

October 2022 VOX



Twin Cities
Voyager
English
Springer
Spaniel
Association

Letter from the President

Greetings!

I hope everyone is taking advantage of the beautiful fall weather and enjoying your Springers in the great outdoors. Take a walk, have a sniff and pluck those leaves out of their feathering!

I know many of you were able to attend the National Specialty at Purina and I have been thrilled to see the many Facebook posts highlighting the achievements of our dogs and their owners. It seems like there truly is something for everyone – performance events, conformation, scent work, dock diving – the list goes on and on! Add the “fun” events like the Top 20, Breeder Showcase and Welcome Party and it becomes a fun, busy, and energizing week. Maybe the most important part of the week is connecting with old friends and meeting new people – the Springer community is the BEST!

Some of you know that I am also the President of the English Springer Spaniel Foundation which has a mission to “provide financial and support for projects that focus charitable, educational and research efforts on dogs in general and the English Springer Spaniel in particular.” I want to thank all of you who took the time to attend the Breeder Showcase, which was sponsored by the Foundation, or who participated in our ongoing study of PRA with Dr. Miyadera from U of Penn Vet. Your help and support is deeply appreciated.

Next up for TCVESSA is our fall agility trial on October 21 – 23 at On the Run Canine Center in Ham Lake. I know many of you will be there to run your dogs – but please feel free to drop by, even if you are not an “agility person” because the club can always use volunteers. You can go to <https://xtremek9s.com/agility-trialevents/> and under our trial you will see a place to sign up. Training for the various jobs is provided as well as a great lunch – please come help if you can!

The Fall membership meeting will be held at For the Love of Dogs at 2415 Pilot Knob Road, Mendota Heights. The diving tank will be available and again, an intro to RATS! will be held (the dogs LOVE it!). There will be a short membership meeting and presentation of the report of the nominating committee. You can also renew your membership and pay dues at the meeting. I hope to see all of you for this fun event!

We are already beginning to plan for our May Specialty and All Breed Obedience and Rally Trials on May 20 and 21 at On the Run Canine Center in Ham Lake. If you are interested in volunteering to help make the show a success, we would greatly appreciate your help. You can reach out to me or any Board member to let us know what you are interested in doing.

With best wishes for all your dog adventures,
Liz Pike
TCVESSA President
September 28, 2022

2023 TCVESSA Board

President: Liz Pike

Vice President: Courtney Hansen

Treasurer: Tom Lenzmeier

Secretary: Carmen Laing

Members at Large:

Julie Roberts

Kathy Patregnani

Diane Slais

Tekla Viker

Mary Dahl

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 21-23 TCVESSA Agility Trial
 - On The Run - Ham Lake, MN
- Nov 13 - Fall Membership Meeting
 - 3-6PM at For the Love of Dogs - Mendota Heights, MN



2023 Nominating Committee Report

Mary Dahl

Hello All:

It is with great pleasure to announce that all current Members of the Board have agreed to stand for an additional year.

It should also be stated that according to the bylaws:

ARTICLE V: Section 4 3. © Additional nominations may be made, by any member in good standing in attendance at a general membership meeting designated by the board for that purpose, provided that the person so nominated does not decline when his/her name is proposed and provided further that if the proposed candidate is not in attendance at the meeting, the nominating member shall present to the Secretary a written statement from the proposed candidate signifying his/her Willingness to serve. No person may be a candidate for more than one position.

However, should additional nominations be made from the floor, the slate would be contested and would require a vote at the Spring Banquet/membership meeting. At that time, those receiving the greatest number of votes would be elected.

Have a great rest of your evening/weekend~

Mary E. Dahl

Please see page 1 for current board members.

Meeting Minutes

June 2022

TCVESSA Club Meeting – June, 2022

Meeting Start 7:08pm

In attendance Carmen, Courtney, Liz, Tekla, BA, Jon, Kathy, and Mary

Membership-Rhonda's friend with the springer

Treasures report-working on getting Tom on the papers for the bank, BA assumes paperwork is done and will stay active until this is taken care of.

