



Sheltie Showdown



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September 2011

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 2011: **Sept. 9th**, Nov. 4th. Board meetings for 2011: October 7th.

September 9th Program

Want to learn how to train Sheltie puppy ears the way the Collie people do it? Here's your chance! Linda Lee will show us a tried and true method and get the result we all want - perfectly tipped ears for life! When you learn the "duck tape" method, you will never use anything else! Bring your puppies and learn this method first-hand. This method is easier on you and your puppies! **Guaranteed!!!**

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Fall Agility Trial*

November 19-20, 2011

Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center
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Judge: Blair Kelly

*FAST & Time2Beat have been added!

2012 CISSC Upcoming Events

Winter Agility Trial*

January 14-15, 2012

Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center
Beech Grove, IN

Judge: Mary Mullen

*FAST & Time2Beat have been added!

CISSC Specialty Shows

(Pending AKC approval)

February 10-11, 2012

In conjunction with the Indy Winter Classic
Indiana State Fairgrounds, Indianapolis, IN

Friday Evening Judge: Janet Turnage-Nahikian

Saturday Judge: Guy Jeavons



President's Corner

CALLING ALL ARTISTIC AND CREATIVE MEMBERS

At the Iced Tea Cluster Meet the Breeds event I did some thinking about what we could do better in the area of booth set up and decor. I don't think we need to go as far as the Basenji's who decorate their booth with animal prints; members wear safari helmets and clothing, etc. No, I don't want to wear a kilt and I wouldn't ask anyone else to do that. I do think we have club members who can help with two major projects I would like to launch.

CISSC COLORING BOOK - The ASSA coloring book is a few pages long and would cost \$5.00 to purchase. We typically give out 25 coloring books and crayons. The AKC coloring book (you can see it online at AKC.org, just search coloring book) is ok, but I feel the need for a Sheltie specific one - including agility, herding, obedience, therapy, companion, puppy care, grooming, etc. I am personally launching a search for club member drawn coloring and activity pages.

I have one copy of the A.S.S.A coloring book that I will bring to the Sept. meeting - also a copy of the Chinese Shar-Pei Coloring Book. Both books are copyrighted, so we cannot copy.....but we can use them as inspiration.

PHOTO SLIDE SHOW - I have a portable DVD player and a laptop - could play a DVD or a CD of photos during the day. I know that we have at least one club member experienced with this!

My suggestions include in each format a map of Scotland and Shetland Island and/or photographs of Shetland Islands. Coloring book could include smaller Shetland Ponies and sheep - I answered several questions on origin and relationship to Collies and Aussies. Several people talked about the herding....I think a maze would be neat with sheep under a tree and a Sheltie in search of them through the maze. I can visualize both of these, but I am artistically limited! I would love to hear from you if you want to volunteer to work on this or if you have further ideas of what to include. I know we have members who are creative and can come up with some great ideas - if you have a great idea but not the artistic skill to execute it, please become involved.

I think this can be very fun projects for the club to work on - hope you agree!

Sincerely,
Kathleen Morphey

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In Sympathy

Heartfelt condolences to Tom Schultz on the recent death of his Mother.

PetEdge Reminder

When CISSC Members use PetEdge for supplies, CISSC gets credit. Please continue to use PetEdge so the club can take advantage of this perk!

Bragging Rights!



From Karen Adams:

Baccara Alpenglo Ms Chevious, NJP, NAP (Gilda): On 8/13/2011, Gilda earned her second Open Std. leg with a first place finish under Judge Karl Blakely at the Field Spaniel Agility Trial. The next day, she earned her third Open Std. leg with a second place finish under Mr. Blakely for her Open Agility Preferred title! **(NEW TITLE!)**. She also earned her CGC title at that trial under Evaluator Brenda Staley. At the K9 Athletes CPE trial on 8/27, Gilda earned a Level 1 Jackpot leg with a first place finish. She also earned her 3rd Standard Level 2 leg with a 3rd place finish and a leg in Colors with a 3rd place finish and completed her Level 2 Colors requirement. On 8/28, she qualified in Standard Level 2 with a second place finish and earned her CL2-R title and then earned her 2nd leg in Jumpers Level 2 with a 2nd place finish.

