

HEALTH COMMITTEE – October 2017

Submitted by: Susan Miller Hall, Chair

Susan Miller Hall was approved as new Health Chair in April, after a yearlong interim term. Committee members include:

Janis Birchall MD Magda Chiarella Rainee Johnson DVM Elaine Jong MD

Lori Pelletier

The NTUAS study is wrapping up phase one of the study. The last two dogs will be seen at University of Pennsylvania in October. Drs. Stanley and Pei-Lei will be presenting the impressions gathered so far at the annual health seminar, Thursday, October 4, 2017. This presentation will be recorded by NTCA member Dina Moore-Tzouris and made available for viewing by the entire membership after editing.

6:00 PM Health Seminar

Hilton Garden Inn – 530 Pennsylvania Ave, Fort Washington, PA Speaker: Bryden J Stanley, BVMS, MACVSc, MVetSc, Diplomate ACVS Topic: Update on the NTUAS study results to date.

A health survey concerning the prevalence, vaccine use, diagnosis and treatment of Leptospirosis was conducted in the spring. The member response was great and the results are posted on the website. Melanie Bryson was instrumental in the development and dissemination of this survey. <https://www.norwichterrierclub.org/ntca-member-lepto-survey/htt>.

Recently, in cooperation with members of the NTCA, Dr. Kurt Williams at the College of Veterinary Medicine at Michigan State University has been investigating the role that abnormal lung development may be playing in contributing to the problem of mortality in young Norwich Terrier puppies. Dr. Williams has recently applied for a grant to further this investigation and NTCA has forwarded a letter of support. We continue to ask for breeder's participation.

<https://www.norwichterrierclub.org/puppy-lung-health-study/>

I attended the American Kennel Club Canine Health Foundation National Parent Club Canine Health Conference held August 11-13, 2017, in Saint Louis MO. A copy of the abstracts can be found on the NTCA website. <http://www.norwichterrierclub.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/CHF-conference-2017-abstracts.pdf>

We continue to build a library of pertinent articles relevant to the health and well being of the breed.

I encourage every member to visit this site, you will find peer reviewed articles, and articles by club members and recent recorded activities are located in one easy reference location. <https://www.norwichterrierclub.org/about-norwich/norwich-health/>