Current balance is \$8099.36 We made approximately \$2400 from last agility trial, while the loss from the specialty was approximately \$2752.64. The raffle made \$450.00 and we received \$600 from the show secretary but it was stated that there were additional bills to pay. Judges are a major expense at \$2700.

Discussion: Mike Teh was a new secretary and the feedback on his support was very positive.

Discussion around the specialty (how to improve) : we won't get big obedience entry numbers if we only have one ring/ one judge trials as obedience people say they will be at the show too long each day. 90% of people would come with two ring / two judge (this is coming from discussion with obedience people). They would rather obedience be in the morning and rally in the afternoon. The recommendation is to start with utility in one ring and open A in the other ring and get high combined out of the way early. This makes for shorter days for competitors.

A few notes for next year:

- need outside (non-local) judges for next year (need to fly them in)
- No major issues with judges, grooming, electrical, etc...
- Discussion of pros and cons of having breeder judges

Fast Cat: discussion Liz will contact the AKC about "claiming weekends"

Fall membership meeting ideas:

Nov 12/13 Dog tank again? Kathy P to call and schedule

Next meeting July 21, skip Aug because of the National

Laura Schreiner to take over the VOX

Carmen will send examples of the VOX to Liz and Liz will forward to Laura

VOX should contain, meeting minutes, president's letter, brags/announcements, articles etc

Tom asked about our 501c status and questions regarding tax filings.

Mary will ask her CPA friend to take a look to see if we need to file taxes; we will need to explore further.

Cyndi Myhre asked if we sent out cards when someone has lost a dog. We haven't in the past, should we? Decided we should try to add a remembrance page to the VOX.

Meeting adjourned 8:03pm

Respectfully submitted,
Courtney Hansen

Meeting Minutes

August 2022

TCVESSA Meeting - August 2022

The meeting took place on ZOOM and was called to order by President Liz Pike at 6:39 p.m. Seven Board members were present; Liz Pike, Carmen Laing, Mary Dahl, Tekla Viker, Julie Roberts, Courtney Hansen and Diane Slais.

There were no minutes submitted from the last meeting to review.

Treasurer Tom Lenzmeier provided Liz with the balance of the bank account as \$8,018.62. The last expense incurred was paid to Viking Trophies on 8-15-22.

Mary Dahl will chair the Nominations Committee. Alice Musburger and Jessica Schmidt will also be on the committee. Liz went through the bylaws pertaining to the process. The Fall meeting will take place at For The Love Of Dogs on 11-13 from 3-5 p.m. The dog tank will be available and Kathy Patregnani will check into whether intro to barn hunt volunteers will be available to help us out again this year.

Laura Schreiner has volunteered to take over as the Editor of the VOX. Her first issue will be out after the National.

The September meeting will be on 9-26 at 7 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Diane Slais.

TCVESSA *Member Brags!*



GCHG Wil-Orion If Wishes Came True

Truman

Owned by Judy Vanderlip, Elizabeth Pike, Susan Hatch, Janice Johnson and Beth Fink

Bred by Janice Johnson, Mary Osbun, Jennifer Kettleleson, Erica and Riley Brookshire

National Specialty Best of Breed

Judge Dana Lodge

English Springer Spaniel Top 20 Winner

Judges Paul Catterson, Julie Roberts, and Linda Robey

English Springer Spaniel Top 20 People's Choice Winner

BEST IN SHOW WINS

- August 3, Cudahy Kennel Club
- August 4, Greater Racine Kennel Club
- August 5, Greater Racine Kennel Club
- September 9, Saginaw Valley KC
- September 17, St. Clair KC
- September 24, Sheboygan KC
- September 25, Sheboygan KC

TCVESSA *Member Brags!*

ESSFTA Team Obedience - First Place

Kayla Nyvold as "Felonious Gru" and her minion "Doc"

Carmen Laing as "Margo" and her minion "Elsa"
Courtney Hansen as "Agnes" and her minion "Tatum"

Joan Beck as "Edith" and her minion "Ziva"

Joan Beck reports,
 "The cast from Despicable me (All TCVESSA members) and their minions won first place in team obedience during the 2022 ESSFTA National Specialty week. "



Hastings

Starlight 'N Hirdler Hills Panache

Joan Beck reports:

- WD/BOW 2022 Des Moines Specialty Show #1
- Best In Sweepstakes 2022 Des Moines Specialty Show #2
- WD/BOW 2022 Des Moines Specialty Show #2



Ziva

Joan Beck reports:

- Ziva finished her Rally Novice title during the 2022 ESSFTA National. This was her third first place finish.
- May 2022- WESSA Specialty: Score 98. First Place!
- September 2022- ESSFTA National Specialty: Score 100. First place!
- New Rally Novice Title earned

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GCH CH Wil-Orion's Tri to Remember

CD AXP AJP XFP DN BN RI SWN CGCA TKI

Courtney Hansen reports:

- Agility Fast Open Preferred title earned Jan 2022
- Rally Novice title earned May 2022
- Beginner Novice title earned May 2022
- Scentwork Novice and Containers, Exterior, Buried and Interior elements titles earned Aug 2022
- Grand Championship earned in July 2022
- Agility Fast Excellent Preferred title earned at the National
- Rally Intermediate title earned at the National
- Companion Dog title earned at the National
- CGCA and Trick Dog Intermediate titles earned at the National
- also earned several senior and junior Dock Diving splashes at the National
- OH GROUP 3 at Rochester

Tatum



Aaron Gold Photography

Spellbound's Trust His Plan CGC TKN

Mario

Mary Haggery reports:

"It was both his and my first time in a ring. Mario got a leg in Agility, Beginner Obedience Novice, titled with his CGC and Trick dog novice [at the ESSFTA National]. Lots of fun had by all. "



Aaron Gold Photography

Faith

Spellbound's Trust His Timing BN RN SEN SBN CGC TKN

Courtney Hansen reports:

Titles earned at ESSFTA National:

- Scent work: Novice Exterior & Buried
- Beginner Novice
- Rally Novice B
- Trick Dog Novice

Rochester bred by Group 2



Henrietta

Aaron Gold Photography

GCH CH Wil-Orion and Spellbound's Joy Unspeakable BN RI SWN CGCA TKI

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Gavetts Pawsitively Ain't No Cadillac CGC RN BN RATN TKI

Lincoln

Carmen Laing reports:

At the National he earned his

- CGC Canine Good Citizen,
- RN Rally Novice,
- BN Beginner Novice
- TKI Trick Dog Intermediate titles.
- And showed in Conformation

Non National: Barnhunt Sept 23-25 Hutchinson, MN

- Earned his RatO. Open Title
- Earned one SR - Senior leg
- 50 Crazy 8 points.



My-Sun A Kind Of Magic CD PCD BN RA CGC TKN

Sage

New CD Title!

Leg 1 5/23/21 192 1st place

Leg 2 5/21/22 174 3rd place

Leg 3 5/22/22 193 2nd place

Reported by Diane Slias

CH Vinewood's The Fire Inside BN OA NAJ NF

Sparx

Laura Schreiner reports:

- OH Group 3 @ Jefferson-Beloit 5/6/22
- New Champion @ 13 months and OH Group 3 - Oshkosh Kennel Club 5/22/22
- Having fun getting started in his performance carrier!



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Vinewood's Who'll Stop the Rain RN NAP NFP SCN DJ

Creed



It was our second time [at ESSFTA Nationals] and it surely didn't disappoint. I'm so proud of things we accomplished!! In agility we finished his Novice Preferred FAST title and started/finished his Novice Preferred Standard title. We earned two Novice Preferred JWW legs and also placed in both his standard and jww runs on the speciality day! We went 3/3 in our scent work runs and grabbed his SCN title (placing 4th in that element) while earning another leg in both exterior and interior. In obedience we came home with an RN title and two legs towards his BN (placing 1st in both of his BN runs on Springer day). His most favorite event of the time there was certainly dock diving where he jumped his personal best on 18'8"! Cheers to another great year celebrating the versatility of our beloved springers!!!

Reported by Michelle Berge



Kathy Patregnani reports:

Team Justice & Sofia trialed in Novice B 5 times at the National. They came out with two 1st place runs, & three 2nd place runs. They were also High Scoring Junior in Obedience. Way to go Sofia & Justice.

