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BUSINESS MEETING

*Sunday, November 3, 2013
6:00pm*

*Suffield Veterinary Hospital
577 East Street South, Suffield, CT*

On the agenda:
January Match
Christmas Party
Other Business

MEMBERS, GUESTS AND PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS
ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND



***DON'T FORGET TO
TURN YOUR
CLOCKS BACK
SATURDAY
NIGHT!***



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The purpose of this newsletter is to give members of LRCPV an overview of club activities and to keep them informed on breed related issues. The newsletter is published monthly.

www.lrcpv.org



WELL DOG CLINIC

Members, we have had another successful clinic. We have served many breeders and owners with our offered tests. Once again, there were people to requested tests at the last minute. Although it helps fill the schedule, it is more complicated when they want more than one type of test. I had to move people around and I want to thank members who were flexible with their appointments.

This year, there were fewer CERF/OFA eye exams. Clients had the option of submitting results to CERF and/or OFA. I was able to procure OFA discount stickers for OFA submissions of tests with the exception of x-rays.

We did have many blood draws for a variety of tests. Cardiac exams and x-rays continue to fill our day.

Our doctors did a wonderful job once again. Cindy and Haley managed to do the many blood draws as well as spinning and packaging the samples. It was a lot of work for all of them and I want to extend my thanks for their participation.

There were also many people working behind the scenes. Thank you to all the x-ray helpers, too.

The clinic ran very smoothly. Many members volunteered their time and I want to thank you for that. It takes many people to keep things moving smoothly. I especially want to thank Annmarie who scheduled people for necessary positions. Lunch was also provided and made for a nice break.

It is such a help to me to deal with the schedules and payments on the day of the clinic and to have Annmarie's support for the rest. Thank you to those who swept and mopped at the end of the day. Amazing, the amount of dog hair, but considering the number of dogs and people that went through it makes sense.

As for how we did, Laurie put together the financial report. Our profit this year was \$2,523.53. We took in \$9,699.00 and our expenses were \$7,175.47.

For next year, if anyone has ideas for tests to add, let me know. I am pleased that more people are doing cardiac exams. When we first added that, it was fairly new for labradors. Now, more labradors are being tested.

EIC and Thyroid were added because of member requests and they seem to be popular as well.

The number of CERF exams was lower this year. It has been suggested we try another examiner.

We had many people travel quite a distance to attend our clinic. It seems like a good time of year to do it.

Again, thank you all for your help to make this yet another successful clinic.

Jan Lemire





PUPPY PEN

Black and chocolate puppies
born October 23, 2013.

Black males and females available

Sire: GC Stonecrest Cabin's Moonraker Caper
(Caper)

Dam: Bittersweet's Carry the Torch CD JH RN
(Kate)

Contact Sue Brownell
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If you have a litter of Labrador Retriever pups you would like to list in our newsletter and/or on the website, please review Rule 11 in the club Rules & Policies (available in the member section of the website). Laura Lafreniere must receive confirmation of required clearances prior to publication.

If you have any further questions, please contact Laura Lafreniere, Laura Bauver, or Annmarie Wilson.



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MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our new members who were recently accepted into membership:

- Karin, Jim, Fiona & Liam Bowler
- Susan and Tanya Kennedy

Please add them to your contact list:

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CONTACT ANNMARIE WILSON IF YOU
HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED THE USER
NAME AND/OR PASSWORD!



RALLY MATCH AND OBEDIENCE SHOW & GO

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers who came out in the rainy weather to help out at the Rally match and the Obedience Show & Go that took place on October 6, 2013 at SVH. Thank you to Annmarie Wilson for judging Rally, Laura Cook for doing TDI, Leslie Pirnie for doing CGC and to our Obedience judge Eileen Scully. To our volunteers, Ann Huntington, Jan Lemire, Lyn Blanchard, Keith Blanchard, Kelly Rome, Laura Bauver, Pam Burek, Cindy Stone, and Karin Bowler without you the match would not run. Special thanks to Annmarie, Lyn, and Keith for coming out Saturday morning to set up the rings.

Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate so entries were way down from previous years. A lot of members though took the opportunity to run their dogs. For Rally which is scored, Laura Bauver took first in Advanced B, Jan Lemire took first in Novice B, and Pam Burek took first in Novice A.

TDI was a huge success at the match and because of this we are looking to add it to our January match. There were 14 dogs entered and due to this helped us make a profit at this match.

This is from Laura Cook.

The test went extremely well with 14 dogs entered. We had 10 dogs pass and 4 not pass. Of the 4, two were simply not prepared, one just balked at commands, and the last one was just too shy. The remaining 10 proved to be some of the most well mannered dogs I have seen in a while. Everyone received instructions on how to continue with the registration process and I enjoyed running this

for the club. Thank you so much for the help I received from club members, Cindy S., Ann and a few other members who split their time with us. A special thanks to Sara, our onsite child who helped keep the test legal and in compliance with TDI requirements. Once again thank you. I look forward to running the match again next year.

Tina Stone
Match Chair



ASK THE VET

Rumor: *New strain of parvo that is resistant to treatment protocols.*

- ***How can we protect our dogs?***
- ***What is danger to young pups at home (and/or pregnant bitches) in a multiple dog house?***
- ***What is the incubation time?***
- ***What are the symptoms?***

Rumors of a new parvo strain are rampant at the dog shows. Words of fear spread quickly on the internet. There is no new strain. We used to see parvo strain CPV-2B. Now the most prevalent strain is CPV-2C. This emerging strain has been around for many years though and is the result of natural evolution of the virus.

Strain 2C is not new and is well covered by current vaccines. There is no new parvo virus resistant to our vaccines. Current vaccines cover against all current strains.

Parvo viruses in the same subtype vary in virulence and always have. Some can cause severe disease and others more mild cases.

Signs of parvo virus disease are vomiting, diarrhea often with blood, dehydration, leucopenia, acute death, secondary bacterial infections or pericarditis.

Tests for parvo that are done in office (ELISA tests) pick up both CPV-2B and CPV-2C. A negative SNAP ELISA test does not rule out parvo. Parvo virus can be confirmed by PCR testing. The ELISA tests can be affected by the amount of virus in the sample, antibodies to the virus that prevent binding in the test and so may give false negative results.

Incubation time can be 7-14 days and recovered dogs can shed the virus for several weeks. To protect puppies isolate them from dogs that go to shows. Any people handling them should disinfect their shoes with bleach and wear clean clothes. Dogs at home that are vaccinated are not a threat. Be sure disinfectants used are labeled to kill parvo virus. Many kennel disinfectants are not. Parvo is a resistant virus in the environment.



LRCPV at THE BIG E

Thank you all for volunteering for our annual Farm-a-Rama presentation with public interaction, demonstrations & information about our club & our breed with plenty of pictures & handouts!

We were represented two days, Saturday, September 21st (12 hours) with a total daily attendance of 150,407 and Tuesday, September 24th (6 hours) with a total daily attendance of 65,211.

People had the opportunity to meet labs ranging in age from 4 months to thirteen years.

We had a diverse group of labs including a search and rescue dog and a service dog along with those that compete or are trained in agility, conformation, hunt, obedience, and rally. It certainly felt like we talked with all attendees as the crowd of admirers never stopped! At the end of the evening, we were tired, but happy ... it was time well spent – and the dogs had a wonderful time!

Thank you to our Saturday crew:

Laura Bauver
Karin Bowler and family
Keith & Lyn Blanchard
Leslie Pirnie
Gretchen Boss

Thank you to our Tuesday crew:

Lauren Simpson
Gretchen Boss
Sandy Masek
Laura Lafreniere
Annmarie Wilson
Hazel Holman
Dick & Nancy Zimmer
Chris & Danette Chorney

Another successful year with record breaking numbers!

USDA to Host Webinars on the New Retail Pet Store Rule

http://www.akc.org/press_center/article.cfm?article_id=5161

October 24, 2013

USDA Animal Care announced today that they will host a series of webinars on the new *Retail Pet Store Rule* this November and December. You are invited to participate in any or all of these webinars to speak directly with USDA about how the rule may or may not affect you as a small/hobby breeder.

