

HIGHLIGHT KEY:

BLUE & YELLOW: General related notes

GREEN: Medication

PINK: Video

BABY ISIS EPILEPSY DIARY

Baby Isis was born November 30, 2008.

FIRST Seizure: March 20, 2010: TIME 10:32 pm; DURATION: 3 Minutes, 20 seconds

Baby Isis was sleeping on the couch when she awoke with her head wobbling back and forth. She seemed aware that I was next to her but at the same time had a distant look in her eyes. After the seizure, she laid her head back down and went back to sleep.

SECOND Seizure: April 23, 2010: Time 7:10 am; DURATION: 2 Minutes

Baby Isis awoke in the morning to a seizure, she stumbled off the bed and into the kitchen. Her head was wobbling and she did not seem to be aware of any of her surroundings.

These first two seizures happened about a week before and a week after her second heat cycle.

THIRD Seizure: May 28, 2010: 3:25 pm; DURATION: A Minute and 40 seconds

She had just fallen asleep 10 minutes earlier when she awoke to her head wobbling. Was very unstable on her legs after seizure. 20 minutes after the seizure she fell down in the yard.

June 13, 2010--MEDICATION: Phenobarbital, 32.4 mg, ½ tablet twice daily.

BEFORE MEDICATION AFTER SEIZURES BEGAN:

- 1) Baby Isis was edgy.
- 2) She seemed to pace a lot.
- 3) She would fidget.
- 4) Often 'mouths' her legs and feet prior to a seizure occurring
- 5) She would often arise three to four times during the night.
- 6) Seems to have forgotten her potty training (as well as other training like obedience and agility).
- 7) When she would go outside; she would bark a lot.
- 8) She would sometimes awaken to a seizure.
- 9) She appears anti-social.
- 10) Apathetic.
- 11) Lacks confidence.
- 12) She seemed cranky at times.
- 13) She would often appear to be just exhausted.

AFTER MEDICATION:

DAY 1 (June 13, 2010):

So far, I have noticed a general state of 'relaxed'. She seems 'calm'. There wasn't a lot of pacing, insisting to go out today. At times I left the front door open while I worked in the garden. Not once did I hear Baby Isis barking her head off at errant smells. She seemed exhausted by dinner time. She still romped and played with Big Brother but was able to relax and sleep on the couch when necessary.

DAY 2:

Baby Isis slept through the night undisturbed. I was only home for the afternoon, but she still doesn't bark incessantly at the little critters outside the courtyard. She is still relaxing but more active than her brother Big Brother.

Day 3:

She woke up once this evening, actually early morning.

June 28, 2010

Baby Isis seemed pretty agitated. It was bright and sunny today and she was outside for quite a long time...when I finally coaxed her in. Her pupils were dilated.

July 6, 2010:

She seemed agitated. For most of the early morning and day she wanted to bark her head off in the compound. She wouldn't come back to bed and when she wasn't allowed to go back out the fifth time she peed on the floor.

July 20, 2010 (6 pm) DOSAGE CHANGE

Moved Baby Isis up to 1 ½ (1/2 gram) pills (92.7 mg, ½ tablet, twice daily).

July 22, 2010

Her electrical activity seems calmer, while her curiosity and sense of adventure seems to have increased. She is still getting up several times in the middle of the night. But is more readily able to come back to bed.

July 26, 2010

Tonight, beginning around 9 pm, Baby Isis was obviously having an electrical disturbance. She was pacing the floor and COULD NOT settle down or even stand still. She just kept pacing and pacing. She appeared very anxious. Sometime when we were in the kitchen, she peed on the living room floor (she had just been out several times before that). And shortly after 10:30, she finally came to bed and could barely lift her body onto the 'throne' (which is the curvy part of a sectional couch). Once on the throne (couch in the bedroom) she literally collapsed without enough energy to lift her head.

August 5, 2010

The new dosage seems to agree quite well with Baby Isis. She seems happy, content, full of energy (in the right way), and can relax enough to sleep through the night. She manages naps throughout the day but has plenty of play time with Big Brother. Once 10 pm comes they ask to go out one last time before heading to the bedroom to retire for the evening. She wakes around 5 am to begin her day, full of orneriness and lots of energy. After breakfast (around 9 am) she naps in her crate.

August 12, 2010

Dad came home to find Baby Isis in a fog of sorts. She was still moving around but V-E-R-Y S-L-O-W-L-Y. The Husband calls it "The Slows". Baby Isis was walking toward The Husband, bumped into him, and just kept walking. She had that distant look in her eyes. Even when she was let outside, she was still moving slowly. No 'Busting Out' the door like usual. Then that evening, she wanted out every 20 minutes. And when The Husband (Dad) didn't let her out on the 15th time...she promptly peed on the floor.

September 17, 2010; TIME: 1:34 am; DURATION: unknown since the movement began when I was asleep, lasted for 2 minutes after I awoke.

I awoke shortly after 1:30 am to a quick scratching noise. I discovered it was Baby Isis. She was making quick jerking movements with her legs while looking as if she was still asleep. Then, her head

started jerking sideways. I knew then it was a seizure. Afterwards she slowly got off the throne (couch in the bedroom) and wanted to go outside. Her movements were in slow motion and she behaved as if she did not know where she was.

September 23, 2010; TIME: 11:16 pm; DURATION: 4 minutes.

I felt Baby Isis moving against my legs. I thought she was just trying to find a comfortable spot for her muzzle (she is very particular about where she wants her head and muzzle when she is about to sleep...she usually 'burrows' with her muzzle so that her cute little nose is covered by something). As it went into the second minute, I thought something may be up so I felt for her head to comfort her...then I knew she was having a seizure. I had The Husband turn on the lights and I removed the covers. Then I had The Husband go get the camera. I only managed to get the tail end of it, but it looks like her seizures are lasting longer.....Looking back at her behavior earlier that evening I could find anything that pointed to seizure symptoms. The only thing that stands out in my mind is that she was pretty insistent on going out repeatedly. She was up several times throughout the night.

September 25, 2010:

Baby Isis slept through the night!!!

There have been definite behavior differences since the seizures started:

BEFORE SEIZURES	AFTER SEIZURES
Puppy agility star, very good at shaping, offers new behaviors quickly, willing to learn	Afraid of the equipment, not even curious, not open to shaping, not offering any behaviors**
Housetrained	Will frequently pee/defecate on the floor at any time of the day, even if she has unrestricted access to outside
Open to investigating new things	Afraid of things like feedbags and vacuums
Loved everyone, would go up to anyone	Is leery of some people
Slept through the night	Gets up anywhere between 2 to 15 times a night (paces, wants to go outside, will bark non-stop while outside, if not let out will pee/poo on floor)
She loved Dr. Kurtz (she grew up visiting The vet and never showed signs of stress at the vet's.)	She is afraid of Dr. Kurtz and will show signs of agitation while in the exam room (like pacing, whining, growling at Dr. Kurtz, etc).**

**The medication has helped considerably. I have returned to a new agility class and Baby Isis is ready and willing and is VERY quick to learn new things. And she was not as afraid of Dr. Kurtz on last visit (September 29, 2010).

October 03, 2010; TIME: 8:58 am; DURATION: 1 minute and 5 seconds. VIDEO

She had been pacing all night long. When we went to bed, Baby Isis insisted she wanted to go out. When she was left out she would just wonder around sniffing the ground in the rain. After almost an hour at times, we coaxed her in and tried to get her to come to bed she would simply pace and couldn't/wouldn't relax enough to fall asleep. Eventually the night was peppered with brief naps between trips outside. By morning she was sleeping against my legs, I felt the familiar wobble, turned on the light and started filming. It was a brief seizure, with very little movement.

October 09, 2010; TIME: 10:53 am; DURATION: 2 Minutes VIDEO

We were covered up on the couch, napping. Big Brother jumped off the couch and I removed the covers from Baby Isis to discover she was seizing. She was still able to function as she climbed off the

couch and followed me into the kitchen. She could comprehend my commands such as SIT and STAY—see video.

