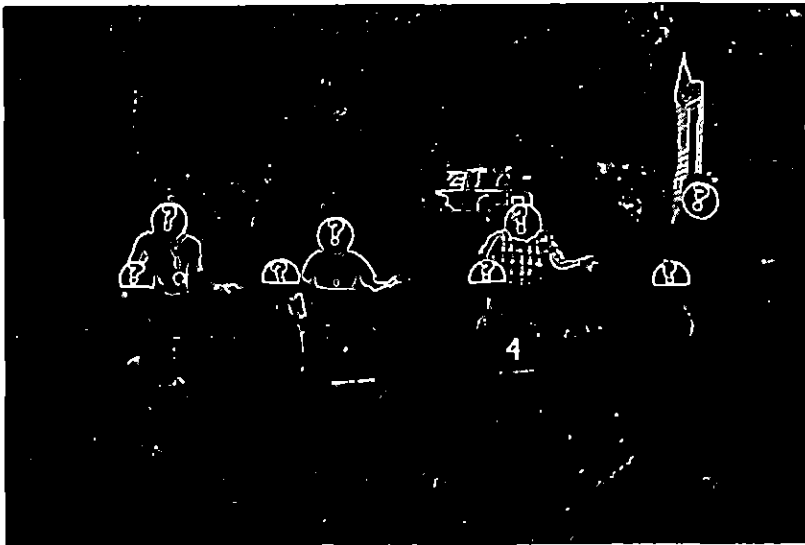




The Bulletin

MAY/JUNE 1988



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With the enclosed membership dues, I agree to abide by the Vizsla Club of Illinois Constitution and By-laws.

'88 DOUBLE BUBBLE WEEKEND

Make plans to attend the July 23-24 weekend in Boone County, Ill. This Specialty/Fun Trial weekend has been expanded to include a Friday evening "B" match at the site of the VCOI Specialty Show (Kishwaukee Valley Kennel Club show, Onofrio, Superintendent) - at the Boone County Fairgrounds. The "B" match will hold classes for 3-6 mos., 6-9 mos., 9-12 mos., Open, BOB, Group, and Best in Match. To enter in advance, send \$2.00 with AKC registration info to: Lorraine Meyer, 807 Fairview, Rockford, IL. 61107 Or call Lorraine for info at: 815-399-9442. If you don't enter in advance by July 17th, you can enter at the gate 6pm-7pm for \$3.00. What a deal! The VCOI will have it's Specialty Party area staked out under the only tree, so we'll have a place to gather and visit.

Busch's live five minutes from the Fairgrounds. The fun trial will be held at Busch's on Sunday, July 24th. If you want to camp out at Busch's, there is lots of room. Port-o-let outside, showers inside the house. Party Friday and Saturday nights. Beverages provided by VCOI. Plenty of bedroll floor space. Bedrooms are all taken - sorry!

The Specialty on Saturday will be around 10-10:30am. Group will start about 3:00pm. The Vizsla best of Breed "WILL" get a sporting group placement. How can any serious "specialist" in the midwest pass up the opportunity to be in a 50+ breed competition and have a shot at a shoo-in group placement? How often is it a cinch that a group placement will go to a Vizsla? A picnic lunch following the Vizsla Best of Breed judging will be provided by the ladies of the VCOI, with a small donation requested to help off-set the food costs.

The Sunday Fun Trial at Busch's will start at 8:00am. We will have the following events at \$8.00 per entry.

TYRO Young Dog	Field Trial Hunter
Tyro Hunter	Open Broke Dog
Field Trial Young Dog	Powder Puff

and free entries for junior handler, wing and string, obstacle course, and bird planting contests: #1 (no-daddy help - up to 15 yrs.) and #2 (daddy-helped, under 10 yrs.).

Also, there will be an expanded pigeon race card. Three races this year including the Snowball Memorial Handicap. Enter at the grounds that A.M.