Brandywines Sea Breeze NA, NAJ (Piper) earned her CGC at the Field Spaniel Agility Trial under Evaluator Brenda Staley on 8/13/2011.

Road's End Sirius Mayhem (Riff) earned a Colors 1 leg on 8/27/2011 at the K9 Athletes CPE agility trial with a 4th place finish.

Baccara Makin Waves (Quin): Completed STD Level 1 and Games: Colors, Jackpot & Wildcard at the K9 Athletes CPE agility trial on 8/27 and 28, 2011. He earned his CL1-R and CL1-H titles! Quin earned his

Novice Agility title (**NEW TITLE!**) on 7/24/11 at the Dog Training Club of Champaign-Urbana and his Novice Agility Jumpers title (**NEW TITLE!**) on 8/13/11 at the Field Spaniel Society of America agility trial! His NA title was achieved in 3 attempts and his NAJ in 4 attempts. All were with first and second placements!

Alpenglo's Gale Force (Baxter): Completed Std Level 1 and Games: Colors, Wildcard & Jumpers at the K9Athletes CPE agility trial on 8/27-28, 2011. He earned his CL1-R and CL1-H titles at his first CPE trial!

From Carole Creech:

"Socks," is now CH Cameo Chase A Dream. (**NEW CHAMPION!**) Handled by Jessica Starbuck, he finished his AKC championship at the Bushy Run KC show in Vandergrift, PA on July 2nd with a 3-point major under Judge Robert Frost.

From Kathy McKee:

At the Fort Wayne OTC agility trials August 6th and 7th, Sunny (CH MACH Keera's Glorious Sunrise, VCX, OF, PT, CGC) got two Double Q's (running 4 for 4) with Judges Ron McClelland and Paul Mount. At the Field Spaniel agility trials August 13th, Sunny got another Double Q with Judge Karl Blakely. The next day, August 14th, Sunny Q'd in his Excellent Standard run.

At the Fort Wayne OTC agility trials Bliss (Coastal Keera Euphoria MX, MXJ, CGC) Q'd in her Excellent Standard run and on August 6th and 7th, she Doubled Q'd each day with Judge's Ron McClelland and Paul Mount. At the Field Spaniel agility trials August 13th, Bliss took 1st place in Novice FAST and Q'd in her Excellent Jumpers run. On August 14th she took 4th place in her Excellent Jumpers run. The judge was Karl Blakely.

From the AKC

A Reminder about Existing Laws Affecting Dog Ownership

In recent months, the AKC has become aware of increased enforcement of existing kennel and dog-related laws in a number of communities. This is an excellent reminder to all dog owners about the importance of keeping up-to-date with and obeying all pertinent laws in your jurisdiction.

Unfortunately, it's not unusual for a community's laws to change without affected residents knowing about

those changes. Individuals and groups who oppose dog ownership or breeding regularly use the violation of any kind of dog law as a reason to push for additional, ever more restrictive laws. If you are not sure what your community or state requires, please contact your local animal control and ask for a copy of the laws so you can ensure you are in compliance.

The AKC expects its breeders/registrants to know, understand, and obey the laws of their jurisdictions. Breeders should review and abide by any local, state, and federal laws that apply to their kennel or breeding operations and ensure that they are in full compliance with their requirements. The AKC strongly encourages all breeders to ensure that conditions in their kennels are in accordance with AKC rules and policies and all applicable laws.

The American Kennel Club's Board of Directors position on the Proper Care and Humane Treatment of Dogs is clear: Dog owners bear a special responsibility to their canine companions to provide proper care and humane treatment at all times. Proper care and humane treatment include an adequate and nutritious diet, clean water, clean living conditions, regular veterinary care, kind and responsible human companionship, and training in proper behavior. The American Kennel Club believes that dogs should not be kept in circumstances or numbers where these needs cannot be adequately fulfilled.

