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Minutes of Meeting

**Saturday, June 9, 2012,
General Membership Meeting 12:00 noon
Woofstock, Vallejo Fair Grounds**

20/20 Health Clinic, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm, co-sponsored by the NCWGA and the Portuguese Water Dog Club of Northern California

A brief meeting was held during the Optigen Clinic and a Supported Entry of Portuguese Water Dogs. Members signed in also volunteered for the clinic: Julie Conger, Matthew Davis, Bill Waters, Cathy Dugan, Mike Dugan, Alexia Fino, Gabriel Rodriguez, Barbara House, Wendy Morawski, Vince Mulligan, Joan Mulligan, Melissa Sheehan, Skee Tsagris, Shirley Tsagris, Bill Ward, Patti Wilkinson. Minutes were taken by Alexia Fino.

1. Call to Order : Vince Mulligan, Corresponding Secretary
2. Self-Introduction of Members and Guests Present:
3. Legislative Alerts: None
4. Approval of Minutes of May 12, 2012. Minutes were approved as modified to correct the spelling of Dianne Collings last name.
5. Treasurer's Report: Joan Mulligan. Report was approved.
6. Committee Reports:
Website: Vince Mulligan asked members to check the web site to view changes in colors and give him and Charla Goudeau comments about the changes.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Report of Match , May 19, 2012, No report.
2. All-Breed temperament Testing with the Rottweiler club will be on Sat-Sun, August 4-5, 2012, Dixon County Fairgrounds, Penny Schumacher is coordinating the event. Present volunteer list includes Patti Wilkinson, Gabriel Rodriguez, Alexia Fino, Charla Goudeau, Wendy Morawski, Cathy Dugan and Mike Dugan.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

Update: A copy and photos of the Optigen Clinic of June 9, 2012 is attached.

NEXT MEETING, To be announced.

All Breed OPTIGEN 20/20 CLINIC

By Cathy Dugan, Clinic Coordinator

This year's annual canine health clinic performed over 70 health tests, including 13 JDCM, 17 GM-1 and 19 AKC DNA tests. Co-sponsored by the Northern California Working Group Association and the Portuguese Water Dog Club of Northern California, the event provides an opportunity of owners of all breeds to test their dogs at a substantial discount.

We had excellent volunteer support from both clubs who provided great effort throughout the day.

Test included:

JDCM—checks for juvenile cardiomyopathy carriers.

GM-1—checks for Storage Disease carriers.

Optigen PRA—checks eye disease progressive retinal atrophy carriers.

IC-13—Checks for improper coat carriers.

AKC DNA—the AKC is the repository for DNA on your dog for future breeding.

As a breed, Portuguese Water Dogs are known for their sound health, energy and longevity. In fact, health testing has gone a long way to saving this wonderful breed from possible extinction just a few decades ago.

We want to thank all those who volunteered to make this a success.

Health testing is critical to maintaining and improving the health of our perfectly wonderful dogs!