



# Sheltie Showdown



A publication of the Central Indiana Shetland Sheepdog Club

March 2013

## Club Meetings

Our membership meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. at Bark Tudor, 2122 Broad Ripple Avenue, Indianapolis, IN 46220. Bark Tudor is located in a strip mall just west of the intersection of Keystone Avenue and Broad Ripple Avenue (62<sup>nd</sup> Street). Remaining membership meetings for 2013: January 4<sup>th</sup>, **March 8<sup>th</sup> Awards Banquet**, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, July Picnic TBD, September 6<sup>th</sup>, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Board meetings for 2013: February, April, August, October.

Sunshine Committee: Kathleen Morphew  
Website: Carole Creech  
Website URL: <http://www.cissc.net>

## 2012/2013 CISSC Upcoming Events

### Obedience & Rally Trials

July 20-21, 2013

Judges: Dianne Allen & Kathleen Cook  
Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center  
Beech Grove, IN

### CGC Testing

Saturday, July 20, 2013

Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center  
Beech Grove, IN  
Evaluator: Gwen Chaney

### Fall Agility Trial\*

November 16-17, 2013

Judge: Christie Bowers  
Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center  
Beech Grove, IN

\*pending AKC approval

## March 8<sup>th</sup> Awards Banquet

Our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

continues with our Awards Banquet on Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at Jonathan Byrd's in Greenwood. Be sure and R.S.V.P. to Kathleen Morphew by February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Each member may invite one guest.

### 2013 Officers

President: Kathleen Morphew  
Vice President: Carole Creech  
Treasurer: Doug McKee  
Recording Secretary: Cheryl Sharp  
Corresponding Secretary: Kathy McKee

### Board of Directors

Elizabeth "Babs" Beck  
Liz Carroll  
Linda Lee  
Kathy Underwood

### Standing Committees

Agility Trial: Babs Beck  
Awards: Kathleen Morphew  
Education: Carole Creech  
Equipment: Doug McKee  
Historian: Kathleen Morphew  
Judges Selection: Carole Creech  
Legislative: Carole Creech  
Librarian: Karen Burton  
Membership: Kathy McKee  
Policies & Constitution: Cheryl Sharp  
Sheltie Info Line: Tom Schultz  
Showdown: Carole Creech

## We're Celebrating 50 Years!



Join us at our 2013 Events  
to Celebrate 50 Years  
as a Specialty Club!!!

## President's Corner

What fun the Winter Classic Dog Show weekend was, and our Friday Night Specialty Show! Thank you Cheryl Sharp and Kathy McKee for all that you do to prepare for these shows. The Friday night party was a celebration of 50 years as a club, and lots of wonderful people. The food was greatly appreciated by all! Saturday's Silent Auction was fun and some people were very happy with their "wins." Thank you Kathy McKee for all of the pre-show work and to Liz Carroll, Becky Hamm, and Cheryl Sharp for day of the auction help!

Our next big event is the Annual Membership Awards Banquet and March membership meeting and 50th Anniversary Celebration - lots of old photos, etc., on March 8th at Jonathan Byrd's in Greenwood. You have received several mailings regarding this. **Please RSVP no later than February 22nd.** This is the last notice about this dinner that will be sent out...hope to see you then.

*Sincerely, Kathleen Morphew*

## Special Request!!!

If you are entered in an Obedience Trial in the next three months, please contact Kathy Morphew at 317-407-2009. We are working on updating our mailing list specifically in preparation for the July CISSC Obedience Trials and need your help. Thank you!!



## Bragging Rights!!!

### From Babs Beck:

Little Bravo, as his name indicates, is as bodacious as ever earning his MXC and enough points and double "Qs" to be almost halfway to MACH 4.

Bravo earned another title recently. At Pawsitive Partners at the December USDAA trial, he earned his Performance Tournament Master Silver for 25 "Qs" in USDAA tournament classes; Performance Speed Jumping, Performance Grand Prix and Performance Versatility Pairs.

### From Jane Masters:

Teak, Prelude's Protocol, has a NEW TITLE! On 2/16/2013 he took First Place to get his Exc.Std Title.

