



Hot Off the Wire!

News and Notes from the WHVCA

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President's Message

Szervusz,

Recently there was a poll on the club yahoo group; those results are in this newsletter. However the board felt it was not a complete picture of the membership's wishes and began to contact our members personally by phone. Nearly all were contacted, for the few who were missed we apologize.

Members requested the following services:

A newsletter is important to keep everyone in the community informed and members would like more pictures of dogs in it. Health studies were requested by most and a strong rescue program, which is already in place. AKC recognition got a guarded response, more discussion on that follows.

Club activities and events most requested are training workshops in field, obedience, and agility and a desire for eventually hosting performance and companion trials and tests. A national specialty event is something many would try to attend. Club socials like a picnic weekend, local play dates and hunting get-togethers were also requested.

Traveling to events is a difficult, expensive thing for all of us, especially when you look at how spread out we are. When asked how far one would drive to an event, responses ranged from a 4 hour one way drive to a whopping 23 hour one way drive (go Cory!) Even more incredible, a couple of members in Europe would travel to the US for a National Specialty. Again looking at us in regional terms, it would still be possible for many to gather for smaller events and keep to a reasonable time frame for travel. I really feel this gives us a great guideline to start gathering together.

When the board began to question about AKC recognition, many were on the fence. Most see a long term benefit for the membership—increased access to a varied activity list. However the overall concern rests in a worry that the breed would take off too quickly, dogs would get placed in the wrong hands and the need for rescue would increase.

For our European members, the chance to have the WHV

AKC recognized is the only way of having a reciprocal breeding program with US breeders. Cory Overton's comment, "AKC could be a great thing.... with a strong club to maintain careful stewardship of the breed" sums it up nicely. It's that exact stewardship we are trying to build and maintain here in the US.

Most of the membership, including the board, was unaware of the process it takes to become a recognized AKC breed. The first step starts with entering AKC's FSS (Foundation Stock Service). See the following page for an explanation of the process. It is definitely a long term process and a bonus is getting to compete in events as we build up our club, membership and gene pool.

So the last question posed to the membership in the phone poll was: Are you in favor of entering the Wirehaired Vizsla in FSS and working towards, eventual AKC recognition? Here is the maybe, the mild negative, the guarded response. We are all thinking on this subject and now the Board is going to call the question to the membership. We need a vote to move forward. Please watch your email for a call to vote on entering the AKC FSS program and respond with careful consideration. And please, if you have any questions before you vote, feel free to contact a board member or discuss it on the club yahoo group.

I wish happy hunting this fall for everyone and leave you all with a request to share those hunting stories and pictures, funny photos and holiday stories. We love to include them in our next issue.

Nagyon szépen köszönöm,

Amanda Johnson, WHVCA President

Charter Memberships

Want to go down in history as a Charter Member of the WHVCA?? A \$50 donation before the end of the year, in addition to your regular dues, makes you a Charter Member, proclaiming your start-up support of the club. Charter Members will be listed in perpetuity on the club's website & history.

Understanding AKC's Foundation Stock Service (FSS)

The American Kennel Club created the Foundation Stock Service® (FSS®) to answer the needs of today's rare breed fanciers. The Foundation Stock Service® is an optional record-keeping service for all purebred breeds not currently registerable with the American Kennel Club. AKC created the FSS® record-keeping service to allow rare breed fanciers to continue their commitment to the improvement of their breed. With the FSS®, the AKC staff of experts will maintain the pedigree and ownership records in addition to a stud book.

Foundation Stock Service® is not a requirement for fanciers of a breed who want to achieve full AKC recognition, however, select FSS® breeds may now compete in Companion (obedience, tracking, rally, and agility) & Performance Events (hunt tests). Breeds must have 150 dogs with three-generation pedigrees recorded in the FSS®, a breed standard, and an active breed club in order to compete. Recording your dog in FSS® can help catapult your breed into AKC competition.

While the recording of a dog in FSS® does not constitute AKC recognition, it does provide the avenue to compete in the exciting world of Companion Events. Furthermore, those FSS® breeds that become eligible to compete in Companion Events have the opportunity to apply to participate in AKC Performance Events that pertain to the breed's original purpose.

Once the breed is accepted into FSS, we campaign to get as many of the WHV in this country registered as possible and to build our membership. NAVHDA will help us with a list of all the registered owners so we can reach people outside our club, too.

