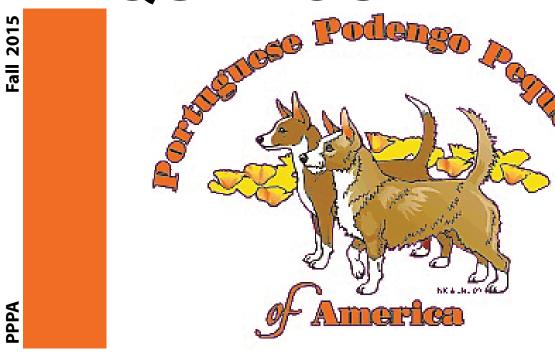
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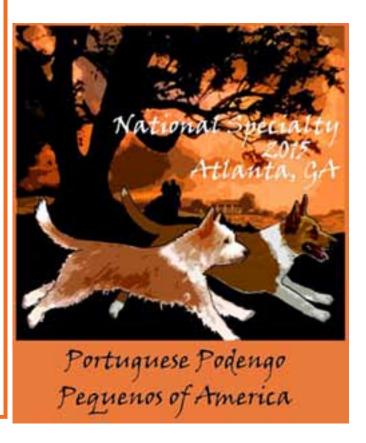
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President's Letter

Hello members,

It appears that the National was enjoyed by those who attended. A good attendance and nice selection for baby puppy winners, Sweepstake winners, and National Specialty winners. I hope the judges were all asked to make a critique of their entry. It's always nice to know why they put up the dogs and bitches they did.

I am truly sorry I was unable to attend. I was told by many members I would have enjoyed it. I am sure I would have!!

I have received comments from AKC judges concerning the ringside mentors and they were very complementary. The judges felt they had learned a lot from these mentors which is wonderful news for all exhibitors of the breed. The Auction evidently went quite well and Vasco's knives were well received. Thank you to the members who put this National together and Thank You to all who supported it. Hopefully we will see you in California next August.

Your President, Suzanne Faria

Show Chair Note: The judges, Mr. Johnson and Ms. Mirestes, where both asked to provide critiques. Mr. Johnson was witnessed taping comments after judging. The critiques will be published as soon as they are available.

Judge's Education

Jean Evanoff presented Judges Education at the 2015 PPPA Nationals, along with a PPP Breed Seminar for the members, breeders, owners, and any other interested parties who are wanting to learn more about PPP. The Breed Seminar seemed to be successful per the statements by several who attended.

Thank you for presenting the seminar Ms. Evanoff. It is unknown at this time if there are any future Judge's Education events planned or where they will be held.

Karen Conrey

Health Committee

Health and Research Committee Report Robert "Bud" Hidlay, Chair December 1, 2015

Update from Last PIP

The OFA Health Survey has been totally reworked due to some corrupt files in the base survey program. The new overview was sent to us on November 16th and I will be sending it out to the Health Committee for final testing by the end of the month.

New Information

We had a great 2015 PPPA National Specialty in Atlanta, GA on October 16th. Including the Specialty we had five shows in four days with a total 170 regular class entries. It was an awesome sight to see 23 Champions in our Specialty Best of Breed ring consisting of both Wire and Smooth Pequenos. We raised \$1165 for the PPPA Health Fund through Sales of the Commemora-tive Portuguese Knives, Special Raffle Items, and CAER Eye Clinic.

We still have 8 of the Knives available for \$15 plus postage and handling. Please contact me if you would like to have one.

The third quarter 2015 OFA stats have been published on our PPPA Health Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/PPPAHealthPage

In addition, I recently looked at the HIP figures from OFA. It must be noted that only "Published" ones are included in the following numbers:

Total Examined: 96 Excellent: 31 Good 61 Fair 4

We currently will not be shown on the yearly reports because it requires that we have a minimum of 100 tested dogs.

The CHIC site now indicates we have 64 dogs who received a CHIC number; however, only 28 are shown to have continued to remain CHIC compliant. In order to remain compliant you must have yearly CAER Eye examines. To check the current status of your dog, click the following link: http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/results.html?page=1#results

The tests required for issuing a CHIC number as specified by PPPA are Hip Dysplasia (OFA or PENN HIP), CAER Eye Examination, and Petellar Luxation. Remember that the issuing of a CHIC number is not an indication of a passed test. The recommended test results for breeding stock is listed in the PPPA Code of Ethics and can be found at the following link:

http://portuguesepodengopequeno.org/uploads/pppcoe.pdf

Sincerely, Robert "Bud" Hidlay budhidlay@comcast.net 770.423.0333 H

By Laws Committe

The By-Laws Committee last met on November 14, 2015. Present at the meeting was Rose Hidlay, Chair, Nancy Hall, Stacy Faw and Lance McGinnis. The Committee has met on a regular basis since its inception in June of this year. We have made excellent progress and are hoping to have the revised by-laws ready for Board approval in February of 2016. Soon after that it should be ready to go to AKC and then to the general membership for approval.

