

GENERAL MINUTES, 05/18/2015

General meeting

In Attendance: Linda Morris, Sandy Jacobus, Marisa Fowler, Kim Himmelfarb, John Morris, Cory Roy, John Smayda, Kim Karkut, Ida Kavafian, Joan Toepke, Sue Makoski.

President: The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm.

Recording Secretary: Sandy Jacobus made a motion to accept the minutes as recorded, and Kim Karkut 2nd, the motion was passed.

Corresponding Secretary: AKC sent a letter to solicit for each club to have their own webpage attached to the AKC website for \$99.00 a year. The discussion was that we should wait and see and not be on the 'bleeding' edge. Carol Phelps notified us that Alice Chaikin has had major surgery and is in rehab; in addition, over the weekend one of her dogs was electrocuted. Anyone who would like to send her either a get-well card and/or a condolence card, her address is: 5 Banks Farm Road, Bedford, NY 10506 or Alice Chaikin c/o Nathaniel Witherell Rehabilitation Center 70 Parsonage Road, Greenwich, CT 06830 or her phone # is 914-220-2225.

Treasurer: Current balances are as follows: General Fund - \$21,572.21; Health Fund - \$3,596.31; Rescue Fund - \$7159.23. Deposits: \$7632.50: Break down Field trial 7565.00, Membership \$67.50; Total disbursements \$7699.32: Break down- Hunt test \$837.50, Field trial \$6766.82, VCA national add \$95.00

Committee Reports:

Rescue: Marisa is currently working with a man who is in need of surrender his Vizsla due to life crises. He came through Stephanie Fischer and the VCA rescue coordinators FB page. Marisa has a good potential home and is just waiting for the man to sign papers and then she will do the home inspection. The dog does not appear to need any medical attention, he is current on his shots and the current owner is going to turn all paperwork over to CVVC prior to the dog's placement.

Hunting Test: Fall Hunt Test Dates: October 3rd & 4th; everything is on track.

Field Trial: Cory Roy reported that the committee ran 130 dogs over 3 days, 8 meals were served and everything ran smoothly. He did say that the Field Trial Committee would welcome additional volunteers to help with the December Walking Field Trial. Knowledge of how to run Field Trials is not necessary--just come to work with the committee and to experience our dogs doing what they were bred to do.

Health: John Smayda discussed an article dealing with the Polymyositis study being conducted in England. He also brought information about the Blue Buffalo food recall. Anyone interested in further information, please contact John.

Conformation: Ida submitted a budget for the Greenwich Kennel Club Specialty and Longshore Southport Kennel Club Supported Entry. Kim Karkut volunteered to coordinate hospitality for the CVVC Specialty at the Greenwich Kennel Club Show in East Norwalk. Watch for a flyer with information on how you can donate food, money, or raffle items.

Newsletter: The Spring newsletter will be completed and edited by Jasmine Kovacs and Linda Morris. It is due to go out this week.

Membership: No Report.

Merchandise: Sandy inquired about finding another source to purchase merchandise due to increasing prices. Marisa had suggested that we use Queensboro Shirt and Blank Company, with which she has a wholesale account. She will forward the info to Sandy for research.

Fun Days: The June Field Fun Training Day premium was approved with minor changes. It will be emailed out 5/19.

Old Business:

- 1. John Smadya made a motion to proceed with the CPA on our tax status and file whatever papers he feels is necessary; it was seconded by Joan Toepke and the motion was passed.
- 2. The new tables were purchased and the tent stakes are pending.

New Business:

- 1. The next meeting for the Connecticut Dog Federation is being held on June 2nd in Meriden, CT Susan Potocik and Linda Morris will be attending as representatives of CVVC.
- 2. The Nominating Committee submitted the proposed slate of officers for next year.

President: John Smayda Vice President: Linda Morris

Recording Secretary: Marisa Fowler Corresponding Secretary: Joan Toepke

Treasurer: Kim Himmelfarb

Board of Directors: Sue Makoski, Dick Frawley, Sandy Jacobus, Cory Roy, Kim Karkut

A separate notice will go out to the membership 5/19 by email to allow for any nominations from the floor.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by; Kim Himmelfarb and Joan Toepke 2nd the motion, all were in favor and meeting was adjourned 9:58 pm

Upcoming Events:

<u>June 6:</u> Greenwich Kennel Club Specialty at Taylor Farm Park in East Norwalk, CT. For GPS info, the address is Calf Pasture Beach Boulevard & Canfield Avenue.

<u>June 6th:</u> The June General meeting will be held after the Greenwich specialty and a vote will be held to vote in the new board.

<u>June 7th:</u> Longshore/Southport Kennel Club supported entry at Taylor Farm Park in East Norwalk, CT. For GPS info, the address is Calf Pasture Beach Boulevard & Canfield Avenue.

June 14th: The Summer Field Fun Day is being held at Bristol Fish& Game in Wolcott. Information will be on the CVVC website and Facebook page. All are welcome to attend and bring any friends who own Vizsla. If you have, any questions, please call Marisa Fowler/ Chairperson.

CVVC would like to thank Dr. Steve Feldman, DVM from Animal General in Avon (also a club member and owner of three wonderful Vizslas), who came to the meeting and to talk to the group about the different type of tick borne diseases and how they present in dogs and humans. Also discussed were different types of treatments and preventatives.