The AKC Government Relations department is here to help you when you learn about a proposed new law that may be overly burdensome or restrictive for responsible dog owners and breeders. It is much harder to roll back a law that is already in place than to address one that has not yet been approved.

Please contact AKC's Government Relations Department at (919) 816-3720, or e-mail doglaw@akc.org for information and to advise GR staff about newly-introduced legislation and regulations in your local community. Click [here](#) for tools to help oppose the enactment of anti-dog measures and to seek changes to existing laws.

Excerpt from the August AKC Newsletter, *Taking Command*



CENTRAL INDIANA SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB
APPLICATION FOR MERIT AWARDS

January 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011

MEMBERS ONLY

Please fill out the form below to entitle you to your CISSC Merit Award for any of the titles listed below. You must be owner or co-owner of record to qualify for an award on an individual dog.

PLAQUES: Awarded for the following accomplishments – successive awards for the same dog will be presented as additional engraved brass plate to be attached to the original plaque.

- Conformation Champion
- MACH or PACH
- Champion UD or OTCH
- Obedience Titles (CD,CDX,UD,UDX,OTCH)
- Rally Titles (RN,RA,RE,RAE)
- Tracking Titles (TD,TDX,VST)
- AKC Herding Titles (HT,PT,HS,HI,HX,HC)
- Agility Titles
(NA,NAJ,OA,OAJ,AX,AXJ,MX,MXJ,NAP,OAP,AXP,MXP,NJP,OJP,AJP,MJP,NF,OF,XF,MXF,NFP, OFP, XFP,MFP, NT2B, OT2B, XT2B, NPT2B, OPT2B, XPT2B)
- High in Trial (all breed or specialty show)
- Best in Show (all breed or specialty show)
- Breeder or an owner for any of the following placements at the National Specialty:
(BIS, BOS, WD, WB, Award of Merit Winner, HIT)
- Breeder of the most Champions within the award year.
- Breeder of the most Obedience titled dogs within the award year.
- Breeder of the most Agility titled dogs within the award year.
- Breeder of the most Herding titled dogs within the award year.
- Versatility Award (any dog obtaining 3 titles; i.e. CH, UD, HT, TD, or any combination thereof)
- Breeder or Owner of a sire or dam of Merit (Sire=10 CH, Dam=5 CH)

CERTIFICATES:

- Breeder of Conformation Champion; Breeder of an Agility, Obedience, Tracking or Herding titled Dog
- High Combined
- Group Placement or Major Win
- Placement at a National Specialty Show
- Titles earned in other sanctioning organizations (UKC, NADAC, USDAA, AHBA, etc)

You must have qualified for an award between the dates of **January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011.**

Please use a separate application for each award for each dog and submit the names and dates of the shows/trials where your dog qualified for the award. *You must be owner or co-owner of record to qualify for an award on an individual dog except for breeder awards.* Be sure to clearly print or type this information because this goes to the printer/engraver and must be legible. Return this application to:

Kathleen Morphew, 1430 N. Emerson Ave., Indianapolis, IN 46219

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THE REQUEST IS JANUARY 7, 2012

TYPE OF AWARD: _____

SHOW & DATE QUALIFIED: _____

AKC REGISTERED NAME OF DOG: _____

BREEDER: _____

SIRE: _____

DAM: _____

OWNER: _____

Please note, if a dog is co-owned and the co-owner wishes a plaque or certificate, a 2nd certificate or plaque can be purchased. **Only one plaque or certificate will be awarded.**

Part I

A GATHERING STORM

Big things often come from small beginnings

By

Dr. Carmen Battaglia

Over the years one can find many examples of an event which at the time seemed small and unimportant only to be later learned that it had grown large with unintended consequences. It was the repeated occurrence of these scenarios that eventually led to the expression, big things often-times come from small beginnings.

