

## **HEALTH REPORT FROM THE MEETING OF THE JHG** **HELD ON 17<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2013**

### **GLAUCOMA**

- (a) 25 Welsh Springer Spaniels were tested for Goniodysgenesis at the WSSC Open Show in November 2012, they were all tested UNAFFECTED.
- (b) One dog has been reported as developing Primary Glaucoma who had been tested twice in her life and both times Unaffected. Details of this dog will be added to the list in the next WSSC Year Book
- (c) The Group felt that owners/breeders should be made aware that Glaucoma has been reported in a few dogs who have been tested Unaffected in early life, and have developed the condition despite that fact. However testing is still required to ensure we are all aware of the current situation with regard to our dogs' eyes.
- (d) Costs for Testing for Goniodysgenesis have been increased and now stand at £51 per dog.

### **HEALTH REPORTS**

The WSS Joint Health Group has recommended that each of the constituent Clubs publishes the Health Reports on its website.

### **EPILEPSY SURVEY**

The Joint Health Group is consulting with the Animal Health Trust regarding survey design. It has been noted that the Italian Spinones are collaborating with the AHT and the Group are looking into a similar survey for Welsh Springer Spaniels.

### **KENNEL WEBSITES**

The Joint Health Group noted with concern, that it has been reported that there are websites providing the public with misleading information about the general health of the Welsh Springer Spaniel breed. This matter has been referred back to the constituent Clubs for investigation.

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