



Sheltie Showdown



A publication of the Central Indiana Shetland Sheepdog Club

March 2012

Club Meetings

CISSC holds membership meetings at the Circle City Veterinary Specialty & Emergency Hospital, 9650 Mayflower Park Drive, Carmel, IN 46032. We meet in the Rehab Room on the ground floor. This room has a private entrance on the right side of the building. *Note: meetings start promptly at 7:30 p.m. and end promptly at 9:30 p.m.* Well-behaved dogs and puppies are welcome.

Directions to Circle City Vet Clinic: From I-465, take exit 27, U.S. 421/Michigan Road. Go north on 421/Michigan Road to 96th Street and turn left (west). Turn right on Mayflower Park Drive. 9650 is on the left.

Remaining membership meetings for 2012: Jan. 6th, **March 23rd Awards Banquet**, May 4th, July Picnic TBD, Sept. 7th, Nov. 2nd

Board meetings for 2012: Feb. 22nd, April 6th, Aug. 3rd, Oct. 5th



March Awards Banquet

Our March Awards Banquet will be held at Dawson's on Main Street, Speedway, IN, on Friday evening, March 23rd. This is our annual event to celebrate achievements and titles received by our Shelties in 2011. Members may invite one guest to the awards banquet. See Awards Banquet invitation in this newsletter.



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President: Kathleen Morphew
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Sunshine Committee: Kathleen Morphew
Website: Jaye Athy
Club Website: <http://www.cissc.net>



2012 CISSC Upcoming Events

Herding Clinic & Instinct Test

May 5, 2012

Muncie, IN

Instructor and Testor:

Tammy Van Deusen

All instinct test slots have been filled by CISSC members. Audit spots are still available for \$35. Contact Carole Creech for more information.

Fall Agility Trial*pending AKC approval

November 17-18, 2012

Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center

Beech Grove, IN

Judge: Arlene Spooner



DUES are DUE!!!

To remain a member of CISSC, you must pay your dues by March 1st. Please send a check payable to CISSC for \$15 to:
Doug McKee, Treasurer, 8040 Oak Hill Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46250



Happiness is a warm puppy.



~ Charles M. Schultz

President's Corner

According to our constitution, the objective of the club shall be:

- a. To encourage and promote the breeding of purebred Shetland Sheepdogs and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.
- b. To be a permanent regional organization for persons of this area interested in the Shetland Sheepdog.
- c. To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Shetland Sheepdogs shall be judged.
- d. To support the American Shetland Sheepdog Association in its efforts to improve the breed.
- e. To do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed by encouraging sportsman-like competition at matches, dog shows, and obedience trials.
- f. To conduct sanctioned and licensed Specialty Shows, Obedience Trials, and all other events for which the breed is eligible, under the rules and regulations of the American Kennel Club.

What makes us a club? In my opinion, it is simply a shared passion about and commitment to the Shetland Sheepdog as a breed. We have diverse experiences with our Shelties, and that is not a bad thing. The Sheltie has a lot to offer, and we may each have a different experience with the Shelties that live in our homes.

Throughout the years the club membership has varied - when I joined in 1971, this was strictly a conformation club. Obedience became more popular with members around 1975 - give or take a couple of years. Herding has woven itself in and out of our member's activities since the early 1980's. Rescue started with the rescue of Torrie - and I don't really know when this happened, but I am going to say around 1990. Agility became popular with club members in the 1990's. And all along we have had pet owners, and non-owners, as members. Sharing our experiences with each other at club meetings and events is what gives this club diversity, and thus in my opinion, depth and longevity.

We are a Breed Specialty Club - devoted to and passionate about the Sheltie, the total package of the Sheltie. We celebrate our love for our dogs, and we celebrate our achievements. Please join us at the Awards Banquet as we recognize achievements in all venues.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Morpew



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Bragging Rights!