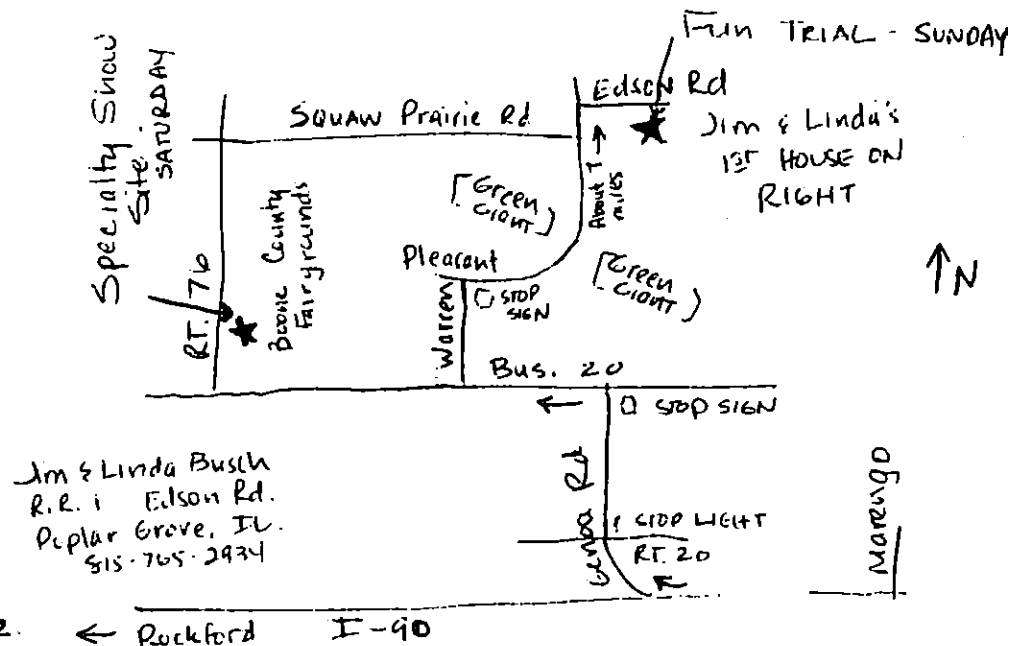
BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH AND SNACKS FOR THE FUN TRIAL. Beverages will be provided by the VCOI. Be sure to have a bowl and spoon. Grandpa "VJ" Busch will have his famous hunter's stew at lunch time.

If you are a VCOI member and "fie, fie" have another breed of Hunting Dog (ed. note - is there REALLY any breed other than Vizslas?) you will be able enter any event except those designated as "TYRO". TYRO events are Vizslas-only.

We plan to start promptly at 8:00AM with field trial young dog. This will last about one hour. We will follow with other events, order unknown. Plan on spending the day. Lots of good Vizsla Friendship and "Gemutlichkeit".

If you have a young pup (or older pup) who lacks field experience, you can at least enter the wing & string competition. Seven weeks old is not too young to try. Some pups point great at that tender age.

If you have questions, call Jim or Linda Busch at 815-765-2394. BE THERE OR BE SQUARE!



INTRODUCING OUR LATEST CHAMPION



CH. HARANN'S CUTTY SARK

And Dr. B. L. McGivern, Jr.

by BIS Ch. Penlee's Cutter, out of BIS Harann's Tulipan

Cutty started the 1988 season with a 4-point major at the St. Louis Dog Breeders Show on Feb. 27, a 4 point major on March 19 at Leavenworth KC, a 3-point major March 20 at Heart of America in Kansas City, 2 points at the Hoosier KC March 27, and finished with Winners' Dog at the three shows April 1, 2 and 3 in Chicago at the Kettle Moraine KC, Blackhawk KC, and the International Kennel Club.

Cutty will start obedience training soon, and hopefully we can add a CD after his name.

owned by
Jack and Gloria Cooley
Champaign, Ill.

handled by
Merle Taylor
Hammond, Ill.

and tolerated by Ch. Polar Kap's Kuttin Up, CD!

HUNTING TEST UPDATE FROM DEBBY FRIDLUND

I finally got out after my spring confinement. I went to the hunting tests held at DesPlaines the first weekend in May. It was interesting to see the other breeds work. Vizslas were definitely in the minority. Dickens and Liz were the only two on Saturday. Bill Lyman had his two dogs entered in the Junior Hunter test on Sunday. Although Vizslas were in short supply, their quality was super (of course, I'm not biased). I felt like I spent the weekend saying "Thank you" to all the people who came up to speak to me. It seems the Vizslas really made everyone sit up and take notice. It was a nice feeling.

Results:

KEYSTONE'S ISHAH, J.H.

GSPC of Indiana	3/19/88	Junior Hunter Test pass 7.25
Ft Dearborn GSPC	4/30/88	Junior Hunter Test pass 8.5
GSPC of Illinois	5/1/88	Junior Hunter Test pass 7.9
GWPC of Illinois	5/2/88	Junior Hunter Test pass 9.88

*This completes the Junior Hunter title for "Liz"
(pending AKC approval)

DC/AFC POPPLE DUNGEON WHAT A DICKENS, C.D., S.H., V.C.

