



## **So, who makes up Clumber Spaniel Health?**

We are not a “member organisation” but we do have a controlling board that guides the direction of CSH. You can be a member of CSH, there is no fee (but donations are always welcome!) and if you send us your e-mail address, we will let you know when new information is posted.

Our Board is as follows:

### **Officers**

Chair:	Jackie Crawford
Secretary:	Pam Sheppard
Treasurer:	Heather Richardson
Research Co-ord:	Lynn Peters
Clumberfest:	Pam and Peter Sheppard
Events Manager:	Adrian Peters

### **Board Members**

Lynn Peters  
Helen S James  
Donna Thompson-Read  
Peter Sheppard

### **Supported/Advised by:**

Martin Owen (East of England Veterinary referral center)  
Cathryn Mellersh Lead Geneticist (AHT)

### **What do we do?**

We recently promoted a health survey that generated 311 responses worldwide, we are using the data gathered to decide our next area of interest. It could be just simple husbandry advice; it could be more detailed analysis or working with a veterinary or a research institute (such as AHT) on an issue that appears to be increasing in frequency or importance.

Currently as a result of owners performing Embark testing, Progressive Retinal Atrophy (PRA) has been raised as an issue. We are working with AHT to determine how much of an issue it is. Please see the details on our Facebook Page if you wish to help

### **How do we raise funds?**

Our principal fundraiser has been Clumberfest. We initially raised money to support the Clumber Spaniel Club (CSC) Health Committee and in fact there is £500 set aside in CSC Funds for

supporting the “Give a Dog a Genome” project (by AHT), However, in 2019 we had no commitment to give funds to CSC, so decided to set up CSH to be more agile and better inform Clumber owners. The PRA project with AHT is quite expensive and will use all our funds raised from Clumberfest and we will need to raise more, so we have set up a Just Giving page to raise £1500. Any amount will be gratefully received. Any money in excess of what we need will go forward to our next project.

### **Recent Events**

Lynn and Adrian Peters recently met with AHT and Embark at Crufts and had a very interesting discussion. Having spoken to both AHT and Embark we are confident that the projects we are running and planning do not conflict with any projects run by any other clubs/societies in the UK.

We are also speaking to Embark to get an IOHC project of the ground and that may well include the American Clumber Spaniel Foundation as IOHC is also an issue “across the pond”.

### **How can you help?**

Join us as a member, there is no fee (donations are always welcome) and just send your e-mail address to info@cshuk.club and we will then send you the newsletter the moment it is published and advise you of any updates to the Facebook Page and Website as soon as they happen.

***Please spread the word about us — for whatever reason some people on Facebook and elsewhere see us as a threat and block our posts!***

All we want is to have is the best for our Clumber Spaniels. Last years there were less than 200 puppies born in the UK, that in itself is worrying. Of more concern is the increase in incidence of IOHC and PRA in our breed, which we need to understand how and why and do our best to find out why it happens and knowing that with good breeding practice maybe we can reduce the occurrence.

## **GIVE A DOG A GENOME**

Finally, we are always looking to the next project. The AHT have been running a Give a Dog A Genome Project for a number of years now, the Clumber Spaniels missed out on the first tranche, but at the meeting with AHT at Crufts Clumber Spaniel Health were told that if we can find the £2000, Clumber Spaniels can be included!

This is really great news, so watch out for more details in the future.

## ***Clumberfest***

*Don't forget Clumberfest is running on July 11th & 12th July 2020 with camping from July 6th to July 13th inclusive.*



**Best AsBo at the Fun Show....  
Can your Clumber do better?**

### **Useful Links (all clickable)**

**Clumber Spaniel Health Website - <https://clumberhealth.helpdocs.io/>**

**Embark - <https://embarkvet.com/>**

**AHT - <https://www.aht.org.uk/>**

**Just Giving - <https://tinyurl.com/uwj5g6z>**

**Give a Dog a Genome - <https://www.aht.org.uk/research/give-a-dog-a-genome>**

**Dogs 8+ survey - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GCB6QGT>**

**PRA Study - <https://clumberhealth.helpdocs.io/article/2o7cjowcux-pra-study>**

**Results from Health Survey - <https://tinyurl.com/uhsvysn>**

**Clumberfest - <https://clumberfest.org/>**

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