable and adamant about all groups uniting in their effort to fight restrictive legislation. This legislation works to severely limit and control purebred dog breeders while

advancing and aiding "rescue" groups, the majority of which are in it for the profit and are foisting unhealthy

animals on the misled public. Many of these "rescues" are bred in the southern states purely for the purpose the "importing" them to the northern states for a hefty profit. Dr. Goldberg stressed the importance of informing our club's entire membership of this situation so that political pressure can be applied to our legislators to support and respect purebred dog breeders NOT the 11187 unhealthy, unvetted "rescues" shipped into this state for profit .

As a breed club, in order to protect our future, we must stay informed on upcoming legislation and be prepared to show either our support or our condemnation of each bill introduced or we will find ourselves no longer allowed to keep and breed our beloved Vizslas.

The meetings of the Federation are open to all—and you would be warmly welcomed to lend your support. It is our breed's future and it is incredibly important that we work to insure its survival.

Here is the website for the Federation. You will find the current legislation that we need to be aware of. Make it a habit to refer to it frequently......



http://www.conndogfed.com/

Susan Potocik, CVVC delegate



GREENWICH 2014

BY IDA KAVAFIAN



Photo by Ida Kavafian

Historically, the Greenwich weekend has been and continues to be a highlight for Vizsla lovers from far distances as well as our local club members. With four all - breed shows, the NY Specialty Friday and CVVC's Specialty and Supported Entry Saturday and Sunday, it is a circuit with four sets of majors that many Vizsla breeders and owners look forward to with great anticipation.

This year, the weather could not have cooperated any more than it did, with perfect temperatures both Saturday and Sunday. Thursday and Friday were at FDR park in Yorktown Heights, NY, with the VCGNY Specialty held on Friday. Then for the first time in ten years, we had the good fortune of having both our CVVC Specialty and Supported Entry at the same site on Saturday and Sunday, the beautiful Taylor Farm in Norwalk, instead of having to pack up and moving back to Yorktown for Sunday. The newly formed

combined effort between the Greenwich and Longshore-Southport Kennel Clubs certainly was CVVC's good fortune!

Putting on a successful Specialty and Supported Entry is a huge effort that takes energy, manpower and time. Judge selection often takes more than one year of lead time, submitting AKC
paperwork takes place in November for the following year, trophy lists must be submitted in
December, looking for and ordering trophies is a year-round job. When the weekend nears, the
to-do list is long - making sure last year's winners bring the traveling trophies, renting tables,
figuring out who will help coordinate hospitality, who will pick up our club items from storage
and transport them, etc. When the weekend is upon us, the work seems to take 24/7! Friday
after the Taconic show, we must go to Norwalk to stake out and purchase our hospitality area
for the next day. The trophy table must be set up early Saturday and Sunday (after lots of
preparation at home), our giveaways must be ringside and ready to hand out, the tents and tables must be set up in our hospitality area, the raffle table assembled, on and on - the list is endless!

This year's main trophies were a combination of both decorative and useful items, including embroidered blankets and beds by Sandpiper Embroidery for Greenwich, Etched Glass for the major prizes and Vizsla collars purchased from the Vizsla Rescue Haven to benefit that worthy organization for Longshore. Various Vizsla items were purchased through Ann Stout's "Vizsla Treasures". There were braided show leads made by Deborah Lynn Stern as well as leather kennel leads by Bolduc Leatherworks for Sweepstakes. The lucky first prize winners in Sweeps received stainless steel water pails at Greenwich and frisbees with the CVVC logo at Longshore.



There are many people to thank for their efforts. Please pardon any omissions. First of all, thanks to Joan Toepke for coordinating both the hospitality and raffle, as well as filling in whenever and wherever needed! Thanks to Kim Himmelfarb and Sandy Jacobus for picking up the club items from storage and helping with the raffle; to Alessandra Folz for donating a handling fee to our raffle; to my friends Britt Jung and Lindsay Fetters for a myriad of things, not the least of which was the "Perdue Party" which consisted of cutting up and packing 14 Costco Rotisserie chickens, as well as helping in so many other ways; Sharon Myjak for her help in various areas, Steve Tenenbom for his help in many ways; John and Linda Morris for transporting trophies and filling in here and there; Elise Wright for helping secure our space and filling in here and there. Apologies to anyone I may have left out inadvertently, and thank you to everyone who helped!

Looking forward to 2015, after a little rest!

Thank you all for supporting and attending our shows, Ida Kayafian



Plainfield New Jersey KC Show – Sunday, May 25, 2014

CH Heelmark's Raffle Ticket To Ride won a BOB and Sporting Group IV at the Troy KC Show on April 5th which ranked her as the #18 vizsla in the US from January through April, 2014. She completed her Grand CH at the Plainfield (NJ) KC Show on May 25th, her second birthday and the day after her mother, 7-year-old Heelmark's Rock-N-Rhythm finished her CH title. Rhythm was a VCA top producer last year.

