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## President's message

Happy beginning of Spring to everyone. With Vaccinations available to all adults and most counties going down in COVID tiers, there may be a time we can all get together soon. I would love to have a zoom type meeting but would like to know if you would attend. We are looking at something educational, and would like to know what you are interested in. Please send me an email at [lisa.blutman@aol.com](mailto:lisa.blutman@aol.com) and tell me if you would be able to attend a zoom meeting and what topics you might be interested in hearing about.

Here are some updates:

Spring Specialty and Sweepstakes have been moved from April to July. We will support the entry at the Northern California Terrier Association Show on Thursday, July 8, hold our specialty on Friday, July 9, and support the entries for the Sacramento Dog Club on Saturday and Sunday, July 10 and 11. These shows will be held at the Lodi Grape Festival Grounds. As of now, due to COVID regulations, only those showing dogs can attend and masks are always required in buildings. If you are planning to show, make your hotel reservations now. There are multiple national specialties being held and hotel rooms are filling up fast. Most hotels, when making reservations directly with their website will allow you to cancel 24 or 48 hours in advance. If using a third party website to make your reservations, you may not have this luxury.

Fall Specialty and Sweepstakes are still planned for October 30 at the Dixon May Fairgrounds. We will support the entry for the Sacramento Valley Dog Fanciers Association show on Sunday, October 31. Our annual dinner will be held on Saturday night. There will be a sales table of some wonderful, donated westie items. At this time, we do not know what the COVID regulations will be for show attendance but hope the show will be open to spectators. The

dinner is buffet style provided by a local caterer. The dinner is open to all. Put the date on your calendars so you can see westies in the show ring.



More information will be provided as both dates get closer.

Recently I sent an email to everyone regarding a piece of California legislation that is an attempt to regulate dog breeding in California. It requires that breeders purchase permits from the local government to breed their dogs. Many counties do not have this type of process in place and to start it, if willing to even put it in place, will cost an insurmountable amount of money to enforce.

Here is the latest from the AKC regarding AB 702.

March 8, 2021

<https://www.akc.org/legislative-alerts/california-ask-assembly-committee-oppose-ab-702/>

*Please forward to California dog breeders and owners:*

As [mentioned in a previous alert](#), a bill has been introduced in the California Assembly that would regulate all breeders in the state.

The bill has now been assigned to the Assembly Business and Professions Committee. **No hearing has been scheduled; however, it is important that the committee members hear from Californians who will be impacted by this bill.** In particular, if you are a constituent of a committee member, [we encourage you to use this form provided to directly contact the member and let them know you reside in their district and how the bill will impact you.](#)

Even if you are not a constituent, it is important for the committee to hear from you as a California resident. Respectfully ask them to oppose AB 702 and let them know how it would impact you as a breeder in California. [View AKC's previous alert](#) for recommended talking points. The contact information is listed below.

AKC thanks the club members and breeders across the state who have joined the AKC in communicating the many concerns and problems in Assembly Bill 702. It is essential that the members hear from Californians and understand how this bill will impact responsible breeders in the state.

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AKC continues to work with the Assembly and other stakeholders to address concerns and will provide updates as they are available. For questions, contact AKC Government Relations at [www.akcgr.org](http://www.akcgr.org).

## [Take Action Now!](#)

I ask that each one of you to please send one email or make one phone call to one of these individuals to let them know you oppose AB 702. You never have to give a reason. A phone call to the office, stating you want it on record that you oppose this bill will help tremendously.



## Dog Food Recalls

March 16, 2021 — Bravo Packing, Inc., of Carneys Point, New Jersey, [is expanding](#) its previously announced voluntary recall of two pet food products to now include all pet food and bones in all package sizes... because they may be **contaminated** with **disease-causing bacteria**.

During an FDA inspection, samples collected tested positive for **Salmonella** and **Listeria monocytogenes** and resulted in a recall due to the potential health risks to humans and pets.

See The Dog Food Advisor's [previous announcement here](#).

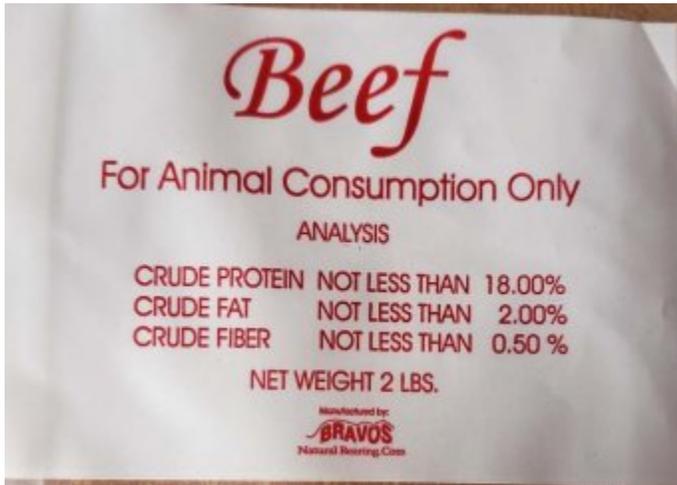
### What's Recalled?

