

Conestoga Vizsla Club

Newsletter ~ Winter 2009



Cutter and Stormy take 2nd and 3rd in the VCA National Championship!



Remek takes 4th in National Derby Classic!



Conestoga Vizsla Club Represented Well at 2009 Vizsla Club of America Nationals Show and Field Trial

Congratulations Participants and Winners!

**Have you joined CVC's
Facebook page?**
Contact DeWane Hill

Captions for Cover Photos:

**2009 VCA National Championship place-
ments won by CVC members:**

2nd place ~ DC AFC Bitterroot Semper Fi
Cutter

3rd place ~ FC AFC Bitterroot's Stormy

Pictured with the brothers are (l to r) Valarie
Sails, Clint Sails (owners of Cutter), judge
Ed Hart, Howard Shultz (owner, with Margie,
of Stormy), judge Ed Kerr, Margie Shultz, Al
and Terry Lucas.

**2009 VCA National Derby Classic place-
ments won by CVC members: 4th place ~
Victory Fire's Remek, pictured with Al Lucas,
who handled him; owners India and Bill Cox;
standing ~ judges Gus Allimonos and Jesse
Chapman.**

*Pictures from the National Show will be dis-
played on the Club's Web site as they be-
come available.*



*Don Brown
and Sam.
Don
gunned for
the Na-
tional and
Amateur
Champion-
ships.*



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CH Quillen's kis Csalo Jakob

JH CD RE

**Jakob took a NAVHDA Utility Prize II at the DelMarVa Test,
Petersburg Dog Training Center on October 4, 2009**

We have worked very hard. Pat and I are extremely proud of him. Now we need to get back and finish his Senior Hunter Title.



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Vizslas by Quillen



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Dear CVC Members:

Happy Fall! I hope this finds you all doing well and enjoying the mild weather outdoors with your Vizslas. In October, our club held another successful fall field trial in Clear Spring MD; chaired by Stephanie Estes and secretary Tracy Faber. These two ladies and their committee put on a fine trial with a spectacular Saturday Judge's Dinner.

At the end of October the Vizsla Club of America held it's Annual National Events. The Conformation Show was held in Charlotte NC. The Field Trial, held in Danville VA, was hosted by our neighbor club The Old Dominion Vizsla Club. CVC was well represented by members who entered dogs, and many took away ribbons! See pages 9-10 for results. The topic of continuing to rotate the National field trial or to centralize it was a large point of discussion at the Annual Field Trial meeting. If you would like your voice to be heard on this topic, please be sure to email the entire VCA board of directors soon.

Coming next month is our December Hunt Tests, Christmas Party and Annual Membership Meeting at Shady Grove Kennel/Hunting Preserve in Remington VA. More information is in this newsletter. We hope to see you there!

Respectfully Yours,
Michelle Dowd, CVC President ~ 703/851-5565 / broadrunvizslas@gmail.com

DUKE'S LADY TESS

DOB: 07-06-2008 ~ AKC: SR50867501 ~
NAVHDA: 000862



Tess achieved a Prize I at the NAVHDA Natural Ability Test in March 2009. Tess delivered a PERFECT score – 112 points – in nose, search, water, pointing, tracking, desire to work and cooperation.

We are very proud of our little girl who achieved all this at 8 months.

Bob and Linda Peterson
Leesburg, Virginia

*You are invited to the
CVC Holiday Party
December 12 ~ 5:00'ish*



*Shady Grove
Kennel/
Hunting
Preserve,*

*11986 Lucky
Hill Road, Remington VA*

*Bring a side dish; meat will be
provided.*

You can also shoot sporting clays

CVC Field Trial, October 3-4, Clear Spring MD

CVC attracted 67 entries to its annual fall Field Trial, competing for blue ribbons and points. Big Thank Yous to the committee, the judges and the participants! Following are the placements:

Amateur Gun Dog (Retrieving)

Judges: Diane Fazio and Charlene Gibson

8 Starters (6 - Vizslas, 2- GSPs)

1st RED OAK'S CRACKLIN ROSIE/ "Rosie" / Vizsla / 2pts

Owner: Laura Bauman/Handler: Laura Bauman

2nd Withheld; 3rd Withheld; 4th Withheld

Open Derby

Judges: Chet Anderson and Nancy Anderson

7 Starters (7- Vizslas)

1st TRIAD 'N' REMEK'S BARNBURNER / "Barney" / Vizsla / 1 pt

Owner: Kitty Pullen, Joe Bunk/Handler: Joe Bunk

2nd SHENIPSITS DR. COOKE/ "Doc" / Vizsla /

Owner: Kevin Arber/Handler: Bob Seelye

3rd REDOAK'S VIVACE BY BARKTALK/ "Viva" / Vizsla

Owner: Marcia Schlesinger/Handler: Bob Seelye

4th Withheld

Open Limited Gun Dog

Judges: Chet Anderson and Nancy Anderson

10 Starters (6- Vizslas, 3- GSPs, 1- Brittany)

1st TAPESTRY ANALYZE THIS SH/ "Lyza" / GSP / 2 pt

Owner: Deb Goodie/Handler: Deb Goodie

2nd FC/AFC DA CAPO BY BARKTALK CD / "Topper" / Vizsla

Owner: Marcia Schlesinger/Handler: Bob Seelye

3rd BEPOP HI BRITTANY'S JAC-POT/ "Jack"

