



## Vizsla Club of Long Island

### *Member Application Renewal*

**Please help us to keep our records up-to-date by filling out this application and mailing it back no later than: April 15, 2006.**

#### Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number : \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if this  
number is **Unlisted** or **Listed**  
Please circle one

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City : \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

- Please indicate if you would like to receive club communications using your e-mail address ? : **Yes** or **No**
- Do you want your name and contact information included on a published club list? This list will be sent to other members of our club: **Yes** or **No**

#### Member Profile:

- I/We now own \_\_\_\_ Vizslas \_\_\_\_ Males \_\_\_\_ Females
- I / We currently participate in the following activities with our dog(s) (Circle all that apply)  
Agility breeding conformation field trials hunt tests obedience therapy tracking
- Are you a member of any other Vizsla or kennel club(s): **Yes** or **No**

If so please indicate which one(s):

VCA \_\_\_\_\_ VCGNY \_\_\_\_\_ VCNNJ \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- Do you have, or know anyone who has, special skills, facilities or equipment to offer the club such as cooking at gatherings, tables, agility or obedience equipment, veterinary or training help, newsletter publication skills, etc? If so, please indicate below? The club promises not to overwhelm you.

#### Membership (select type):

Single.....\$20.00

Family.....\$25.00

**I would like to donate to our Vizsla Rescue Fund \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

#### Suggestions for the upcoming year:

#### Please mail completed application to:

**Stephanie Fischer 28 Devonshire Court, Plainview, NY 11803**

**(516) 932-0530**

**E-mail: ILOVTRAV@AOL.COM**

**\*\*Remember to start your tick and flea preventative in March. One of our member's dogs is currently being treated for Lyme disease and another tick-borne disease. This uneven winter weather is deceptive.**

**VCLI Officers:**

**President:** Anne Denehy (631) 424-7863; Vizlsa73@aol.com  
**Vice-President:** Eddie McAuliffe Emackop@optonline.net  
**Secretary:** Jay Rezler loverboyboris@optonline.net  
**Corresponding Secretary:** Cathy Jones (631) 654-4368; Skyblu7@optonline.net  
**Treasurer:** Stephanie Fischer (516) 932-0530; ilovtrav@aol.com

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 One vacancy.

**Committee Chairs:**

**Membership:** Stephanie Fischer  
 (516) 932-0530; ilovtrav@aol.com  
**Rescue:** Stephanie Fischer, Mary K. Chelton, Ron Jones, Jay Rezler  
**Newsletter:** Mary K. Chelton

**NEWSLETTER AD RATES**

**Cover—\$22.00**  
**1 page w/1 photo \$17.00**  
**1 page w/ 2 photos \$22.00**  
**1 page w/out photo \$12.00**  
**1/2 page w/ 1 photo \$15.00**  
**1/2 page w/out photo \$10.00**  
**1/4 page w/out photo \$5.00**

**Articles written or submitted by individual correspondents may not necessarily be in accordance with present VCLI policies. When placing ads, the OFA# is required for the subject Vizsla. If under 2 years of age, the OFA#s of the parents are required. Spayed/neutered and deceased Vizslas need no OFA#.**

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Treasurers Report:

We have \$253.41 in our checking account, and \$2044.45 in our rescue savings account.

*Stephanie Fischer, Treasurer*

### Membership:

We are going strong with 43 families. PLEASE NOTE: Enclosed is our annual renewal form for this year's membership. Our year runs March 1 to February 28. Please return the form ASAP. We want to thank everyone in advance for continuing to support our club. Each year we will be expanding our horizons and organizing more fun things to do with our dogs as families. Please do not hesitate to call or drop me an e-mail with suggestions. Everyone's input is greatly appreciated. As you may have noticed on the renewal there is a \$5.00 increase. We have tried very hard for the past 3 years to keep the renewal fee the same. Due to increased operating costs, this year we found it necessary to raise the fee minimally. We hope everyone understands.

*Stephanie Fischer & Lauren Goldsmith  
Membership Committee*

### Rescue:

Our committee has been very busy with the placement of 4 dogs. To start, Johanna's dogs have been placed together with a family in Connecticut. The family lost their last Vizsla recently and were more than willing to take on the girls. Our second rescue took place right here on Long Island. A 15-month old male Vizsla living in Babylon needed to be rehomed due to a situation with one of the children in the house. At the same time another Long Island was looking to rescue. Please welcome to our club the Massey family of Mattituck. They have 3 wonderful kids and I know that Xander will have a long happy life with them. I also want to thank the Brush family for all their help with this rescue. The 2 families live

close to each other and I know Abby and Xander will become good friends. Our third rescue involves a 2-year old female who also lives here on Long Island. The family has a 6-month old baby and another one on the way. They realized that, with their current lifestyle, the dog was not getting enough attention and exercise and after much thought, emailed rescue. Lexy is being placed in a wonderful home in New Hampshire that currently has a dog from our rescue. They took Riley home last summer and recently emailed me saying they are ready for their second Vizsla. Lexy will be running with Riley through the woods and beaches of her new home within the next few weeks. Again, there are many ways you can help us in rescue. What we are really looking for are people to foster a dog, even for just a few days. Think about it. The experience is a very positive one and I can certainly speak for the entire rescue committee in saying : it does change your life in a very positive way.