October 22, 2010; TIME: 10:42 pm; DURATION: 5 Minutes and 20 Seconds VIDEO

Everyone was finally relaxing on the couch for the evening. Big Brother made sure he was very close to Baby Isis (instead of being on the opposite side of the couch). I went to take my shower and my husband yelled that Baby Isis was seizing. She seemed more 'unaware' of her surroundings this time. I comforted her while The Husband took video. The previous night she was up at least 6 times and she seemed 'worried' the entire day. When she visited The vet for an unrelated problem; she was spooked by the vet as well as some of the individuals in the waiting room. On our way out of the vet's office, Baby Isis was very agitated by a very friendly fox hound.

October 24, 2010; TIME: 10:46 pm; DURATION: 5 Minutes and 10 Seconds VIDEO

Baby Isis was napping on the couch. Big Brother again was trying to stick close. (I thought she was going to have a seizure all day because she was appearing worried and it was more difficult to bring her mood up). She awoke and looked at me...head wobbling. I ran to get the camera. The shaking was more like the seizures she had before medication. (Up until tonight, the seizures that have occurred while she has been on medication have been more subdued in their movement). She definitely appears to be confused post-seizure.

October 27, 2010: Beginning new medication

We started Baby Isis on her new medication, 'KEPPRA' (500mg every 8 hours), this morning. She seems to be more confident in herself. I have not witnessed any other side affects such as drowsiness or dizziness. Her reflexes are working well, we tested them today with a little 'mouse hunt'. She is VERY quick to catch the mice and can still out maneuver her Big Brother when competing for the catch. She is the first one on the scene when the mouse gets away and has to be caught again.

November 2, 2010: Update

Baby Isis is very alert and aware of her surroundings. She had wonderful focus in class on Monday and she seems to want more attention from us. She gives more hugs and kisses now (like when she was a puppy). She is sleeping mostly through the night and accidents are very few both during the day and through the night.

November 3, 2010: TIME: 12:06 pm; DURATION: 2 Minutes

The kids were sleeping on the couch in the office. I left for a couple minutes and came back to find them both awake and Baby Isis having a seizure. I don't remember and mood or personality changes in the time leading up to today. She did however potty on the floor (urine and feces) last night. Although she was having a seizure, she seemed aware of her surrounding and 'conscious'. The Husband did note that she seemed more depressed last night than she had since she was changed to her new medication (Keppra). He commented that when he walked in the door she didn't want to even greet him.

November 5, 2010: Update

Baby Isis has shown marked improvement. Her attitude about people and objects has improved back to like when she was a curious puppy. She sleeps through the night and seems to sleep deeper than before (She will actually have dreams). She is more involved with the family. (Before Keppra she was more or less emotionally detached). She readily gives kisses like she did as a puppy. Her focus is phenomenal as well as her listening and comprehension of lessons being taught. There have not been any potty accidents during the day or night.

November 9, 2010: TIME: 6:58 pm; DURATION: 5 Minutes

I cannot say that Baby Isis was sleeping this time. Leading up to the seizure she seemed apathetic to what went on around her. When The Husband came home, she did not get up to greet him. I was expecting a seizure then. A couple minutes later, she started to seize. Her pupils were dilated and she

seemed concerned and scared but would wag her tail and try to kiss me as I comforted her. NOTE: No egg that morning. (MEDS: 500mg Keppra: every 8 hours and 97.2mg Phenobarbital; halved and given in the morning and evening)

November 11, 2010: TIME: 5:33 am; DURATION: 6 Minutes?

Again, Baby Isis did not get up to greet Dad when he came home. She was pretty quiet, stuck to me like glue all day. And in the evening, Big Brother made sure he was next to her. She awoke around 1:30 am and instead of ringing the bell to go outside, she defecated on the floor. We were in bed sleeping when I felt her head wobbling. The odd thing about this seizure is it 'came and went'. Her head would wobble for about 3-4 seconds, then would stop for about 15-20 seconds, then her head would wobble for another 3-4 seconds. This went on for about 6 minutes, but with the stop and go of the head wobble, I can't really tell the seizure time.

November 12, 2010: TIME: 11:05 am; DURATION: 1 Minute

Baby Isis was up four times the previous night. Today she had a small seizure with a little head wobble that was barely noticeable. But she was open to The vet and Staff which means the seizure didn't re-boot Baby Isis' brain. Meanwhile, she has been having her second puppyhood, trying to entice Big Brother to play, dragging blankets out into the compound, and generally being very curious about her surroundings. It is nice to see her behaving like a 'normal' puppy/dog ☺.

November 12, 2010: TIME: 5:58 am; DURATION: 2 Minutes

Baby Isis awoke to take her meds. She was having a seizure. Mild head wobble, conscious of surroundings.

November 12, 2010:

Baby Isis goes into surgery to be spayed per request of Dr. Axlund. The vet noted some fluid buildup (Pyometra) in the uterus.

November 12, 2010: TIME: Around 3 pm; DURATION: 2+ Minutes

Baby Isis was waking up after surgery (Due to the delayed surgery: see NOTE 1). She was resting on the floor of the vet's office. She started having a seizure. The vet was able to witness it.

NOTE 1: Earlier today, she did not want to socialize with The vet or her staff. When they tried to sedate her, she would only back into a corner, growling and barking at them. She was scheduled for a morning surgery but was pushed to afternoon due to her 'issues' with Dr. Lisa.

November 16, 2010: TIME: 6:54 pm; DURATION: 6 Minutes!

We were lounging on the couch—NOT sleeping at the time. I looked down to Baby Isis having pretty intense head wobbling. Baby Isis was concerned and scared and tried her best to 'stop the wobbling' by positioning her head differently. She had residual affects (like afraid of her instructor in class) until around 9 pm, then she was very open and sociable; ready to 'run with the big dogs'.

December 16, 2010: UPDATE

Baby Isis has not had a seizure for a month!! It is amazing to discover all the behaviors that were associated with her epilepsy and seizures:

- ADD
- Angst (pacing, agitated)
- Socialization issues with some people (although she was socialized as a puppy) and her family (she seems physically and emotionally distant)

- No confidence
- Housebreaking issues (urination and defecation)
- Lack of interest in many things
- Inability to sleep through the night (up several times a night)
- Incessant barking at 'ghosts', especially when outside
- Chewing (more like mouthing..she doesn't break the skin or anything) her legs and feet

All of these behaviors (as well as the head wobble seizures) stopped after spaying Baby Isis. She has started experiencing the puppyhood she never had....she always wants attention, wants to socialize with the other dogs in her class, and isn't cautious of people anymore.

February 1, 2011: UPDATE

It has been around 3 months so we called the Neurologist's office to see if we could try weaning Baby Isis off of her Phenobarb. We started this morning with ¼ tablet of 97.2 mg tablet. She will also receive ¼ tablet in the evening.

February 6, 2011: TIME: 8:01 am; DURATION: 2 Minutes, 24 Seconds

I woke up to the familiar feeling of Baby Isis having a seizure..typical head wobble, except she tries really hard to hide it now. Didn't notice any change in behavior the night previous.

February 7, 2011: UPDATE

Contacted the Neurologist's office. I have been instructed to return Baby Isis to her original Phenobarb dosage of ½ of a 97.2 mg tablet twice a day....I gave her an extra quarter this morning so she has started on the ½ dosage this morning.

NOTE: She has never been on Flea Drops, no Interceptor Heart Meds since October 2010, No Rawhides, No change in Chemicals in the house (no candles, bleach, roundup, ammonia, pesticides, insecticides, fertilizers, perfume, fabric softeners, etc)..we don't use these things anyway, but I can't restrict my neighbors from using items like Roundup...but I highly doubt people are killing weeds in February during an Ohio winter.....