GSPC of Indiana	3/19/88	Senior Hunter Test pass 8.25
Ft Dearborn GSPC	4/30/88	Senior Hunter Test pass 9.2
GSPC of Illinois	5/1/88	Senior Hunter Test pass 9.8
GWPC of Illinois	5/2/88	Senior Hunter Test pass 8.0

*This complete the Senior Hunter Title for "Dickens"
pending AKC approval

ED. NOTE:

In other Hunting Test news, Linda & Denny Keeton's Durango finished his JH this spring also.

LINDEN'S DURANGO KID, J.H.

Brittany Club of Greater S.L.	3/26/88	Junior Hunter pass
Gateway GSPC	3/27/88	Junior Hunter pass

TRAINING IN THE HEAT

by David Heindold, DVM

Summer is a great time to train dogs. It is fun to be outside in the sunshine, but it carries with it the hazards of training in the heat.

I've seen a good bit of heat stroke, both in practice and, unfortunately, in the field. Fortunately, it has not been in my dogs. The biggest mistake people make is waiting till they can see their dog is in trouble before they do anything about the heat. When you see that there is trouble you are already about 15 minutes too late.

KNOW YOUR DOG! Know his normal gait, normal breathing and exertional (panting) breathing patterns, know his normal response to commands and to affection. If the breathing is frantic, the gait dragging or the least bit unsteady, if he seems mentally sluggish, stop training, get in the shade with good ventilation, wet him down, let him drink small amounts at a time (not bloat up his belly). Training when the heat is bothering the dog is probably counter-productive anyway, either in not learning his lesson or learning to "dog" it, which may set a pattern for a dog that never really puts out at a trial.

Always take plenty of water with you when you train. I don't mean a gallon jug, I mean 5 gallons or more. If you know it will be a while before you get back to the car, take a canteen and water the dog at frequent intervals.

There are some fun trials and regular trials in hot weather. Don't ever be ashamed of stopping your dog to water, or taking him out of the stake if the heat is too much for him. Think how stupid the ribbon will look on your wall if your dog is ruined for life (or dead). Be sure to spend at least half-an-hour with your dog after he runs. I saw a dog come in, walk, drink, and kennel, then collapse five minutes after it was in the crate. Once the heat stroke sequence goes into effect, it progresses rapidly and is hard to stop.

So, let's face it, 50% or 75% of our summer training time might be spent under a tree, waiting for our dog to cool off for another short training session. If you have the right company and the right beverages, is that so bad?

Reprinted from the May 1987 V.C.O.M. newsletter

HUNTING TEST AUGUST 28th!!

The VCOI's first Hunting Test (Sanctioned A) will be held 8/28/88 at Roger's Hunting Club in Ohio, Ill. (across from Green River Conservation Area - see map.)

Hunting Tests are a relatively new addition to AKC events, developed to address the need for a "NON-COMPETITIVE" field event. Hunting Tests have been designed to appeal to those sporting dog owners who until now may not have participated in field trial activities but who nevertheless want to have the hunting abilities of their dogs evaluated. It affords the opportunity to earn an AKC recognized title which shows that the dog has demonstrated hunting ability under simulated hunting conditions. Dogs are judged against the AKC standards (4 categories for Junior, and 5 for Senior and Master). All dogs receiving a qualifying score earn a "leg" toward the Hunting Test title, 4 passes being required for a Junior Hunter, 5 for Senior, and 6 for Master.

Below is a brief outline of the standards which dogs are judged against to help you determine which level your dog may be ready for. E.G. A dog may be entered at the Senior level without first earning the JH title. For a more complete description of the Hunting Test program, the booklet "Regulations for AKC Hunting Tests for Pointing Breeds" may be obtained from the AKC at no charge (AKC, 51 Madison Ave., NY, NY 10010)

JUNIOR HUNTER

Must show a keen desire to hunt, be bold and independent, have a fast, yet attractive manner of hunting, and demonstrate not only intelligence in seeking objectives, but also the ability to find game. A Junior hunting dog must establish point, but no additional credit shall be given for steadiness to wing and shot. A blank cartridge must be fired after the flush if the handler is within reasonable gun range. Reasonable obedience to handler's commands must be shown.

