



The Newsletter of the

Twin Cities Voyageur English Springer Spaniel Assn.

From the President's Desk

Greetings TCVESSA Members:

Barb Ciresi has decided to resign from her position as TCVESSA president due to her husband, Jerry's cancer diagnosis. We at TCVESSA extend our thoughts and prayers to Barb, Jerry, and their family during this very difficult time. We would also like to thank Barb for her years of service as President of TCVESSA and as a member of the Board of Directors. Barb's hard work and dedication to the club has been greatly appreciated. Thank you, Barb.

I, Cyndi Myhre, Vice President of TCVESSA will serve as Acting President until February 2007 when our election of officers takes place at the Annual meeting/banquet. Julie Roberts has been chosen by the board to be Acting Vice President.

The club would also like to extend condolences to the family of Pat and Wayne Welch. As many of you know, their daughter Christine passed away from an aggressive form of cancer late this fall. The club is planning to make donations in Christine's memory and in support of her infant daughter Katherine.

This is an incredibly busy time of year for members. Hunting season opened, the National took place, shows and trials are happening almost every weekend, and we have sponsored both a tracking event and a fall match. Please take a look at the following pages to catch up on all of the great achievements of our members and mark your calendars for upcoming events.

Sincerely,
Cyndi Myhre
TCVESSA President

Thank You Krista

Our newsletter editor, Krista Trempe, recently indicated that she needed to simplify her life and would be stepping down from her position as newsletter editor. For the last two and a half years Krista has used her talents to update the newsletter in both style and content and give it a new softer look by printing it on a cream paper.

The club newsletter is a critical communication element of the club. Even in the internet age, when so much is communicated by email, we still rely on the newsletter for much of our official communication.

The position of newsletter editor is probably the most important and thankless job in the club. It requires a huge commitment of time, a combination of good writing and editing skills and knowledge of graphic arts/design software. Krista did a wonderful job as VOX editor and the Board of Directors would like to express our gratitude for her service to the club.

Ann Sunderman has volunteered to take over the position of Newsletter editor. Please help Ann out by sending articles, brags and changes of address etc. to her email at: foxholow@prairie.lakes.com.

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TCVESSA Board Report

September 26, 2006

Nominating Committee-

Shirley Harford will chair the Nominating Committee for the 2007 TCVESSA Board of Directors. Committee members are Stephanie Bachman and Jill Shirley. Sarah Kraft is an alternate.

2007 Specialty-

Maryevelyn Monty will be the chairperson for the specialty shows again. These shows are the club's 30th anniversary specialty shows. We would like to be able to offer some really nice prizes. The board discussed increasing our entry fees for 2007. Sarah Munoz is our Friday sweepstakes judge. Laurent Pichard is our Friday regular class judge. We are going to offer Awards of Merit for our 2007 specialty shows.

VOX Voyageur newsletter-

Ann Sunderman will take over as the editor of the VOX Voyageur.

Barb Ciresi resigned as president of TCVESSA. The Board regretfully accepted her resignation.

Ann Sunderman
TCVESSA Club Secretary

TCVESSA Board Report

October/23/06

Nominating Committee-

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Shirley Harford, announced the slate for the 2007 TCVESSA Board of Directors. It is as follows: Julie Roberts- President, Shirley Harford- Vice-President, Cyndi Myhre- Secretary, Maryevelyn Monty- Treasurer, Board Members at Large- B.A. Breese, Alice Musburger, Francie Nelson, Kristin Radermacher, Kathy Raidt.

Changes on the Board-

According to our bylaws, club vice-president Cyndi Myhre assumed the duties of president when Barb Ciresi resigned. Julie Roberts was elected as vice-president. B.A. Breese was elected to fill the Board Member at Large vacancy created when Julie was elected vice-president.

The Board discussed creating a TCVESSA Breeder Referral List.

Annual Awards Banquet-

The Club's annual awards banquet will be held on Saturday, February 3, 2007 at Casper's Cherokee Sirloin Room, 4625 Nicols Rd Eagan, MN

651-454-6744

<http://www.cherokeesirloinroom.com>

2007 Specialty-

We have our Friday judges lined up for the 2007 Specialty. Laurent Pichard is hired as our regular class judge and Sarah Munoz has been hired as our sweepstake judge. The board is still working on a panel of Judges for the Thursday Specialty.

TCVESSA is going to sponsor and help staff a booth at the Pet Expo 2007. The dates are February 17, 2007 and February 18, 2007. ESRA and Springer Rescue is the focus of the booth but we will provide club members and their dogs to meet the public and will have some educational materials on our breed to distribute.

Emily Gregg was approved as a new junior member.

Ann Sunderman
TCVESSA Club Secretary

Annual Awards Form

Each year TCVESSA awards Certificates of Recognition at the Annual Awards Banquet to club members' Springers who performed community service, completed degrees, titles or championships in the United States, Canada or elsewhere during the calendar year.