Owner: Ed & Lucille Sawicki/Handler: Deb Goodie

4th Withheld

Amateur Limited Gun Dog

Judges: Chet Anderson and Nancy Anderson

6 Starters (4- Vizslas, 1- GSP, 1- Weimaraner)

1st KLASSIC ROCK N ROLL/ "Rocky" / GSP/ 1pt

Owner: Ken Huyser/Handler: Ken Huyser

2nd DC AFC GROUSEBEND'S DAGO RED MH/ "Ozzy" / Vizsla

Owner: Bill & Diane Fazio/Handler: Bill Fazio

3rd Withheld; 4th Withheld

Open Walking Puppy

Judges: Laura Bauman and John Klein

8 Starters (8 Vizslas)

1st VICTORY FIRE'S REMEK/ "Remek" / Vizsla / 2pts

Owner: India & Bill Cox/Handler: India Cox

2nd REDOAK'S VIVACE BY BARKTALK/ "Viva" / Vizsla

Owner: Marcia Schlesinger/Handler: Bob Seelye

3rd GROUSEBEND'S WHISKEY GIRL/ "Cally" / Vizsla

Owner: Bill & Diane Fazio/Handler: Diane Fazio

4th SHENIPSIT POINTING TRIX/ "Trixie" / Vizsla

Owner: Cory Roy/Handler: Cory Roy

Amateur Walking Derby

Judges: Laura Bauman and Diane Fazio

4 Starters (4 Vizslas)

1st SHENIPSITS DR COOKE/ "Doc" / Vizsla / 1pt

Owner: Kevin Arber/Handler: Tracy Faber

2nd REDOAK'S VIVACE BY BARKTALK/ "Viva" / Vizsla

Owner: Marcia Schlesinger/Handler: Marcia Schlesinger

3rd Withheld; 4th Withheld

Amateur Gun Dog Open Gun Dog (Retrieving)

Judges: Bill Fazio and John Klein

8 Starters (3- Vizslas, 5- GSP's)

1st CLIFFSIDE'S FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS/ "Coach" / Vizsla / 2pts

Owner: Joe & Emily Thacker/Handler: Bob Seelye

2nd RED OAK'S CRACKLIN ROSIE/ "Rosie" / Vizsla

Owner: Laura Bauman/Handler: Laura Bauman

3rd CH UP N ADAM CHEROKEE BELLE SH/ "Belle" / GSP

Owner: Janie Fasullo & Katie Tazza/Handler: Deb Goodie

4th Withheld

Hunting Dog Stake (Non-Regular)

Judges: Charlene Gibson and Laura Bauman

6 Starters (6- Vizslas)

1st DOBROCAT'S CG MIRA BELLE MH/ "Mira" / Vizsla

Owner: India Cox/Handler: India Cox

2nd CH MAGYAR'S TAKE A CHANCE ON ME CD, CGC, MH, VC/ "Chance" / Vizsla

Owner: Marisa Fowler/Handler: Amanda Tortora

3rd SIR MONTY BERLIN ROY/ "Monty" / Vizsla

Owner: Cory Roy/Handler: Cory Roy

4th FC AMBER VICTORY AT OBERTAKT/ "Amber" / Vizsla

Owner: Kathryn Seelye/Handler: Heather Seelye.

Caroll Mealy Remembers

CH AFC Hodag's Kirby CD MH VC ROM HOF

The Dog Honored on CVC's Hunting Dog Championship Traveling Trophy

5/26/86 - 6/5/99 OFA-GVZ-2900G33M-T Frozen semen available

Dearly loved & missed by Ray & Caroll Mealy, 571 Carla Drive, Huntingtown, MD 20639

Kirby was the epitome of a versatile Vizsla. He began his show career at age 3, earning a 4-point major first time in the ring. He won Reserve Winner's Dog at CVC's 1989 Specialty and twice took Best of Breed from the Open Dog class. He earned his championship April 27, 1990.

Kirby started out as 'just a great hunting dog' but, when AKC introduced its hunting test program, Ray entered Kirby. He quickly proved his inherited natural abilities by earning his JH title March 26, 1988 with four straight passes and his SH title the following year, again with four straight passes. While he was doing the hunting tests, he was also competing at field trials, being honored with a callback for the National Amateur title at the 1991 VCA Nationals in Connecticut. The following year, he followed in his father's paw prints, earning his MH title.