Junior Hunters are judged in four categories on a basis of 1 to 10:

1. Hunting
2. Bird-finding-ability
3. Pointing
4. Trainability

Senior Hunter

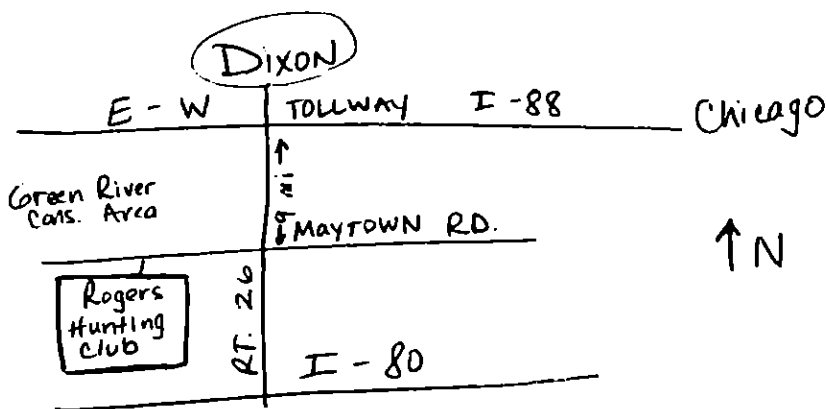
Must show all of the attributes of a Junior Hunter, scored with less tolerance than afforded the JH. In addition, must retrieve but is not required to be steady to wing and shot. Must honor if the opportunity is presented or called back for an honor situation.

Master Hunter

Must show all the attributes of a Senior Hunter, judged on a more stringent basis. Must give a finished performance of a complete hunting companion. Must be under the handler's control at all times. Must locate game, point staunchly, and be steady to wing and shot. Intelligent use of the wind and terrain in locating game, an accurate nose, and intensity on point are essential. Must honor it's brace mate on point or be called back for an honor. Must positively demonstrate steadiness to wing and shot and must retrieve promptly, tenderly and absolutely to hand.

Senior and Master Hunters are judged in the four same categories as Junior (being held to stricter standards) and also on Retrieving.

The AKC booklet contains more details regarding scoring, minimum qualifying scores, etc. Because our first Hunting Test must be an "A" test, qualifying scores will not count toward this AKC title. IT IS IMPORTANT, however, that we have the support of club members at this test in order to show the AKC that we can generate sufficient interest to be sanctioned to hold future tests!!! So plan now to join us August 28th and find out what Hunting Tests are all about! Premiums will be mailed to members or can be obtained from Bill Elliott at 815-648-4209.



EDITOR'S CORNER

This month's mail brought a variety of newsletter items. Thanks to Debby Fridlund for her report on her Hunting Test activities, to Jim & Linda Busch for their Specialty Weekend info, and to Gloria Cooley for her advertisement announcing their newest champion. These are just a couple of ways that you too can help support YOUR newsletter!

Another letter came from Linda and Denny Keeton, who sadly reported the loss of their bitch, **Linden's Little Renegade**, CD, VC, to encephalitis. Their vet surmises that Heidi contracted the disease after being bitten by some kind of insect. Linda and Denny are hoping to find out more about canine encephalitis, and anyone with any information can contact them at PO BOX 236, Carbondale, IL. 62903. On a happier note, they reported that their **Linden's Durango Kid** finished his JH title in St. Louis earlier this year. Also, they have bred **Linden's Little Jessie** to **DC Rebel Rouser** ET and expect puppies in early July. Tammi finished Jessie's CD, VC and JH titles this spring. (they've been busy!!)

As I sit here typing in the basement, driven underground by the 100^o+ heat, it seemed appropriate to include the article by Dave Heinold, DVM regarding Hot Weather Training. Common sense is good sense in this kind of weather.

Down here in the dungeon, there is plenty of time to reflect on the change brought about in our lives this month by the addition of a puppy to our happy household. How could I have forgotten in just a few years how much ENERGY a Vizsla pup possesses? I'm really grateful to have Moose around, as he has borne the brunt of little Red Chief's enthusiasm for life. Despite the feeling that we're living with a split personality (devil/angel) and the need for close supervision, there's nothing like the antics of a puppy to bring a few laughs to a hot summer evening. I heartily endorse Vizsla puppy ownership for relief from the summer doldrums!

Hope to see many of you at the July 23rd Specialty Show!