From Karen Adams:

Baccara Alpenglo Ms Chevious OAP, NJP, CGC earned her Open Jumpers Preferred title (**NEW TITLE!**) on 1/14/2012 at the CISSC agility trial under Judge Mary Mullen. She also earned her first Novice Fast Preferred leg. At the ACI agility trial Feb. 18 & 19, 2012, she earned 2 Ex. A Standard Preferred legs with first place finishes.

Road's End Sirius Mayhem (Riff) earned 2 Novice Standard legs at the CISSC agility trial on Jan 14 & 15, 2011 under Judge Mary Mullen, completing his NA Title (**NEW TITLE!**). On 2/18/2012 at the ACI trial, he earned his second Novice Jumpers title under Judge Scott Stock.

Indiana Joan II (Indee) (Ch Jade Mist Belmark Bragging Rights x Alpenglo's Sundae Surprise) earned both her NA and NAJ title (**NEW TITLES!**) at the ACI trial on 2/18 & 19, 2012, a Time 2 Beat leg and her first leg in Open Standard. Indee was bred by me and is owned by Mo and Al Boulanger.

From Jaye Athy:

Malcolm, Mandalay A Ransom In Roses, has been shown 9 times total, and currently has 6 points with the following wins: WD/Carroll Kennel Club, WD & BOS/Sand And Sea Kennel Club, WD & BOW/Sand And Sea Kennel Club, WD/Boardwalk Kennel Club, WD & BOW & BOS/Boardwalk Kennel Club.

From Kathy McKee:

At the Agility Club of Indianapolis trial under judge Scott Stock, Derby "Keeara's Down and Derby" Q'd in her first Novice Standard Run with a 3rd place finish.

Sunny "MACH3 CH Keeara Glorious Sunrise, OF, PT, VXC, CGC" Q'd in all four of his runs, giving him 2 more double Q's. He placed 4th in his Sunday Excellent Standard run.

Bliss "Coastal Keeara Euphoria, MX, MXJ, NF, CGC" Q'd in both of her "Time2Beat" runs and Q'd in her Excellent Standard run on Saturday.



Lament of a Stud

My job is making puppies, and I get two tries at that.

They pat me on the head and say "good boy" - and that's that.

It's half my job to give 'em teeth and toplines, fronts and other.

Remember, it's only half my job. They also have a mother.

It's not my job to carry pups and make 'em grow and nurse 'em,

And feed and clean and make 'em strong, that's for Mother and a person.

It's not my job to wean and feed the calcium and food.

And stack and gait and housebreak and make 'em a showing brood.

It's not my job to plan the breeding and learn what produces well.

To study pedigrees, learn what's there and pick out what to sell.

It's not my job to guarantee Champs, the breeder picks the pair.

To mate and whelp and feed and show and HOPE the champ is there.

It's not my job to be on hand when points are given out,

The breeder, owner, Dam and friends take credit with a shout.

It's not my job to deliver a winner, it's only genes I sell.

But let the puppies turn out BAD and guess who catches HELL!!!

~ Author unknown



A Healthier Respect for Ovaries

David J. Waters, DVM, PhD, Diplomate ACVS
Director, Center for Exceptional Longevity
Studies Gerald P. Murphy Cancer Foundation

A recent study by my research group appearing next month in *Aging Cell* reveals shortened longevity as a possible complication associated with ovary removal in dogs (1). This work represents the first investigation testing the strength of association between lifetime duration of ovary exposure and exceptional longevity in mammals. To accomplish this, we constructed lifetime medical histories for two cohorts of Rottweiler dogs living in 29 states and Canada: Exceptional Longevity Cohort = a group of exceptionally long-lived dogs that lived at least 13 years; and Usual Longevity Cohort = a comparison group of dogs that lived 8.0 to 10.8 years (average age at death for Rottweilers is 9.4 years). A female survival advantage in humans is well-

documented; women are 4 times more likely than men to live to 100. We found that, like women, female Rottweilers were more likely than males to achieve exceptional longevity (Odds Ratio, 95% confidence interval = 2.0, 1.2 - 3.3; $p = .006$). However, removal of ovaries during the first 4 years of life erased the female survival advantage. In females, this strong positive association between ovaries and longevity persisted in multivariate analysis that considered other factors, such as height, adult body weight, and mother with exceptional longevity.