### From Kathy McKee:

At the Golden Retriever Club of Columbus Ohio club's agility trial on December 29th, Bliss (Coastal Keeara Euphoria, MX MXB MXJ MXB OF) took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in her Excellent A FAST run under judge Nancy Davis. She also Q'd in her Master's JWW run. On December 30<sup>th</sup> under judges Howard Etzel and Nancy Davis, she Doubled Q'd. At our CISSC trial on January 12<sup>th</sup> under judge Keith Harold, Bliss Q'd in Master JWW and on January 13<sup>th</sup> she Doubled Q'd and took 3<sup>rd</sup> place in her jumpers class.

At our CISSC trial on January 12<sup>th</sup>, Sunny (CH MACH3 Keeara's Glorious Sunrise PT MXS2 MJS2 AXP AJP OF CH-VCX) Q'd in Master Preferred Standard with a 1<sup>st</sup> place and on January 13<sup>th</sup>, he Doubled Q'd and took 1<sup>st</sup> place in his standard class and took 2<sup>nd</sup> place in his jumpers class.

## The Whelping Box Why Do We Do This?

by Bruce Sussman

Excerpted from the November 2012 AKC Gazette  
breed

columns

"Why do  
you show  
your dogs?"

Good  
question.

For  
interviewers  
from the  
"mainstream  
media," I've  
often  
sensed the  
question is  
tinged with  
a certain  
degree of  
puzzlement  
and cynicism. Our endeavors in the show ring  
appear curious to them, even ripe for satire.  
Indeed, what we do has been satirized to great  
success on film and television. But good satire is  
born of truth.



Glen of Imaal Terrier fancier  
Bruce Sussman: "We all know  
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We all know that in its purest form, a dog show is  
meant to be an arena for evaluating breeding stock,  
and our best breeders and exhibitors still hold this  
as their primary motivation, even if the system does  
not at all times appear to be on the same  
wavelength in that regard. The satires usually miss  
that one, however. Instead they tend to focus on  
the now well-worn clichés — that for some of us the  
dogs are our surrogate children, or that the  
competition is more about satisfying our own ego-  
driven needs. And, I am sure, there are as many  
other motivations as there are people who show  
their dogs.

I have been asked the question so many times now  
that I have given it long and deep thought.

Yes, many of the above factors might contribute,  
consciously or not, to my own reasons for showing  
my dogs, but there is one overriding motivation for  
me: I like to spend "alone time" with my dogs. Yes,  
I could do this without going to a dog show, but in  
my busy life, that trip to the dog park often gets  
back-burnered while more pressing matters prevail.  
But once I commit to going to a dog show, pesky

annoyances such as career and family obligations  
vanish.

There's a lot of downtime at a dog show, especially  
if you are fortunate enough to win Best of Breed  
and have a several-hours-long wait for the group. In  
the most extreme case, if you have a 9 A.M.  
ringtime for breed, and groups commence at 3  
P.M., yours being the last of seven, well, you have  
the better part of a day to fill.

And fill it we do. I have the good fortune, by virtue  
of where I live, to have numerous local shows that  
are held on historic sites, arboretums, botanical  
gardens, and picturesque parks.

Once our few minutes in the breed ring are over, off  
we go to explore. The dogs love it. I love it. And for  
those shows held in less than picture-postcard  
settings, we hop into the car and find a place to  
play for a few hours.

And yes, sometimes we just all take a nap  
together.

I have often wondered what the dogs make of all of  
this. My best guess is that they think it's the dog  
park but with fussy rules and liver treats.

But unlike cynical interviewers, the dogs don't ask  
questions.

— Bruce Sussman, [BLUEKAFKA@aol.com](mailto:BLUEKAFKA@aol.com);  
Glen of Imaal Terrier Club of America





# AKC Code of Sportsmanship

*PREFACE: The sport of purebred dog competitive events dates prior to 1884, the year of AKC's birth. Shared values of those involved in the sport include principles of sportsmanship. They are practiced in all sectors of our sport: conformation, performance and companion. Many believe that these principles of sportsmanship are the prime reason why our sport has thrived for over one hundred years. With the belief that it is useful to periodically articulate the fundamentals of our sport, this code is presented.*

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock.
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.

# **We're Celebrating 50 years!!!**



**You and one guest are invited to the  
Central Indiana Shetland Sheepdog Club  
2013 Annual Membership Awards Banquet**

**When: Friday, March 8, 2013**

**Time: 6:30 p.m.**

**Where: Jonathan Byrd's Cafeteria  
WEST Banquet Entrance, Room D & E  
100 Byrd Way, Greenwood, IN 46143  
R.S.V.P. to Kathleen Morpew by February 22nd  
(Email responses preferred)**

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