



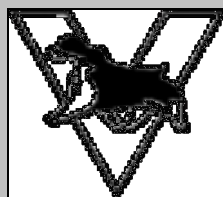
From TCVESSA's President: Liz Pike

A Peak Behind the Curtain – How TCVESSA Operates

First, I hope all of you will join us for the upcoming Fall Membership Meeting which will take place on Sunday, November 11 from 9:30 to 12:30 at the new Cloud 9 facility in Maple Grove (11528 96th Ave N, Maple Grove, MN 55369). Bring a dish to share and bring your talented dogs! This year, we're pleased to be able to provide an opportunity for club members to have dogs tested for both CGC and Tricks titles by Ava Higginbotham who is an AKC certified evaluator. Each dog and test will be charged \$3 in order to complete the necessary paperwork. Please let Alice Musburger (rosebudspringers@gmail.com) know no later than November 4th if you plan to have your dog tested so Ava can plan accordingly.

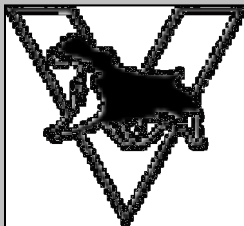
So, how does TCVESSA actually work? To start with, there are established bylaws that define the mission and goals of the club and establish the governance model. The bylaws outline the role of the Officers and Board, requirements for membership, and the annual cycle of events. The Board meets monthly to discuss the current state of the club and plan for our major activities – and Board members “own” leading those activities – our Agility trials, spring banquet and awards, Specialty, the VOX, finances, judges committee, etc. It takes many hands to make the club run smoothly and volunteers are always needed!

Which brings me to the next aspect of “how TCVESSA operates” – finances and the need for volunteers to keep our club healthy. We are truly fortunate to have a club that can hold a fun and successful standalone Specialty – the feedback we receive year after year is that participants appreciate our venue, hospitality, and club member engagement. Last year, we saw our largest entry in many years and had people travel from across the country to attend our show. But, it does come at a cost – our Specialty typically loses several thousand dollars. The major cost factors are the facility (\$2400), judges (approximately \$2400), prizes and ribbons, and show secretary (\$4000 includes AKC fees, mailing and printing, Sweeps prizes). Our income from entries last year was approximately \$5600 – while healthy, not nearly adequate to cover costs.



Here's how we make ends meet and where we need your help – our Agility trials, when filled, can net us a nice profit; the three day trial held in October provided a \$2000 boost to our bank account! But it takes a ton of work to plan and execute these trials – from set up to clean up, working on the course, organizing volunteers, and providing food. Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time at the next Agility trial – contact Kathy Patreggani or Courtney Hansen to volunteer. We hold four agility trials each year – there's a time that can work for everyone. I promise you'll have fun and you'll feel great about how you're helping keep TCVESSA the best Springer Club in the Midwest!

I look forward to discussing these and any other areas you are interested in exploring at the Fall Membership meeting – see you there!



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TCVESSA Board Meeting - September 13, 2018

Attending: Tekla, Diane, BA, Julie, Liz, Kathy, Courtney
Absent: Carmen, Alice

The meeting was called to order at 7:25 pm.

Minutes - Kathy moved, seconded by BA. Approved.

Treasurers Report - \$2996.25. Courtney to find one receipt for approximately \$35. Kathy okay on ribbons and MACH. The October trial is largely full.

Courtney is volunteer coordinator for the October trial.

TCVESSA - \$100 to the Springer Sweet Shoppe, \$150 for the basket. Prefer that the funding goes to food.

NEW BUSINESS

Judges for 2019 Sweeps - wait until after the Agility Trial to see if we can bring in a judge from farther away

Doug Carlson - ask him now

Rene Holt

Dave Slatum - if Doug is a "no", ask Dave

Kristi Howe

Jean Shepherd (actually is approved for Springers)

Judges for 2020 Judges

Jean Sheperd

Richard Mean - Canadian

David Miller

Eva Berg

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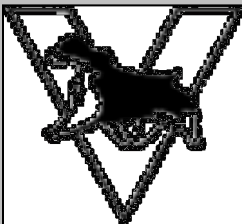
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BOARD MEETING MINUTES**TCVESSA Board Meeting - September 13, 2018—Continued**

Nominating Committee (Julie Roberts, John Pidde, Janice Johnson) will make a recommendation on Board members and officers. The slate must go out to membership no later Thursday October 20th.

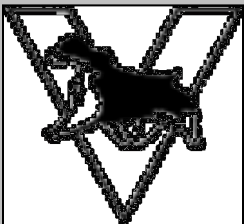
Fall Membership Meeting

November 11 in Maple Grove @ Cloud 9. 9:30 to 12:30 "Brunch Pot Luck". Trick dog demo or testing. Therapy dog test or CGC test. Therapy dog testing- Courtney. CGC/Trick dog demo and testing- Kathy will look into it. BA will also check at the trial this weekend for potential testers.

Diane will begin to investigate possible nose work/ scent work trials.

Date for next meeting: Thursday, October 11 at 7:15pm

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm



BOARD MEETING MINUTES**TCVESSA Board Meeting. - October 11, 2018**

Call to order and roll call Teka, Diane, Courtney, Liz, Carmen, BA, Kathy

Approval of the minutes from the September 13 Board meeting (below). Kathy moved, Diane seconded. Minutes were Secretaries update/ membership - defer until Alice can join

Treasurer's report \$2893.75 in the checking account. Kathy requested money for applications for next year's trials (all three trials will be approximately \$900). Kathy is holding on January 2020 until we decide where we will have the trial.