In this regard, there is now within the dog world a chain of events that has been defined as more than just an annoyance. These are a series of small events that can be described as a **gathering storm but, unlike those of the past, this storm is being driven by forces that are connected in unusual ways. At its center is the repeated and effective use of several undefined labels. They have become the primary tool that fuels these turbulent winds. The storm is being driven by the fundamental idea that breeders should do the right thing. The motivating argument for this comes from the Animal Rights Movement which**

identifies the expectation that a responsible breeder would analyze his/her pedigrees for problems using DNA technology and the other certifications, tests and protocols that are available (OFA, CERF, PENN HIP etc). The idea, of course, is popular, but for those who study these events and how they are used to influence the future, it seems clear that the conditions are now right for a disaster. Unfortunately, there is no authority in the dog world who can say with any certainty how much damage this storm will cause. What is certain is that it has now reached a level that makes it a clear and present danger.

Storms in a sport, like those in society, are always risky because they usually bring with them unwanted damage. What has gone unnoticed about this storm is how the animal rights movement has used a series of undefined labels to drive the winds that have already altered and changed the dog world. Until now, most of these changes have gathered little national interest. Now however, through the use of well crafted-labels they are able to describe a person, thing or event in either a positive or negative light. Over the years they have learned how to use the power of the undefined label to capture the interests and attention of the public, the clubs and the breeders.

The use of labels to drive ideas is not new in an industrialized society. Advertising agencies and political campaigns use them to influence policy, regulations and elections. The hotter the issue, the more dramatic the pitch and the more clever the strategy. When the issue is ideological, labels are used to energize supporters. They are also used on websites to announce the issues and promote the problems. When combined, they become the important vehicles for influencing opinions and changing perceptions. Sociologists call this the "labeling process". Their studies focus on the groups and organizations that use the labels to exploit a situation, target a group or identify a victim. In this regard, the "labeling process" is best known as an applied method. Studying how they are used to achieve certain goals involves a search for the motive and the desired objective. Many times the goal is subtle and not easily noticeable. Understanding how the change agents use the "labeling process" is key to understanding how they are able to drive their programs. This is important in today's climate because the breeders seem to enjoy using the undefined labels without ever knowing their meaning or purpose and more importantly who will become their next victim.

One of the newest labels gaining in popularity has been designed to make the breeder its victim and their pups the target. It's called the "responsible breeder". What makes this label so dangerous is the attention it calls to the quality of the pups produced. What makes it politically correct is the fact that it has many meanings and interpretations and most importantly, it offers everyone who "does the right thing" the opportunity to label themselves a breeder. Underneath its exterior however, is the special emphasis it brings to the quality of the pups being produced and sold. It assumes that if a pup is of poor quality, unhealthy or has something wrong, it should not be bred. Most breeders agree with this notion and respond by selling their pups without AKC registration papers, or with a limited registration or perhaps a spay/neuter contract. The underlying assumption is that they are being "responsible breeders" and would not want to continue to produce low quality pups given the technology and protocols that are available. The latter point is key to the strategy. The notion that the unsound and unhealthy should not be sold for breeding is fundamental to this label and with that logic the best indicator of whether a breeder is being responsible or not can be tested by what

they produce and how they register it. This method identifies some breeders as better than other breeders. This scenario salutes those who breed to produce better quality. In the background however, there are some important and very fundamental questions. For example, why do so many breeders endorse the use of DNA but have little or no understanding of its uses or benefits and why have only a small fraction of the breeders actually used it? Why are so many breeders not trained in the use of DNA testing or the techniques available for managing the normals, carriers or affected when they occur in their pedigrees? The animal rights strategy sees this as opportunity. Their logic suggests that because there is widespread support for a technology they do not understand or use, the quality of their litters is not likely to improve. Thus, over time, a determination can be made as to whether a breed and its breeders are making progress and thus, being "responsible breeders". Said another way, if quality pups are the goal, a responsible breeder can be measured by how they sell their pups. In retrospect, there is a lesson to be learned from this simple logic and how, through the use of undefined labels, the animal rights movement has been able to create havoc in the world of pure-bred dogs.