Summited by Rose Hidlay, Chair

Annual Meeting

Portuguese Podengo Pequenos of America, Inc. 2015 Annual Meeting October 16, 2015

The meeting was opened at 8:35 PM

Rose Hidlay opened the meeting and in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order Chapter XV asked if there were any objections to her acting as chairman pro tem. There being no objections she called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Signup sheet was passed around. It was determined that we had 23 members present.

Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the August Board Meeting were read as there were no minutes from a previous annual meeting. It was noted that these minutes were not yet approved and would be published in the newsletter at that time.

Report of President: None

Report of Secretary: None

Report of Treasurer: – Stacy Faw presented the Treasurer's report at the request of Penny Schroeder.

The Club year runs from January 1st to December 31st. The beginning balance for 2015 was \$10,692.62 and the balance as of September 30th is \$12,372.83. Of course, this does not include a full accounting for the 2015 National Specialty.

Report of Committees:

Media Committee, Stacy Faw – The purpose of this committee is to promote the Club and the breed in the best way possible. We are in the process of forming the committee.

Health Committee, Bud Hidlay – Posted the 3rd quarter OFA Report on Health Page. Problems with the Survey tool is preventing release of our survey. Bud stressed the need to send all tested dog information to OFA so that the percentages shown are accurate.

Judges Education Committee, Jean Evanoff – Several judges attended the judges education seminar, were ringside mentored and participated in the hands on session.

By-Laws Committee, Rose Hidlay – We have been meeting since July looking at any changes or simplification necessary.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

Carol Houlihan presented her request for membership to the members of the club as prescribed in the By-Laws. Her membership request had been rejected by the Board of Directors in November 2014. Carol recounted her history in the breed as well as her past legal issues. A question was asked as to why she was turned down to which Carol stated she was rejected by the Board of Directors. Jean Evanoff said that she was the Secretary of the Board at the time and received 12 emails/letters from members about violations of our code of ethics and Carol's legal issues. She further stated that as Secretary, she was obligated to present some of the letters on behalf of the Board. A question was raised as to when these letters were received and Jean stated that they were received after the notice of Carol's membership application was sent to the members of the club.

Carol was given the opportunity of offer a rebuttal and left the meeting.

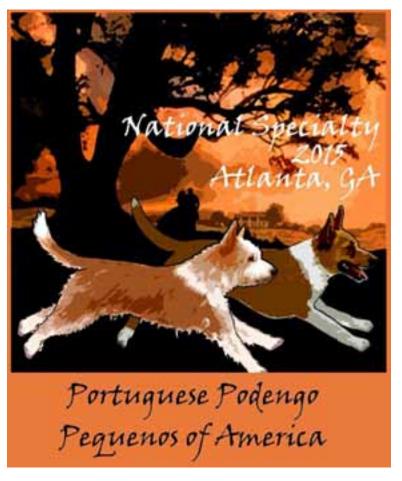
Blank pieces of paper were handed to the members to vote "yes" or "no" with the "yes" votes being to allow Carol to join the club. The vote was 9 Yes – 13 No – 1 Abstained.

Susan Souza brought up that there is a free pedigree website called Paw Village which allows everyone to enter their own pedigrees. She has already added the pedigree of her dogs and they will remain there for all users. There was a discussion of other databases that are available. It was suggested that we need to have pedigrees on the website and Rose agreed to bring it to the board for consideration.

Rose introduced Nola and Bill Boyd of Coral Springs, FL, who have filled out an application for membership. Their application will be forwarded to the secretary and follow the normal procedure.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted, Robert "Bud" Hidlay



From Karen Conrey, Show Chair

Thanks to all who attended and supported the 2015 PPPA National Specialty, along with the supported entries of the Atlanta Cluster.

I would like to also give a huge shout out to Rose and Bud Hidlay, to whom this Club owes a huge debt of gratitude. You two really did a great job! Regretfully, my words, and those who attended the Nationals, seem to be the only ones willing to offer our gratitude for your efforts. The Dinner was wonderful, the planning was perfect and all was well executed.

I would also like to thank all who contributed for the trophies and the auction. Your contributions are so appreciated!

Congratulations to all the winners!

As promised, here are a few candid shots from the events on the next page.

Editor's Note: This will be my last Newsletter. I have many reasons for making this decision, but will not publically provide them all. I have struggled with coming to this decision.

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Junior Hound Group Top 10



Congratulations Kalista Ganser!!!

Join me in wishing her best of luck at Westminister in 2016

