



CONNECTICUT VALLEY VIZSLA CLUB
BOARD MINUTES, 09/13/2016

General meeting

In Attendance: Kim Markey, Linda Morris, John Morris, Andrew Campbell, Cory Roy, Kim Himmelfarb, John Smayda, Marisa Fowler, Kim Frawley, Dick Frawley

President: The meeting was called to order at 6:46.

Recording Secretary: There was a correction made to the August minutes--the name of the Judge at the Greenwich Specialty was corrected to Pam Lambie. Andrew Campbell made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected; the motion was seconded by Cory Roy and passed.

Corresponding Secretary: The list of CVVC Board members for 2016-17 was sent to the AKC so they can update their records. A condolence card was sent to Mary and Joan Anderson on the loss of their dog. Sandy thanked Joan Toepke for creating the CVVC sympathy cards. John S. shared a letter from the AKC dealing with the Political Action Committee (PAC) working with upcoming legislation dealing with dogs and breeders. If you are interested in learning more about this, please contact John Smayda (smayda@gmail.com)

Treasurer: CVVC current balances as of 8/15/2016 are as follows: Checking: \$18,172.65 Health: \$4231.31 Rescue: \$8,204.23. Anyone who wants to see a complete treasurer's report can contact Kim Markey at the following address: CVVCTreasurer@gmail.com

Our PayPal account is set up and operating. You are now able to pay CVVC dues by using a PayPal link located on our Membership page.

Committee Reports:

Rescue: Marisa added photos to our Facebook page of two dogs from Long Island in need of rescue.

Hunting Test. CVVC's Fall Hunting Tests will take place on November 19th. We are holding a Double-Header this year with both tests on the same day--one in the AM and one in the PM. The Southern New England Brittany Club will be holding their Double-Header on that following Sunday. The judging panel has been approved and the premium will go out within the week.

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Help is always needed, whether it's line-marshaling, bird planting or learning the ins and outs of running a Hunting Test. Anyone interested is invited to contact John-- reddogsmorris@comcast.net -- or Linda-- morrislindak@comcast.net . If you are want to watch Vizslas hunt or might be interested in entering a test, you are welcome to come to Flaherty Field on 11/19 to walk a couple of braces.

Field Trial: Andrew reported that the Flaherty summer meeting was held in July. There was a workday held with good representation from our club. Thanks to Dick Frawley, Cory Roy and Andrew Campbell for volunteering. The CVVC Walking Trial will be held on December 10th and 11th. The AKC has approved everything and half the judging panel is in place.

Health: John Smayda provided some health information that should be of interest to all:

This is an interesting book on feeding dogs raw food, "Raw and Natural Nutrition for Dogs: "The Definitive Guide to Homemade Meals," by Lew Olson.

For information on The American Kennel Club Political Action Committee: www.akc.org/pac

Conformation: No report

Newsletter: We are still in need of someone to become the Vizsla Tales editor. John S. will be sending the information he has thus far to the Board.

Anyone with computer skills who would like to become editor of Vizsla Tales or who would like to assist John with working on the newsletter, please let him know. jsmayda@gmail.com

Membership: Kristen and Keith Marsello have been accepted as new members of CVVC. Welcome! Deb Loomis will be sending a Welcome Packet to them.

A last reminder for dues payment has gone out to members.

Merchandise: If anyone is interested in making a purchase, please contact Sandy Jacobus. srjac@att.net She is working with Queensboro to set up an online store, which should be available in a few weeks. There will be a direct link to Queensboro from our web site to the store.

Fun Days: No report.

Old Business:

1. Tax status: no report
2. Sandy J. will contact a chiropractic vet (Jacoba Nassar, who practices at Roaring Brook Veterinary Clinic in Canton) to see when she will be able to speak at a meeting.
3. Kim Markey and Marisa are working on the 2017 calendar. Kim will be saving those photos not used this year for consideration to in next year's calendar. All members are encouraged to start sending photos for the 2018 calendar to cvvccalendar@gmail.com .

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4. John Smayda would like all items for the web site by the third Wednesday of each month so he can make the changes. New photos are always a welcome addition.

New Business:

CVVC now has a debit card that will be used instead of having members pay for items out-of-pocket.

At 8:20, Andrew Campbell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Marisa Fowler seconded it, and it was passed.

Upcoming Events:

October 18th, 2016: CVVC Board and General meeting: 6:30 PM at the American Clock and Watch Museum, 100 Maple St, Bristol, CT Information about ordering dinner will be included in the meeting reminder.

November 15th, 2016: CVVC Board meeting; time and place TBA

November 19th, 2016: CVVC Double-Header Hunting Test to be held at Flaherty Field. The premium can be downloaded from the AKC Events web site or by contacting Linda Morris (cvvchuntingtest@gmail.com)

December 10th-11th, 2016: CVVC's Walking Field Trial will be held at Flaherty Field. Information will be forthcoming.