Once our club has grown to 100 +/- households and there are 300-400 dogs registered in FSS, the breed can be admitted to AKC's Miscellaneous Class and be shown in conformation. Breeds remain in the Miscellaneous Class one to three years and are evaluated at the end of each year. When all criteria are met the information is presented to the AKC Board of Directors for approval to move to full AKC recognition.

Visit AKC's Foundation Stock Service pages on the internet:

http://www.akc.org/reg/fss_details.cfm

Criteria for Miscellaneous Class

- Form a strong national breed club and encourage fanciers nationwide to join and get involved. A national breed club with representative membership of about 100 active households is expected for a breed to be placed in the Miscellaneous Class. The amount of active households needed can vary depending on the number of dogs recorded in the FSS®.
- Create a breed standard that conforms to the [Guidelines for Writing Breed Standards](#).
- Form some active committees such as a rescue committee or a health committee, put on shows, and publish a quarterly newsletter. A committed AKC liaison is also an integral part of any breed club seeking recognition, and keeping AKC updated on the club's various activities provides documentation of the fanciers' dedication to full AKC recognition. Current officer and membership lists must be on file with the AKC.
- Encourage other fanciers to record their dogs with FSS®. A minimum of 300-400 dogs with complete three-generation pedigrees, owned by many different individuals residing in various parts of the nation, must be recorded as part of the criteria for approval to move to the Miscellaneous Class. The more dogs you record with the FSS®, the more committed AKC believes the fanciers are to achieving full recognition. If the national breed club has not submitted its breed registry for entry into FSS®, the club is required to do so when moving to the Miscellaneous Class.
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Advantages of AKC/FSS

There are two significant benefits of FSS and AKC recognition. Entering our breed in the Foundation Stock Service would allow greater opportunity in the near future for owners living all across the country to compete in a variety of events. The long term benefit is that full AKC recognition would put our Wirehaired Vizslas in the worldwide gene pool and community for our breed.

The opportunity to compete in a variety of events is important to our breed's growth and versatility. Currently, the WHV is recognized by NAVHDA and UKC, as well as a couple of rare breed registries. While we applaud those organizations and those who participate in them, there are far fewer opportunities for anyone living in the southeast, central and western states than for those in northeast and eastern regions.

Some owners in the west, Nevada or Montana for example, are more than a day's drive to the nearest NAVHDA chapter. And while UKC does have a new Pointing Dog program, there are less than a dozen clubs in the US licensed to hold pointing dog tests and trials, making them even more thinly spread out and harder to reach than NAVHDA chapters.

For companion and conformation events, some states are lucky to have one UKC all-breed conformation show or a couple of agility and obedience trials a year. For many in the west, the nearest event may be well over a day's drive away

AKC is simply more widespread and accessible than any other kennel club registry in America. There are more events in each state across the US, even in sparsely populated states like Nevada, Wyoming or North Dakota. FSS and AKC recognition would give more owners all across the country more opportunities to compete in performance (hunting), conformation and companion (obedience, agility, rally) events. It is the only American registry accepted where there are other WHV, in Europe, Great Britain, Canada and Australia.

FAQ about AKC Recognition Concerns

How can we keep the breed's popularity from growing too fast & just becoming a status symbol? It depends on a strong breed club that supports members with information and education and one that expects a lot of leadership and responsibility from its member breeders. We place high expectations on breeders for being selective and careful about the type of owners to whom they will sell dogs, for performing important health checks and field testing ability, preferably in NAVHDA. The club also expects members to mentor new owners, especially those who want to breed their dogs and to place limited registrations on pups not intended for breeding.

How do we make sure the breed doesn't lose its hunting ability and just become another show dog breed? Again, the key is a strong breed club with members who are dedicated to preserving and protecting the WHV's versatile ability and breeders who adhere to the high standards of the club's Code of Ethics. A breeding endorsement program to establish criteria for the club to endorse a dog for breeding is something to consider implementing.

What about versatility, isn't AKC's Hunt Test just a pointer test? A breed's parent club in AKC is now more able to have more control of the requirements for that breed's performance titles. An excellent example and precedent is the American Water Spaniel which has an additional water test element required for its AKC Hunt titles: "In early 2007, AKC Spaniel Hunt Test judges became required to evaluate AWS performance based upon the AWS Club's description of the AWS's Field Working Qualities."