July, 1988

Dear VCOI Member:

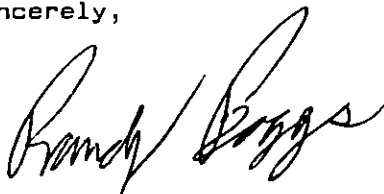
I would like to encourage all of you to participate in the upcoming Hunting Test on August 28th. This test is an initiative by the VCOI to provide Vizsla owners with the opportunity to demonstrate to themselves and to others their dog's hunting capabilities - what this breed is bred to do. Hunting Tests are also an opportunity for you to become involved in a bird dog sport.

The American Kennel Club has always promoted the fundamental philosophy that each breed of dog has a functional purpose; the Vizsla is a multi-purpose hunting dog for work on upland game, rabbits and waterfowl retrieving. That functional purpose is best propagated by the breed representatives which can best perform those functions.

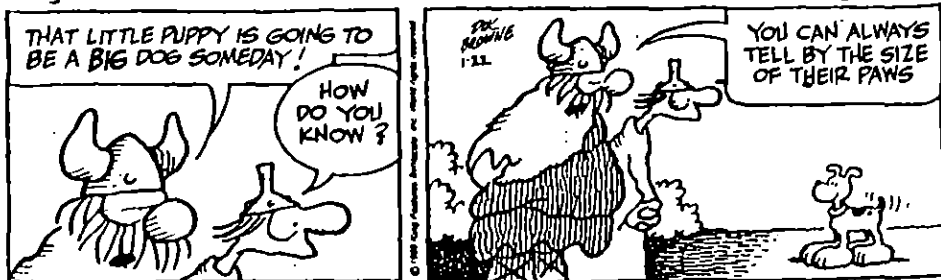
Basically, Hunting Tests were started several years ago to provide a larger selection of "qualified" breeding stock. Previously, the only AKC hunting title was a Field Championship. And only a small percentage of any breed achieves a field champion title.

The future of VCOI Hunting Tests depends upon your efforts and participation. The VCOI field trialers will not be able to make this activity a success by themselves. Entries will be limited, so be sure to get your entry sent in early. The Hunting Test Chairman is Tony Dewar (312-546-6454) and the Secretary is Bill Elliott (815-648-4209). Please give them or me a call if you have any questions about this Hunting Test.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Randy Boggs". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Randy Boggs
President, Vizsla Club of Illinois
815-335-7572



Have you sold a puppy lately?? Be sure to send me the names and addresses of the new proud owners, and I'll send them a complimentary copy of the Bulletin!!

Show Wins



Ch. Polar Kap's Four on the Floor, BOB, Lake Minnetonka KC,
BOB Land 'O Lakes KC

Ch. Polar Kap's Rosie Vizion, BOS Land'O Lakes KC

Linden's Dakota Ranger, BOS-Egyptian KC, BOB-Burlington KC,
BOB-Illinois Capitol KC, BOB-Illinois Valley KC, BOB-
Corn Belt KC, WD-Wheaton KC, BOB-KC of Yorkville, WD-
Chain'O Lakes KC

Ch. Polar Kap's Kopy Kap Kodi, CD - Oedience Scores:
Open B - 190 1/2, Lake Minnetonka KC, Open B - 195,
Land'O Lakes KC

REMINDER 

NEXT MEETING

Just a reminder that our next club meeting will be
Wednesday, July 20, 1988 at the home of Cheryl &
Geno Woehrlé, 23W727 Maple, Roselle, Il. call
312-529-0978 for directions.

MEETING MINUTES

The regular May meeting of the VCOI was called to order at 8:30pm by President Randy Boggs. Sue Boggs motioned, seconded by Tony Lucas, to accept the minutes from the last meeting as printed in the Bulletin. Motion carried with one opposed. Iris Pechota gave the Treasurer's Report indicating a favorable balance.

President's Report. Randy said that he has received almost no input for the letter to the Pointing Breed Advisory Committee. He also had some information regarding the Responsible Dog Owner's Association, which provides legal assistance and lobbying efforts concerning restrictive dog legislation.

Show Report. Kathy Harmer has ordered the trophies. Arlene Thompson will be our Breed judge and also the Group Judge. We will be soliciting donations to cover the cost of food at the picnic on the show grounds following the breed judging. We anticipate judging to begin around 10AM.

Kishwaukee Kennel Club is having a Sanctioned Breed Match Friday night at the show grounds, minimum age 3 months. (sec. note you will need information contained on the AKC registration to enter.)

