

CTMB Meeting – September 15, 2010

The Charitable Trust Management Board (CTMB) of the Newfoundland Club of America Charitable Trust met via teleconference on September 15, 2010. Clyde E. Dunphy called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. CDT. Members present were Clyde Dunphy, Jacqueline Brellochs, Dave Helming, Roger Powell, Mary L. Price, and Mary Jane Spackman. Janice Hight, Mary W. Price and Andy Zinsmeyer were absent. Dave Helming moved to approve the minutes of August 11, 2010, as corrected. Mary L. Price seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's report: Clyde sent a letter of appreciation to Deborah Aycock for the generous donation of \$10,000 from the estate of her mother, Lorraine Groshans, a former NCA member. Additionally, Clyde contacted Deborah to ask if she would be willing to forward a picture of her mother and a short history of her mother's life in the sport of dogs for *Newf Tide*.

Clyde reported that Mary Lou Roberts had received the NCA Regional Club mailing list for the Regional Club outreach program.

Treasurer's Report: Mary L. Price reported the Trust's cash balances as of September 14, 2010. Newfoundland Health Challenge (NHC): checking account—\$32,278.24; savings account—\$ 24,399.76; invested in CDs—\$ 43,000.00; Health Challenge total—\$99,678.00. Rescue Fund checking account—\$ 20,447.68; invested in a CD—\$15,000.00; Rescue total—\$35,447.68. \$5,000.00 of this is reserved for the Rescue Endowment. Scholarship invested in a CD—\$6,777.77; Trust Management checking—\$5,535.51. Total Charitable Trust—\$147,438.96. Note: Of the NHC balance of \$99,678.00, \$5,000.00 is committed to the DNA rebate program; \$5,000.00 is reserved for NHC Endowment fund; leaving an available NHC balance of \$89,678.00.

Mary reported that seventy-five percent of the dues have been processed and donations of approximately \$5,000.00 have been donated to Rescue and \$5,000.00 to the NHC.

Clyde moved to open a \$25,000 Certificate of Deposit for twenty-four months at 2% with M&I for the Newfoundland Health Challenge . The funds will be transferred from the checking/money market account for this CD. Roger Powell seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Secretary's Report:

- Requested that RAC send a letter of support to the Canine Health Foundation in response to a request from Gina Bertocci, PhD, Professor and Endowed Chair, Mechanical and Bioengineering Departments at the University of Louisville. This request identified a proposed study in the area of cranial cruciate ligament (CCL) disease in dogs. The research will focus on using state-of-the-art engineering techniques, such as 3D computer simulation modeling to investigate factors that may predispose dogs to CCL rupture. This letter of support may not be needed as proposed studies are selected on scientific merit by the CHF, but the consensus of the CTMB is that it will indicate our continued support of research on CCL disease.
- Distributed to the CTMB RAC's initial review of three of the Morris Animal Foundation (MAF) Studies for 2010-2011. The three studies reviewed were D10CA-026, Comparison of Low Dose Aspirin Versus Individually Adjusted Heparin on Survival of Dogs With IMHA, D10CA-002 Safety and Efficacy of a Novel Anthracycline, AD 198 in Dogs with Refractory Lymphoma.

Chemotherapy causes remission, but there is relapse and D10CA-016 Gastrointestinal Motility Using A Novel Non-Invasive Technique at Home. RAC is in the process of reviewing four additional studies from MAF.

- Distributed to the CTMB, the Breeder's Education proposed survey on Newfoundland puppies diagnosed with SAS and its possible relation to the proposed Doppler rebate program for breeding stock within the NCA. Kathy McIver and Pat Randall offered to attend a CTMB meeting to discuss this proposed survey.
- Distributed Press Release from the Canine Health Foundation entitled the Pfizer Animal Health, AKC Canine Health Foundation Form Exclusive Research Alliance
- Distributed the Doppler Rebate Program for final review/approval by the CTMB
- Received the final RAC job description update from Roger Powell.

Old Business: The CTMB will offer a Doppler Rebate program to encourage our breeders to use this gold standard of heart evaluations for breeding stock. The Doppler Rebate Program is for all breeding Newfoundlands owned by NCA members based on the following criteria:

The Newfoundland must be between one and five years of age.

The Doppler must be performed by a Board Certified Cardiologist after 12 months of age

The Newfoundland must be intact.

Only Newfoundlands owned by NCA members will be eligible for the rebate.

The \$100 rebate will be issued upon receipt of the signed cardiologist report.

All requests should be mailed to:

Cissy Sullivan
20005 Collins Road
Marengo, IL 60152

The program will begin on January 1, 2011 and will only be available to dogs dopplered after January 1, 2011

The Program has a cap of \$5,000 and will be available on a first come, first served basis until the funds are exhausted. A discussion is necessary prior to final vote to discuss \$50 rebate at National Specialty.

New Business: The Research Advisory Committee completed its initial review of the 2010-2011 Morris Animal Foundation (MAF) proposed studies. Currently they have completed the review of three of the seven studies viewed as applicable to the Newfoundland. The CTMB will wait until the proposal review is complete for all seven proposals before the CTMB renders a decision on which study or studies to fund.

A discussion was held on the Pfizer/Canine Health Foundation alliance. It was questioned whether this alliance would place any restrictions on the DNA Repository or future studies. Clyde will contact the CHF for clarification.

In order to complete the revised committee job descriptions for RAC, NHC and Rescue, it was decided to schedule two additional special meetings for review/approval of these job descriptions. These two meetings will be held on October 11 and 19 at 7:15, CDT.

The next meeting of the CTMB will be at 7:15 CDT on Wednesday, October 13, 2010.

Roger Powell moved to adjourn at 8:56 CDT. Mary Jane Spackman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.