Webinars will be held Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. EST for a four-week period. The

schedule of topics for the webinars is as follows:

- November 7 – *Am I regulated under USDA's Retail Pet Store Rule?*
- November 14 – *How will USDA implement the Retail Pet Store Rule?*
- November 21 – *What is USDA's inspection process in a home?*
- December 5 – *How will USDA enforce the Retail Pet Store Rule?*

For more information and to sign up for these webinars, visit the USDA Animal Care website below.

<http://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDAAPHIS/bulletins/913e0e>

LAB BRAGS

The following is a list of the accomplishments of some of our members' labs that were submitted to the editor.

Andromeda of Split Rock BN RA CGC

Andi completed her Beginner Novice Obedience and Rally Novice titles at the LRCGB Specialty. She completed her Rally Advanced title at the PRLRC Specialty. Andi was bred by and is owned by Laura & Wes Bauver. She is the daughter Cassiopeia of Split Rock BN RA CGC and CH Majestx Satisfaction

Countess Sweet CoCo of Earthsea CGC PWWC

CoCo earned her Canine Good Citizen at the LRCPV Match and her PeeWee Working Certificate at the PRLRC Trial, both in October – and both before she turned 22 weeks! CoCo is owned by Lyn & Keith Blanchard and Tina Stone. She is the daughter of Sir Duke of Browncastle

Calsam Wilann's Pecan Double Delight RN WC CC CGC TDI

DeeDee earned her Therapy Dog title at the LRCPV Match in October. DeeDee is owned by Annmarie Wilson and Kelly Rome. She is the daughter of CH Casbar's Deja Vu RN

Cassiopeia of Split Rock BN RN CGC

Cassi finished both her Beginner Novice Obedience and her Rally Novice at the LRCGB Specialty. Cassi is owned by Laura & Wes Bauver

CH Jump N Jive's Tisket A Tasket TDI CGC

Tisket earned her Canine Good Citizen and her Therapy Dog titles at the LRCPV match in October. Tisket was bred by and is owned by Karin and Jim Bowler. She is the daughter Chablais Lady Day Jump N Jive

Majestx Noah

Noah earned his first Rally Novice leg at the PRLRC Specialty. Noah is owned by Pam and Rick Burek. He is the son of Majestx Loves Me – Loves Me Not

Opechee Parish's First Lady of Song TDI CD CGC

Ella earned her Therapy Dog title at the LRCPV Match. She is owned by Karin and Jim Bowler

Silverado's Black Evening Rose CGCA RN WC CC

Rose received her 1st leg for UKC Rally Advanced with a 194, earning a 3rd place. She also earned her Canine Good Citizen Advanced. Two weeks later Rose qualified for the Working Certificate and Conformation Certificate at the PWLRC hunt test. Rose is owned by Lauren Simpson, and is the daughter of Silverado's Miracles Can Happen RA

Sir Duke of Browncastle

Duke received Winners Dog, Best of Winners, Best of Breed and made first cut of the Sporting Group at the Queensboro Kennel Club show and Winners Dog and Best of

Winners at the Riverhead Kennel Club show at the Big E in October for a total of 2 points. Duke is owned by Lyn and Keith Blanchard. He is the son of Silverado's Miracles Can Happen RA

Wilann's Candy Cane CD RE WC CC CGC TDI

Candy earned her Therapy Dog title at the LRCPV Match in October. She is owned by Annmarie Wilson.

Congratulations to our members who bred and/or own these wonderful labs!

If you have any good news to share about your Labradors, please provide the information to the editor so we may all share in your pride!

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 3	LRCPV Meeting Suffield Veterinary Hospital, Suffield CT
November 24	LRCPV Supported Entry Springfield Kennel Club Thanksgiving Classic Cluster
December 7	LRCPV Christmas Party 2800 Mountain Rd, West Suffield CT
January 5	LRCPV B-OB & Obedience Match Tails-U-Win, Manchester CT
February 9	LRCPV Meeting
March 1	LRCPV Meeting
April 1	LRCPV Annual Meeting & Awards 2800 Mountain Rd, West Suffield CT
May 4	LRCPV Meeting
May 9-10	LRCPV Specialty Westfield Fairgrounds

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS

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Lauren Simpson**

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