Hunting Test. Bill Elliott reported that the Hunting Test will be August 28, 1988 (Sunday) at Roy Rogers' Hunting Club (across from Green River Conservation Area). This is a SANCTIONED A TEST, and we need to support the test if we are to be approved for future Hunting Tests.

Hunting Test Seminar. The attending members agreed to sponsor Gwen Tomlinson and Roy Greffin to attend the upcoming Hunting Test Seminar presented by the AKC. Ken Crago will be one of the AKC reps at the program.

Fun Trial. Jim Busch filled us in on the planned activities. The Fun Trial will be on Sunday, July 24, following the Saturday Specialty Show. There will be events for field trialers, hunters and puppies, with trophies and ribbons for placements. (ed. note: see details elsewhere in this issue!)

Old Business - insurance. Harry Ruffner gave his opinion (after investigating our policy) that we might need additional coverage or changes. For instance, the word "club" should be better defined, General Liability changed to per occurrence instead of aggregate. He presented several potential problems. We will research this further.

New Business. Tony Lucas has been calling the DuPage County Forest Preserve District regarding their proposed Dog Training Areas but has not been able to get through. Geno Woehrle volunteered to follow up.

Roy Greffin motioned to adjourn, seconded by Harry Ruffner at 9:35PM. Motion carried. Randy & Sue Boggs volunteered to bring refreshments for the next meeting.

Upcoming Events

SHOWS

- 7/23/88 - Kishwaukee KC, Belvidere, VCOI SPECIALTY SHOW.
- 7/30/88 - Kettle Moraine KC, Waukesha, Wi. Crowe
- 7/31/88 - Waukesha KC, Waukesha, Wi. Crowe
- 8/1/88 - Burlington Wi. KC, Elkhorn, Wi. Crowe
- 8/13/88 - Cudahy KC, Oak Creek, Wi. Crowe
- 8/20/88 - Muncie KC, Muncie, In. Sleeper
- 8/21/88 - Anderson KC, Anderson, In. Sleeper
- 9/4/88 - Sandemac KC, Decatur, Il. Onofrio
- 9/5/88 - Illinois Capitol KC, New Berlin, Il. Onofrio
- 9/10/88 - Elkhorn KC, Elkhorn, Wi. Crowe
- 9/11/88 - Kenosha KC, Wilmot, Wi. Sleeper
- 9/17/88 - Fond du Lac KC, Fond du Lac, Wi. Crowe
- 9/18/88 - Manitowoc KC, Manitowoc, Wi. Sleeper
- 9/19/88 - Packerland KC, Manitowoc, Wi. Sleeper
- 9/20/88 - Oshkosh KC, Manitowoc, Wi. Sleeper
- 9/21/88 - Winnegamie Dog Club, Manitowoc, Wi. Sleeper

OBEDIENCE TRIALS

9/25/88 - Lakeland Dog Training Club, Janesville, Wi.

TRACKING TESTS

9/18/88 - Fox Valley Dog Training Club, St. Charles, Il.

FIELD TRIALS

9/10-9/11/88 - Wiemaraner Club of Northern Illinois,
Joliet, IL. Janis Dusenbery, Secy.

9/17-9/18/88 - VIZSLA CLUB OF ILLINOIS, Joliet, Il.
Randy Boggs, Secy.

9/17-9/18/88 - Vizsla Club of Greater Cleveland,
Harpster, Ohio

10/1-10/2/88 - Vizsla Club of Michigan, Ionia, Mi.
Sue Jagoda, Secy.

10/16-10/23/88 - Vizsla Club of America National Events,
Maryland

10/29-10/30/88 - Miami Valley Vizsla Club, Indian Creek,
Clif Boggs

HUNTING TESTS

8/28/88 - VIZSLA CLUB OF ILLINOIS, Sanctioned A Test,
Roy Rogers Hunting Club, Ohio, IL.

FUN TRIAL

7/24/88 - VIZSLA CLUB OF ILLINOIS, Summer Fun Trial,
Edson Rd., Poplar Grove, Il.

LABOR DAY TRAINING SESSION

Make plans now to join us on Labor Day, September 5th,
at the East Grounds of Des PLaines Wildlife Area for
a Field Training Session. It will be a relaxed day
with the opportunity to work on whatever kind of
training your dog needs. Be sure to bring a lunch!

FROM: Sue Boggs
10708 Smith Rd.
Pecatonica, IL. 61063



TO:

Mr. & Mrs Mark Johnson
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