

**CONNECTICUT VALLEY VIZSLA CLUB**

**Board Meeting, 12/05/2015**

**Board meeting**

**In Attendance:** Linda Morris, Kim Himmelfarb, John Morris, Dick Frawley, Cory Roy, Marisa Fowler, Sue Makoski.

**President:** Linda Morris called the meeting was called to order at 4:46 PM.

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

**Corresponding Secretary:** No Report.

**Treasurer:** Current balances are as follows: General Fund - $20,392.44; Health Fund: $ 4016.31; Rescue Fund - $8124.23. Deposits: $615.00: Break down: Calendars $340.00: Membership: $275.00: Expenses paid: 733.54: Merchandise: $138.16, Calendar (postage-Fowler):$9.16, Treasury (check order fees):$24.35, Winter Garden Specialty- AKC Fee (Toepke) $50.00; Trophies (Toepke) 321.87; Hunt tests Judge’s stipend: $40.00; Flaherty Grounds Fee ($75.00x2) $150.00.

***Committee Reports:***

**Rescue:**  John Morris received a call about a 4 year-old dog in Higganum that is showing signs of dominance and some aggression towards babies. John passed the info to Marisa and she has been touch with the family and she will be doing an evaluation sometime in the next week. She has also been in contact with a prospective home for the dog, pending the successful outcome of the evaluation.

**Hunting Test:** Marisa spoke with Gary Sadler, our representative from the AKC about running a training day in conjunction with our spring hunt test. Gary said that would be acceptable to do a training day, the only issue is that the people participating (those with dogs entered in the training seminar) can’t run that dog at the hunt test the same day.

John had conversation with the Nutmeg GSP Club about the possibility of a fall double header.

**Field Trial:** The trial is underway and running smoothly. Great weather and turn out.

**Health:** No Report.

**Conformation:** No report.

**Newsletter:** No report.

**Membership**: Maggie Cullen and Karen Miller names were read into the minutes as perspective new members last month; a motion was made by Dick Frawley to accept them. Marisa Fowler 2nd, the motion passed unanimously.

**Merchandise:**  Sandy placed a small Queensboro order. We now own the logo and Marisa has the file and stitched it out. She is going to see if corrections still can be made on the logo. We will be able to set up an online store with them. Sandy will have items to present to the club by the Holiday Party.

**Fun Days:**  Sue Makoski is working on the Winter Fun Day; she has secured Tails u Win for Saturday, March 19, 2016. Lorna Godsill and Nancy Triou have been secured as teachers and they are in discussion with Sandy and Sue about a program.

**Web Site:** John Smayda is in contact with Jasmine to try to get access to the webpage in order to help get information posted in a more timely fashion.

***Old Business:***

1. Our calendars are available for sale. Anyone who wants to order one, please contact Marisa Fowler either by email: [viszl1@juno.com](mailto:viszl1@juno.com), or mail orders to her at 36 Nicholas Rd. Wallingford, CT 06492.
2. Edwin Natal has offered to help with getting our 501-C7 tax status. He also is willing to help with the club’s accounting.

***New Business:***

1. Our laptop is in need of being replaced, in the interim Marisa or Cory will pick up a flash drive to back up the information on the computer. A discuss need to happen at the next meeting about spending the funds to replace it. Cory will research and price out a new laptop and submit the information for the discussion
2. Attached is a link for an article from “Best in Show Daily”, ino@bestingshowdaily.com , which talks about the world without AKC. CT Federation of Dogs is working to prevent that happening. Susan Potocik attended the last meeting will have a report to Linda Morris to be submitted at the next meeting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kim Himmelfarb; Marisa Fowler seconded the motion, all were in favor and meeting was adjourned 5:14 pm

**Upcoming Events:**

***December 13th:*** Annual Flaherty Field Association in East Windsor, CT.

***January 16th:*** The holiday party will be held at Susan Nakamura’s home following the board/general meetings. Please contact Sue about what she needs for the pot luck dinner. More info will be posted on the website and our Facebook page.

***January 16th:*** Board meeting will be at 2 pm, the general meeting will follow.

***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.)