

VIZSLA CLUB OF ILLINOIS, INC.
MONTHLY BULLETIN

FEBRUARY, 1974



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Handler: BUNNY CUTHBERTSON

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Hip-dysplasia X-rays - send to OFA Dysplasia Control Office, 817 Virginia Avenue, Columbia, Missouri 65201

The Vizsla Club of Illinois, Inc., indorses the efforts of organizations such as the Vizsla Club of America, the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) and the University of Minnesota, to eliminate hip-dysplasia in dogs, and encourage all of its' members to use - ONLY CERTIFIED NORMAL BREEDING STOCK AT ALL TIMES.

CLUB MEETINGS ARE HELD EVERY THIRD WEDNESDAY IN THE MONTH AT THE HOME OF:

John Pecora
237 Judson Street
Bensenville, Illinois Ph: 595-0349

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Dress: Casual

Refreshments served.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Ken Crago

Our elections have come and gone and for the first time in my memory, two women, Maryann Ingrassia and Beverly Pecora, have been elected to two-year terms as board members. These hard working gals have and will add new dimensions to our Board of Directors which is now made up of five men and four women and one vacancy. Congratulations to all of you elected. To those candidates who were not elected this time, let me repeat what I said at the January meeting: "you are all very well thought of by our membership and are valuable assets to our club. If this weren't true, you would not have been asked to run in the first place." A Board meeting will be scheduled in February to fill the existing vacancy on the Board.

I have been unsuccessful in my attempts to secure a guest speaker for our February meeting. We had hoped to obtain a representative from one of the major dog food research centers and have him speak to us about canine nutrition. We were also trying to learn about nutrition projects in progress. Although a speaker cannot attend our February meeting, we are optimistic that one will be made available to us later in the year. Keep in mind for the future!

I am pleased to announce that a good friend, Mr. Alex Kobylar, an expert in income tax matters, has agreed to visit with us at our March 20th meeting. Alex will explain to us the tax law as it relates to such things as income pertaining to hobbies (dogs for example), or operating your kennel as a small business. Those of you who try your hand at competition will be interested in the kinds of records IRS requires should you itemize your expenses to offset income from stud service or puppy sales. Ever wonder how to depreciate that valuable brood bitch or stud? Alex has the answer. He has extensive experience in teaching others tax law and has taught both private seminars and college level courses in the subject. I am pleased that he will take time out of his hectic tax time schedule to meet with us. This should be an extremely interesting and timely presentation -- try to attend.

AND. . . don't forget that at our April 17th meeting we will hold the drawing for the National field trial. Come out and join in the action. . . See you there!

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Mid-year standings for the "Illinois Shooting Dog of the Year", as compiled by the Field Trial Clubs of Illinois, Inc. - -
in the category German Pointing Breeds

- 1st runner up - Dual Ch. Rippi of Webster Woodlands - O/H Ken Crago
- 2nd runner up - Ch. Ridgeland's Kelly Delite - O/H Darrell Crosswhite
- 7th runner up - F.Ch. Erik's Rumrunner - O/H Erik Ericksen

Although all of the above dogs are not Vizslas, the owners' are club members of the VCOI and we would like to recognize these placements.

DUAL CHAMPION RIPPI OF WEBSTER WOODLANDS

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TOP TEN ALL-AGE/GUN DOGS Jan thru Nov 1973

	<u>Points</u>
1. F.Ch. & Am. F.Ch. Randy Duke, Bart Boglioli, N.J.	398
2. Dual & Am. F.Ch. Sir Lancelot, Bill Goodman, N.J.	221
3. Dual Ch. Rippi of Webster Woodlands, Ken Crago, Ill.	113
4. Marcihazai Buszke, H. Beling, N.J.	100
5. Ch. Jomars Cinnamon Sam, W. Rafter, Calif.	62
6. Ch. Arcos Arco, John Fife, Calif.	45
7. Dual & Am. F.Ch. Ambers Windy Autumn, Phil Rosenberg	40
8. Holzworth Bit O Honey, Dr. Paul Holzworth, Iowa	39
9. Ch. Csibesz Rotkopfs, C. Starbuck	35
10. Brooks Banchi, Tony Lucas, Ill.	33
Earls Red Rogue, Earl Moore, Iowa	33
Pride of Holzworth Farm, Dr. Paul Holzworth, Iowa	33

