



**CONNECTICUT VALLEY VIZSLA CLUB**  
**GENERAL MINUTES, 03/19/2015**

**General meeting**

**In Attendance:** Linda Morris, Sandy Jacobus, Marisa Fowler, Kim Himmelfarb, Marissa D'Andrea and Sandy D'Andrea, John Morris, Cory Roy, Dick Frawley.

**President:** The meeting was called to order at 6:57pm.

**Recording Secretary:** Sandy Jacobus made a motion to accept the minutes as recorded, and Dick Frawley 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion was passed.

**Corresponding Secretary:** No report.

**Treasurer:** Current balances are as follows: General Fund - \$20721.71; Health Fund -\$ 3,596.31; Rescue Fund - \$7159.23. Deposits: \$570.00; Total disbursements \$670.00: Spring Hunt test application reimbursement to Marisa Fowler \$70.00, Cindy Vogels- Judge\$500.00, Char Rutar- Steward \$100.00.

**Committee Reports:**

**Rescue:** There are currently no dogs in rescue.

**Hunting Test.** Spring Hunt Test Dates: April 11th-12th (Double Header) with Southern New England Brittany club, Location: Bristol Fish & Game Club in Wolcott. AKC has approved our judge's panel and the premium is going out tonight. There was some delay due to prospective judges' slow response. We will need bird planters and marshals, which we will attach with the premium. Fall Hunt Test Dates: October 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>; AKC application has been approved.

**Field Trial:** Cory Roy made a flyer for the membership to invite members to come to the trial and recruit volunteers for bird planter, marshals etc. Dick Frawley made motion to accept the budget for the spring field trial, Marissa D'Andrea 2<sup>nd</sup>, the motion passed.

**Health:** John Smayda summited an article dealing fish oil and its shelf life when use it for dogs. For more information go: [www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/using-fish-oil-for-your-dog-read-this-first/](http://www.dogsnaturallymagazine.com/using-fish-oil-for-your-dog-read-this-first/) .

**Conformation:** No report.

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**Newsletter:** The winter newsletter is due to be out in the next week, it is currently being edited.

**Membership:** Deb Loomis submitted one new member applications—Jonathon Guillen. His name was read into the minutes, and will be voted on next month. Patricia Crowley, Craig Brown, Matt Ensero, Susan Marucci, and Dan Sullivan were published in last month's minutes and eligible to be voted into the club this month. Cory Roy made the motion to accept this group of applicants as members, Marisa Fowler 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion passed.

**Merchandise:** No report.

**Fun Days:** The June Field Fun Training Day plans are under way. Bristol Fish and game returned Marisa's call and the Sunday, June 14th date is available. The cost to the club is a donation of \$100.00 for the use of the grounds. Marisa will start working on the official program and the premium, as well as getting volunteers as soon as the hunt test is done. There was some discussion about whether or not we should charge for the event or have it for the good of the club. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

**Old Business:**

1. Kim Markey recommended that we work with a professional CPA on our tax status and file whatever papers he feels is necessary; due to the amount of the cash in the accounts she feels that the IRS will eventually catch up.
2. The nominating committee is working on the slate and should have it shortly.

**New Business:**

1. Sandy brought up as a point of interest that there are bills before the legislature in CT that are to be voted on March 20<sup>th</sup>
2. Cory made a suggestion that the club purchase plaques to give to any member who completes a title. The plaque would have room to add 4-6 brass plates for future titles earned. These plates would be awarded at the holiday party. More discussion about what to purchase will take place at next month's board meeting.
3. DEEP is sponsoring a Junior Hunt Day at Flaherty field in East Windsor, to be held one week before hunting season opens. Children eligible must be between the ages of 12 and 16 and have passed their Hunter Safety course. Pheasants will be used for the event and DEEP is looking for Master/ senior level dogs to participate. An NRA safety instructor will work one-on-one with each student.
4. Sandy is looking into a frame for a Vizsla sketch to donate to Nationals. A vote will be done through email after she finds a price.
5. Dick asked about putting together a First Aid Kit for dogs to be used at Club events. Sandy has one that Steve Feldman put together for us and is going to locate it for the upcoming field events.

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A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dick Frawley; Sandy Jacobus 2nd the motion, all were in favor and meeting was adjourned 8:39 pm

**Upcoming Events:**

**April 11 and 12:** The first Spring Double-Header Hunt test is being held at Bristol Fish and Game in Wolcott in conjunction with the Southern New England Brittany Club.

**April 20th:** The April Board meeting will be held Monday, April 20 Wood' n' Tap in Southington.

**April 24 -26:** The Spring Field Trial will be held at Flaherty Field in East Windsor. For more information see flyer for specifics that was previously sent, FB and website.

**April 27-May 2:** VCA National Events to be held in Sandusky, Ohio. Further information is available on the Vizsla Club of America web site.

**May 18<sup>th</sup> - The** May General meeting will tentatively be held on May 18<sup>th</sup> with the location to be announced. Linda Morris is trying to secure a speaker