Read more about the AWS Field Events here <http://www.americanwaterspanielclub.org/Field/Field%20events.htm> and think about the WHVCA including NAVHDA *versatile hunting* elements for our Hunt Test titles.

Why start the process now, isn't it too soon? Most will agree that AKC recognition is bound to happen eventually. Anyone can submit an application for a breed to be accepted into FSS or to be admitted directly to the Misc. Class for full recognition. By applying for FSS, the WHVCA will be able guide the breed's development and will be in the best position to be recognized as the breed's parent club. AKC is the most widespread organization in which we can consolidate everyone with WHV all across the country into a strong, active national club.

Members' Poll

We put up a poll on the club's Yahoo group page, just to see what people want in the club. The poll asked "What services, programs or activities do you want the WHVCA to provide? Vote for as many items as are important to you." Only about one-fourth of the membership voted but the response was interesting & insightful nonetheless. There wasn't a way to prioritize votes so we didn't have a way of knowing which items people voted for were the most important to them and which were the least important. But here are the results:

The highest responses were for Training seminars/workshops/clinics, Rescue and Newsletters; next were CERF Clinics, Supported Entries, Health Studies, Club/Breed Merchandise, Informational materials, AKC recognition, Breeders' referral. Performance events and a National specialty; third highest responses were for Breeding endorsements for individual dogs, Socials and Companion events; in fourth place were State/regional chapters and Conformation shows; next to last, with only one vote each, were Private registry and UKC license. There were no votes for having a Breed Warden.

Welcome New Members!

Bryan and Julie Swenson of Minnesota, the proud owners of Addie, are also new WHVCA Charter Members. Addie came to them as a rescue through NAVHDA connections. They are also the owners of a 3 yr old smooth Vizsla. Both are training and hunting hard this fall/winter for spring NAVHDA UT testing. Good luck to both dogs and owners!

Laszlo Otvos from Pennsylvania is the proud owner of Pandemonium Domino, "Doeme". Doeme is a young male pup just imported from Hungary this summer.

Tim Kloer of Colorado is a falconer who is patiently awaiting the arrival of his first WHV. Tim is a Vet. Tech. and has spent years in shelters working with special needs dogs.

Ryan Mullen of New Jersey is an upland/waterfowl hunter who is also waiting for his next WHV. Thank you Ryan for joining us again.

New members, and anyone else not signed up yet, please go to the club web page and join the club yahoo group. It's the best way to stay in contact with everyone. We use the group's email for communication. please introduce your selves, share info about your dogs, and ask the group any questions you may have. Welcome to you all!

WHV Rescue

Here is the known rescue history of Wirehaired Vizslas in the US since the WHVCA began rescue efforts in 2003:

This year, 2007 — The most recent rescue, in the Ontario shelter, was placed because his owner died. I don't know any of the family circumstances or the dog's breeder.

The trio from Florida were placed in foster homes at the owner's request until she can get back on her feet again. The bitch was imported & the other two are her offspring.

One contact about a possible WHV found stray in California, turned out to be an expensive Larbradoodle.

2006 — A pup was relinquished to rescue for placement because the family's young daughter was discovered to be severely allergic & the breeder was of no assistance in rehoming the pup. She is with a falconer & doing great.

2003 to 2005 -- A few contacts about possible WHVs in shelters, one was an otterhound, another possibly a Vizsla mix, but none were determined to be WHV.

A very grey-haired senior male WHV was relinquished to a shelter in the San Diego, CA area, by its owner. The dog was very aggressive, to its owners and their vet, which was part of the reason it was taken to the shelter, where it was deemed unadoptable and euthanized. I found out about the dog & contacted the shelter immediately, but it had already been put down.

The first rescue was a possible or likely WHV/V mix in a shelter on the east coast. This dog was placed with a Vizsla family in Michigan.