February 15, 2011: TIME: Evening/Bedtime:

Baby Isis was suffering from what we call an 'EVENT' which contains some of the behaviors of the 'AURA' stage of a seizure—the difference? A seizure doesn't follow an 'EVENT'. She was agitated, barky, pacing, and wanted to go outside every 15 minutes, all night long. Big Brother usually knows wayyy before us when Baby Isis is going to have a seizure or event....he stuck by her all day and evening.

February 20, 2011: TIME: 9:03 am; DURATION: 2 Minutes

Baby Isis was resting on the couch, I walked in to the room to see her awake and seizing. Big Brother comforted her while Baby Isis tried desperately to hide the seizure from us.

February 28, 2011: TIME: 7:08 am; DURATION: 30 Seconds

Around 10 pm the previous night Baby Isis became agitated and antsy. She wanted to go out frequently (come in-go out, come in-go out, come in-go out). She was pacing a lot and barking at shadows...This continued all through the night. At one point a large storm was approaching, she became zombie-like and would not respond to The Husband's commands (I have seen the 'zombie-like during a thunderstorm' behavior before when she was having frequent seizures). Finally at 5:45 am she collapsed nest to me in bed and slept—only to awaken to a seizure approximately an hour later. She seems out of sorts as if she does not recognize even me or her big brother, who by the way is deeply concerned with Baby Isis'condition.

March 02, 2011: TIME: 11:14 pm; DURATION 4 Minutes and 15 Seconds

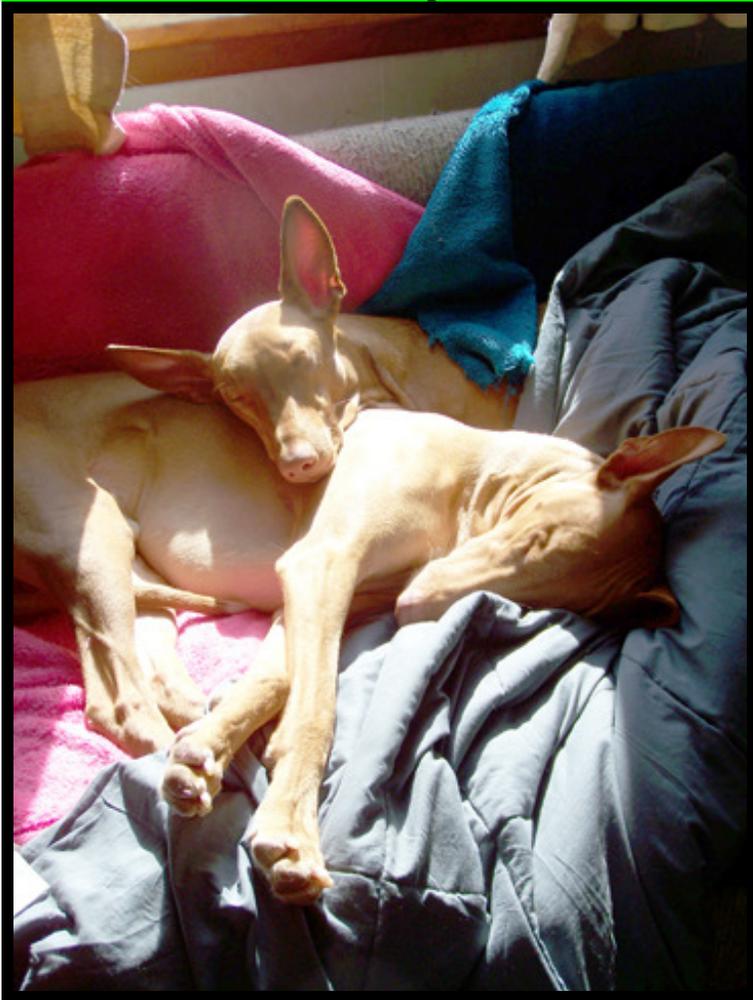
Baby Isis was sleeping on my legs in bed when I felt her head wobbling. I got up to comfort her-- which she welcomed this time. She moved off the bed to the couch in the living room where she curled up on my legs again. Big Brother curled up next to her on the couch.

There was **NOTHING** preceding this seizure...no angst, no pacing, no wanting to go out continuously. Only clue was Big Brother who was the one pacing and wanting to go outside when he wasn't sticking close to Baby Isis.

March 04, 2011: TIME: 9:14 am; DURATION 3 Minutes and 12 Seconds

Baby Isis was sleeping in this morning when she awoke having a seizure. She seems more aware with the latest seizures (she can recognize family members and respond to our voices). But she is extremely **TIRED** after each seizure. Big Bro stayed with her the whole day.

NOTE: March 04, 2011, At 10 pm medication dose time, Baby Girl was increased to 625mg of Keppra.



March 06, 2011: TIME: 09:44 pm; DURATION 2 Minutes

She was napping on my lap when she awoke having a seizure. I comforted her before she decided to journey outside and potty. The following day she was really tired and Big Brother stuck to her like glue.



March 11, 2011: TIME: 7:24 pm??; DURATION 1 Minute + ??

The reason for the question marks is because I was in the office working when Baby Isis walked in with head wobbling. She still recognized me and stole a toy from Big Brother while seizing. I heard her barking right before she wandered into the office...so this would be the first seizure that occurred while she was totally conscious and not sleeping. So, I don't know for sure when the seizure started. I can say that she had a pretty restless night before and insisted on monitoring the 'perimeter' for half the night...then Ruby gave her a hard time for wanting the couch in the bedroom...so Baby Isis and I slept, until morning, on the Living Room couch.

March 22, 2011: TIME: 9:10 am; DURATION 3 minutes, 28 seconds

This will be the second seizure Baby Isis has had while wide awake. She was lying on the couch, grooming her tail when she looked at me with her head wobbling. She still kept her senses and there wasn't an apparent 'pre-seizure' behavior(s). In the middle of the seizure she asked to go outside.

April 2, 2011: TIME: 8:12 pm; DURATION 10 minutes

Being very clingy, Baby Isis was laying across my lap...NOT sleeping...then she looked at me with her head wobbling. No obvious signs preceding this seizure. Other than she had agility class last night and was a lacking confidence, but performed better than expected.

April 4, 2011: TIME: 8:40 am; DURATION 12 minutes

Sleeping on the couch with Mom, felt the familiar head wobble....she didn't seem as concerned as the previous seizure...on and off....can't tell whether she is trying to hide it or the movement is just caused by the seizure.

April 8, 2011: TIME: 12:45 am; DURATION ???

Baby Isis awoke and wanted to go outside, when she reached the door, she was having a seizure. She seemed to be completely aware of her surroundings and after a few seconds of inspection from Mom, Baby Isis went outside as usual.

NOTE: Seizures since the spay have had a marked difference than the seizures pre-spay. Her latter seizures have been more of the physical head wobbling with far less of the accompanying behaviors. She doesn't seem to lose consciousness now like she did before and there seems to be very little memory loss as well as very little loss of confidence.

April 10, 2011: UPDATE

I was doing research on the possible cause of Baby Isis'latest seizures. I came across a paper about the nonessential neurologically active amino acids, *glutamate* and *aspartate*. There was a list of foods that are high in these amino acids. On the list was Almonds (all nuts) and Cheese (cow milk products). What have I been using at the training center??? CHEESE and what have I been eating for lunch (which I share with the kids) ALMONDS and CHEESE!!! So I have stopped feeding any and all nuts and milk products to see if Baby Isis'epilepsy improves.

April 22, 2011: TIME: 2:42 am; DURATION: 2 minutes

I was preparing lunch when I looked over to see Baby Isis having a seizure, I stopped and comforted her. She was very alert and acted as if nothing was wrong.

NOTE: Was fed a 7-grain oatmeal-like cereal this morning around 9:00 am. It contained wheat, barley, spelt, rye and triticale all of which have gluten which trigger seizures.....I still believe a lot of it is the cheese and almonds, but there are a lot more items on the list that could act as triggers....Gluten grains have been added to the NO NO list for Baby Isis.