In summary, we found female Rottweilers who kept their ovaries for at least 6 years were 4.6 times more likely to reach exceptional longevity (i.e. live >30 % longer than average) than females with the shortest ovary exposure. Our results support the notion that how long females keep their ovaries determines how long they live.....

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IRRESITIBLE CHOCOLATE BREAD PUDDING

4 oz. unsweetened chocolate
½ C semisweet chocolate chips
2 T butter
9 eggs
3 C whipping cream
1 ½ C. sugar
1 tsp. ground cinnamon
2 tsp. vanilla
6 C. dry ½ inch French Bread cubes – about ¾ lb. bread
(I cut into cubes and put in a 250 degree oven for about 12 minutes)
Whipped cream or ice cream

1. In a large, heavy saucepan, melt chocolates and butter over low heat, stirring until melted.
2. In a large mixing bowl, beat together eggs, cream, sugar, cinnamon and vanilla until combined. Gradually add milk mixture to melted chocolate, stirring constantly. Fold in bread. Pour into a 3 quart greased baking dish.
3. Bake in a 325 degree oven for 1 ½ hours or until a knife inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool slightly. Serve with whipped cream or ice cream.

Makes 12 servings – this recipe can be cut in half very easily, bake about 1 hour.

NOTE: I fixed this in a crock pot – starting on high for 45 minutes and then continuing on low for 3 hours.

You don't really want to know the calorie content!!!

THAT PUMPKIN STUFF

(from the Sweet Potato Queens' Big A__Cookbook and Financial Planner by Jill Conner Browne)

1 16 oz. can pumpkin
1 can of Pet evaporated milk
1 C. sugar
½ tsp. cinnamon
½ tsp. nutmeg
3 eggs

Mix all of the above in a large bowl. Spread in a greased 9" x 9" pan.

Crumble 1 box of Duncan Hines yellow cake mix and 1 C chopped pecans on top of the pumpkin mixture.

Melt 2 sticks butter and pour over the cake mix.

Bake for 50 to 60 minutes at 350 degrees.

FROSTING

Mix together 8 oz. softened cream cheese and 1 C. powdered sugar. Fold in 2 C. defrosted Cool Whip. Spread over pumpkin stuff. Sprinkle with more pecans. Refrigerate until time to serve it.

NOTE: if you are taking this to a pitch-in dinner, you might want to start your plate with a serving of this – it may be gone when you get to it! I highly recommend any of the Sweet Potato Queens' books by Jill Conner Browne – very funny!

~Kathleen Morphew

REALIGNMENT FAQ

Why realign the groups?

The proposed Group Realignment will

- Align breeds that are similar in conformation, structure or function
- Improve judges' education by building on similarities
- Accommodate new breeds within the groups
- Increase entries/enhance exhibitor experience by providing additional opportunities for group placement
- Improve spectator understanding of dog shows

Why now, when the proposal two years ago was set aside?

A number of factors influenced the decision to postpone the Realignment Initiative. Most of those issues are now resolved, or are on parallel timelines to implement solutions. Revision is inevitable, or the current scheme becomes unmanageable.

With entries declining, how can AKC justify enlarging the number of Groups?

AKC recently revised the process for accepting new breeds. As these breeds gain full recognition, and begin appearing in our events, the current groups will become unmanageable. Additional groups bring additional positive competitive opportunities for our exhibitors.

If we do nothing what happens to sizes of the Groups?

As of 7/1/2011	Current	2014 Projected (adding Miscellaneous)
Sporting	29	39
Hound	28	41
Working	28	42
Terrier	29	31
Toy	23	25
Non-Sporting	20	23
Herding	26	38

Can't we just divide or fix the large groups and avoid moving other breeds around?