If your dog earned a degree or title in 2006, or participated in any community service activity please fill out the form below and return it no later than **January 12, 2007**.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:
PRINT NEATLY ON FORM
IF WE CAN'T READ YOUR FORM, YOU WON'T
GET CREDIT FOR THE ACCOMPLISHMENT.**

Include degrees and titles earned in 2006 in the order they were earned. You will receive a certificate for each degree and/or title, and we would like to keep them in chronological order. Use an extra sheet of paper if necessary.

Registered Name of Dog:

Call Name of Dog:

Name of Owners(s):

Title(s) earned:

Please list title/degree, whether bench, obedience, rally obedience, agility, working, hunting or tracking. Indicate if they are U.S. or Canadian title, etc. (List in order received)

! Note: Please attach a separate sheet providing identical information should you own more than one degree/title earning Springer.

Attention Junior Handlers

We would like to do special awards for the accomplishments of our junior handlers and need for you to fill out this form and return it to Shirley Harford by **January 12, 2007**.

Registered Name of Dog:

Call Name of Dog:

Name of Owners(s):

Jr. Handler's Name:

Titles, Placements and Special Awards:

Juniors: If you have shown more than one dog, please list

the others on another sheet of paper. Please return this form even if nothing was done this year. We would like to recognize ALL Juniors for their efforts!

Special Awards

! Remember: It is your responsibility to provide this information to receive awards. It is also your responsibility to specify which award(s) you may be eligible to receive. These results will be reviewed and tallied by the Board.

Deadline is JANUARY 12, 2007

The information needed to qualify for each of these awards is detailed in the club's Awards Guidelines.

Below are the club's special awards:

- Redcrest's Barron Memorial Award for Best Total or Average Qualifying Obedience Scores
- Ch. Chinoe's Eminent Judge Award for Best of Breed Springer of the Year
- Ch. Winward's Gadabout Award for Best of Opposite Springer of the Year
- Ch. Salilyn's Prophet Award for Owner Handled Springer of the Year
- TCVESSA Directors' Award for Versatility
- TCVESSA Agility Award
- TCVESSA Rally Springer of the Year Award
- TCVESSA Ambassador Award for community service
- T.O.P. (TCVESSA Outstanding Performance) Award
- Performance Championship Awards- MACH, OTCH, FC, NFC, CT
- Additional Obedience Awards- CD, CDX, UD, UDX
- Additional Rally Obedience Awards- RN, RA, RE, RAE
- Additional Agility Awards- Novice, Open, Excellent A, Excellent B

Registered Name of Dog:

Call Name of Dog:

Name of Owners(s):

Special Award(s) Applied For:

! Note: Please attach a separate sheet providing identical information for each Special Award applied for, even if it is for the same dog.

Please attach applicable scores earned, dogs defeated, awards won, verification of community service, etc.

Return form to:

Mail form to: Shirley Harford,
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Member Dogs at the 2006 Nationals

TCVESSA Members did well at this year's Springer National, but these two siblings did especially well. Bobbie and Apollo, littermates from the 2004 litter of Reba and Owen, have always done everything together and they kept up the tradition by going winners dog and winners bitch at the 2006 Springer Nationals. Both completed their US championships with these wins. Congratulations to owners Carol J. Hathaway, Jacquie Dean and Liz Pike. Also congratulations to everyone that helped these two along the way.



Apollo & Bobbie at 3.5 months

Bobbie and Apollo weren't the only dogs that did well at the Nationals. Take a look at this list of member dogs accomplishments:

Sweepstakes

Dogs, 6-9 months

1st Tagalong N Shamrock Irish Eyes Cyndi Myhre & Sarah Kraft

Dogs, 9-12 months

2nd Springbrook's Spellbound Rebecca Hoskins

Veteran Sweepstakes

Dogs, 7-9 years

4th Ch Springbrook's Black Magic Rebecca Hoskins

Bitches, 11 years & older

1st Ch Eldamar's Wil-Orion Daystar Julie Roberts

Best of Opposite in Vet Sweeps

Ch Eldamar's Wil-Orion Daystar Julie Roberts

Regular Classes

Puppy Dogs, 6-9 months

1st Tagalong N Shamrock Irish Eyes Cyndi Myhre & Sarah Kraft

Puppy Dogs, 9-12 months

1st Springbrook's Spellbound Rebecca Hoskins

Open dogs

1st Aspen's Ashwyn Explorer Carol J. Hathaway & Jacquie Dean

Winners Dog

Aspen's Ashwyn Explorer Carol J. Hathaway & Jacquie Dean

Puppy Bitches, 6-9 months

3rd Tagalong's My Oh My Sarah Kraft

Puppy Bitches, 9-12 months

3rd Topguns Singin' In The Rain Tracy & Patty Salzwedel

Open Bitch

1st Aspen's Ashwyn Party Magic Carol J. Hathaway, Jacquie Dean, Elizabeth Pike

Winners Bitch

Aspen's Ashwyn Party Magic Carol J. Hathaway, Jacquie Dean, Elizabeth Pike

Non-Regular Classes

Veteran Bitches, 11 years & older

3rd Ch Eldamar's Wil-Orion Daystar Julie Roberts

The club had no placements in the Obedience Competition

TCVESSA Website Update

Kristin Radermacher has taken over as web-mistress of the TCVESSA website. She has spent all fall updating and adding to the site. The Board thinks she has done a fabulous job and we invite members to become familiar with this club asset. We even have a new web address that should be easy for everyone to remember:

<http://www.TCVESSA.org>

One of the new things you'll notice is a new member dog "photos page". Kristin will be happy to upload photos of members dogs, but a few rules do apply:

1. No professional portraits, unless you supply Kristin written permission from the Photographer (we can't go violating copyright laws).
2. No "win" shots, please. We want to keep this section informal, fun and not look like advertising.
3. Pictures of your dogs "working" would be wonderful – gaiting in the ring counts as working; it's what they were bred to do.
4. These photos must be submitted as digital files, Kristin can resize them if necessary but she is doing this on a volunteer basis so they must be otherwise ready to upload to the site. If possible size them at 800pixels on the longest side at 72dpi. Landscape (wider across than tall) orientation works best. She can work with a portrait orientation but will have to crop or shrink the image.
5. Right now there is no limit on the number of pictures. If she get inundated with pictures and we don't have enough space on the site she may have to limit the number, or limit the time the photos are on the site.
6. Please include the owner's full name, the dog's call name and a caption if you'd like that instead of just the call name.

Send pictures to Kristin at TCVESSA@gmail.com.

National Raffle Basket

I would like to thank the following club members for their generous contributions to a wonderful Minnesota themed basket for the National's silent auction:

Maryevelyn Monty - for fun Minnesota foods
 Jill Shirley - for a warm and cozy hand made fleece blanket
 B.A. Breese - for Minnesota authored books
 Francie Nelson - for Red Wing Mugs
 Kristin Radermacher- for a birch basket and wild rice, coffee, cocoa and snacks

Our basket also included a Rustic Minnesota License plate bird house, a leaf candle holder, Dog House Charlie's Chardonnay, Royal Bitch 2003 Reserve Shiraz - all in a willow Birch bark basket made by the Ojibwe Leech Lake Indians.

A special thanks to Carol Hathaway for assembly work and to Kristin Radermacher for her great help in getting everything to California in one piece!

Liz Pike



Club Member Brag and Results

! Reminder: Please be sure you get any results you wish to be published in the next newsletter to Ann Sunderman by January 15, 2007

Topgun's Singin' In The Rain JH WDX "Kelly", Owned by Tracy and Patty Salzwedel

9/10/06 Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Assoc., MN 1st Junior Hunter leg
9/30/06 Welsh Springer Spaniel Club, Dana, Iowa 2nd Junior Hunter leg
10/01/06 Welsh Springer Spaniel Club, Dana, Iowa 3rd Junior Hunter leg
10/08/06 ESSFTA Hunt test, Pomona, CA **Junior Hunter title earned!**
9/24/06 TCVESSA Working Dog test, **WDX title earned**

CH Topgun's Yippee Kea Yeah JH "Cowboy", Owned by Patty Salzwedel and Peter/Katherine Vessenes

9/09/06 Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Assoc., MN 1st Junior Hunter leg
9/10/06 Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Assoc., MN 2nd Junior Hunter leg
9/30/06 Welsh Springer Spaniel Club, Dana, Iowa 3rd Junior Hunter leg
10/01/06 Welsh Springer Spaniel Club, Dana, Iowa **Junior Hunter title!**
7/14/06 Duluth Kennel Club, BOB, Group 4
7/15/06 Duluth Kennel Club, BOB
7/16/06 Duluth Kennel Club, BOB
7/22/06 Paper Cities KC, Weston, WI BOS
7/23/06 Paper Cities KC, Weston, WI, BOB and Group 2
8/05/06 La Crosse, WI, BOB
8/06/06 La Crosse, WI, BOB
8/13/06 Freeborn County Kennel Club, Albert Lea, MN BOB and Group 2
9/16/06 Rochester Kennel Club, Rochester, MN, BOB, Group 1
9/17/06 Rochester Kennel Club, Rochester, MN BOB, Group 1
9/21/06 Tri-City KC, Iowa, BOB
9/22/06 Tri-City Kennel Club, Iowa, BOB
10/08/06 Wright County Kennel Club, Hutchinson, MN, BOB

Topgun's VinEwood Makin' A Splash JH, WDX- "Splash", Owned by Kathy Patregnani & Patty Salzwedel