April 24, 2011: TIME: 11:38 am; DURATION: 11 minutes

So Baby Isis has been 'on the edge' for about 24 hours.....'on the edge' is our description of Baby Isis showing behaviors related to heightened seizure activity (i.e. lack of interest, sleepiness, 'mouthing' her legs and feet, general description of 'not herself', etc). She was cuddling with Dad when he got off the couch. I just sat down...looked over to find her having a seizure. Saturday was relatively normal, she spent most of the day outside playing and hunting. And I have to consider agility.....is this causing her stress and triggering seizures?????

NOTE: the whole Diet NO NO list is relatively new to me. Friday night at training someone brought in treats for a dog birthday...Baby Isis really liked the smell of the cake....well it was carrots and PEANUT BUTTER...I didn't think and this is totally my fault. As soon as Baby Isis arrived home she said she didn't feel well and Big Brother was stuck to her like glue.....

May 04, 2011: TIME: 4:45 pm; DURATION: 30 seconds???

I was in the kitchen making bread and the kids were resting in their crates after dinner. I had just checked on Baby Isis who was sleeping in her bed. A few minutes later she was awake and her head was wobbling slightly. It seemed to be low-grade as far as seizures go...she was completely coherent and within minutes was doing agility outside (including showing NO FEAR bouncing off of my improvised teeter which is a board balanced on a couple bricks....).

May 15, 2011: TIME: 8:45 pm; DURATION: 20 seconds???

I had just gone out into the kitchen when The Husband informed me that Baby Isis was having a seizure...he reported that it was a very 'light' one—meaning she wasn't shaking that much. So I guess I can say that the last two seizures were very light in comparison to past seizures.. I would consider the dietary removals (nuts, grains, and bovine dairy products) to be successful....but I am going to have to seriously consider agility class as a stressor. Class has been sporadic (about once every three Fridays) it is easy to track seizure activity in comparison to agility class. I really hate to remove her from agility class.... She does well and has a ball.....the stressors comes from obstacles she is unsure of (like the teeter and the weave poles). I am going to get some practice weave poles fro the back yard (where she is NOT stressed doing agility) and see if gaining her confidence in a less stressful environment will help her stress during class.....

May 26, 2011: TIME: 12:20 am; DURATION: 1.5 minutes???

It was thunderstorming....and Baby Isis was doing her zombie thing outside in the compound which she does every time there is a lightning storm. She gets that far-off look in her eyes and just runs the perimeter of the compound. At some point The Husband found her just standing there in the middle of the compound. Eventually she came in and fell asleep on the couch...only to awaken having a seizure...The Husband noticed her as she walked out into the kitchen to him....

If I think back, I can tell you that it seems she has been on what we call 'the ragged edge' (which is teetering back and forth between having a seizure and not)...for at least a week now....

June 11, 2011: TIME: 2:15 am; DURATION: 14 minutes!!!

Baby Isis settled into bed after going outside. She was insistent on lying on the pillows pressing against me, (normally she prefers to sleep next to my legs...) . Soon, she began to have a seizure, her head wobbles were quicker than in the past and the movement more extreme. She now tries to lie hard against something (like my body) to try to stop her head from shaking. And this time she snuggled hard against my upper body and my face as if to say "*Please Mom, Please make it stop*". In retrospect, I noticed Big Brother was sticking close all evening after we returned from the training center. Earlier today we all were going to go for a ride in my truck but after Big Brother jumped up into the cab, Baby Isis immediately started to pull in reverse...so Big Brother jumped back out and attended to Baby Isis. After a minute or so, Baby Isis jumped up into the truck first and Big Brother followed after. The Husband also mentioned that when she was outside (just prior to her seizure) he had to physically leash her to bring her in.

NOTE: We have been contemplating whether agility caused stress that triggers some of seizures (since she usually has a seizure the Sunday following a Friday evening class (Class is not every week). This week class was moved to Thursday but we still showed up on Friday...because she didn't get to attend class, I took her for a long walk around the remote property but NEVER entered the building. We will be talking to the owners to see if any chemicals are used on the grass.

NOTE 2: Baby Isis is still leery of people other than her immediate family....and she suffers extreme separation anxiety whenever Mom, or worse, Mom and Big Brother leave her for any period of time. She is somewhat fine if left in a car with Dad and Mom leaves....but she does not like to go anywhere with anyone but Mom...including with Dad. As a pup, she was conditioned to be left alone or just with Big Brother as well as socialized with people, dogs and other animals...but she seems to have lost the socialization training permanently.....and I associate the 'security blanket' behavior as just that...she doesn't want to be left alone to deal with the seizure monsters by herself....Even with me present a

strange man took her color and she nearly turned inside out to get away from him and I was only 5 feet away.

June 24, 2011: TIME: 5:26 pm; DURATION: 4 minutes

Baby Isis was relaxing on the couch this afternoon after dinner. Her head started to wobble rather violently. The seizure came and went as usual....persistent for the first 2 minutes..fading...then returning on and off for the last 2 minutes.

NOTE: Monthly INTERCEPTOR was given on June 23, 2011.

July 1, 2011: TIME: 12:42 pm; DURATION: 3 minutes???

The kids had just gone outside. I had a mess to clean up inside (pootie and pee) and that was my hint. I went outside to find Baby Isis lying on the ground having a head wobble seizure....I sat down next to her to comfort her...as the seizure drew to a close....she decided to walk around the compound...

NOTE: She was up at 3 am this morning agitated....restless....eventually around 10 am she relaxed for a nap. Earlier that evening she refused to come in from outside and wanted to stay out there all night barking...The accidents in the living room should have been my hint also....

July 7, 2011: TIME: 12:36 am; DURATION:???

Baby Isis was standing on the floor, barking, telling me she had to go out. I got up to let her out to find she was having a seizure.

NOTE: 2nd Day of Flagyl: Pill administered @ 10:15 pm (approx. 2 hours 15 minutes before seizure.

July 7, 2011: TIME: 8:44 am; DURATION: 5 minutes

Baby Isis was lying on the couch next to me. She looked over at me with her head wobbling. I comforted her until it started to end at which time she gets 'independent'.

NOTE: Pill @ 6:30 am (2 hours 15 minutes before her seizure).

July 12, 2011: TIME: 7:40 pm; DURATION: 5 seconds???

At dinner, I looked over at Baby Isis who was sitting on The Husband's side of the table, to find her laying on her mat, head wobbling.

July 13, 2011: TIME: 6:15 pm; DURATION: 3 seconds???

Baby Isis was resting in her crate after her dinner. I walked by and she looked up at me—head wobbling.

July 16, 2011: TIME: 9:54 pm; DURATION: 5 minutes

I came in and sat down on the couch next to Baby Isis. She looked at me then layed her head back down. A few moments later a mosquito hovered in front of me so I killed it by clapping my hands together...at that moment, Baby Isis looked up at me again, this time...head wobbling.

NOTE: Trainer gave her a small (3/8 inch square) piece of cheese on Friday night. (July 15, 2011).

OK so we made it to just over 2 months without a seizure. Baby Isis had 90% returned to the puppy she was before her seizures: fearless, friendly, happy, tail waggin', love for life.....had more energy than she knew what to do with and loved to cuddle with her family. She 'attacked' obstacles with fervor.....the world was hers to conquer. I administered INTERCEPTOR on the 15 September 2011. Preceding the following group of seizures Baby Isis' behavior was indicative of having a seizure. There was pottying of both kinds in the house. She had little patience. Had lessened interest in agility class....and had a STRONGER than normal desire to 'hunt'. Then the following seizures occurred:

September 21, 2011: TIME: 3:20 pm; DURATION: 20 seconds

Lying outside in the sun. Dad came outside to check on her and when she lifted her head it was wobbling mildly.