Bravo Packing, Inc. is expanding the recall due to potential cross contamination of the following dog and cat food products.

Pet Food Product Names	Size
"Performance Dog" (chub) frozen raw dog food	2 lbs.
"Performance Dog" (chub) frozen raw dog food	5 lbs.
"Green Tripe" (chub - ground bovine stomach) frozen raw dog food	2 lbs.
"Green Tripe" (chub - ground bovine stomach) frozen raw dog food	5 lbs.
"Beef" (chub - ground) frozen raw dog food	2 lbs.
"Beef" (chub - ground) frozen raw dog food	5 lbs.
"Performance Dog" (patties) frozen raw dog food	unknown
"Tripe" (patties ¼ lbs.) frozen raw dog food	unknown
Bones (smoked) 14 varieties	unknown

### Label Images of Recalled Products

The following label images are included in the FDA bulletin. No other photographs were provided by the company.



### About Salmonella

Salmonella can cause illness in pets eating the products, as well as people who handle contaminated pet food products, especially if they have not thoroughly washed their hands after having contact with the products, infected pets, or any surfaces exposed to these products.

People infected with Salmonella should monitor themselves for some or all of the following symptoms: nausea, vomiting, diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, abdominal cramping, and fever.

Rarely, Salmonella can result in more serious ailments, including arterial infections, endocarditis (an infection of the heart muscle), arthritis, muscle pain, eye irritation, and urinary tract symptoms.

People who have these symptoms after having contact with the products identified in this recall or with a pet that has eaten these products should contact their healthcare providers.

A pet with a Salmonella infection may be lethargic and have diarrhea or bloody diarrhea, fever, and vomiting.

Some pets will have decreased appetite, fever, and abdominal pain.

If your pet has consumed the recalled products and has these symptoms, please contact your veterinarian.

Pets exposed to contaminated food can be infected without showing symptoms.



Infected pets, including those without symptoms, can also shed Salmonella through their feces and saliva, spreading pathogens into the home environment and to humans and other animals nearby.

Listeria monocytogenes is an organism which can cause **serious and sometimes fatal** infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems.

Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain, and diarrhea, Listeria monocytogenes infection can cause **miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women.**

No human or animal illnesses related to the identified products have been reported to date.

#### Where Were the Products Sold?

Bravo Packing Inc. generally works with distributors that fill orders to **retail stores** and to consumers **directly nationwide.**

## What to Do?

Consumers with any of the affected products should handle them with caution, discard products in a secure container, and wash hands and surfaces properly.

Consumers with questions should contact Bravo Packing, Inc. at 856-299-1044 (Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, ET).

U.S. citizens can report complaints about FDA-regulated pet food products by calling the [consumer complaint coordinator](#) in your area.

Or go to the FDA's "[Report a Pet Food Complaint](#)" page.

Canadians can report any health or safety incidents related to the use of this product by filling out the [Consumer Product Incident Report Form](#).



As the Spring Holidays occur remember not to allow your westies to eat chocolate eggs. Chocolate is hazardous to their health.

### **Westie Foundation**

Are you aware of the Westie Foundation? This organization sponsors research of health issues that occur with westies. At UC Davis, they have sponsored researchers of dry eye, Addison's disease, and others. One of the ways they raise money, is an annual Facebook auction. If you have a Facebook account, the auction is May 14-16.

Other ways to donate to the Westie Foundation, Westie Med or other charities of your choice is through the Amazon Smile ordering process.

One of our members sent me this update:

This is the quarterly notification to inform you that the charity you've selected, **WestieMed, Inc.**, recently received a donation of **\$126.01** from AmazonSmile -- at no cost to you or other customers.

Thanks to customers shopping at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), or with AmazonSmile ON in the Amazon Shopping app, everyday purchases have generated over **\$266 million** in donations to charities worldwide so far.

AmazonSmile's impact:

- **\$1,572.25** to WestieMed, Inc.\*
- **\$241,928,506.19** to all charities in the US6
- **\$266,896,659.48** to all charities worldwide

## Whelping Box



**For all members who have had a litter we would love to list your litter here. Note this does not mean any puppies are available for sale.**

Gailaurie's Roxie Hart of Litman and Am/Can Ch Gailaurie's XXplorer  
Owned by Lisa Blutman and Gail Krieger  
4 boys and 1 girl born February 22, 2021



We wish to take this opportunity to honor our wonderful four-footed friends who have crossed the Rainbow Bridge.



For future issues, please send the memorial information to:

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Please send a photo, birth (an estimate is fine if you don't have the exact date) and passing date along with a short note to include in the memorial



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Please consider volunteering your time by serving on one of the Club's committees.

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