

**CONNECTICUT VALLEY VIZSLA CLUB**

**BOARD MINUTES, 10/18/2015**

**General meeting**

 **In Attendance:** Linda Morris, Kim Himmelfarb, John Morris, John Smayda, Dick Frawley,

**President:** The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.

**Recording Secretary:** Linda Morris made a motion to accept the minutes as recorded; Kim Himmelfarb 2nd, the motion was passed.

**Corresponding Secretary:** CVVC received a Thank You note from Jasmine Kovacs. The Corresponding Secretary was not present.

**Treasurer:** Current balances are as follows: General Fund - $19,311.98; Health Fund –$ 4015.31; Rescue Fund - $7159.23. Deposits: $7632.50: Break down Field trial 7565.00, Membership $67.50; Total disbursements $8124.23 Total expenses paid last month: $2,884.33 (Hunting test expenses, Corporate filing fees with State of CT; gift card for Jasmine Kovacs; charges for calendars; transfers to the Health and Rescue funds; VCA Welfare Fund donation in memory of Bud McGivern). Total checks outstanding: $1,954.00. Total deposits pending: $3,387.00

***Committee Reports:***

**Rescue:**  No report

**Hunting Test:** Everything went beautifully at the Hunting Test. The cost to the club was $22.06. John and Linda would like to that everyone who entered or came to help. It was truly a Vizsla HT!!!

**Field Trial:** Cory Roy reported that the CVVC December Walking Field Trial is coming together. The judges are in place. The committee would like to hold an amateur walking puppy stake this fall for Vizslas only. We should inform club members and breeder to enter their puppies. There will be a gallery wagon towed by a tractor on site.

**Health:** John Smayda presented two links to health information. The first link lists the five most common things causing suffocation in dogs ( <http://iheartdogs.com/5-most-common-things-that-cause-suffocation-in-dogs/> The second is a survey from the UK discussion inbreeding in Vizslas.

( <http://www.thekennelclub.org/media/686088/hungarian_vizsla.pdf> ) This study is positive in that the rate of inbreeding has been steady or has shown a slight decline in the last few decades.

 **Conformation:** No report.

**Newsletter:** Jasmine reported that there is not enough information for her to complete another newsletter; articles, ads, brags, and photos are needed. Linda and John Morris will submit an article dealing with the October Hunting Test. John Smayda will submit one for the Health Committee. Anyone with a brag or an article please contact Linda Morris or John Smayda.

**Membership**: Nathan Knipe was voted in as a new member. (Welcome, Nathan!) Kim Barry has submitted an application to become a member.

**Merchandise:**  Sandy has begun the process of setting up an account with Queensboro. Once they get the logo together, they are requesting that an both an embroidered item and a printed item be ordered so we can be sure the logo is proper. Once that is completed, we will be able to set up an online store with them. Sandy will continue working with them with the goal of having items to present to the club by the Holiday Party.

**Fun Days:**  Su Makoski is working on the Winter Fun Day. The proposed dates are 3/12 or 19, 2016. Further information will be discussed at the November meeting.

**Web Site:** Jasmine has updated the web site listing of Officers, Board members, and Standing Committee Chairpeople.

***Old Business:***

1. The calendars are here--17 have already been sold. They will be made available at Conformation shows whenever possible. Anyone who wants to order one, please contact Marisa Fowler.
2. John Smayda announced that CVVC is ready to take the next step towards getting our 501-C7 tax status. Linda Morris will call Mike Ziebka, the accountant working with us on this, to set an appointment so we can move forward.

***New Business:***

1. There was some discussion as to whether our whether CVVC should actively pursue a PayPal account at this point in time. There are some other options that might be better--John Smayda will research this and bring the info to the November meeting.

2. Job descriptions for committee chairpersons and members will be created.

3. Holiday party will be held in January 2016. Possible sites include John Smayda’s residence or Ida Kavafian’s residence.

4. The November meeting will take place on November 10th at The Wood ‘n’ Tap on Queen Street in Southington.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kim Himmelfarb; Dick Frawley seconded the motion, all were in favor and meeting was adjourned 9:30 pm

**Upcoming Events:**

***November 10th*:** The November General Meeting of CVVC will be held. (Information above)

***December 5th & 6th:*** CVVC will hold its Walking Field Trial at Flaherty Field in East Windsor, CT. Anyone seeking information, please contact Cory Roy.

***CVVC Holiday Party:*** Date and time to be decided/

***February 14th:*** The Winter Garden Specialty will take place in Rye Brook, NY. Anyone seeking information, please contact Joan Toepke. (The Vizsla Club of Long Island will have its Specialty on February 13th, just in case you want to make a weekend of it.)