September 22, 2011: TIME: 10:16 pm; DURATION: 4 minutes

Lying conscious on the couch. Lifted her head to look at me and she was having VIOLENT head shaking. Worse I had ever seen. Came and went in waves. Left eye seemed to be 'winking' too. Allowed me to coddle her during the worst of it then as it was slowing down she wanted to be 'independent'

September 24, 2011: TIME: 2:37 pm; DURATION: 20 seconds

Walked into the dining room and Baby Isis jumped off couch with head wobbling slightly. She didn't want coddled instead she made several offers to play as if she wanted me to ignore her seizure.

While she has not reverted to her 'full' seizure personality, the occurrence of seizures around her heart worm med is disturbing. I will be doing one more month on Interceptor before deciding if it may possibly be the culprit for lowering her threshold.

▶▶ TWO IN ONE DAY ◀◀

September 25, 2011: TIME: 10:06 am; DURATION: 4 minutes

She was relaxing on the dining room couch when I noticed she was having a seizure. Violent head wobbles. Big Brother did his best to help her, including using his head to hold hers down so that it wouldn't wobble. After the worst was over, she asked to go outside....

September 25, 2011: TIME: 6:08 pm; DURATION: 2 minutes

She was in her crate. She was curled up in her bed when I noticed her ear moving...I opened the crate to find her having YET ANOTHER SEIZURE. She accepted comforting until it started to subside at which time she asked to go outside.

September 29, 2011: TIME: 10:43 am; DURATION: 4 minutes

We had hints Baby Isis was going to have a seizure. Yesterday her activity level and appetite were low. Last night she got up around 6 times and this morning she wouldn't eat. She was curled up on the dining room couch and finally had a seizure. Although she liked being comforted—it was almost like she didn't want to admit to the fact she was having a seizure.

October 5, 2011: TIME: 9:22 pm; DURATION: 3 minutes

We were having dinner and Baby Isis was waiting on the dining room couch. I sat down at the table to eat and she came running over—head wobbling. I tried to comfort her but she wanted only to share my dinner. No hints before this seizure.

October 14, 2011: TIME: 6:09am; DURATION: 10 minutes

Baby Isis was lying on the couch enjoying an early morning snuggle with Mommy. For most of the seizure she tried to ignore it and continue her rest. She would change positions of her head as if to try to stop the wobbling.

October 15, 2011: TIME: 4:06 am; DURATION: 13 minutes

Yesterday, Baby Isis had two separate accidents on the floor. If that wasn't enough of a clue, she was restless most of the evening before and after bedtime. (She wanted to go outside). Finally, she came to bed, crawled under the covers and rested her head on my legs. Not one minute later—the seizure began. She tried to sleep through it but eventually had to wait it out.

October 19, 2011: TIME: 11:37 am; DURATION: 2 minutes VIDEO

She was laying on the office couch and started seizing. Video of event **BI 19oct2011** Did find poop on living room floor about an hour previous. **As you can see on the video...she does a lot of stretching when trying to 'shake off' a seizure...I'm wondering if this, too, is a behavior caused by the seizure.**

November 2, 2011: TIME: 6:35 am; DURATION: ?????

She woke up having a seizure. Went back to sleep after it passed.

December 21, 2011: TIME: 12:26 pm; DURATION: 2 minutes

A short lived seizure. She was napping on the couch and awoke when Daddy came home...soon after she had her seizure.

What I can tell you was the psychological changes that occurred the days preceding this seizure. She had become increasingly disinterested in her agility class (whereas before the instructor had commented on how 'engaged' she was). She lost her confidence in doing the obstacles and preferred to smell around the classroom instead. (This seems to be a definitive earmark to a pending seizure)....while Pharaoh Hounds have a great sense of smell....their noses do not rule them like a beagle's nose does..... She was also emotionally distant, agitated, un-focused and had trouble sleeping through the night.

December 23, 2011: TIME: 10:50 pm; DURATION: 1 minute, 30 seconds

She was relaxing on the couch. I sat down next to her and she looked at me, head wobbling. She tried to hide it (it is hard to tell when she wants to be comforted and when she wants to be independent during a seizure.....). When I tried to comfort her she jumped off the couch and went outside returning minutes later without the seizure. There was no warning behavior, she is still on vacation from classes, so she hasn't visited the training center in over a month. Seemed relatively normal before the seizure occurred.

January 23 , 2012: TIME: 10:50 pm; DURATION: 2 minutes

As always, hanging out on the couch...then started having seizure. Did not want consoled. Got up and went outside.

February 3, 2012: TIME: 10:05 am; DURATION: 8 minutes!

This one I saw coming a mile away. I sat with her and she laid her head on my harm to prevent me from getting up. I laid my hand on her neck, and I could feel her neck muscles go taught, loosen, then go taught again. She pushed hard on my arm. She seemed to know that this one would be longer and she wanted support from me. On Tuesday, January 31, 2012, she had agility class and she was disinterested for most of the evening, easily stressed and sniffed the floor a lot. During the other days leading up to

this seizure she was slightly anti-social and would not sleep through the night...rising about 4 times to go outside and pace the compound. After the seizure she seemed her 'pre-seizure' puppy self...like a weight had lifted off her shoulders...She wanted to interact, play and run all day....

February 6 , 2012: TIME: 5:45 am; DURATION: 2 minutes

The Husband reports that after being up and down all evening...she finally had a seizure.

February 13 , 2012: TIME: 5:25 am; DURATION: 2+ minutes??

Big Brother was sitting on the curvy couch barking--which woke me up. At that time I noticed that Baby Isis was having another seizure as she lay next to me. She sat up as the head shaking came and went for a few moments then she decided to go outside.

March 07 , 2012: TIME: 3:30 am; DURATION: >2 minutes

She awoke to a seizure while lying next to me in bed. It was pretty minor, physically. Odd thing was that the time preceding up to this particular seizure was some of her most social....where she asked for attention from both dogs and humans...she was a little social butterfly. And her performance during class was some of her most attentive, successful yet.

May 24, 2012: TIME: 2:16 pm; DURATION: 2 minutes

I went outside for a couple minutes and when I returned she was having a seizure. I sat down with her to comfort her. The UPS man showed up and she stopped having a seizure and barked at the delivery man. In retrospect: She had a pretty stressful couple of days leading up to this seizure. A friend of mine came to visit for the first time (the only time she sees strangers in the house is when one of the dogs goes away and she is very protective of her 'family'). But, in all honesty, she had been clingy for several days leading up to this seizure. I kept her home from training because I felt she was going to have a seizure and the fact she seemed to be working on a seizure the week before.

August 02, 2012: TIME: 1:40 pm; DURATION: 5 minutes

Baby Isis had been clingy for the last three days. She was unusually grouchy and was clingy with Mom. I was pitting cherries when I looked over at her lying on the couch, head wobbling. I rushed to her side and she welcomed my attention. I stroked her side as she seized. She welcomed my kisses and had that look of 'Please, make it stop' on her face. Junior, was lying on the floor directly in front of her with furrowed brow and worried look upon his face. She could not keep Knuckles away, so I made him go away and that made her more comfortable. Eventually it stopped and she went outside. There were definite tell-tale signs leading up to the seizure. Clingy, didn't want eat (in the morning she will go in her crate fro breakfast then doesn't eat..she tries to cover it up with a blanket...it is almost like she is confused about why she is there in the first place..sometimes, after the food is removed, she will enter the crate again and when given the food, she will eat SOME of it...but will not have a good appetite this went on for the 3 days leading into seizure.

65) September 08, 2012: TIME: 3:18 pm; DURATION: 3 minutes

I should have known this. Baby Isis has been out of agility class for about a month (her class was cancelled for the month of August). So I didn't get to see her typical 'red flags'. But we took her to the street fair last night and she reacted very timidly—which isn't like her lately. In fact it reminded me of her when she was going through a seizure every week. She was deathly afraid of people and that isn't like Baby Girl when she is between seizures. She has not wanted to sleep through the night either. So today she had a brief but violent seizure. Still conscious, very needy. Now the question is whether the stress of last night pushed her into the seizure..but in my opinion, based on the previous week's behavior...it was inevitable. Next weekend is the swap meet...another good place to do a 'stress test'.