TOP TEN PUPPY/DERBY

1. Sir Amber Sam, H. Schultz, 5-11-72	167
2. Amber Lance Terry, Del Seelye, Md. 5-11-72	140
3. Brooks Willte Whompum, Tony Lucas, Ill. 5-11-72	78
4. Beke, Kelly Donham, Iowa	71
5. El Jos Indian Squaw Laurita, Mike Laurita, Calif. 1-31-72	61
6. El Jos Ochoa, David Awbrey, Calif. 1-31-72	50
7. Rennie the Pooh, Jerry Feder, Ohio	44
8. Amber Sunshine Cherie, Dr. G. Paluska, Iowa 5-1-72	42
9. Popple Dungeon Csikos, L. Halverson	40
Semper Fi Peleliu, A. Lucas	40
10. Cannons Katrina, W. Cannon	28

NOTE: Please help me keep my records in order - send me your Puppy?Derby date of birth if it's not listed above. (Dorothy Rosenberg)

Vizsla Trials to be held in the spring of 1974:

March 2/3	Puget Sound Vizsla Club
March 9/10	Vizsla Club of Southern California
March 16/17	Vizsla Club of Greater Cleveland
March 23/24	Vizsla Club of Illinois, Inc.
March 30/31	Hawkeye Vizsla Club
March 30/31	Vizsla Club of Northern New Jersey
April 6/7	Miami Valley Vizsla Club
April 20/21	Vizsla Club of Greater New York
April 20/21	Vizsla Club of Eastern Iowa
April 27 /28	Vizsla Club of America to be held at Green River Wildlife Area, Ohio, Illinois. Host club Vizsla Club of Illinois

Local trials in midwest area:

March 16/17	GWPC of Illinois
March 30/31	Fort Dearborn GSPC
April 6/7	GWPC of Wisconsin
April 6/7	GSPC of Michigan
April 20/21	GSPC of Wisconsin
May 11/12	Four Lakes GSPC

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The Vizsla Club of Illinois 1974 Spring Field Trial will be held March 23/24, at the Green River Wildlife Area in Ohio, Illinois. Entries will close when all available daylight hours of judging time have been filled if this occurs before the specified closing time. No telephone entries will be accepted nor will entries without the exact entry fees. Entries will close March 19, 1974, Tuesday at 8:00 p. m.

Stakes are: Open Derby, Open Gun Dog, Open All-Age/Judge Terry Trzcinski and Terry Ferraro

Amateur Gun Dog, Open Puppy, Open Limited Gun Dog/Judges Paul Rothan and Jim Lennon

Pheasants and/or Chukars to be used in all stakes except Puppy.

Amateur Gun Dog, Open Gun Dog and Open Limited Gun Dog will be single course with a bird field. Open Gun and Open Limited Gun will be shoot to kill, gunner handler. Amateur Gun will be blank guns in the bird field, second series call-back, shoot to kill, gunner handler. Open All-Age, Open Puppy, and Open Derby will be single course NO bird field, horseback handling. Open All-Age is shoot to kill in second series call back, gunner handler.

.....following is an open letter from Dorothy Rosenberg to all Vizsla Owners

Vizsla Club of America, Inc.
c/o Mrs. Dorothy Rosenberg
202 South Beverly
Wheaton, Illinois 60187

Dear Vizsla Owners,

The Vizsla Club of Illinois has the honor of hosting the 1974 Spring National Field Trial. At this time we are asking you to help us by donating money toward the TROPHY FUND. The trophies we are hoping to present to the winners are superior, and we feel anyone winning them would be pleased.

Any donation, no matter how much it is, will be greatly appreciated. A list of trophy boosters will appear in the Field Trial Catalogue. The donation checks should be made payable to the Vizsla Club of America and sent to me.