In the past, the most popular use of the undefined label was to describe the commercial or high volume breeders as "puppy mills". Other labels were then linked to it. They were called "overpopulation", "vicious dogs", "dangerous dogs", "responsible dog owner", etc. While each of these labels enjoyed wide-spread acceptance, none were ever defined. In each case, the fancy and the public accepted them without any understanding of what they meant or what they were intended to do. Now, after more than ten years of use, they are still undefined. For these reasons, it is important to appreciate who creates the labels (change agents), why they are using them and what affect they are having on the AKC, veterinary schools, dog clubs, registrations (stud book), and ultimately the breeders.

By design, most of these labels are left vague or never defined. This reduces the chances for resistance. When catchy words and phrases are linked to them, many ideas can be pushed to support their agenda. It is not just the general description given them that gathers attention, it the success they have had convincing breeders, their clubs and the writers to use undefined labels. Whether this new label will follow in the footsteps of the others is yet to

be determined. But based on the past, it is safe to say that we should take this opportunity to understand its potential.

History shows that one of the earliest undefined labels targeted breeders by calling them "puppy mills". Catchy phrases were added to describe them as irresponsible individuals who owned dirty kennels and carried out careless breedings. This label was then linked to a negative form of animal husbandry as a way to grow the idea into something bigger. Some of the first uses of this label focused on the breeders in certain states and cities. It resulted in changes in policies, zoning, regulations and even legislation. The strategy being used today closely parallels this scenario. It focuses on issues the Animal Rights Movement believes need to be changed. Their current strategy begins with the fancy (breeders/writers) they push for acceptance in conversation, at meetings and on websites. Follow-up efforts are then used to identify the problem that fits their strategy. This step usually involves their critic groups who are developing court cases that will follow. Their use of the law and the courts has already resulted in a negative and financial impact on hundreds of breeders and their dog clubs. Their efforts

have been effective only because they are able to create labels the community will accept.

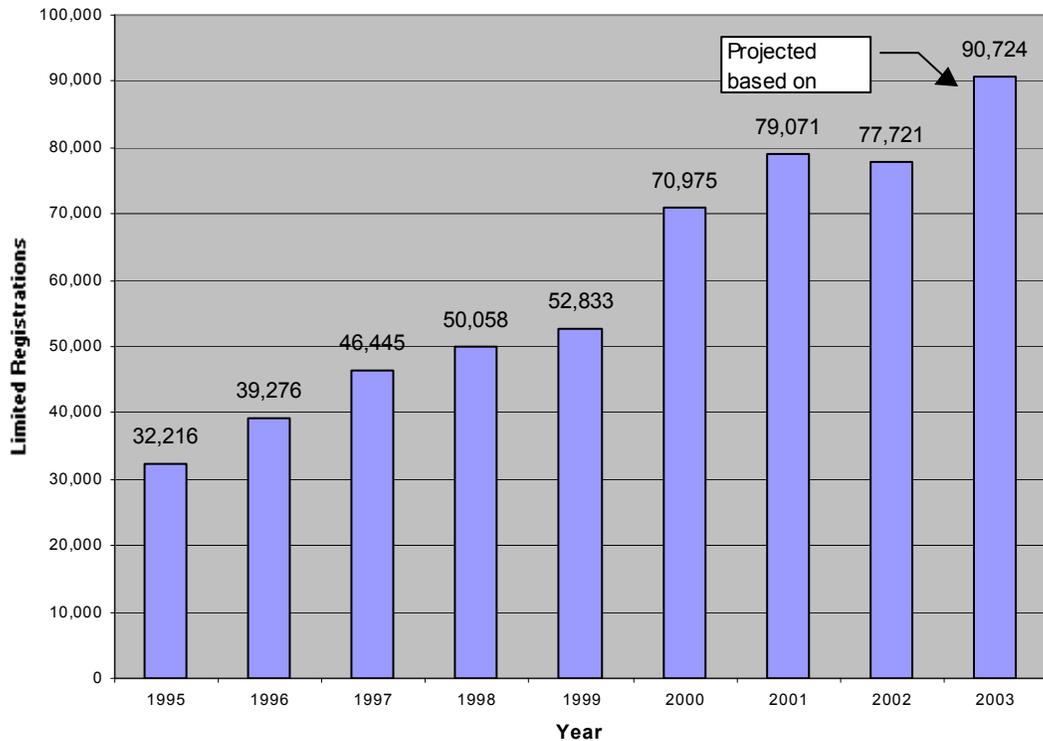
In the past, it was only the like-minded groups within the animal rights movement that were able to function as change agents. In the beginning they were forced to use negative incentives and the courts to push their agendas. But over the past 20 years they have effectively learned how to use legislation and the courts and the breeders to introduce new changes in zoning, ownership, breeding rights, care and conditions etc. Typically they use the argument of "raising the bar". Sometimes they call it "raising the standard". Today, when the term "puppy mill" is used, it quickly arouses a negative and emotional response. More importantly it demonstrates how one undefined label in the hands of a determined group can manipulate the masses.