09/10/06 Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Assoc., MN. -handled by Patty Salzwedel. 1st JH leg earned
09/10/06 Minnesota Hunting Spaniel Assoc., MN. 2nd JH leg earned
09/24/06 TCVESSA Working Dog Test- handled by Patty Salzwedel. **WDX title Earned**
09/30/06 Welsh Springer Spaniel Club, Dana, Iowa 3rd JH leg earned
10/01/06 Welsh Springer Spaniel Club, Dana, Iowa 4th JH Leg and **Junior Hunter Title Earned**

Ch Fox Hollow New Kid In Town CD JH RN NAJ NJP CGC WD "Rookie", owned by Cyndi and Gary Myhre, co-owned by Ann Sunderman and Jessica Hanson

8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Best in Altered Sweepstakes
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Best in Altered Sweepstakes
9/24/06 TCVESSA Working Dog Test **WDX title Earned**

Fox Hollow Shamrock Front Page News, "Page", owned by Cyndi and Gary Myhre, co-owned by Ann Sunderman and Jessica Hanson

9/12/06, Earned **Canine Good Citizen & Therapy Dog International** certificates
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Novice obedience 3rd place, First CD leg earned
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Novice obedience 2nd place, Second CD leg earned
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, handler Jessica Hanson, with fur friend Page, took Best Junior Handler Award

Tagalong N Shamrock Irish Eyes, "Sully", owned by Cyndi Myhre and Sarah Kraft

10/11/06 ESSFTA National Dog show: Sweepstakes, First, 6-9 month class
10/11/06 ESSFTA National Dog show: Regular classes, First, 6-9 month class

Springbrook's Last Magic Act "Kylee", owners Jill M. Shirley & Becky Hoskins

5/27/06 Key City KC, BOW, BOS
5/28/06 Key City KC, WB, BOS
6/25/06 Cambridge 6-25-06 WB BOS 1pt.
7/30/06 Sioux Empire Kennel Club Agility Trial, Nov.B JWW 1st /100, 1st leg
8/5/06 WB, BOW, BOS
8/6/06 WB, BOS
8/12/06 Kennel Club of Albert Lea MN, WB, BOW, BOS
8/13/06 Kennel Club of Albert Lea MN, WB, BOW, BOS AKC

American Champion Title Finished

9/16/2006 Rochester KC Agility Trial Nov B Std, score 100 1st place 1st leg
9/16/2006 Rochester KC, BOS
10/7/06 Key City KC Agility Trial St. Peter MN, Nov.B Std 2nd leg 2nd place

Cedarwood's Calypso "Kobi", Owners: Lynne Kaufman & Patricia Welch

7/2/06 Vermillion, SD, WD, BOW **American Championship finished -**

Cedarwood's Enchanting Rita "Rita", Owners Pat & Wayne Welch & Jack Filipek

8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Best Puppy
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Best Puppy

Cedarwood's Ain't Misbehavin "Billie", Owners Pat Welch & Jack Filipek

8/26/06 TCVESSA supported entry, WB - 3 pt. major

Cedarwood's Paragon "Peter", Owners Pat & Wayne Welch & Jack Filipek

9/8/06 ESS Club of Greater Des Moines, WD - BOW - 5 pts. - Best Puppy

Dansen's Miss Congeniality, owned by Karen Larson

Wright County Kennel club, BOS both days.

Can CH. Bloomfield's Assumption's Abby "Abby", owned by Mary Dahl

7/29/06 Waukesha Kennel Club- WB, BOS
8/1/06 Burlington KC, WB, BOB
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, WB Major

Junior Handling Dena Dahl and "Abby"

7/31/06, Burlington Kennel Club 4th place Nov. Inter.
8/1/06 Burlington Kennel Club 4th place Nov. Inter.
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty - 1st place Open Intermediate
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty - 1st place Open Intermediate
8/27/06 Lake Elmo KC - 1st place Open Intermediate
10/7/06 Wright Co. KC, 4th place Open Intermediate

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Member Brags and Results Continued

Swedaros On the Road Again "Willie", owned by Kristin Radermacher
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Rally Nov B 1st place
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Rally Nov B 1st place

Swedaros Good Hearted Woman "Waylon", owned by Kristin Radermacher
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Rally Nov B 3rd place

Glenhurst's Sherwood Forest
CD,SH,RN,NA,NAJ,NAP,NJP,WD,CGC,TDIA "Aspen",Owner Shirley A. Harford
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty- Altered Performance Dog 1st Place
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty- Shooting Dog 2nd Place

Topgun's Field Of Dreams CD,JH,RE,WDX "Rayne", Owner/Handler Shirley A.Harford
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty Excellent A Rally 2nd Leg 1st place
8/24/06 TCVESSA Specialty Novice B 1st Leg 2nd place
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty Excellent A Rally 3rd Leg 1st place

Rally Excellent Title earned
8/25/06TCVESSA Specialty Novice B 2nd Leg, 1st place
9/23/06 Anoka County Kennel Club, Novice B 3rd Leg **CD Title earned**
9/24/06 TCVESSA WD/WDX Test **WDX title earned**