Team Justice also ran intermediate Rally and came in with a nice run, earning their 2 nd Highest Scoring Junior award in rally.

They also ran agility and did very well coming out with another Highest scoring Junior in agility.

So that was 3 Highest scoring Juniors. What a wonderful week.

Justice & Sofia

CH VinEwood Truth In Action
CD BN AXP AXJP XFP CGC

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Jazmine

Jd's Lady Jazmine

CDX PCDX BN RE OAP OJP BCAT ACT2 ACTIJ SCN
SIN SEN THDN CGCA

ESSFTA National:

- Preferred Open Jumpers Title
- Preferred Open Standard Title.
- All first places in agility!



Zoey

JD's Sweet July Valentine

CD BN RA BCAT SEA SCN SIN RATO DMA DSX2 ASX2 HDM TKI
ESSFTA National:

- Zoey, Jazmine and Ringo all got scent work legs! Zoey also had fun dock diving and working on her next title.

Piper's Ringo Star Of Hope
BN RA NAP NJP ACT2 ACT2J SCA SIA SEN CGCA



Ringo



Reported by Jill Dunham



CH VinEwood's Minnesota Miracle

JH RN SWN SWBN SWEN SWCN SWIN DS

Diggs

Kathy Patregnani reports:

First time competing at a National he came home with 6 new titles
All four Scent work Elements, Rally Novice & Senior Dock title. He
also got to play in the conformation ring where he won the
Shooting Dog class. Way to go Diggys Do.



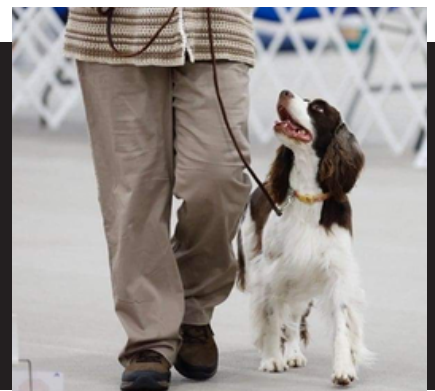
VinEwood Me Myself & Eye

BN RI AX AXJ XF DS CGC

Meme

Meme earned her RN, RI, AX, DS, & BN(with a 199 & 200)
while at the National. Good girl MeMe

Kathy Patregnani



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VinEwood's Old Time Rock & Roll DS CGC TKN

Segeer

VinEwood Old Time Rock & Roll played in the conformation ring at National, and made a good showing. He also went Dock diving and earned his DS with some fabulous jumps.

He qualified in all 4 elements on his scent work debut, even won a few classes. Had one 7 second exterior hide. Good boy Segeer.

Kathy Patregnani



VinEwood Family at Nationals



Having fun on dock diving day!

Kathy Patregnani

In Loving Memory

K.C.

3/29/06 - 7/12/22



A wild rescue child that turned my world upside down for 16+ years! After trying several performance sports we discovered his forte; nose work. He was nicknamed “The Machine” by our trainer and earned five titles through NASCW. Run free, my dear boy!

-Diane Slais

From the Newsletter Editor

Hi all -

Is it just me, or is another year going by way too quickly? It's crazy for me that I'm already planning trips, shows, and trials for 2023! Springers keep our lives crazy, but I hope everyone still takes time to enjoy the cooler temps and beautiful fall colors.

This is my first newsletter for VOX, and for those of you I haven't met yet, my name is Laura, and I will be sending the VOX from Green Bay (Go Packers). I have 2 Springers, Sprax and Gibson (and a wonderful German Shepherd/Cattle Dog mix, Kodi).

My true love is agility but I also participate in conformation and obedience and play around with bird training every once in a while. Outside of dogs, my boyfriend and I like working on house projects and taking road trips.

Please do not hesitate to send me any suggestions on future newsletters. I'm still learning so I'll take any pointers members are willing to give.

And of course, please send me brags, litter announcements, rainbow bridge updates, article ideas (I'd also love guest article writers if anyone wants to contribute!) and whatever other TCVESSA information that is relevant to the newsletter.

Please send all VOX submissions to
NORTHWAYESS@GMAIL.COM

See you guys at On the Run for some
agility Oct. 21!

-Laura Schreiner