After getting his MH title, Kirby and Ray thought it would be fun to compete in obedience competition. During the summer of '94, Kirby earned his

CD title and went on that fall to earn his AFC at the Miami Valley Vizsla Club field trial. Throughout all of this, Kirby still remained a 'great hunting dog.' He won the CVC Hunting Dog Championship in October 1995, entering his name in history on the CVC HDC traveling trophy –honoring DC Pride's Joy. Coincidentally, Kirby's father, Del Seelye's Windjammer MH, also competed that year and took second place.

Needing just two points to earn his FC title, we discovered Kirby had cancer. He had surgery to remove the spleen and, although he continued to

thrive for another eight months, his hunting days were over.

Kirby's legacy lives on through his offspring. He sired 28 pups in four litters, producing

- Seven bench champions
 - Two Senior Hunters
 - 13 Junior Hunters
 - Two Companion Dogs
 - One Companion Dog Excellent (CDX), plus
- ⇒ **NFC DC AFC Hodag's Hunter UDX MH NA NAJ ROM VC HOF and two-time winner of CVC's HDC in '98 and '99**
- ⇒ **Hodag's Miller Lite MH and two-time winner of CVC's HDC in '96 and '97**



Kirby

⇒ **Hodag's Joy's Trilly CD MH**

⇒ **Hodag's Tawdry Audrey MH.**

He was inducted into the VCA Hall of Fame in July 2002.

We felt it only fitting upon Kirby's passing, that since the traveling trophy for the CVC HDC was retired the year prior to his death, we would create 'The Kirby

Traveling Trophy' for CVC's HDC beginning at CVC's October, 1999 field trial. We had the trophy made by a very talented friend of ours and decided that it should be in circulation for 10 years. Never did we realize how quickly 10 years would go by, as it's time now to bring it home and retire it. We are thrilled that his son Hunter won this trophy the first year and daughter, Tawdry Audrey MH, won in '95. How even more ironic that the final winner is his great great granddaughter ~ Dobrocat's CG Mira Belle MH. A whole lot of good hunting dogs' names appear on the Kirby trophy.

Winners of the Kirby Trophy

1999 ~ **NFC DC AFC Hodag's Hunter UDX MH NA**
NAJ VC ROM; Owners: Jack and Bette Sharkey;
Handler: Jack

2000 ~ **CH Szizlin's Our Girl Dallas JH**; Owners:
Diana and Ralph Easton; Handler: Ralph

2001 ~ **FC AFC Semper Fi Gina**; Owners: Jim and
Jeanne Rowell; Handler: Jim

2002 ~ **CH FC AFC Legacy's DeChartay OTCH**
MACH UDX MH VC; Owner/Handler: Jack
Sharkey

2003 ~ **BISS DC AFC Triad's Dry Martini CD MH**
VC; Owners: Kitty Pullen and Joe Bunk; Handler:
Joe

2004 ~ **BISS DC AFC Triad's Dry Martini CD MH**
VC repeats

2005 ~ **Hodag's Tawdry Audrey MH**; Owners:
Caroll and Ray Mealy; Handler: Ray

2006 ~ **Fieldfire's Spark O'Genius**; Owner/
Handler: Joan Heimbach

2007 ~ **CH Elgin's Silver & Blue Star JH**; Owner/
Handler: Mike Johnson

2008 ~ **CH Elgin's Silver & Blue Star JH** ~ repeats



Ray Mealy with Hodag's Tawdry
Audrey MH when she won the HDC.

CVC to Honor

**Ch Sansouci Czuda
Vadasz MH CDX VC
CGC ROM
NAVHDA Utility Prize III**

VCA Top Producer

2002,2003,2005

"Hunter"

on the next Hunting Dog
Championship

Traveling Trophy!

Congratulations,
Linda Pruitt!

**Dobrocat's CG Mira
Belle MH**

(05/21/03; OFA VZ-10073G41F-PI)



*CH AFC Hodag's Kirby CD MH VC
ROM HOF's great great grand-
daughter wins the 2009 CVC Hunt-
ing Dog Championship and takes
home the Kirby trophy!*



Dr. Watts and Otis

What Does the Vet Say?

Q: Should I be worried about the dog flu?

A: The influenza strain affecting dogs, called H3N8, is not a human influenza virus. **It is also not the H1N1 "swine flu" strain that has been in the news recently. No person has ever been diagnosed with "canine flu."** The H3N8 strain has been present in horses for over 40 years. Four years ago, veterinary experts determined that the virus had developed the ability to spread into the canine population. Since then it has been documented in 30 states.

So far, infections have been localized and sporadic. The first were documented in association with racing Greyhound tracks. Other infections have centered around animal shelters. Currently, the virus is not moving rapidly through the general canine population.

Just like in people, the primary symptoms of flu are cough, runny nose and fever. Over 80 percent of cases are mild, with some patients showing no noticeable symptoms at all. However, some dogs develop a severe infection that leads to pneumonia. A small number of the severely affected dogs have died. The mortality rate is 1-5 percent with very young, very old, sick, or debilitated dogs more likely to experience life-threatening complications. Any dog with a cough should be evaluated by a veterinarian.