Fox Hollow Springridge Redroc "Lane", owned by Brian J Schaffer
8/25/06 TCVESSA Specialty, Rally advance A, 3rd place, score 79, first leg
8/26/06 St. Croix KC, Rally advance A, Highest score 74, Second Leg

Obedience Competition at the 2006 TCVESSA Specialty

Obedience at the 2006 TCVESSA Specialty was a success due in a large part because of the work of the stewards. It is impossible to have an event work smoothly, or at all, without people who are willing to do the work. The stewards this year had to delay grooming of their own dogs, as well as forgoing watching the sweeps competition in order to keep the obedience ring running. I really appreciate their help and dedication to our club. Julie Wilson, Deb McCormack and Jill Shirley did most of the work with a lot of exhibitors filling in as "posts" when needed. We even had help from our out of state exhibitors to change the courses in the rally ring!

My highlight of the Specialty was Emily Gregg, a Novice A junior handler, winning "High-In-Trial with a score of 196.5 on Friday. It is always special when a newcomer to the sport of obedience does well.

Jon Pidge-2006 Obedience Chair

!!!! Special Request From our "Banquet Prize Drawing Queen"

Banquet Prize Drawing

I am happy to once again put together the prize drawing for our yearly awards banquet, but it is very time consuming. I spend several days getting everything ready before the banquet and then I spend almost the entire banquet arranging the items and selling tickets. I am looking for help the day of the banquet. I need two people to help set up, starting 2 hours before the banquet, and to take turns with me, selling tickets. Please let me know if you'd be able to help out. I'd dearly love to have a chance to socialize this year. Kristin Radermacher

You can contact Kristin via email to swedarospringers@gmail.com

phone 763-441-0299

or via mental telepathy- (extra points if you can contact her via this means) to volunteer.

TCVESSA Specialty Raffle Results

We had one heck of a raffle at our specialty this year – if I do say so myself. I was able to solicit enough merchandise that we held two separate raffles. Once again a huge thanks to Shirley Harford for helping out. And congrats to Shirley for winning the "Everything but the Tote – Tote" valued at over \$500. And no, it wasn't rigged, Sarah Kraft drew the winning ticket. The club netted over \$700 this year. Please check the website soon for a list of the very generous donors.

Kristin Radermacher-Raffle Chair

TCVESSA Health Clinic at the 2006 Specialty

On Sunday August 27th we held a Health Clinic in our Specialty Building during the St Croix Valley All-Breed show. Dr Larocca was on hand to do CERF exams, Dr Tobias from the U of M was on hand to do heart auscultations and I did the Microchipping.

We did 48 CERF Exams, 43 Cardiac Exams and implanted 14 Microchips, netting the club \$236.04. We still "own" 30 microchips to be used at future clinics (which brought our net down by over \$400, but future clinics will come out that much more ahead). A big thank you to: Shirley Harford, Brian Schaffer, Kathy Raidt, Maryev Monty, Liz Westring, Carol Hathaway and Cyndi Myhre for helping. I couldn't have done it without them.

Kristin Radermacher-Health & Education Chair

TCVESSA Annual Award Guidelines (Updated as of December 2005)

Each year TCVESSA awards certificates of recognition to club members' Springers that complete degrees, titles or championships during the previous calendar year. The club also awards a number of plaques and revolving trophies to the highest achieving Springers in several categories during the previous year. The awards are handed out at the annual club banquet. Club members are responsible for keeping track of their wins, which should be submitted to the awards chairperson by the deadline on the Annual Awards Form in the VOX Newsletter.

All trophies must be returned to the Awards Chairperson thirty days prior to the banquet so that necessary cleaning and engraving can be done for the next years winners. It is the responsibility of the previous years' winner to return the trophy to the Awards Chairperson. Trophies may be personally delivered to the Awards Chairperson or shipped, at the previous winners expense, to the Awards Chairperson via any insured carrier (USPS, UPS, FedEx or bonded delivery company). Trophies must be insured for their replacement cost for shipping. \$150.00 is recommended.

Under no circumstances are TCVESSA Trophies to leave the state of Minnesota, even if the member winning the award resides outside the state.

For the following awards, club membership is defined as follows:

Upon receipt of the written application for membership by the membership committee chairperson, an applicant becomes a provisional member of TCVESSA, with all the rights and responsibilities of full membership, including the right to participate in all club activities and win club sponsored awards. At the date of the second unopposed reading of the applicant's name by the club's Board of Directors, the official date of membership become the postmarked date on the application for membership.