We are hoping you will support this activity as it is for the Vizsla Breed.

Thanking you for your help.


Sincerely,

Mrs. Dorothy Rosenberg
VCOA Field Trial Secretary

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Vizsla Club of America, Inc.
Mrs. Dorothy Rosenberg
202 South Beverly
Wheaton, Illinois 60187

Dear Vizsla Owners,

The Vizsla Club of America, Inc. National Spring Field Trial will be held on April 27-28, 1974, at the Green River Wildlife Area, Ohio, Illinois.

The Friday nite Kick-Off Dinner and the Saturday nite Banquet will be held at the Ramada Inn, 1249 North Galena Avenue, Dixon, Illinois, 61021, phone 815-284-3351.

We have reserved one wing of the motel for Vizsla owners and their dogs will be allowed in the rooms. All reservations should be made directly thru the motel, stating you are with the Vizsla Club of America, Inc.

Camping will be allowed on the grounds Friday nite, April 26th, and Saturday nite, April 27th.

Horse rental is \$18.00 per day and reservations must be made by April 17, 1974. Checks must accompany reservations for horses. Send reservations to: Mrs. Dorothy Rosenberg (at above address).

We are looking forward to seeing you at the Spring Nationals.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Dorothy Rosenberg
VCOA Field Trial Secretary

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PRESENT YOUR DOG WITH AN AD IN THE VCOA FIELD TRIAL CATALOGUE

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Back Cover - \$30.00

Photos - when submitting a picture to accompany an inside ad, there will be an additional charge of \$3.00.

Send Ad and Check to:
Mrs. Dorothy Rosenberg
202 South Beverly
Wheaton, Illinois 60187

DEADLINE: APRIL 10, 1974

As promised in our January issue, we would print the names of those at the Christmas party who had their characatures drawn. Well, we forgot to mention them, so if you haven't already guessed, here they are in numerical order: 1. Ann Lucas, 2. Dorothy Rosenberg, 3. Phil Rosenberg, 4. Nita Szafran 5. D. Stoeke's aunt, 6. Mr. Diane Stoeke (???) 7. Jim Busch, 8. Sharon Simon, 9. John Pecora, 10. Linda Busch, 11. Lynne Austin, 12. Emil Szafran, 13. Dennis Cakora, 14. Linda Cakora, 15. Iris Pechota, 16. Art ? 17. Pete Ingraffia, 18. Andy ?? 19. Tony Lucas, 20. Iris Pechota's cousin (did not get her name, sorry), 21. Marty Morrison, 22. Lew Simon, 23. Dr. Peter Morrison, 24. Helen Malicek, 25. Judy Mills, 26. Jim Mills, 27. Diane Stoeke, 28. ? 29. Betty Solberg, 30. Joe Malicek, 31. Julie Erikson, 32. Erik Erikson (sorry we missed some ourselves, and procrastinated until press time)

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"Training the Hunting Dog" continued

Introducing the Gun - This must be done with great care. Gun shyness is nearly always man-made by too hasty or incorrect training to the gun. And the cure is a long, sometimes impossible, process.

Association of noise with the puppy's feeding time is a well proven method of leading up to the noise of a gun. As you approach with the puppy's pan of food, gang a metal spoon or another pan against it. Not too loud or too near at first but gradually making a great racket as you bring his food to him.

After the pup has become well used to this noise and pays no attention to it, try a .22 blank starting pistol in the same way, shooting only once at distance of 40 or 50 yards. In a couple of weeks and depending on the pup's acceptance of the pistol, begin to decrease the distance between the shot and putting his food before him. When he's entirely unconcerned about the pistol, use a light gauge gun (a .410, preferably, or 20 gauge) as a signal that dinner's arriving. Again,

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**Ch.
BIG
BUCK**



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shoot only once at 50 yards, determining by observing your pup how long to wait before shooting a little closer.

Even though your pup is completely happy with this situation, don't relax your care in introducing the gun in the field. There can be many a slip between acceptance of the noise of gun fire at home and in the field.