Submitted by Ruth Sinclair-Stephens, Heelmark Vizslas

Winners at the Greenwich Kennel Club – Saturday, June 7, 2014

Sweepstakes, Judged by Ms. Phoebe Booth

Best in Sweepstakes – Szerenade's Hunter's Moon, owned by E.Baylor, L. Little, E. Nicholson Best Veteran in Sweeps – GCH Szizlin's They call me Bond, owned by M. Porfido Best Veteran of Opposite Sex in Sweeps – GCH Opus One featuring Indie, JH, NA, OAJ, owned by B.Jung,

I.Kavafian, S Tenenbom, L. Fetters

Specialty Show, Judged by Kathy Rust

Best of Breed – GCH Szizlin Rhapsody Never Say Never, owned by M.Porfido, L.Kourtei Best of Opposite Sex – GCH Solaris Tuzes Paprika, owned by A.Gilliam, B.Kirven, BOW & Winners Dog – Szikra's Hy Steaks – owned by P.Folz, A. Folz, S. Folz Reserve Winners Dog – Suzu's Too darn hot, owned by M.Jorgo, J.Crisp, P.Crowley, S.Nakamura

Winners Bitch – Szerenade's Gone with the wind, owned by L.Giacalone Reserve Winners Bitch/Best Puppy/PG2 – Linmar 'n Brazenrock's Kalifornia Dreamin' Owned by, L.Russo, C. Russo

Select Dog – GCH Szizlin's They call me Bond, owned by M.Porfido

Select Bitch – GCH Opus one n Titan's 'deed I do, JH, owned by I.Kavafian, S.Tenenbom, P.Schmidt

Award of Merit – CH Briar N Suzu hey you! Get off of my cloud, owned by S.Nakamura, P. Crowley

Award of Merit – Deerrun's Photo finish, owned by L. Watson

Award of Merit – GCH Aislinn's RR Elite edition, owned by, L.Fetters, B.Rosanek

Stud Dog – GCH Artisan's Vladimir the Imperial, owned by, M.Spoor, J.Toepke

Winners at the Longshore-Southport Kennel Club – Sunday, June 8, 2014

Sweepstakes Judged by Pat Folz

Best in Sweepstakes – Szerenade's Hunter's Moon, owned by E.Baylor, L. Little, E. Nicholson Best Veteran in Sweeps - GCH Opus one n Titan's 'deed I do, JH, owned by I.Kavafian, S.Tenenbom, P.Schmidt

Best Veteran of Opposite Sex in Sweeps – CH Karajen's Put me in Coach, CGC, CA, owned by J.Iacobellis

Supported Entry, Judged by James G. Reynolds

Best of Breed – GCH Sassafras Playin for keeps, owned by M. Black, R. Black, E. Black Best of Opposite Sex – GCH Solaris Tuzes Paprika, owned by A.Gilliam, B.Kirven, BOW & Winners Dog – Pagliacci Kzmr Mzadventures of Szikra's Poppy Brown, owned by A. Folz, S. Folz

Reserve Winners Dog – Suzu's Too darn hot, owned by M.Jorgo, J.Crisp, P.Crowley, S.Nakamura

Winners Bitch – Linmar Karajen N Brazenrock Let's be frank, owned by J. Iacobellis, K. Iacobellis, L. Hachtel, F. Hachtel

Reserve Winners Bitch – Sassafras Let them eat cake, owned by M. Black, E. Black, R. Black Select Dog - GCH Aislinn's RR Elite edition, owned by, L.Fetters, B.Rosanek Select Bitch – GCH Opus one n Titan's 'deed I do, JH, owned by I.Kavafian, S.Tenenbom,

P.Schmidt





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2014 CVVC FUN DAY PICS





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Chairs and members who graciously volunteer to serve on any CVVC committee shall comply with operational guidelines put in place by the Board of Directors. These guidelines are shown below.

- Committee members are expected to support committee activities and events to the best of their ability.
- Committee members shall represent the best interests of CVVC and its membership.
- All committee members are to be involved in the planning and execution of events and support activities. All committee decisions are expected to be the result of a majority vote among committee members.
- Committees may seek help from outside CVVC if members lack required expertise and skills or do not volunteer. Associated expenditures shall be pre-approved by the Board.
- Committee and event chairs shall meet all AKC event filing and reporting deadlines (three months prior, seven days after).
- Committee and event chairs shall submit a proposed budget two (2) months prior to an event. Final reports shall be submitted to the Board of Directors within 30 days of the event unless an extension is granted by the Board. Proposed budgets and final reports shall conform to established CVVC formats.
- All checks, cash, and documentation of income and expenditures shall be submitted to the CVVC Treasurer within seven days of conclusion of the event. Receipts and expenditures shall be submitted to the treasurer within thirty (30) days after the event.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

JULY 16TH

CVVC Board Meeting Location, TBD

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JULY 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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*Please refer to the CVVC Website for locations not listed and possible date change.

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NOTE: CVVC president sits as a member on all committees, but only votes if there is a tie.

- * denotes chair
- +denotes communicator

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- Show wins / Brags with no photo (25-30 words) (Free to Members)
- Apply Additional photo

*Additional fee may be applied if word limit is exceeded.

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