



Business Meeting  
Sunday, September 11, 2011  
Suffield Veterinary Hospital, Suffield CT

President Lois Engel called meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

Members in Attendance:

Lois Engel, President	Doris Alleman
Gretchen Boss, Vice President	Tracey Giottonini
Laura Lafreniere, Treasurer	Ann Huntington
Laura Bauver, Recording Secretary	Jan Lemire
Judi Dorsett, Corresponding Secretary	Lauren Simpson
Tina Stone, Board Member	Cindy Stone
Anmarie Wilson, Board Member	

Prospective Members:

Cam Adams	Tiffany Newman
Pam Burek	Danette Smith
Richard Burek	

Treasurer's Report\*:

Laura Lafreniere reported on accounts as of September 11, 2011, including information on the August Rally Match and Obedience Show and Go.

Membership:

Corresponding Secretary Judi Dorsett presented information on prospective new members. The application for Richard and Pam Burek had been read in at a recent meeting. The application for Cam Adams had been read in at a meeting in 2008, but never voted on. Receipt of membership fees was confirmed with the Treasurer, and these prospects were voted into membership. Applications for Tiffany Newman and Danette Smith were read into the record. Their memberships will be voted on at the next meeting they attend.

The Big E:

Lauren Simpson reported on plans for The Big E. Our club will put on demonstrations and be available to talk with fairgoers in the Farm-O-Rama Building on Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 4-8pm. Members who have offered to participate are: Laura Bauver, Deb Brunell, Sandy Masek, Lauren Simpson, Cindy Stone, Tina Stone and Anmarie Wilson. Leslie Pirnie of the Canine Learning Center and Paws with a Cause will also

participate with our group. We will have a display of photos and informational handouts. We will also have Frisbees available to hand out.

#### Well Dog Clinic:

Jan Lemire reported on the Well Dog Clinic to be held September 18<sup>th</sup> at the Suffield Veterinary Hospital. We are overbooked for OFA x-rays, but can fit in a few more blood draws, CERF tests and microchips. Annmarie Wilson is in charge of scheduling volunteers for this clinic. She reported that we had enough volunteers to cover the day, but that additional volunteers could always be utilized. The revised schedule will be emailed to all members soon. Laura Bauver will pick up the coffee and munchkins for the volunteers.

#### Rally Match and Obedience Show and Go:

Tina Stone reported that the Obedience Show and Go was a great addition to our traditional Rally Match event. Many participants expressed their support for this addition. We will work on revised scheduling for next year due to the popularity of the Show and Go and perhaps ask the Rally judge to also judge the Novice Obedience section. We grossed \$505 with a profit of \$329.20 after expenses. Tina will set a date for 2012 soon.

#### Specialty 2012:

Ann Huntington reported that judge selection is in process for the 2012 Specialty.

#### Greenwich:

Ann Huntington reported that she has received a request from Greenwich, inviting The Labrador Retriever Club of the Pioneer Valley to be a Supporting Entry for their Specialty on Saturday, June 9, 2012. We would be paid for our entries.

Motion: that The Labrador Retriever Club of the Pioneer Valley be a Supporting Entry for the Greenwich Specialty June 9, 2012.  
(Huntington/Boss). Motion carried

#### New Pultz:

We are a Supporting Entry in this specialty, which will be held the third week in June. They will not be having obedience classes.

Labrador Retriever Club:

Ann Huntington reported that entries for the National Specialty close on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. All obedience classes are full and therefore closed early, however conformation classes are still open.

Lauren Simpson that as LRCPV raffle chair for this event, she is seeking donations for our prize. We'll fill a LRCPV canvas bag with quality dog related items. Members are asked to bring their contribution to either the Well Dog Clinic or the October Business Meeting.

Anmarie reported that our Obedience Team has been practicing for the competition in October. Members are: Deb Brunell, Sandy Masek, Tina Stone and Anmarie Wilson. Our prospective member Danette Smith is the team alternate.

Bylaws:

Judi Dorsett announced that since significant bylaw amendments are in process, she would not be sending copies of the current bylaws to new members. They will receive copies when revisions are complete.

Logo:

Lauren Simpson reported that she has received the final payments due from members since our Specialty.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:34pm. (Wilson/Dorsett).  
Motion carried.

Laura K Bauver  
Recording Secretary

\* Copies of the Treasurer's Report and Attendance List are attached to the official copy of these minutes.