



From TCVESSA's President: Julie Roberts

I thought that this would be a good time to review what the TCVESSA's mission statement is. The board worked on this a few years back, and while we try to adhere to it, we don't promote it often enough, so here it is:

TCVESSA MISSION STATEMENT

Building Springer Enthusiasm in the Land of 10,000 Lakes.

The mission of the Twin Cities Voyageur English Springer Spaniel Association is to promote the breed, to honor its beauty and versatility, and to ensure its healthy future in the state of Minnesota and as part of the larger English Springer community.

The mission is accomplished by:

- 1) Promoting every facet of English Springer conformation and performance by offering and supporting American Kennel Club and/or ESSFTA events.
- 2) Offering educational opportunities for members, English Springer enthusiasts and breeders, and the larger dog fancy.
- 3) Participating in outreach activities that represent our breed to the interested public.
- 4) Supporting appropriate, mission-consistent causes that advance English Springer health and education.
- 5) Promoting sound breeding practices and responsible English Springer ownership.
- 6) Demonstrating ethical and sportsmanlike conduct at all events and activities.
- 7) Providing enthusiastic support and encouragement for newcomers and long-time members alike.

Looking ahead, plan on attending the fall general membership meeting. It's pot luck, so bring a dish to share, and join in the fun. More details inside this newsletter.

Good luck to everyone going to the National, besides myself, I know there are several that are working hard on training, showing and conditioning their dogs to present them at their best.

Finally, thanks again to everyone for all the hard work they put in to make TCVESSA a success. I think we have one of the best breed clubs in the country, though I might be a little biased!

Julie



TCVESSA Board Meeting Minutes: July 28, 2014

The meeting was called to order by president Julie Roberts at 7:10 PM. All directors were present except for Francie Nelson , who had indicated that she would not be able to attend this meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: BA reported a balance of \$10,189.02.

Old Business

Courtney Hanson reported that we are now members of MN Purebred Dog Assoc. and the \$40 membership has been paid.

New Business

Julie Roberts reported that we have a new member but she has not received the paper work.

Kathy Patregnani requested funds of \$600 to use for AKC applications. The request was approved by the board.

Julie Roberts initiated a discussion concerning grooming clinics that the club could host. It was suggested that Sara Kraft, Becky Hoskins, Tekla Viker, and Janice Johnson would be good choices to lead this. One or two days were considered, but no decision made. The club would need a suitable venue, and would need to identify fees and costs before anything is decided.

Julie Roberts introduced the subject of future judges for breed and performance. Kathy Patregnani reported that Agility judges are now hired out to 2018, and Obedience judges require 2 years advance notice. Hiring of judges, and personalities of judges were generally discussed. It is especially important that our judges be kind to our puppies in Breed and Sweepstakes. Julie noted that we need to begin to plan future hiring so that we will not have to scramble at the last minute.

Specialty: Chair Liz Pike noted the following:

Doug Johnston has agreed to judge regular classes at the Sunday 2015 specialty; Liz will contact the other proposed judge, Jamie Hubbard for Saturday. We do not yet have their costs.

Sweepstakes judges are still outstanding. It was suggested that Amy Gau should be contacted.

Liz Pike will re-visit her list of Breeder Judges that are out of the area.

Kathy Patregnani informed the board that Betsey Bairt will judge Obedience for \$275, and Phyliss Broderick will judge for \$150. Both will only charge the club the cost of boarding their dogs in place of lodging and other expenses.

Courtney Hanson and Kathy Patregnani volunteered to work on the trophies this year. A discussion ensued concerning what to use for trophies this year. Steins or mugs were suggested. Kathy P. will go to Viking to check items and pricing.

Next Meeting: Monday, Sept 8, 7:00 PM via teleconference (numbers are always the same)

Adjourned: 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Maryevelyn Monty



TCVESSA BOARD MEETING MINUTES: Monday, September 8, 2014

The meeting was called to order by president Julie Roberts at 7:10 PM. All directors were present except for Carmen Laing.

Minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: BA reported a balance of \$9,507.14

New Business

First reading was heard for new member Jennifer Eaton. Her contact information will be added to the membership lists so that she can receive any club communications.

It was reported that the mailing address on the Membership Application on our website is not current and should be corrected. Maryevelyn Monty will ask Jean Dockendorf to fix that.

Specialty: Chair Liz Pike noted the following:

We have signed contracts for Doug Johnston and Jamie Hubbard for regular classes.

Sweepstakes judges are still outstanding. A discussion ensued concerning candidates. Julie Roberts will review her lists of potential Sweeps judges.

Liz Pike will create a flyer advertising our Specialty to be distributed at Nationals.

A discussion ensued concerning the Trophy Fund. We need to present an appeal at our upcoming General Meeting. Maryevelyn Monty will send a copy of a previously used form to the board for their review.

Kathy Patregnani reminded the board that we need long term planning for obedience judges.

EDUCATION SEMINARS

A discussion ensued concerning presenting a grooming seminar. Time frames were discussed, with later winter/early spring being the best possibilities. Three of the best groomers in the country live in our region. Julie Roberts agreed to discuss this event with them to determine interest and availability. We will need a location for this. Jon Pidde and Liz Pike will research possible sites. The price for the site and expenses will develop what we can charge. Liz suggested that it would be nice to have this event firmed up soon so that we could present a flyer at the Nationals.