From the beginning, their goal was to control, limit and reduce the ownership and breeding rights of the breeders and those who exhibit purebred dogs. Thus far, they have successfully done both. What is best known about their efforts is the ripple effect they are having on the gene pools of many breeds. This is one of the most dangerous aspects of this new label. The cumulative effects they are

having on registrations can not be ignored. Related to this problem is the impact they are having on the gene pools of the 35 breeds listed in Table 1. The unintended and cumulative consequence of their efforts continues to gather momentum only because there is acceptance without understanding. What must be learned from these experiences is that most of the undefined labels are used to suggest something good. Later they are used to fit an agenda that will produce a negative effect. The most dangerous part of the process is how well they are able to reach beyond the obvious. In the early stages of acceptance the critic groups remain in the background preparing to use the courts as opportunities present themselves. With this infrastructure in place, the animal rights groups are able to extend their reach. Their success can now be measured through declining registrations and the numbers of pups being sold on limited registrations or on spay/neuter contracts. The "responsible breeder" label is the vehicle being used to establish a new kind of husbandry, one that will eventually be guided by new and tougher quantitative standards. During the initial stages of implementation their strategy only whispers about a better way. They do this by painting a picture of something that is good for everyone. At the center of their storm is the attention

they are giving to DNA technology and health certifications which most breeders and their clubs endorse. In their words, a "responsible breeder" is expected to screen and test all of their stock before breeding. This idea sounds great on the surface but this is only the first step. As the breeders and their clubs continue to embrace this label the animal rights activist slowly begins to lobby for the required use of both DNA and health screening. This follow-up step is called "raising the bar". It is unfolding one step at a time. We already have heard their voices asking that more testing must be used on breeding stock. Next they will push for testing as a condition of breeding and then as a condition to register breeding stock and their pups. In some quarters they already are asking that it become a condition for entry in some AKC venues. As the popularity of the "responsible breeder" spreads they will attempt to further extend their reach into the AKC stud book and the registration system. To this end, the change agents and their critic groups have already taken the first step by raising the level of awareness. Some believe they are ahead of schedule. What is so interesting is how well the breeders have accepted their ideas.