Incremental solutions only solve half of the problem, but not at half of the cost. After reviewing the comments from the previous proposal, and understanding the impact that new breeds will have, the committee felt that a comprehensive revision now would mean we should not have to revisit the groups in 3, 5 or 10 years.

What's different about this proposal?

A major concern with the 2008 proposal was that the projected size of the working group was not addressed. This proposal answers that concern.

How long will this take to implement?

Current estimate is 3 years from approval to implementation. Assuming approval would occur in/before mid-2012, implementation would be mid-2015.

How do these groups align with other organizations?

There was no attempt to mirror any other organization's structure. There are similarities - and differences - to FCI and others.

What input do Parent Clubs have in this process? Will they have opportunity to determine what which group their breed is assigned?

The committee took into consideration the previous comments of all stakeholders. Cogent, well-supported Parent Club inputs will be given due weight by the AKC BOD in placing breeds into groups. In the long term, however, the groups will be based on an overall plan to enhance the Sport.

Eleven groups?

- Group 1: Sporting - Pointer & Setter
- Group 2: Sporting - Retriever & Spaniel
- Group 3: Scent Hounds
- Group 4: Sight Hounds
- Group 5: Working – Utility
- Group 6: Working – Molosser
- Group 7: Working – Spitz
- Group 8: Terriers
- Group 9: Toy
- Group 10: Non-Sporting
- Group 11: Herding

- Sporting group: Divided into Pointer/Setter and Retriever/Spaniel breeds by considering both physical form and function
- Hound group: Divided into Sight and Scent by function and the physical characteristics related to each
- Working group: Divided into Working-Utility (multi-purpose breeds which vary in ancestry and function), Working-Molosser (generally dogs of the Mastiff type) and Working-Spitz (breeds which have common physical characteristics and ancestry.)
- Terrier Group: Unchanged
- Toy Group: Toy Group: one breed moved to another group and one breed added.
- Non-Sporting Group: Based on similarity of form and function, Spitz-type breeds were moved to Working-Spitz. Non-Sporting name is retained
- Herding Group: Several breeds moved to other groups. Remainder of composition unchanged

With this many groups won't shows take longer? The administrative time to move additional groups in and out of the ring(s) should not add more than five to ten minutes. Groups can also be judged concurrently. Of course, more entries resulting from realignment could mean shows would become longer---and that would be a good thing.

How much more will this cost for AB clubs?

The club determines actual costs based on what it decides to award. Should the club opt for rosettes, estimated pricing is \$35-\$50 per each additional group. Prizes are also at the discretion of the show-giving club. Note: Rosettes and/or prizes are not required by the Rules.

How will realignment affect the approval of judges?

AKC has developed a favorable package for judging approval which relaxed some requirements and enables judges to attain approvals on a compressed time frame.

What about existing group clubs?

When realignment is implemented, Group Shows may only offer competition for breeds in the new groups. A breed or variety may only be eligible to compete in one group and that would be the new group to which it is assigned. Existing Working, Hound, Sporting and Non-Sporting clubs eligible to hold AKC events at the time of implementation, may concurrently hold shows for the two new Sporting or Hound Groups, the three new Working Groups, and the Non-Sporting Group may hold shows for the Non-Sporting and Working-Spitz groups. There may be no inter-group competition, nor Best in Show at these events. When a club offers competition within the new groupings, they would be treated as two separate, but concurrently held, Group Shows. There are currently nine approved Sporting, eighteen approved Hound, ten approved Working and seven approved Non-Sporting Group Clubs.

CISSC Annual Awards Banquet



*This year's CISSC Awards Banquet will be held on
Friday, March 23rd
at 6:30 p.m.*

*DAWSON'S on Main
1464 Main Street
Speedway, IN 46224*



*Please R.S.V.P. by March 9th to
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CISSC members may invite one guest to the banquet