66) September 11, 2012: TIME: 10:53 pm; DURATION: 14 minutes

Now I grow concerned with the frequency of the seizures being this close. We went to agility class...the first time in about 30 days (due to class cancellation). Baby Isis was glad to be back in class with all of her buddies. But then as quick as a light switch she began growling and barking at one person...he was new to the class...but weird none the less.....I made her stay in a down for the remaining 15 minutes of class...She did her last agility run OK....but wasn't paying AS CLOSE attention to my handling signals. And the weird part was just as quickly as she was barking at this guy...she stopped and wanted to be his bud.....then not 20 minutes after arriving home....I found her hiding on the office couch at that point she began her seizure...head wobbling on & off...but she welcomed my comforting until it ended...then she left the room and joined the rest of the family.

67) September 16, 2012: TIME: 4:00 am; DURATION: 2 minutes

Very, very subtle seizure. I awoke to the familiar feeling of her head wobbling next to my leg. Very minimal movement and infrequent. It didn't even seem to bother her much. **This also answers my question. We purposely walked her at the local swap meet for only about 45 minutes. Not as congested as the street fair and not as physically and psychologically demanding as class....but she still had a seizure. AT LEAST I know what the trigger was in the last three incidences. This happened a couple years ago, every time I took her to class or walked the training facility grounds....she would have a seizure. If I walked her in the park behind the house....no seizure. So it isn't just the physical exertion....it also has to do with an unfamiliar environment and decoding all the information around her. We can only hope now that class has resumed.....that she will adapt and not have seizures every night after class.**

68) October 09, 2012: TIME: 11:45 pm; DURATION: 15 minutes!

We came home from class and Baby Isis disappeared into the office again. I kept an eye on her from the rest of the night. I went in to tell her it was time for bed when I noticed her head wobbling. The wobbling came and went and in between I watched her eyes roll back into her head (whether from exhaustion or the seizure). I laid next to her until it was over, then she jumped off the couch, went outside to potty, and promptly went to bed. There was no 'red herrings' in her behavior preceding the seizure.

NOTE: Due to my schedule and it being a class night, she was fed dinner at 2pm today instead of 4pm.

69) October 23, 2012: TIME: 11:30 pm; DURATION: 24 minutes!!!!

I kind of thought she had been working on this seizure for two weeks now. She had been cautious of things like babies and covered carriers and mad at people who cover up babies and take them out into the cold night air. Her teeter confidence seemed to evaporate. She came home from training and hid in the office. I kept my eye on her until she had her seizure...and agonizing 24 minutes later she asked to go outside.

NOTE: She had agility runthrus this weekend (October 27, 2012) and she did phenomenal..on cue, very alert and FAST!. I didn't tell her to take the teeter but as we ran by it she opted to (3 times!).

70) November 20, 2012: TIME: 11:40 pm; DURATION: 10 minutes

I really didn't get much of a hint on this one...she was a little off on weaves but not horribly and see attacked the teeter with enthusiasm. There was a refusal to do 20 inch jumps at the end of the night...but she was tired too. She immediately collapsed into sleep once she was in the van and later that evening had her seizure. Dad was with her as I had already gone to bed. And Junior didn't leave her side until after the seizure was over. Afterward, they both came to bed, crawled under the covers, and slept through most of the night as usual.

71) November 27, 2012: TIME: 10:07 pm (???) ; DURATION: 4 minutes (???)

I walked in on this one. We had agility class tonight and Baby Isis was in rare form. Didn't refuse her 20 inch jumps and readily ran many a course. She did seem to not want to do tunnel a couple of

times instead opting for a jump beyond but when she returned to me, she jumped the tunnel without a second thought. I was thinking to myself that THIS is how my baby Girl would have behaved if she had not had epilepsy. She really was in rare, high energy, VERY conscious of her surroundings and command reception. She slept all the way home as usual. But was fine. She recovered quickly from her seizure...seemed to be coherent throughout her episode (what I saw).

72) December 4, 2012: TIME: 6:46 am; DURATION: 4 minutes

Baby Isis was sleeping on my lap on the couch. She woke up having a seizure. She stayed on my lap until it passed at which time she got up and went outside. I cannot recall any pre-ictal events/behaviors that marked the coming of a seizure.

73) December 27, 2012: TIME: 9:01 am; DURATION: 11 minutes

Baby Isis was relaxing across my lap with her head on my arm. She started having a seizure. After it passed she got up and asked to go out. This seizure was my fault, I was trying some new gluten-free biscuits and later investigation revealed ALMOND FLOUR.

74) January 14, 2013: TIME: 8:45 am; DURATION: 8 minutes

I came into the living room where Baby Isis was napping on the futon only to discover she was having a seizure. We had attended an agility run thru on Saturday. Baby Isis was completely exhausted on Sunday. While she has gone to run thrus before; this one had more of a trial environment with a lot of activity, strange dogs and people. I ran her usual 3 times. But the atmosphere was a lot for a dog to process.

75) January 29, 2013: TIME: 7:55 pm; DURATION: 5 minutes???

She was lying next to me on the couch, resting. Noticed a VERY mild seizure. Hard to say when it started and ended due to the infrequency of the head wobbling. NOTE: We had white sauce on pasta on Sunday Night. Baby Isis had ONE noodle. The husband told me it had parmesan cheese on it. I consider this a semi-official conclusion that both nuts and cheese trigger Baby Isis' to have a seizure.

March 02, 2013:

Baby Isis received her DHLPP Booster today. The normal evening activities is to report to bed with Mom and after being covered up, she would fall asleep. NOT TONIGHT. She became anxious, didn't want to be covered up and left as soon as I tried. She continued to go back and forth between the living room and bedroom, demanding Mom's attention and jumping up into the bed only to jump back out and go off into the living room. Finally at around 2 am, I reversed myself so that I was lying with my head at the foot of the bed, only then did Baby Isis curl up next to me on the condition that I did not cover her up (which is highly unusual).

76) March 26, 2013: TIME: 9:15 am; DURATION: 2 minutes

This is one of the longest natural timespans between seizures for Baby Isis. She was concerned. The husband comforted her. She was actually walking around before seizure occurred. (Usually she is resting on the couch or bed before seizure occurs).

77) April 22, 2013: TIME: 4:17 am; DURATION: 20 seconds????

Not out of the woods yet. She awoke, looked at me with head wobbling. I did not feel her head wobbling against my leg before she awoke. She immediately got off the bed and asked to go outside. I obliged. NOTE: While there were no warnings in her behavior the day before, she was very apathetic about agility class the precious Tuesday. I really thought she would return home only to have a seizure. It took her a couple days before she was back to her 'non-epi' energy level.

78) April 25, 2013: TIME: 7:15 am; DURATION: 2 minutes

Daddy found her having a seizure on the futon. Only lasted a few minutes. Here frequency is such that I now know that being off in agility class is the result of her seizure.

79) May 5, 2013: TIME: 9:30 pm; DURATION: 8 minutes

She was resting alongside me after a hard day of playing. She awoke with a seizure. Stayed with me until finished—then went outside. I thought hard about what new items were introduced into the house. I remember some trash bags that only come in scented options and recently they changed the scents. I have now removed them from the house.

May 7, 2013:

Agility Class! And she did wonderful. Maybe the trash bags were the cause....one can only cross their fingers.

79) June 6, 2013: TIME: 8:35 am; DURATION: 15 minutes

Baby Isis has been on the 'edge' for a few weeks now. Somewhat off at class and recently showing fear of objects being carried by Mom. So it was not a surprise to see her having a seizure this morning. She remained tucked in my side until it subsided.

80) June 9, 2013: TIME: 1:13 am; DURATION: 30 seconds

She woke up from her nap having a seizure. Lasted only seconds before she wanted to get up and go outside.