*Stephanie Fischer, Mary K. Chelton,  
Ron Jones, and Jay Rezler  
Rescue Committee*

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*Our thanks to Deb Feliziani and Sue Reising for letting us use the Dog Works facility for our first match show and for donating the rental proceeds to our rescue fund. Dog Works is at 780-2 Broadway Ave., Holbrook, NY 11741. Phone: (631) 218-3466.*

*Dog Works offers private and group instruction in family dog training, puppy kindergarten, conformation, competition obedience, agility and behavior consultations. Please consider Dog Works for your dogs. Several members have used her skills successfully.*

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*From the President...*

Good news to start off the club year of 2006-2007! In the last newsletter, I told you about having sent off to AKC all the required paperwork, requesting that we might move forward in the process of accreditation. We just received notice from them that we may go ahead with the next step, a "B" Match. (This is very much like the Fun Matches we have run in the past, only there are more areas where paperwork, etc. reports, go back to AKC afterwards.) Obviously that organization wants groups looking for status as an official club to know what they are doing, to make sure there is enough interest, stability, and strength in numbers to warrant their approval. Now your Board will have to study the two huge packets of paperwork they sent so we can move forward quickly.

It looks as if many more members are becoming involved with the club's activities. Our last two successful events brought out some folks we hadn't seen in a while. The Holiday party was lots of fun. That day was shared by about 25 members. Then the latest activity, the Hunting Clinic, attracted another large number of people with their dogs. The weather that day was unusually mild and sunny for January, which added to the good learning experience for humans and canines.

As you can see, we are attempting to keep our vizslas and their owners actively involved to enhance their enjoyment as club members. Soon the agenda for the year will take shape, but at this time I can tell you to watch for news of several things — the nominating committee's report, and the club's official Annual meeting and elections in conjunction with the Dinner Meeting we will be holding in April. As those plans firm up, you will receive information in the mail. In addition, more Hunting Clinics will be coming up in the near future. If you are interested in those, and have not been "in the loop" please

notify me or the chairperson, Rich Mayer (631-368-3184).

We will be looking for more club members to become involved in committee work to advance the various areas of activity we want to provide. Please let us know if and how you would like to be part of this.

What else can your club do for YOU?  
Let us know.....

Anne Denehy  
(631) 424-7863

**CONGRATULATIONS !!**

**Betsy (Ch. Harann's Liberty Belle JH) proudly wants to share the news:**

**Ch. Harann's Big Red Clifford has just joined his brother, Ch. Harann's Kipling of Balaton in the ranks of vizsla champions, extending the Harann's line of champions to seven consecutive generations! Congratulations also to their owners, Stephanie and Ray Fischer and Joan and Paul Bogaty respectively. Their little sister, Harann's Dora a Felfedezo (Dora the Explorer) achieved the first two wins in her show career, gleaming BOW in two shows in Florida, with good friend, Betty Anderson handling her to those first four points. We're hoping for the remaining 11 by the end of the year..... Anne Denehy**

*Madeline Allan has had serious surgery on her foot, which will keep her immobile for several months. She is going crazy at home, but is enjoying the company of her dogs in her bed close to 24/7. The club sent her a flowering plant*

*Congratulations to Jay and Georgia Rezler on the birth of their daughter, Kristina, born on Feb. 11, 2006 at 10:35, weighing 7lbs, 8 oz. at 20.5 inches.*

## A Sampling of Hunt Clinic Photos

*Thanks to Helene Gugerty and Stephanie Fischer*



### *Point It Out:*

***The Pointing Dog Journal*** is a monthly publication that offers very informative training articles and bird dog stories.

They can be reached at 1-800-447-7367.

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**VIZSLA CLUB OF LONG ISLAND NEWSLETTER**

*Focus on the Field*

By Rich Mayer

On Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup>, the club got off to a fantastic start as 18 dogs from as young as 7 months to as old as ?? got a chance to hunt the cover at the David Sarnoff Preserve in Riverhead. The club was blessed with gorgeous weather which gave everyone a chance to mingle with other club members, some of which they hadn't met before.

For many of the dogs it was their first time in the field and first encounter with Quail. All the dogs showed good potential with several of the young pups demonstrating strong desire after encountering their very first bird. Amazing to watch those little puppy light bulbs light up.

For dogs who experienced the sights and smells of the field for the first time it was an overwhelming load on their senses. To get those dogs focused in the field they need to run in that environment frequently so smells and other distractions in the field become second nature and they can concentrate on hunting good objectives and scenting game. Handlers must build confident dogs that hunt boldly and independently. Beyond just getting exposure to birds and the field environment each handler must begin to outline their own program for gun introduction. Junior dogs must demonstrate their ability to be around gunfire and to handle the noise. Folks that want to participate in spring AKC events need to start that process **once they've built sufficient prey drive to shoot around the dog. Gun introduction should never**

**be rushed. Remember commandment # 5.**

In closing I'd like to thank all of the families that came to the first VCLI training day. I hope each of you learned something and caught the field bug just a little. I can guarantee that as you see your dog progress the addiction can get more severe. That's a good thing. I'd like to acknowledge Erin and Matt who are two of the club's junior handlers. Great job! I'd like to thank Stephanie Fischer for helping connect with all the club members and coordinating handlers and dogs in the parking area. I'd also like to thank Joe Diaz for his help working with some of the dogs and handlers in the bird field.

Please put the weekend of March 18/19 on your calendar as those dates were among the most accommodating for the majority of you. As soon as you can confirm to me your attendance and how many birds you want please send me an email (bytheseavizslas@optonline.net), or snail mail to 5 Bea Avenue, East Northport, NY 11731. The cost will once again be \$15 per dog including 2 Quail. We will also limit the event to club members only as with 15-20 dogs it will take into the mid afternoon to run all the club dogs I expect to attend.

Anyone that would like to talk about specific things to keep their dog progressing and focused on the field please feel free to give a call. My number is 631-368-3184.