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Redcrest's Barron Memorial Award (Linda Hirte, award donor)

Best Total or Average Qualifying Obedience Scores

- The recipient owner or co-owner must be a club member at the time all qualifying scores were earned, and a club member for the entire calendar year prior to the awards banquet.
- The best total or average of three qualifying scores earned during the course of the calendar year (preceding the awards banquet) will be used. Scores do not have to be earned from the same class. They may be earned at any AKC licensed obedience competition, from any regular class, under at least two different judges.
- Scores should be submitted to the awards committee and will be verified through Show Results.
- The award will be inscribed with the name of the dog and the award period and presented at the annual awards banquet.
- The awards period is the calendar year preceding the banquet. In case of a close contest, the TCVESSA Board may decide to delay presentation of the trophy until all scores are verified through show results.
- Obtaining an additional score from each owner will break ties. If one owner does not have an additional score, a tie will be declared and both names will be inscribed. However, a fourth score cannot be withheld if it has been earned.

Ch. Chinoe's Eminent Judge Award (In memory of "The Judge," presented by Francie Nelson.)

Best of Breed Springer of the Year (Note: "Chinoe" is pronounced CHIN-oh-way)

- The recipient owner or co-owner must be a club member at the time all qualifying scores were earned, and a club member for the entire calendar year prior to the awards banquet.
- The award is based on the total number of Springers entered and present for competition at all-breed AKC licensed events and specialty shows.
- One point is awarded for each English Springer entered and present. AKC Show Results are used to verify owner records.
- The award will be inscribed with the name of the dog and the award period and presented at the annual awards banquet.
- The awards period is the calendar year preceding the banquet. In case of a close contest, the TCVESSA Board may decide to delay presentation of the trophy until all wins are verified through show results.
- Should a tie occur, both names will be inscribed and each owner will have possession of the trophy for six months.

Ch. Winward's Gadabout Award (In memory of "Bardo," presented by Mary and Bud Davis.)

Best of Opposite Springer of the Year

- The recipient owner or co-owner must be a club member at the time all qualifying wins occurred, and a club member for the entire calendar year prior to the awards banquet.
- A Best of Opposite Sex winner at an AKC licensed event or specialty will receive one point for each Springer of its own sex – both class dogs and specials – entered and present. Best of Breed wins count towards this award – one point for each Springer entered and present. Points are verified through Show Results.
- The award will be inscribed with the name of the dog and the award period and presented at the annual awards banquet.
- The awards period is the calendar year preceding the banquet. In case of a close contest, the TCVESSA Board may decide to delay presentation of the trophy until all wins are verified through Show Results.
- Should a tie occur, both names will be inscribed and each owner will have possession of the trophy for six months.

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Ch. Salilyn's Prophet Award (In memory of "Moses," presented by Julie and Brion Roberts.)

Owner Handled Springer of the Year

- The qualifying dog must be owned by, and handled to all eligible wins by, a club member or a member of the immediate family who is also a club member. The owner of the qualifying dog must be a club member at the time all qualifying wins occurred, and a club member for the entire calendar year prior to the awards banquet.
- The winning dog will be determined through points earned, according to the following schedule. The owner should keep track of wins and submit them to the awards committee. Points are verified through Show Results.
- The award will be inscribed with the name of the dog and the award period and presented at the annual awards banquet.
- The awards period is the calendar year preceding the banquet. In case of a close contest, the TCVESSA Board may decide to delay presentation of the trophy until all wins are verified through show results.
- Should a tie occur, both names will be inscribed and each owner will have possession of the trophy for six months.

Point System: Ch. Salilyn's Prophet Award

Best in Show:	150	Best of Opposite:	Number of Springer in that sex
Group I:	100		entered and present
Group II:	75	Best of Winners:	50
Group III:	50	Winners:	25
Group IV:	50	Futurity/Sweeps Best:	75
Best of Breed:	Number of Springers entered and present	Futurity/Sweeps Opp:	50

TCVESSA Directors' Award for Versatility (Presented by the Board of Directors)

- The recipient owner or co-owner must be a club member at the time all qualifying scores were earned, and a club member for the entire calendar year prior to the awards banquet.
- To qualify, the dog must complete the following:
 1. One championship title - AKC CH, MACH, OTCH, FC, NFC or CT titles
 2. ESSFTA (parent club) WD or WDX OR one of the AKC hunting titles (JH, SH, MH)
 3. An Obedience title OR Tracking title OR Agility title
- The dog's titles must be in two different areas in addition to the hunting or working title. For example if the dog has a MACH title, it must also have a hunting title and an obedience or tracking title. Since the dog's championship is in agility, the dog's other agility titles cannot be used to qualify for the award.
- The dog must be handled to at least one of these titles by the owner or co-owner or a member of either's immediate family.
- The award will be given to the owner or co-owner who handled the dog to the majority of its titles. The Board will make the final determination in case of question.
- Verification of the titles is the responsibility of the owner, who should submit information to the annual awards committee.
- The award will be inscribed with the name of the dog and the award period and presented at the annual awards banquet.
- Should two or more dogs qualify in the same year, the names of all qualifiers will be inscribed and the award will be shared.
- Any individual dog may be honored only once, and will not re-qualify in subsequent years by obtaining additional degrees or titles.