81) June 27, 2013: TIME: 2:20 pm; DURATION: 4 minutes

I left the room with Baby Isis leaning her head on the back of the couch, came back a few minutes later to her having a seizure. I stopped what I was doing and comforted her. I remember that on the previous night, she was 'mouthing' her back legs.

July 2, 2013: EVENT: Baby Isis changed classes today. She was very slow, disinterested and worst of all...didn't want anything to do with the teeter....once she learned the teeter she has been rock solid....so this is perplexing and frustrating..to say the least.

82) September 20, 2013: TIME: 3:17 pm; DURATION: 1 minute

She walked into the office, having a seizure...recovered very quickly.

NOTE: Been having pumpkin last two days. Originally suspected sweet potato was a trigger...now assuming yes on pumpkin & sweet potato.

83) November 6, 2013: TIME: 8:56 pm; DURATION: >30 seconds

Awoke having a brief seizure but almost immediately wanted to go out.

84) November 28, 2013: TIME: 8:17 pm; DURATION: 15 minutes

Sleeping soundly next to me on the couch. Threw cover off her head, started seizure.

NOTE: She experienced an aura the previous evening and that morning. She had an insatiable prey drive and wanted out numerous times the previous evening and in the morning she was newly afraid of objects that had been in that corner for 6 months.

85) November 30, 2013: TIME: 8:40 pm; DURATION: 3 minutes

Laying on my lap and had seizure.

86) December 2, 2013: TIME: 7:30 am; DURATION: 7 minutes

Sleeping in bed with me, started having seizure, moved to couch continued until she wanted to go outside.

NOTE: She wanted out frequently the night before. (6-10 pm).

87) December 12, 2013: TIME: 7:05 am; DURATION: ?? minutes

She was barking corrections to the other dogs from the library. I went in to talk to her only to see her in mid seizure. Lasted only a minute or so after my discovery then she went outside.

NOTE: She has been avoiding items I'm carrying through the house and has been uber conscious of the teeter in class. Husband says she has been 'telling' him for a couple nights previous to this.

88) December 25, 2013: TIME: 7:20 pm; DURATION: 15 minutes

Our Christmases are very quiet, no tree, no company, no long alone time for the dogs, no chocolates or other available 'goodies'. The same goes for our Thanksgiving Holidays, but regardless; both were accompanied by Baby Girl having a seizure. This was odd in that she was lying next to me on the couch, but as the seizure occurred, she did not want to move or go outside, was content staying next to me being comforted for the duration...as it subsided...she simply went back to sleep.

89) January 11, 2014: TIME: 8:10 am; DURATION: 3 minutes

Came to Dad wanting comfort while having her seizure. Then asked to go outside when done.

90) February 6, 2014: TIME: 3:42 pm; DURATION: 18 minutes

Discovered her having a seizure while relaxing on the couch. Sat with her, offering comfort, until the seizure subsided.

91) February 10, 2014: TIME: 7:34 am; DURATION: 2 minutes

She woke me up with head wobbling while she was sleeping against my leg.....she seems to have become accustomed to her little 'interruptions' because she simply laid there, having her seizure, and once completed, simply went back to sleep. ****SIGH**** poor girl.

92) March 11, 2014: TIME: 9:32 am; DURATION: 12 minutes

Laying on my lap this morning..started having a seizure...simply went back to sleep after it ended.

NOTE: Sunday she was 'off', and over the past week she has been very clingy and fearful of carried objects.

93) April 24, 2014: TIME: 8:58 am; DURATION: ??

She was having a seizure while still in bed, got up and asked Daddy to let her out.

94) April 30, 2014: TIME: 4:55 pm; DURATION: 2 minutes ??

Came into the front room to find her standing on the rug, having a seizure. She has been a little 'off' for about two weeks. Scared of odd objects and more recently shaking, hiding and off food.

95) May 23, 2014: TIME: 4:15 pm; DURATION: 2 minutes

Came to me with head wobbling. Has been suffering an aura lately....avoidance issue with carried objects and objects in corners.

96) November 29, 2014: TIME: 10:00 am; DURATION: 1 minute

Minor seizure, no apparent aura. She came in to lie down with me which is unusual, when I got up she was having a seizure. She has been so good I was planning to take her off her meds. Her sixth birthday is tomorrow. So much for the 'rumor'. She has been very needy. Even to the point of monopolizing the WHOLE couch, not just my lap.

97) November 29, 2014: TIME: 11:30 pm; DURATION: 1 minute

Minor seizure, no apparent aura. She came to bed for the night...as she was relaxing she had a seizure. She was clingy all day today, following me around and waiting un-patiently for me to sit down on the couch so that she could lie in my lap. When Dad came home, she wasted no time camping out in his lap until I landed for the evening. By morning, still not over it, still UBER clingy.

98) December 05, 2014: TIME: 7:00 am; DURATION: 1 minute

Climbed out of bed, walked into kitchen having seizure.

99) January 07, 2015: TIME: 7:15 am; DURATION: 1 minute

Climbed into bed, snuggled up to me to get warm...within minutes was having a seizure. Tried to hide it.... She has been teetering on the edge for a few days now.....really antsy, wants outside, hunting incessantly, very, VERY needy/clingy, pawing my leg almost constantly...but yesterday I was carrying my down coat and she ran away from me...so I knew the monster was on its way.

100) February 09, 2015: TIME: 2:30 pm; DURATION: 5 minutes

All the kids were sleeping on the couches in the office. I left for a couple seconds returning to Baby Isis having a seizure. While somewhat short on time, the seizure was more violent than her most recent ones. I sat next to her and cried knowing this was her 100th seizure and that reducing her phenobarb would not be in her future....she started to recover and kissed my tears as if to say..."Don't cry Mommy, It will be OK".....

101) February 25, 2015: TIME: 7:00 am; DURATION: 3 minutes

Dad caught this one...she was lying on the couch sleeping and woke up having a seizure. Then got up off the couch as if to say..."I'm good now". She has been off a couple of days..we kept her home from agility last Thursday.

102) March 13, 2015: TIME: 7:00 pm; DURATION: 3 minutes

I was giving her belly rubs on the couch when her seizure started. The good news? 24 hours previous to this she had one of her best, MOST FOCUSED, longest energy duration agility sessions in her life. Even though she was suffering from an aura at the time (I could tell by the lack of interest in food and the fear of her crate while I was carrying it, then her extreme clinginess when we arrived home). So this tells me that although her latest increase in frequency is a concern, the seizures are having less of an effect on her brain.

103) July 03, 2015: TIME: 4:11 pm; DURATION: 10 minutes

Relaxing on the office couch with her brothers. Woke up starting into a seizure. I sat down with her, comforted her with belly rubs. She did a lot of groaning, yawning and staring off into space...very agitated. Eventually went outside, determined to lead a normal life with seizure still occurring. Escorted by her brothers. Frequently 'checked in' with me while outside. Once seizure stopped, she resumed her nap on the office couch surrounded by her brothers. Previous to this seizure, she was a little militant with Knuckles, her younger brother. (just corrective, not violent) as if she had no patience for his behavior.

104) August 01, 2015: TIME: 9:25 am; DURATION: 2 minutes

I found her sleeping in the bedroom...I cuddled with her...got up to leave, she started to get up and I noticed the seizure. Again: She did a lot of groaning, yawning and staring off into space...very agitated. AND previous to, during as well as after the seizure...she was again militant with Knuckles as if she had no patience for his behavior. I thought this was a coincidence with seizure #103...but it seems to be part of the

process for her so I will have to observe and see if this is more of a correlation between her seizures and this behavior.

105) November 06, 2015: TIME: 8:15 am; DURATION: 35 minutes

Baby Isis has been suffering an aura lasting 3 weeks straight. **Vet increased her Keppra from 625 mg to 700 mg.** She is a very happy, playful dog now almost acting like a 12 week old puppy. But, when I go to class, she reverts back into aura so I am suspecting the new turf to be the trigger. UPDATE: No class this week but this morning she had her seizure. She expressed she wanted to stay in bed this morning (a strong indicator of an eminent seizure), I curled up to her. She relaxed after being cranky at Nahktmin making it very clear she wanted to be the sole recipient of Mommy attention. It wasn't long before she started her seizure.