Deb Wall WHVCA Rescue Coordinator

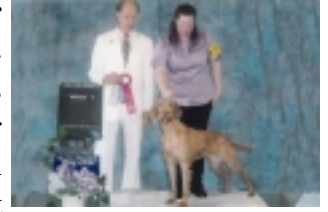


Members' Brags & Wags



Nancy Edmunds' "Remy", **BIS 2XCH Vizland's Vizcaya Remy Red** finished her UKC Championship at the Hickory NC KC shows in August '07. In Perry GA at the Middle Ga KC shows in Sept '07 she took a Best Champion over her son, Reiley. Remy is the 3 WHV in UKC. Remy will be bred to "Fitzko", Thorn Hill's Hun, NA Prize II - 95 pts, in late Sept '07

CH Konza Vadasz Hunter County, "Ada" got a Group 2 at the Colorado Twin Peaks show in July, finishing her Championship title. Ada, NA Prize II, is the first WHV west of the Mississippi to finish its CH title. She's busy hunting with Bryan this fall and they're looking forward to hunting trips to Kansas & N. Dakota.



Melissa Joyner's and Nancy Edmunds' "Reiley", **CH Vizcaya's Keegan O'Reiley**, took a Group 2, a Group 3 and a Group 1 with 8 to 14 dogs in the Gun Dog group at the Middle Georgia KC shows in Perry, Ga this September. Reiley is the #2 WHV in UKC

Zoldmali Igaz completed his NAVHDA NA test at the N. Michigan chapter in July, earning a Prize III with 94 pts. Igaz is owned by Carolyn DeFiore and handled by her husband, Bob.

Konza Vadasz Linn County, "Meg" completed her NAVHDA NA test in Idaho in September. Handled by her owner, Lindy Gash, Meg earned a Prize III with 90 pts. Running last in a full test on a hot day made for difficult test conditions and there are rumors of Meg over doing her post-test celebrations. We've heard there's a possibility of photographic evidence of her elledged activities.

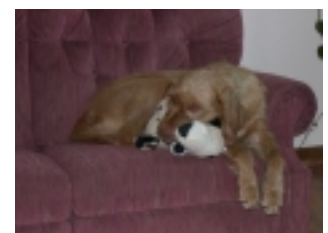


Dutch CH, Luxemborg CH and German CH **Jakabhegyi Vadasz Arasz** is shown with his owner, Lies van Essen, after winning Best of Opposite Sex at the Belgian Magyar Vizsla Club

Meghan Tallman has a new Magyar Vizsla puppy! Meghan is a lifelong vizsla lover and is a member of the Show Me Vizsla Club and the VCA. She's a big fan and supporter of the WHV, even though she doesn't have one, yet. We're waiting for pictures of Meghan's new pup.

Specialty in September. Arasz also won Best of Breed at the Netherlands Vizsla Club Specialty.

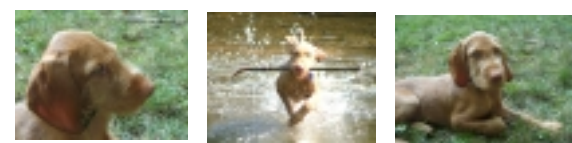
His other information and titles: HD B, 2x KNJV C Diploma. JW Winner 2002, Belgian Winner 2002 Junior World Champion 2002, Jugend Bundessieger CAC CACIB Luxembourg 2003 BOB, Div CAC/CACIB/BOB Netherlands. 2x CAC, 2x res. CACIB Szilvasvarad Hungary 2003 Europasiieger 2004



Leone Dieter's **Southwire's Salome**, "Bretta"



Lies is shown here with littermates **Quodian's Okos** and **Quodian's Oda** who were judged the Best Couple at the recent Netherlands Vizsla Club Specialty.



Laszlo Otvos' new pup, **Pandemonium Domino** "Doeme"

The Wirehaired Vizsla in France by Nathalie Parent

Nathalie's article will be continued in the upcoming issues of *HOT OFF THE WIRE!*

Part I -- The Beginnings

1976 First Wirehaired in France, a dog male imported by the club Président, Robert DE CLERCQ, and named BUDASZENTLORINCI DEREK DINI

Become quicky CHCS and CHIB, Trialer

Never been mate : no bitches for him in France and after that found sterile

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We found some smooth in his pedigree (*JAKAB & LEDA* was registred as smooth, *Jakkelfalvi FICKO* as a wirehaired.