TCVESSA Agility Award (Presented by Vinehill Springers)

- The qualifying dog must be owned/co-owned by, and handled to all eligible points by a club member or a member of the immediate family who is also a club member. The owner/co-owner of the qualifying dog must be a club member at the time all qualifying points occurred, and a club member for the entire calendar year prior to the awards banquet.
- Points accumulate as follows: 10 points for each clean qualifying round, 5 points for non-clean qualifying rounds, then 4 points for 1st placement, 3 points for 2nd placement, 2 points for 3rd placement, and 1 point for 4th placement.
- Only AKC standard and AKC Jumpers With Weaves will be considered in the point system.
- The owner should keep track of points and submit them to the awards committee. Points are verified through Show Results.
- The award will be inscribed with the name of the dog and the award period and presented at the annual awards banquet.
- The awards period is the calendar year preceding the banquet. In case of a close contest, the TCVESSA Board may decide to delay presentation of the trophy until all wins are verified through Show Results.
- Should a tie occur, both names will be inscribed and each owner will have possession of the trophy for six months.

Note: Immediate family refers to parent/child; husband/wife; brother/sister.

TCVESSA Rally Springer of the Year Award – Best total or average qualifying rally obedience scores

- The recipient owner or co-owner must be a club member at the time all qualifying scores were earned, and a club member for the entire calendar year prior to the awards banquet.
- The best total or average of three qualifying scores earned during the course of the calendar year (preceding the awards banquet) will be used. Scores do not have to be earned from the same class. They may be earned at any AKC licensed rally obedience competition, from any regular class, under at least two different judges.
- Scores should be submitted to the awards committee and will be verified through Show Results.
- The award will be inscribed with the name of the dog and the award period and presented at the annual awards banquet.
- The awards period is the calendar year preceding the banquet. In case of a close contest, the TCVESSA Board may decide to delay presentation of the trophy until all scores are verified through show results.
- Obtaining an additional score from each owner will break ties. If one owner does not have an additional score, a tie will be declared and both names will be inscribed. However, a fourth score cannot be withheld if it has been earned.

TCVESSA Ambassador Award

This award is for outstanding community service. Any dog/handler team that achieves 50 hours or more of community service between January 1st and December 31st of the preceding year shall be recognized and receive the TCVESSA Ambassador Award. There may be multiple recipients of this award each year. Documentation of community service is required. For example, a signed log of community service visits to hospitals, nursing homes, schools, etc. must be provided. Teams applying for this award are encouraged to provide a photo depicting the dog/handler team in action. This photo will be displayed during the annual banquet. Digital prints are acceptable.

T.O.P. (TCVESSA Outstanding Performance) Award

This award is for the dog achieving the most AKC or parent club titles in one year.

Performance Championship Awards-

These awards are given to the dog/handler teams who complete any of the following titles: MACH, OTCH, FC, NFC, CT

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CD SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title legs will count for this award. The award year will be considered to be the year in which the degree is completed.

CDX SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores from the award year will be counted. Scores can come from the Open A or B Class or from a combination of scores from both classes.

UD SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores from the award year will be counted. Scores may come from the A or B Class or from a combination of scores from both classes.

UDX SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The average scores of any UDX legs earned during the award year will be counted.

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RN SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores from the rally novice class for the award year will be counted.

RA SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores from the rally advanced class for the award year will be counted.

RE SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores from the rally excellent class for the award year will be counted.

RAE SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The average scores of any RAE legs earned during the award year will be counted.

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NOVICE AGILITY SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores in any AKC novice agility class will count for this award. The award year will be considered to be the year in which the degree is completed.

OPEN AGILITY SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores in any AKC open agility class will count for this award. The award year will be considered to be the year in which the degree is completed.

EXCELLENT AGILITY SPRINGER OF THE YEAR

The three title leg scores in any AKC excellent A agility class will count for this award. The award year will be considered to be the year in which the degree is completed.

A Recipe for Fun!

The Working Dog Event 9-24-2006

Submitted by Ann Sunderman

What do you get when you start with a beautiful day outdoors, eleven Springers, their handlers, some gunners, bird planters, pheasants, chukar, lots of blaze orange and a judge? You get the first Working Dog test held by TCVESSA since 1996!

“In June 1960 the English Springer Spaniel Field Trial Association announced that Working Certificates would be awarded to Springers which successfully completed tests demonstrating their basic usefulness as a hunting companion. The purpose was to encourage and cooperate with the numerous exhibitors and breeders endeavoring to keep the Springer a hunting dog as well as a show animal of good conformation.”