The Gun in the Field - The blank pistol is a good way to start, shooting it at first at long distance from the youngster while he's busily investigating some cover or running eagerly. Choose the time you shoot and, progressively, how near and often you can do so by observing how the pup reacts:

The actual gun, and again a .410 or 20, can usually be introduced when the pup is several months old and has become keenly interested in hunting. Carry the gun for several trips afield so he gets used to seeing it. Even swing it up now and then as if to shoot, but don't.

The first time you shoot it, do it at a distance of some 40 yards and pick a time when the pup is chasing a bird or deeply absorbed in searching the cover. He may stop momentarily and look towards you. Keep walking as if nothing had happened. He'll probably continue hunting. Don't shoot more than once or twice that day. If the sudden noise prompts him to come in and walk at your heels and he remains close, don't shoot again for the next few days. Just carry the gun and wait for another propitious time to shoot.

In training retrievers, very often introducing the gun in the field follows previous training to "fetch" the dummy. Have an assistant do the shooting. The method is to put the dog on a long lead or cord, have him "sit" and then throw the dummy far out so it comes down in the open where the dog can see it. While the dummy is still in the air, the assistant, standing off to the side, shoots a blank pistol. In eagerness to make the retrieve the dog will probably break but he's allowed to for it's getting him used to the gun that's important now. When the time comes to make him stay steady, hold the end of the lead, jerk on it to hold him when he starts to move, make him sit again, stroke him and when he's calmed down, drop the lead and send him.

The next step is to have the assistant use a shotgun, about 40 yards distant at first, each time the dog is sent to retrieve. As he gets accustomed to the gun's noise, the assistant can gradually move closer. Take care in chastising a dog for breaking so he won't associate it with the gun.

These lessons must be practised for a short time each day, taking about two months before the training is accomplished. Eventually a dead game bird is substituted for the dummy and thrown into cover as well as in the open so the dog will learn to hunt for game scent.

During training sessions there should be no distracting influences, so don't show off your dog's accomplishments before a group too soon. And never take your dog hunting for the first few times with more than one or two companions who can be trusted to consider your dog and not blast away with their guns indiscriminately.

Introduction to Water - All dogs can swim if they have to. But you want your dog to have the desire to swim so he'll go into water at your command, confident and without hesitation to retrieve game. Even a pup "born and bred" for water can be ruined if his first experience is frightening.

Wait until the puppy is at least twelve weeks old before starting him in water. Choose a warm day and the edge of a pond or lake where it's shallow and the bottom gives firm footing. If possible, take a few pups together as they will encourage each other. An older, experienced dog can be helpful, too.

Put on waders or wear a bathing suit so you can go in. Splashing about in your waders and talking to the pup will encourage him to join you. Stay only where the pup has footing for the first few sessions. As he gets bolder, wade out farther so he'll begin to swim to stay with you. Practically all puppies "climb" or swim awkwardly at first, raising their front feet high and splashing up water. If your pup has played about in shallow water often that shouldn't bother him too much and before long he'll begin to swim in a natural, easy way.

After a pup has learned to retrieve the dummy on land he'll do it as eagerly from water. Throw it a short distance at first, increasing the distance as the pup progresses.

As in other training, don't prolong water work. Stop while the pup is enjoying it.

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HONORED ON THE COVER THIS MONTH
is

Ch. Mormac's Guinevere of Amber

"Gwen" was born May 14, 1972, out of Dual & Am. F.Ch. Brook's Amber Mist and Dual & Am. F.Ch. Sir Lancelot.

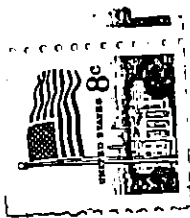
"Gwen" started her show career at the Illinois Specialty in June, 1973 (on a Saturday), and completed her 15 points eight days later in four consecutive shows. She has been handled by Bunny Cuthbertson. The Morrisons thank Bunny and Tony Lucas (breeder), for such a successful early career.

VIZSLA CLUB OF ILLINOIS, INC.

LINDA, BUSCH, Editor

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