1979 Some more imports :

◆ Dog : ● CHCS CHIB Tr PALOTASMENTI FRAKK (Robert DE CLERCQ)

Father of 3 litters with 3 differents bitches between 1981 & 1982

◆ Bitches : ● SABO ELLA (Claude CABESTAING, kennel LE KARLAIN DES SIX DOUBS)

● SABO GINA (Gonzague DUCATILLON)

● ANCI Von HOLLOHE and her sister ASSY VON HOLLOHE, those two bitches which were bad tempered were just used one time to breed

1980 Some Imports

◆ Dog : ● VESSZOSZATONYI BETYAR, father of one litter

◆ Bitch : ● BOROSTYANKO HUNCUT, mother of one litter

All those imports of the beginning are related to the hungarian champion (property of Itsvan SAGI – SABO Kennel) *BOTOND ORKAN REX*.

1981 First Litter :

◆ 3 male and 5 females out of *ASSY VON HOLLOHE* with *PALOTASMENTI FRAKK*

● 3 of them will be used after that for breeding :

→ *SAYA*, Mother of one litter at the MARAIS DE SAINTONGE Kennel (Geneviève DALLE)

→ *SILK*, mother of two litter at the GAULIS DE HETRES Kennel (Joseph MAERTENS)

→ *SALLY*, mother at the RUINES DE SAINT MACLOU Kennel (Michel DALLE) and then at the IN MEMORY OF SHADOWS Kennel (Alain FROMONT)

1982 Second Litter :

◆ 1 male and 7 femelle at the KARLAIN DES SIX DOUBS Kennel, Only wirehaired litter of that smooth kennel (*Palotasmenti Frakk / Sabo Ella*)

● One bitch used one time to breed in Belgium : *CHLux CHNL TANI DU KARLAIN DES SIX DOUBS* – Kennel VOM BARACKPALINKA (Nelly BAELE)

Third Litter

◆ 3 male and 2 bitches from *palotasmenti Frakk* out of *Borostyanko Huncut*

- One bitch used to breed : *TARA*, mother of my *VOLPI*

Imports

◆ Dog : ● *ARANYOS TISZA CSETE*, father of 75 pups in France and Deutschland from 1983 to 1988

- *HUNOR TORSZI BUCKO*, father of two litter

◆ Bitch : ● *HUNOR TORZIARI*, mother of one litter, poorly died soon, The female breeding stock of the *RUINE DE ST MCLOU* and *MARAIS DE SAINTONGE KENNEL* is issued from that litter/

→ *VANOUCK DU marais de saintonge*

→ *VIANA du marais de saintonge*

→ *VIATKA du marais de saintonge*

HUNGARIAN WIREHAIED VIZSLA Produced in France – Pups per year

1981	11	1988	44	1995	09	2002	48
1982	23	1989	27	1996	40	2003	54
1983	7	1990	48	1997	28	2004	37
1984	33	1991	24	1998	21	2005	26
1985	5	1992	28	1999	14	2006	42
1986	23	1993	17	2000	12		
1987	24	1994	16	2001	28		

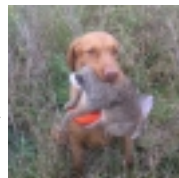
The next segment of Nathalie's article will cover *Actual Organization of the Breed*, about the French Vizsla Club.

WHVCA Gear

You can buy this shirt and other club merchandise from Zazzle.com, from T-shirts to caps--you can even get WHVCA postage stamps!. IMPORTANT: When you buy club merchandise, we get a percentage (7-17%) from every purchase that originates from the flash panel on OUR website. Visit the WHVCA Shop for all your club and breed merchandise: <http://www.whvca.us/WHVCAShop.html>



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Hunter's T-shirt



*Got Drotzoru
Magyar Vizsla?*



Lux/Dutch CH Fram Od Smutne Ricky

"Ricky" was imported from Czechoslovakia by Amy Holland, Vizland's vizsla kennel in PA. His NAVHDA registration number is WV-000134 & his OFA# is WVZ-10G32M-PI. Ricky sired six litters here in the US (Pine Tree's Hello Dolly-3, Perbalmenti Betty-2, Sand Ridge's Tiszabec-1) and then went back to Europe. At Lies van Essen's Quodian's WHV kennel in the Netherlands, Ricky quickly finished his Dutch and Luxemborg Championships. He sired a litter at Quodian's, two in Germany and one in Denmark, all are doing very well in their careers, especially Quodian's Oda and Okos, whom Lies kept from Espirit's litter. His children and grandchildren are doing very well in shows and tests here in America. Ricky is living out his retirement at Quodian's.