FIGURE 1. LIMITED REGISTRATIONS



Notice in Figure 1 how quickly the breeders responded when they were told that in order to be a "responsible breeder" they should sell their pups on limited registrations or on spay/neuter contracts as a way to control "over-population" a problem that does not exist. Figure 1, also shows that after only nine years well over 100,000 dogs each year continue to be removed from the gene pools of all breeds. Not only have the animal rights movement been able to encourage breeders to reduce the size of the AKC stud book they have identified the "responsible breeder" as their next victim. Unfortunately, the dog world

has not noticed the negative effect limited registrations and spay neuter contracts are having on registrations and the stud book. The strategy thus far has linked two ideas together. The first was to convince the breeders that they could reduce over-population. The second was to separate the breeders and the buyers from the AKC. More than half of all pups sold on limited registrations and spay/neuter contracts were not being registered. Both efforts shrink the number of breeders and litters. Unfortunately, the impact they continue to have on the stud book and particularly the 35 breeds listed in Table 1 should not be ignored. These breeds are now registering fewer than 100 litters per year. The greatest dilemma now comes if this trend continues because it currently is on schedule to collapse the diversity of several gene pools and their ability to maintain breed health (Ostrander).

Table 1. AKC Litter Registrations (1997-2001)

2001 Rank	Breeds	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
112	Salukis				84	79	80	63	67
113	Belgian Tervuren				84	84	78	89	106
114	Belgian Sheepdogs				83	80	80	85	101
115	Retrievers (Flat-Coated)				82	100	75	98	84
116	Petits Bassets Griffons Vendeens				75	83	72	100	92
117	Bedlington Terriers				66	54	57	56	57
118	Spaniels (Welsh Springer)				61	63	58	57	60
119	Wirehaired pointing Griffons				55	66	44	37	41
120	Briards				51	61	57	60	58
121	Spaniels (American Water)				49	45	57	62	68
122	Lowchen				49	44	37	24	35
123	Spaniels (Clumber)				47	60	43	51	46
124	Black and Tan Coonhounds				47	47	48	55	57
125	Anatolian Shepherds				42	48	49	41	45
126	Pulik				40	36	48	36	46
127	Polish Lowland Sheepdogs				40	38	28	0	0
128	Miniature Bull Terriers				40	42	49	42	44
129	Kuvaszok				35	48	49	59	84
130	Spinone Italiano				33	6			
131	Finnish Spitz				30	27	30	27	39
132	Scottish Deerhounds				28	28	27	27	33
133	Retrievers (Curly-Coated)				27	25	25	31	28
134	Komondorok				26	23	32	31	40
135	Canaan Dogs				26	25	20	18	11
136	Spaniels (Field)				25	28	28	36	29
137	Spaniels (Irish Water)				25	23	33	22	21
138	Greyhounds				25	30	24	32	29
139	Sealyham Terriers				24	18	21	17	28

140	Skye Terriers	24	23	25	38	31
141	Pharaoh Hounds	23	19	16	20	19
142	German Pinschers	23				
143	Spaniels (Sussex)	20	16	21	22	16
144	Dandie Dinmont Terriers	20	33	38	30	33
145	Ibizan Hounds	18	12	13	17	19
146	Plotts	18	35	30	8	0
147	Foxhounds (American)	18	14	14	15	13
148	Harriers	11	6	6	10	11
149	Otterhounds	8	7	2	4	9
150	Foxhounds (English)	7	8	5	7	6
		2001	2000	1999	1998	1997
	Total for all 150 breeds	461,863	506,727	527,023	555,964	564,165

Conclusion

The strength of the winds that are pushing this storm has been marked and identified. It is heading toward the fancy with an unusual force. They have already unleashed a new kind of husbandry which is likely to have a qualitative and quantitative form of measurement. The plan and the mechanism that is driving this storm is intended to continue on its path of reshaping the dog world piece by piece. While these trends seem to be clear, hardly anyone seems to be noticing. In retrospect, we can now see the true meaning of the phrase, "big things often-times come from small beginnings". More will be said about the plan and the labeling process in the next article (Part II). If

you would care to express your ideas on this subject, forward them to me in care of the editor at K9CHRON@aol.com

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