Marissa Shepherd contacted us about they would go about getting licensed to hold agility trials (ECS). We would have to give up one of our trials if we wanted to partner with them.

Old Business

October Agility Trial - We filled all three days!!!! We offered many classes and will need help on Saturday later afternoon - last class will start running around 5:20pm. If we have an issue, we would have a committee meeting on Sunday morning. Diane, Liz, and BA will help. Courtney will put a note on FB and specifically need help Saturday late afternoon.

Kathy will work with BA to take care of the judges hotel.

Fall Membership Meeting

Brunch starting at 9:30, will have a short meeting after that and then the testing.

VOX - will go out end of October - Halloween - remind people of the membership meeting.

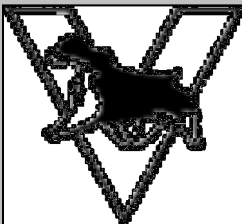
Diane - talked with Yaz at a Nosework trial but has to follow up. Courtney commented that Nosework and Scentwork could help financially. Would prioritize Scentwork since it is an AKC titling event.

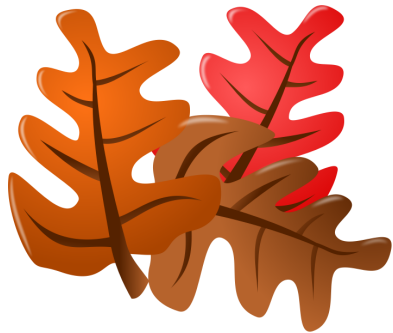
New Business

Judges committee - 2019 Sweeps and 2020 Judges: will come back with a prioritized list for 2020

Next meeting of the Board - Tuesday, Dec 11 at 7:15pm. If you're not able, please let me know as soon as possible so we can reschedule.

Motion to adjourn by Courtney, seconded by Kathy. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.





FALL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

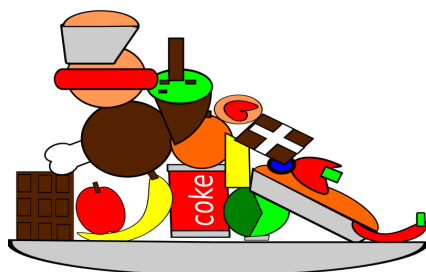
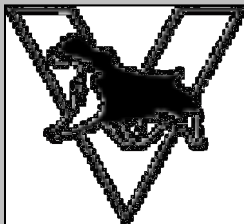
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 11
9:30-12:30

CLOUD 9
11528 96th Ave N,
Maple Grove, MN 55369

BRUNCH POTLUCK
BRING YOUR FAVORITE BREAKFAST ITEM
CLUB WILL PROVIDE PAPER PRODUCTS

CGC AND TRICK DOG TESTING
COST IS \$3.00

PLEASE LET ALICE KNOW WHICH TESTS YOU WILL BE TAKING
BY NOVEMBER 4
ROSEBUDSPRINGERS@GMAIL.COM



VOX EDITOR

Five Years ago when the VOX editor resigned I stepped up to fill in until a new Editor could be found.

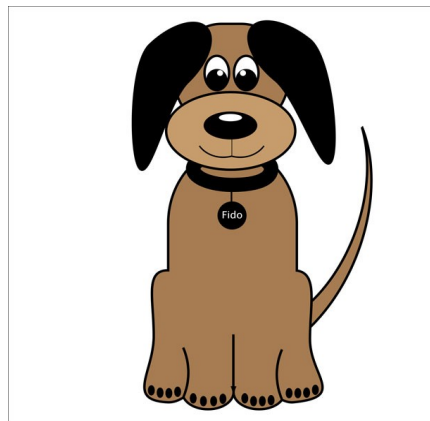
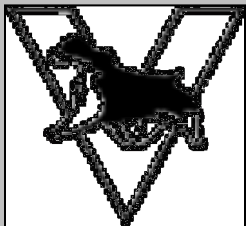
Over the last five years I have posted this position a few times and yet nobody has offered to take on this position.

I am again Posting this opportunity.

After 5 years I really need this off of my plate of responsibilities.

The VOX is a quarterly newsletter that is emailed to all of the members.

If you would like to be more involved in Your Club consider this a way to participate.



UPCOMING EVENTS

AKC AGILITY TRIAL

DECEMBER 21-23, 2018

PLEASE CONTACT COURTNEY HANSON ABOUT
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES!

WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP

THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET PUNCHES ON
YOUR VOLUNTEER CARD

PREMIUM AVAILABLE AT

<http://agilitysec.weebly.com>

2017-2018 TCVESSA ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2019
6-10 PM

THE ROASTED PEAR
9690 COLORADO LANE N
(HWY 610 & ZANE)
BROOKLYN PARK, MN 55445

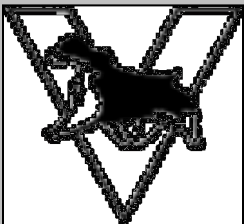
MORE INFO WILL BE MAILED SEPARATELY IN JANUARY 2019

TCVESSA SPECIALTY SHOW

MAY 18-19, 2019

ON THE RUN CANINE CENTER
HAM LAKE, MN

PREMIUM AVAILABLE AT

DOGSHOWSBYDESIGN.COM

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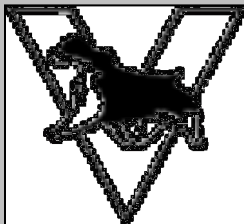
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LITTER ANNOUNCEMENTSNEXT VOX DEADLINE

December 25, 2018

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

submit to: Carmen913@msn.com