A canine influenza vaccine was granted a conditional license by the FDA this summer. The vaccine was studied in just over 700 dogs by the company marketing the product. The conditional license requires the vaccine to be administered under the supervision of a veterinarian. The FDA will continue to collect safety data in an effort to grant a full license at a later date.

When deciding to vaccinate against any disease, the risks associated with vaccinating must be weighed against the benefits. Since the vaccine is so new and has been administered to so few dogs, the risks are not very well defined at this time.

The potential benefits are also still emerging. The vaccine is labeled for reducing the severity of flu symptoms, not actually preventing infection. Pets living in a home and staying in their yard or neighborhood are at low risk of influenza exposure. As we already discussed, the illness is generally mild when it is contracted. As such, I am not ready to recommend this vaccine for broad use at this time.

Dogs going to boarding kennels, groomers, dog parks, dog shows or events do have a higher risk of being exposed to the virus. If there is a concern about a geriatric, neonatal, pregnant or immune compromised dog in the household, I recommend limiting exposure to large groups of unfamiliar dogs.

Thank you for your interest in this column. I encourage you to submit questions to me at WattsDVM@yahoo.com. I will answer as many questions as possible in future editions.

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Have a question for Dr. Watts? Send him an email and watch your CVC Newsletter for his response!



Quillen's Darl'n' Gabriella

“Gabby”



Eleven month old, AKC STAR Pup Gabby scored 110 of 112 possible in her first try at NAVHDA Natural Ability, earning a Prize I. Hosted by the Delmarva Chapter of the North American Versatile Hunting Dog Association, the test was held at the N. G. Wilder Dog Training Center, Petersburg, DE on Oct. 4, 2009. Gabby was the only Prize I winning pup.



Gene & Gabby get ready to prove Vizslas will swim in cold rain

Heartfelt Thanks for the Training & Support go out to:

- “MomMom” CVC Mbr Margaret Quillen, breeder
- “Gramma” CVC Mbr Darlene Mast, sire’s owner
- DelMarVa NAVHDA Chapter

—Gene Thornton & Don Jagger
Frederica DE

CVC Stands Out at 2009 VCA Nationals

Following are the placements made by CVC members at this year's Nation-

Agility:

Open Standard and Open JWW – Qualified and 2nd place, both classes – Ch. Szizlin Aint She Captivati'N NA NAJ, owned by Melissa and Jason Green

Sweepstakes:

6-9 month puppy dog: 3rd place – **Brittania's Fresh Aire**, owned by Larry and Andrea Mehal, Britt Jung and Ida Kavafian

6-9 month puppy bitch: 1st place – **Brittania's Absolut Finest**, owned by Bernadette Allison and Britt Jung

2nd place – **Brittania's Casey Wetherbee**, owned by Donald and Heather Wetherbee and Britt Jung

9-12 month puppy bitch: 2nd place – **Willorunn's Night Before Christmas II**, owned by Dorothea Romano and Rachel Romano Kelly and Ania Kelly
4th place – **Willorunn's Visions Of Sugar Plums**, owned by Dorothea Romano and Rachel Romano Kelly and Ania Kelly

15-18 month puppy bitch: 2nd place – **Suzu's C Is For Cookie**, owned by Crystal Ashe and Susan Nakamura and Carol Rappaport

Veteran Dogs, 12+: 3rd place – **Ch Krown's Tickle Me Elmo NA RN**, owned by Carol Rappaport

Veteran Bitches 10-12: 1st place – Ch. CMF Leitz Camera Action, owned by Christina M Freitag and Corinne Miklos

4th place – **Ch. Legacy's Moon River JH CD RN**, owned by Gail and Glen Contreras

Non-Regular Classes:

Brace Class: 1st place – Ch. Szizlin Aint She Captivati'N NA NAJ and Ch. Tivoliz CPR CRK One and Only, owned by Melissa and Jason Green

Veteran Dogs, 12+: 1st place – **Ch. Krown's Tickle Me Elmo NA RN**, owned by Carol Rappaport

Veteran Bitches 10-12: 3rd place – Ch. CMF Leitz Camera Action, owned by Christina Freitag and Corinne Miklos

Regular Classes:

6-9 month puppy dog: 2nd place – **Brittania's Fresh**

Aire, owned by Larry and Andrea Mehal, Britt Jung and Ida Kavafian

Bred-by Exhibitor dog: 3rd place – **Suzu N' Starcastle's St. Elmo's Fire**, owned by N and C Rappaport and Patricia Crowley and S Nakamura

6-9 month puppy bitch: 1st place – **Brittania's Absolut Finest**, owned by Bernadette Allison and Britt Jung

9-12 month puppy bitch: 2nd place – **Willorunn's Visions Of Sugar Plums**, owned by Dorothea Romano and Rachel Romano Kelly and Ania Kelly

Best of Breed:

First Cut –

Ch. Artisan Grouse Point Pink Panther, owned by Corinne Miklos, Sue Lonabaugh and Joan Toepke
Ch. Brittania's Taylor Made For Two, owned by Ed and Jackie McAuliffe, and Britt Jung

Ch. Szizlin Aint She Captivatin NA NAJ, owned by Melissa and Jason Green

Ch. Tivoliz CPR CRK One and Only, owned by Melissa and Jason Green

Final Cut – Ch. Captivatin' Ain't he a Knockow't, owned by Rachel Romano Kelly and Ania Kelly

2nd Award of Merit – Am/Can Ch. Opus One Featuring Indie JH NA NAJ, owned by Britt Jung, Ida Kavafian, and Steven Tenenbom



Gail Contreras and Ch. Legacy's Moon River JH CD RN, "Luna," during the parade of title holders held in Charlotte NC as part of the National show.

Who loves who more????

Vizsla Club of the Carolinas Specialty (followed the National show in Charlotte NC)

Best Junior handler - Ania Gabrielle Kelly

Sweepstakes:

6-9 month puppy dog: 2nd place - **Brittania's Fresh Aire**, owned by Larry and Andrea Mehal, Britt Jung and Ida Kavafian

6-9 month puppy bitch: 2nd place - **Brittania's Absolut Finest**, owned by Bernadette Allison and Britt Jung

Veteran Bitch 7-10: 4th place – **Ch. Szizlin's Ready to Run VH CD RN**, owned by Gail and Glen Contreras

Regular Classes:

6-9 month puppy dog: 3rd place – **Brittania's Fresh Aire**, owned by Larry and Andrea Mehal, Britt Jung and Ida Kavafian

6-9 month puppy bitch: 1st place and Reserve **Winner's Bitch** – **Brittania's Casey Wetherbee**, owned by Donald and Heather Wetherbee and Britt Jung

Bred-by Exhibitor bitch: 3rd place – **Suzu's C Is For Cookie**, owned by Crystal Ashe and Susan Nakamura and Carol Rappaport

Veteran Bitch 7-10: 2nd place – **Ch. Szizlin's Ready to Run VH CD RN**, owned by Gail and Glen Contreras

Best of Breed: Best of Opposite Sex – **Ch. Artisan Grouse Point Pink Panther**, owned by Corinne Miklos, Sue Lonabaugh and Joan Toepke

Tom Digney, one of the gunners for the National Championship stakes.

Thanks to Britt Jung for the show placements.

Thanks to Fred Leggett for the Field Trial photos



Bobby Seelye

VCA National Field Trial Danville VA

2009 VCA National Championship

2nd place – **DC AFC Bitterroot Semper Fi Cutter**, owned by Valarie and Clint Sails; handled by Clint Sails

3rd place – **FC AFC Bitterroot's Stormy**, owned by Margie and Howard Shultz; handled by Howard Shultz

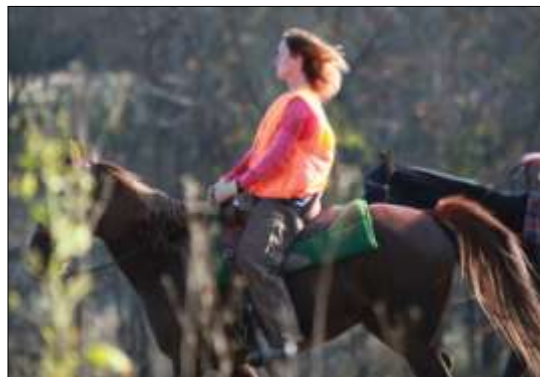
Derby Classic –

4th place – **Victory Fire's Remek**, owned by Bill and India Cox; handled by Al Lucas

Right: Garrett Preis



Below:
Tracy Faber





CVC Rescue ~ Buddy

Buddy (formerly BJ) is doing great. He is very good natured and gets along well with most other dogs as well as our five-year-old son. He even tried to befriend our neighbor's cat once, though the cat didn't like it too much. (Not sure if he learned a lesson there or not!)

The only time he really barks is if you walk away from him while outside and he can't follow. Though we have lost a flip-flop or two and several food storage containers,

chewing hasn't really been a problem. He has his chew toys which he quickly destroys and carries a stuffed animal frog my son gave him the day we got him. We quickly learned to not leave any food unguarded for more than two seconds or it disappears in that same amount time. He does seem to be somewhat afraid of yard tools like rakes or shovels, so I wonder if there is a history there?

We love to run and play at the dog park, though until recently, I hadn't seen another dog that could touch him in terms of speed or endurance. Everyone comments on how good natured he is when I tell them he is a rescue. We just met another V named Buddy on Sunday.

Overall, I don't think we could have adopted a nicer dog, and he has become very much a part of our family. ~ John

You can benefit CVC Rescue by donating items to the Silent Auction held during the Holiday Party ~ and bidding!