The Following Seizures Are Included In This Journal For Data Sake Only And Should Not Be Considered NORMAL Seizure Activity since they were part of the virus she contracted. She would snuggle while being cradled in my arms...it sometimes felt as though her seizure was never going to stop.

106) November 19, 2015: TIME: 12:54 am; DURATION: 20 minutes

VIRUS! Lying in bed and woke up to a seizure.

107) November 19, 2015: TIME: 7:51 pm; DURATION: 35 minutes

VIRUS! Lying in crate, started seizure...I moved her to the couch and let her lie on my lap, comforting her.

108) November 20, 2015: TIME: 8:31 am; DURATION: 40 minutes

VIRUS! Daddy was home when she had this seizure.

109) November 21, 2015: TIME: 11:35 am; DURATION: 4 minutes

VIRUS! Daddy saw this one...he said it was very light and brief, especially compared to her previous three.

110) November 22, 2015: TIME: 9:35 am; DURATION: 12 minutes

VIRUS!

111) November 22, 2015: TIME: 9:55 am; DURATION: 3 minutes

VIRUS!

112) November 22, 2015: TIME: 7:35 pm; DURATION: 15 minutes

VIRUS!

113) November 23, 2015: TIME: 7:20 am; DURATION: 20 minutes

VIRUS!

114) November 24, 2015: TIME: 6:00 am; DURATION: 40 minutes

VIRUS!

115) November 24, 2015: TIME: 5:35 pm; DURATION: 3 minutes

VIRUS!

116) November 24, 2015: TIME: 8:00 pm; DURATION: 15 minutes

VIRUS!

117) November 29, 2015: TIME: 5:58 pm; DURATION: 5 minutes

VIRUS!

118) May 21, 2016: TIME: 5:05 pm; DURATION: 18 minutes

This is the first seizure of 2016. We have been feeling lucky since she has had such a long streak between seizures. She has been full of life with unending amounts of energy. We were working on weaves last Monday (May 16) and she was entering weaves backwards. I thought to myself that it was strange considering I saw no other clues to an aura and started thinking it was a training issue. I managed a work around with a new weave command when we approach with the weaves on my right...the new verbal cue is 'OUT WEAVES' so that she knows to go out around the first pole.....and it seemed to be working. She was rather content staying in bed late this morning after spending the bulk of the rainy evening outside hunting. I do remember that for the last couple of mornings she has been cranky toward Nahktmin for what seemed to be typical Nahktmin behavior. So it shouldn't come to me as a surprise that while the pack was spending the rainy weekend afternoon relaxing on the couch that she would awake to a seizure. Violent at times. **She has been on a decreased dosage of Keppra (675 mg) for about two and a half months so I will have to be vigilant and if seizures increase in frequency, the dosage will have to be increased back to 700 mg.**

119) September 2, 2016: TIME: 6:30 am; DURATION: 15 minutes

As I did my morning greet of all the pups, I discovered Baby Girl having a seizure. She has been off training for the last three weeks so I can't comment on her performance, but I do know she seemed like she was suffering from an aura for the past week or so. She was, again, cranky with Nahktmin but I thought it was because she was not attending class. Content with lying there during seizure until everyone rose to go outside...then she proceeded to go outside. No seizure on return to house.

120) October 13, 2016: TIME: 1:27 pm; DURATION: 5 minutes

Brief seizure, dozing on the office couch woke up to seizure....fairly violent but short lived. Once over, went outside to chase squirrels. Again..cranky, barky at Nahktmin....needier than usual..obsessed with blanket that came back from agility training center...(but she can smell the training center on me even when I go with no other dog). For the last several weeks has been showing signs of an aura like fear of objects I'm carrying, skiddish around other objects. Last week in class, did backwards weaves.....twice. After her seizure she was a phenomenal rocket dog in agility.

121) October 21, 2016: TIME: 10:15 pm; DURATION: 2 minutes

It seemed as if she started her aura only two days after her last seizure. Again with the fear of carried objects, the 'yote stare', roaching her back and cranky at Nahktmin (Nahktmin visited the vet and at his joyful return to the house...Baby Girl 'corrected' him for being leaving the house in the first place. She doesn't like it when the Pharaoh boys leave the house). The morning before her seizure she was hesitant at investigating the sweet potatoes as I laid them out to cure (usually she LOVES to investigate any and all vegetables from the garden). When I arrived home with Nahktmin, she was very depressed and moping. This continued for 24 hours. A vet visit later with Pheno levels tested incited an increase in dosage. That evening, after her vet visit, she awoke, asked to go outside insisting I go with her. As soon as she stepped off the porch, she had a violent head wobble seizure. After a couple laps around the compound..her seizure was stopped and she was once again, a happy girl.

122) December 19, 2016: TIME: 2:21 am; DURATION: 12 minutes

She got up from under the covers and moved to the extra bed where she lay on her side, rubbing her face in the covers and moaning (typical pre-seizure behavior). She then arose and was having violent head movement. I moved over to the bed to comfort her as best as I can by stroking her and talking to her. She seemed to find solace in my attention. Eventually she jumped off the bed...head still wobbling and asked to go outside (another seizure behavior/habit) at which I did...she returned minutes later, seizure gone. I know I n the past two weeks she has been rather gruff with Nahktmin and Junior for what seems to be no apparent reason. Also, in class last Thursday her first attempt at weaves was backwards.....as well as she just seems 'out of sync' with me...as if standard commands are foreign to her. I attribute this to the same scrambling during her first auras when she would suffer amnesia and forget simple commands and household rules.

123) December 25, 2016: TIME: 3:48 am; DURATION: 10 minutes

She woke me up barking as if she wanted to go out. When I noticed she wasn't following me...I turned around to check on her and there she was...having a seizure. I picked her up and cradled her in my arms while sitting on the futon. After a while, she insisted she wanted to go outside. And yes, she was grumpy at Nahktmin and was doing backwards weaves in class on Thursday. I am going to try increasing her Pheno one .025 at a time, allow a week to go by and add another .025 and see if I can successfully get her levels up while she isn't suffering ataxia.

124) January 4, 2017: TIME: 6:17 am; DURATION: 6 minutes

Woke up from under the blankets on the couch. Started having a seizure. Daddy comforted her. She asked to go outside and Daddy let her out.

125) March 17, 2017: TIME: 3:05 am; DURATION: 20 minutes

I awoke to Baby Girl having seizure in bed. I immediately went to her side and stroked her neck and head which seemed to minimize the head shaking. She was VERY grumpy toward Junior the last couple of days. Not letting him up on the futon or trying to prevent him from coming onto the bed at night. Eventually the seizure subsided and she asked to go out only to bark for about 30 seconds before asking to come back in.

126) May 24, 2017: TIME: 7:20 am; DURATION: 23 minutes

I awoke and climbed out of bed...everyone except Baby Isis followed suit. She was still in the bedroom having a seizure. I knew one was coming...she was grouchy at Nahktmin and was especially gruff with Junior yesterday morning....then again last night when he climbed into bed.

127) June 2, 2017: TIME: 9:52 pm; DURATION: 8 minutes

I only left for a few seconds in which time, Baby Isis came in from outside and collapsed on the couch. I came back into the room and as I was covering her up (she loves to sleep under blankets), I discovered her seizure. Very violent head shaking this time, but brief duration. She insisted on going outside toward the end. I believe she went right back into an aura about 12 hours after her last seizure on 24 May 2017. Dad also noticed a possible linked behavior. NORMALLY, At bedtime, she waits until he relaxes on the couch before coming into the bedroom to join me. But during an aura, right before a seizure.....she has difficulty DECIDING where to sleep for the night and often paces multiple times between the front room and the bedroom.