AGILITY

Kathy Patregnani requested \$500 for food at the October 17, 18, and 19 trials. A discussion ensued as to what should be provided. That discussion would continue offline. The board approved the \$500 expense.

The January trials will be held at St. Paul Dog Training Center. One of the judges will need lodging. The board approved two nights lodging at a nearby hotel.

GENERAL MEETING

The required General Meeting should be held on November 15 or 16, depending upon location availability. The hours should be from 11:30 to 3:30. Pet Junction is the logical site. Once it is confirmed, Maryevelyn Monty will send a notification to the membership.

The slate of officers and directors for the coming year must be presented at this meeting. We will need one board member and two directors. Liz Pike agreed to be the nominating committee chair.

Next Meeting: Monday, October 6, 2014, via teleconference (numbers are always the same)

Adjourned: 8:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Maryevelyn Monty
TCVESSA Secretary

President

Julie Roberts
EldamarESS@gmail.com

Vice President

Francie Nelson
FanfareSpringers@comcast.net

Secretary

Maryevelyn Monty
MMonty@att.net

Treasurer

B.A. Breese
BABreese13@gmail.com

Directors

Carmen Laing
Carmen913@msn.com

Liz Pike
Liz.Westring@genmills.com

Kathy Patregnani
Vinewoodess@hotmail.com

Jon Pidde
J5of12@visi.com

Courtney Hanson
Spellboundess@yahoo.com



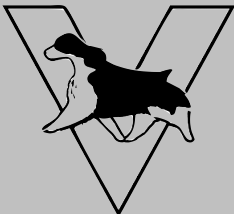


Spring(er) into action!

**Annual TCVESSA Education and Fun Day
Saturday, November 15
Pet Junction (Intersection of I-694 and Rice Street)
NOON – 3:30 PM
BRING A POT LUCK DISH TO SHARE**

**puppy/adult agility . . . puppy/adult conformation . . .
membership meeting . . . conversation . . . friends . . . food . . .
fun!**

**There's room for crates along the wall of the training ring . . . you can
drive around to the back of the building to unload.**



WINS & BRAGS

**GCH Rosebud's Lion Heart CGC
"Leo"**

Owned by Alice Musburger

Badgerland Kennel Club

May 2 NOHS BOB and Group II

Waterloo Kennel Club

June 28 BOB, NOHS BOB

June 29 BOB, NOHS BOB and Group I

Bismarck Kennel Club

August 2 Select Dog, NOHS BOB and Group I

August 3 Select Dog, NOHS BOB and Group I

Marshfield Kennel Club

August 16 BOB, NOHS BOB and Group I

August 17 BOB and Group III and NOHS BOB

Husker Cluster

October 3 Select Dog, NOHS Group II

October 4 Select Dog, NOHS Group I

October 5 Select Dog

**UNOFFICIALLY
2014 National Owner
Handler
English Springer Spaniel
#3
Eukanuba (260 points)**

**Briarton Patriot Games
"Duncan"**

Owned by Kay Glaeser & Cathy VanKempen

ESS Club of Des Moines Specialty Show

Sept 5 Puppy Sweepstakes—Best in Puppy Sweepstakes - Show 2

Sept 7 Winners Dog—2 pts

**Briarton Heaven Sent Rendition RN, BN, CGC
"Macie"**

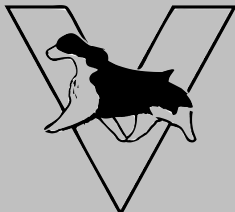
Owned by Kay Glaeser & Cathy VanKempen

Cambridge Kennel Club

Aug 17 Rally Adv B 1st Leg 1st Place

Des Moines Obedience Training Club

Sept 6 Rally Adv B 2nd Leg



President

Julie Roberts
EldamarESS@gmail.com

Vice President

Francie Nelson
FanfareSpringers
@comcast.net

Secretary

Maryevelyn Monty
MMonty@att.net

Treasurer

B.A. Breese
BABreese13@gmail.com

Directors

Carmen Laing
Carmen913@msn.com

Liz Pike
Liz.Westring@genmills.com

Kathy Patregnani
Vinewoodess@hotmail.com

Jon Pidde
J5of12@visi.com

Courtney Hanson
Spellboundess@
yahoo.com

**UPCOMING EVENT****SAVE THE DATE****2014-2015 TCVESSA ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET**

SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 2015
6-10 PM

NEW LOCATION!!

MORE INFO WILL BE MAILED SEPARATELY IN JANUARY
AWARDS FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE
START GATHERING YOUR INFO

UPCOMING EVENT

TCVESSA AGILITY TRIAL

OCTOBER 17-19, 2014

ON THE RUN CANINE CENTER
HAM LAKE, MN

NEXT AGILITY TRIAL—JANUARY 2015

ST. PAUL DOG TRAINING CENTER
SOUTH ST. PAUL, MN

LITTERBOX ANNOUNCEMENTS**NEXT VOX DEADLINE**

Dec. 20, 2014

please send all wins & brags, litterbox announcements, upcoming events and articles.

submit to: Carmen913@msn.com