Breeder Referral

For those of you who might be interested in helping people find a Vizsla that will bring joy to a family (as we all know they do), I could use some help with the breeder referral position. I get a lot of e-mails from people looking for breeders and puppies and, as you all know, most of the litters are spoken for before their little red paws hit the whelping pad. These people need to be contact with breeders (even if that breeder is not currently expecting a litter) in their area for mentoring and for helping them find puppies

BEFORE they begin searching for puppies on the internet.

All that being said, if you are willing to join a list of breeders/mentors, it would be wonderful. If you are active in performance or conformation, you are well aware of who will be having a litter. If someone contacts you looking for a puppy and you aren't expecting a litter, you can certainly pass that family/person onto someone who is planning a breeding.

So please, send me an e-mail with your location (and closest greater metro area) and let me know that it is OK for me to have someone looking for a puppy contact you.

Thank you in advance for your help and interest. I know the families looking for puppies thank you also. Gail Contreras ~ gaygle@aol.com ~ 703/352-8109

Ralph's Duke Remembered MH



DOB: 5.11.2003 ~ AKC: SR07988004 ~ NAVHDA: VI-000391 ~
OFA: VZ-10815E59M-VPI

Hips evaluated as EXCELLENT.

Sire: FC/AFC Raany SH

Duke earned his Master Hunter Title in the spring of 2009.

As a 10 month old, March 2004,
Duke achieved a NAVHDA Natural Ability PRIZE I.

Duke has shown outstanding versatile hunting qualities from the time he encountered his first bird. He is an energetic and determined hunter. At home, he is an amazing family dog. He is very good natured and extremely affectionate. His personality is exceptional.

Available at Stud

Owner/Handler: Bob Peterson
Bob and Linda Peterson, Leesburg, Virginia ~ 703/779-2981 ~ llpeterson@aol.com

New Slate of Officers to be Voted on at the CVC Annual Meeting, December 12, following the Hunting Test at Shady Grove Kennel/Hunting Preserve, Remington VA.

2010 Conestoga Vizsla Club (CVC) Nominating Committee Selections



As required by the By-Laws of the Conestoga Vizsla Club (CVC), this year's Nominating Committee has completed its selection of nominations for the CVC 2010 Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee's selections are as follows:

- Vice-President: Britt Jung
- Treasurer: Susan DellaPenta
- Recording Secretary: Tracy Faber
- Member at Large: Deb Titus
- Member at Large: Rich Black

Pursuant to Section 3(c) of the CVC by-laws, additional nominations may be made by any member in good standing provided that the nomination has the consent of the person so nominated, has been endorsed by three (3) members in good standing. Such nominations were to be forwarded to the Recording Secretary in writing no later than November 1.

Scenes from the Halloween costume show at the Nationals!



Gail Contreras masquerading as Dorothy, with Luna as the Tin Man, Storey as the Lion and Emma as the Scarecrow.



Above: Melina, Rich and Emma Black are ready!



Right: Emma and Am/Can CH Sassafra Keep On Dream'N, "Keepir."

Of course they won!

I N D I E



Am/Can Ch Opus One Featuring Indie JH NA NAJ TDI

6-11-04 OFA: VZ9851G28F

Ch Sizlin Dillon Jackie's Red JH ROM x Ch Opus One Lady Sang the Blues ROM

5x Best in Specialty Show

Best in Show, Vizsla Canada

Top Ten Vizslas Defeated, 3 years in a row

9x Mom

Honored at the Vizsla Club of America National Specialty with
an Award of Merit for the fourth year in a row.

Owners: Britt Jung, Ida Kavafian and Steven Tenenbom

Breeders: Ida Kavafian and Steven Tenenbom

www.Brittaniavs.com

Victory Fire's Remek

As a 13-month-old, he captured fourth place in the 2009 VCA National Derby Classic, against 28 entries.

Thank you, Al Lucas, for handling him!

10/01/08

DNA: V578129

**FC AFC Bitterroot's Stormy x
Dobrocat's CG Mira Belle MH**



In the show ring at the Nationals, he made the cut in his two classes before heading to the National Derby Classic in Danville VA.

Here, he captures Best of Winners this summer at the Richmond VA show.

Thank you, Susan Della-Penta, for championing us in the show ring!

Victory Fire Vizslas

India and Bill Cox / 1405 Giles Bridge Road / Powhatan VA 23139 / 804/598-

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Resolution ~ The Vizsla Club of America and the CVC have resolved that all breeding stock is to be radiographed and that only those animals certified free of hip dysplasia are to be used for breeding purposes. Prospective breeders and puppy buyers are urged to inquire as to the OFA certification of both the sire and the dam prior to any purchase. Breeders in the Stud Dog/ Breeders Listings must be CVC members. In keeping with this resolution, the CVC newsletter will not accept ads for any male Vizsla over the age of 24 months or any female Vizsla over the age of 26 months that does not have an OFA number except as follows:

- Congratulatory ads from sires and/or dams to congratulate their progeny on achievements need only have OFA numbers for the sires and/or dams whether or not the progeny is over the age of two years.
- Dogs mentioned in ads or articles of an informative nature with regard to medical or personal experiences do not require an OFA number nor those mentioned in reports.
- Memorial ads do not require an OFA number.
- **All ads (except "Wags n Brags") concerning the accomplishments of a dog in performance event(s) must include dog's full OFA number and date of birth.**
- **"Wags n Brags" must include the following information: Full AKC registration name and number, placement awarded, location of win and owner's name**
- Ads for puppy litters will not be accepted unless the sire and dam had OFA numbers at the time of breeding. Complete OFA numbers must be submitted with each request and will be printed in full. For purposes of these requirements, the deadline date for the CVC Newsletter issue in which the ad is to appear controls the question of age.

Instructions for OFA diagnosis may be obtained for a fee from the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals, 2300 E. Nifong Blvd., Columbia, MO 65201 -3856, 573/422-0148.

Resolution ~ The officers and boards of directors of the Vizsla Club of America and the CVC, in cognizance of the respective responsibilities to protect the breed and foster its development, do hereby condemn cross-breeding of purebred Vizslas and falsification of registration documents. All persons following the Vizsla fancy are enjoined to subscribe to this ethic in the best interest of the breed.

Resolution ~ The officers and boards of directors of the Vizsla Club of America and the CVC, in cognizance of the respective responsibilities to protect the breed and foster its development, do hereby condemn the breeding of dogs with serious genetic defects including: epilepsy, PRA (Progressive Retinal Atrophy), von Willebrand's disease, entropion and cranial muscular atrophy.

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Code of Ethics

Sportsmanship ~ CVC members will:

- Always conduct themselves in a manner that will reflect credit upon themselves, their Vizslas and the sport of purebred dogs, regardless of the location or circumstance.
- Always protect and advance the development of the Vizsla through continued improvement of soundness, stable temperament, natural hunting ability and conformation as set forth in the official Vizsla Standard.

Health ~ CVC members will:

- Maintain the best possible standards of canine health, cleanliness and veterinary care in an atmosphere conducive to the stable development of their dogs.

Breeding ~ CVC members will:

- Breed only with the intention of improving the breed by breeding only those Vizslas that conform to the standard as recognized by the American Kennel Club, exhibit soundness, stable temperament and natural hunting ability.
- Breed only those dogs that are free of serious hereditary defects (including epilepsy, progressive retinal atrophy, von Willebrand's disease, entropion and cranial muscular atrophy), are over two years of age and have been x-rayed and are OFA-certified free from hip dysplasia.

Sales ~ CVC members will:

- Not breed, sell, or consign puppies or adult dogs to pet shops or other commercial ventures such as lotteries or raffles.
- Honestly evaluate the quality of the Vizsla sold and fairly represent that evaluation and urge puppy purchasers to spay or neuter all pets that for any reason will not be used for breeding.
- Not release puppies under seven weeks of age.
- Furnish details on feeding, care, inoculations, pedigrees, and written sales agreements.
- Screen all prospective buyers to assure that puppies have safe and loving homes.
- Supply assistance and support to puppy buyers for the life of the dog.
- Encourage owners to become involved in Vizsla activities, the Conestoga Vizsla Club, the Vizsla Club of America and/or other regional Vizsla clubs.

This Code of Ethics was accepted by the Vizsla Club of America Board of Directors and the general membership on October 24, 1992. Adopted by the Conestoga Vizsla Club Board of Directors on October 15, 1997.

Did You Know ...

...Terry Lucas was the FIRST club member to earn a Master Hunter title on their Vizsla ~ DC AFC Semper Fi Chesty Puller MH. He was also the first Vizsla!

...The regulations for the AKC Hunting Test program were approved March 11, 1986. The Nebraska Brittany Club held the first one in April 1986 with 43 dogs.

...CVC has the honor of having the first fifth-generation Master Hunters:

- ◆ **Del Seeyle's Willie-Gina's Windjammer MH (earned March 1989)**
- ◆ **Ray Mealy's CH AFC Hodag's Kirby MH CD VC ROM HOF (earned Oct. 1992)**
- ◆ **Jack Sharkey's NFC DC AFC Hodag's Hunter UDX MH NA NAJ ROM VC HOF (earned Nov. 1992)**
- ◆ **Don Brown's Dobrocat's Peekamoose MH (earned April 1997)**
- ◆ **Don Brown's Dobrocat's CG Juanita MH (earned Nov. 2004)**

And the first sixth-generation Master Hunter: **India Cox's Dobrocat's CG Mira Belle MH (earned March 2007)**

Thanks to Carol Mealy for this contribu-



*Great
Christmas
Stocking
Stuffer!*

*Breeders, give
calendars to
your puppy
buyers!*

Conestoga Vizsla Club 2010 Calendar Order Form



Members- \$15 ~
Non-members- \$17

Calendars can be purchased at any upcoming CVC event or mailed to you (Payment must be received prior to shipping. Please include \$3 for postage for one calendar and \$5.50 total for two or more calendars. Delivery time generally 2-3 days.)
Make checks payable to Conestoga Vizsla Club. (Phone orders cannot be accepted.)