Excerpt from Working Certificate Tests (WD, WDX) by Karen Lee
<http://www.essfta.org/essfta/workingtest.htm>

We had 11 dogs entered; many of them were first-time WD test participants. Eight of the 11 dogs qualified. The three dogs that didn't qualify were WD test newbies and showed great promise for the future. Judge Bill Dunaski awarded five Working Dog Excellent awards and three Working Dog awards. Working Dog Excellent titles were earned by:

CH Fox Hollow New Kid In Town CD JH RN NAJ NJP WD "Rookie" owned by Cyndi & Gary Myhre, Ann Sunderman and Jessica Hanson and handled by Cyndi Myhre,

Topgun's Singin' In The Rain "Kelly" owned by Tracy & Patty Salzwedel and handled by Patty Salzwedel

Topgun's Field Of Dreams CD JH RE WD "Rayne" owner/handler Shirley A. Harford

CH MACH Ramblewood Crystal Clear CDX SH MX MXJ "Brooke" owned by Tracy & Patty Salzwedel, handled by Patty Salzwedel

Topgun's Vinewood Makin' A Splash "Splash" owned by Kathy Patregnani & Patty Salzwedel, handled by Patty Salzwedel

The three Working Dog titles were earned by:

Benson McGee JH "Benson" owned by Jon & Sandy Pidde, handled by Jon Pidde

Glenhurst's Sherwood Forest CD SH RN NA NAJ NAP NJP WD CGC TDIA "Aspen" owner/handler Shirley A. Harford

Fox Hollow Brand New Day NA WD "Kiera" owner/handler Ann Sunderman

I'd like to thank WD test co-chair, Shirley Harford, for all of her efforts. (Shirley and I co-chaired the event.) The WD test wouldn't have happened without help from various club members including Michael Bury, Tracy Salzwedel, Jon Pidde, and new bird shagger Jill Shirley. A thank you also goes to Judge Bill Dunaski who did a great job of making all the exhibitors feel at ease.

All in all we couldn't have asked for a better day. The weather was perfect. There is nothing more gratifying than watching our beautiful English Springer Spaniels do what they were bred to do. TCVESSA's first WD/WDX test in ten years was a success. Here's looking forward to many more!

PLEASE SEE PHOTOS OF THE WORKING DOG TEST ON page 12

A few weeks later, Cowboy, Splash, Kelly went on to earn their Junior Hunter titles and Brooke picked up a Master Hunter leg.



Variable Surface Tracking Seminar (VST)

During the weekend of September 30 – October 1, TCVESSA sponsored an all breed tracking seminar. The weather was PERFECT (I guess sacrificing my appendix to the weather gods was worth it!! ~ almost), and we had a great turn out. We hosted 12 working teams – from ESS, Newfies, GSD's, Brussels Griffons, a Boxer, a Sheltie, Bloodhounds and a Belgian Shepherd – quite the assortment. We also had three auditors. The dogs ranged from young puppies to accomplished tracking dogs and everyone did well, even the young pups had some success.

Ed Presnall, as usual, put on a great seminar. We all learned so much, and he also offered to help the club get up and running to be able to offer tracking tests.

A great big HUGE "Thank you" to Shirley Harford for stepping up to help when I was unable to run the seminar as planned. The seminar netted the club over \$700.

Kristin Radermacher



Kristin and "Waylon"



Shirley and "Aspen"

Working Dog Test Photos



Ready to Go
(Rt-lft)
Ann, Jon, B.A., Patty, Cindy, Shirley

Kiera after handing off bird



Aspen handing-off bird



Shirley and a pocket of birds

Judge gives B.A. instructions



Benson McGee





Best in Match Line-up



Baby boys

Fall Fun Match and Club Meeting

The annual fall match and club meeting was held at C&E Dog training club on Sunday November 14. Here are some fun photos of the event. Please look for more Match photos on our website.



Best in Match
Cedarwoods Nightwatch
"Cole"



Best of Opposite in Match
- Delstyles Aspen (to be
named later) Cindy



Meeting



Match High-in-Trial -
Benson McGee



Brenda &
Jackson



Kisses for
Ann



Hunter sleeps through meeting



Puppy pinwheel



Tracie, Carson & Cindy & the judge

New Arrivals

Ann Sunderman announces: Born 08/28/06

The sire of the litter is Namten Family Colours, "Buckles". The dam is A/C Ch Fox Hollow Made to Last AX AXJ, "Grace". There are 4 females and one male, all liver and white. Litter names are: Zipper, Laces, Button, Eyelet and Toggle.



Our Thoughts Are With...



Ann Sunderman said goodbye to her old friend Ch Ramblewood Kryptonite CD RN MX MXP AXJ AJP "Spinner" on 09/29/06

Jill Shirley lost her CH WIL-ORION'S OBSESSION OA NAJ NAP NJP RN CGC TDI "Tyler" 08-24-1992-09-12-2006

Loved and missed by Jill, Grandma, Kylee & All Tyler's TDI friends



U-CDX Lady Saighton's Shelby CGC, CDX, AX, OJ, NAP, NJP, RN, ASCA CDX, AD, OAC, OJC, OGC, FDCH, Therapy Dog, 3-HIT and 1 Utility leg

May 19, 1991 – Nov. 18, 2006
15-1/2 years old

When I purchased this puppy at 6 weeks old and for only \$35 how was I to know where we would go.... Loved and missed by Carmen Laing



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