Contact Tracy Faber to order your calendars~ 21019 Forest Highlands Ct. ~ Ashburn VA20147 ~ tfaber13@yahoo.com

Please Print Clearly

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Number of calendars requested: _____ Total enclosed: \$ _____

Thank You for your support!



Be There!

Annual Holiday Party ~ December 12, 5:00'ish

Hunting Tests ~ December 12 and 13, Shady Grove Kennel/
Hunting Preserve, Remington VA (go to www.cvcweb.org to
download the premiums)

First-**ever** "Now That's a Hunting Dog" Competition ~ Decem-
ber 12

All at Shady Grove Kennel/Hunting Preserve, Remington VA

Now That's a Hunting Dog" Competition Saturday, December 12

First-ever CVC non-regular, counts-for-nothing-but-having-fun-hunting - with-your-dog competition to be held Saturday, December 12, following completion of the Master and Senior Hunting Tests and before the Christmas Party. (It's a fun way to spend the afternoon between the Hunting Test and the Christmas Party!)

**Time limit: 20 minutes on the Master/Senior course.
Short back course into the bird field.**

The judge(s) will select the dog that he/she would personally choose, over all dogs entered, to take hunting. The dog must demonstrate smart application of terrain, with correct use of scenting conditions and obedience to his handler. The dog need only be steady through flush. One retrieve to within two steps to hand is required. Honoring is not required, but if a dog should steal his bracedmate's point, then the dog shall be collared while his bracedmate's handler works the bird

Special trophy for the top dog.

Winner announced/trophy presented at the Christmas Party.

Cost: \$13 Gunners: Bill Cox and Danny Gooch Bird: Chuckars

Entry Form:

Handler's Name: _____

email address: _____

Dog's Call Name: _____ Breed: _____

Number of dogs accepted into the "Now That's a Hunting Dog" Competition will be limited based on the number of Master and Senior Hunting Test entries and available daylight. Entries based on when the secretary receives entry and fee ~ first come, first in. Make checks payable to Conestoga Vizsla Club.

Shady Grove Kennel

Hunting Preserve and Sporting Clays

- **Hunting Preserve** ~ Shady Grove is a public facility designed by hunters for hunters. Hunt pheasant or chukkar on over 900 acres. Up to eight hunting parties simultaneously during the preserve season (September 1st ~ April 30). Water fowl hunts are conducted on wild birds.
- **Sporting Clays** ~ 22 stands of Sporting Clays, Five Stand, NSCA Affiliated Tournaments, Corporate Events, Learn-to-Shoot Programs, Leagues, Registered Targets
- **Retriever Training** ~ With more than 40 years of experience, Neil Selby is professional a gun dog trainer who has trained numerous AKC pointer and retriever champions. Training is available for gun dogs, forced retrieving obedience and hunt test/field trial conditioning. Training by the month or hourly lessons.
- **Pointer Training** ~ In addition to Neil, Sharon Townley is available. She has been training with Neil for more than 11 years, and also guides on the preserve. She is an accomplished gun dog trainer and handler, offering training by the month or hourly lessons.
- **Annual Dove Hunt, Driven Pheasant Hunts, Goose Hunts** ~ See Web site for details.
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Neil Selby

11986 Lucky Hill Road

Remington, Virginia 22734

(540) 439-2683: FAX (540) 439-9427

www.Shady-Grove.com

ShadyGroveKennel@aol.com

CONESTOGA VIZSLA CLUB

Invites YOU and YOURS to its



Annual Christmas Party *Saturday, December 12, ~ 5:00'ish* *Shady Grove Lodge*

CVC will provide the meat and sodas; you bring side dishes
Please bring a dish for six to share using the following list as a recommendation:

A-C ~ Salad D-H ~ Dessert I-M ~ Casserole
N-Q ~ Vegetable Dish R-Z ~ Appetizer/Bread

But this is not your usual hunt test ...
you can also shoot sporting clays!

Shady Grove's skeet range will be available, and the preserve's ponds are open to whatever dog cares to brave December waters. Contact Neil Selby to arrange times: www.Shady-Grove.com

A "***Now That's a Hunting Dog***" Competition will also be held Saturday afternoon. See the hunting test premium for details/entry form.

Directions to the Lodge: From the Shady Grove barns, turn right on Lucky Hill Rd., travel 0.7 miles; left on Old Grassdale Rd; travel 1/2 mile to driveway; left into driveway and left again toward brick house on hill. Park in the side yard.

A ***Silent Auction*** to benefit CVC Vizsla Rescue will be held during the party. Donated items will be accepted all day. Winning bids will be announced toward the end of the party.

The annual **membership meeting** will convene during the first part of the Christmas party in **the Lodge's front parlor.**