



Sheltie Showdown



A publication of the Central Indiana Shetland Sheepdog Club

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CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the first Friday of every other month starting in January at Indy K-9 Kollege, located at 575 Main Street, Beech Grove, IN 46107. Directions to Indy K-9 Kollege: From I-465, take Emerson Avenue exit #52 toward Indianapolis. Turn north on Emerson Avenue and go 1.2 miles to Main Street and turn left. Indy K-9 is located on the left side of Main Street.

Remaining membership meetings for 2010:
August 1st, Sept. 10th, Nov. 5th.

Remaining board meetings for 2010: Aug. 6th, Oct. 1st. No meetings are scheduled for June or December.



Our next meeting will be a joint venture on Sunday, August 1st with our sister club, the Indiana Collie Club. A Sanctioned B-Match for both Shelties and Collies will be held along with a CGC test sponsored by the Indiana Collie Club. Plan to join us for a fun day with your dogs and friends starting at 10:00 a.m. See flyer in this newsletter for more details.

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Club Website: <http://www.ciissc.net>

CISSC 2010 Upcoming Events

Summer Seminar

August 7-8 2010

Myra Savant-Harris

Reproduction & Puppy Intensive Care
(See flyer in this newsletter)

Fall CGC Test

September 11, 2010

Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center
Beech Grove, IN

Fall Agility Trial

November 26-27-28, 2010

Pawsitive Partners Dog Training Center
Beech Grove, IN

Judge: David Hirsch



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The President's Corner

APPRECIATION AND PARTICIPATION

I really appreciate all that club members do. We hold so many events during the year which takes a lot of behind the scenes work. I hesitate to do this, but I am going to publicly thank those members whose contributions I am aware of. I say I hesitate to do this because invariably I will leave someone out and I do not do this intentionally.

APPRECIATION TO:

Karen Adams, Jaye Athy, Babs Beck, Karen Burton, Kathleen Carver, Carole Creech, Bettie Lou Hartsock, Sheila Kitchens, Jane Masters, Doug McKee, Kathy McKee, Jay Oxley, Judy Oxley, Tom Schultz, Cheryl Sharp, and Kathy Underwood.

That is 70% of the members, not counting the honorary lifetime members. I personally think this is a fantastic amount of participation and without it we could not possible host two large agility trials, two specialty shows, CGC tests, Meet the Breeds, Seminars, etc.

That being said - there are always opportunities for

more volunteers and participation in club activities.

OPPORTUNITIES TO VOLUNTEER: Volunteers are needed for all of these events!

August 1st. Joint picnic with the Indiana Collie Club. This includes a Sheltie only B Match - bring your pups out for experience and exposure. The flyer with additional information was recently sent to you and is also included in this newsletter.

August 7th & 8th. Myra Savant-Harris Seminar. More information is available on www.cissc.net and is also included in this newsletter. This is also a joint venture with the Indiana Collie Club.

September 11th. CGC test in conjunction with the Field Spaniel Agility Trial.

November 26th, 27th, & 28th. CISSC Agility Trial.

January 15th & 16th. CISSC Agility Trial.

February 11-12, 2011. CISSC Specialty Shows.

To volunteer or help in anyway, contact Kathy McKee and she will direct you to the appropriate people.

MEETINGS: Just a reminder that meetings are held the first Friday in odd number months (except for July). Meetings are a good way to catch up with other members and events in the area.

I look forward to seeing club members and your dogs at the Sunday, August 1st picnic.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Morpew



Brag All About It!

From Karen Adams:

Zachary: Ch Prelude's Puttin On Heirs, AJP, OA, OAJ, NAP, NF earned an Open Standard Preferred leg at the Indiana Collie Club Agility Trial with a first place finish on 5/16/2010 under Judge Ron McClelland.

Gilda: Baccara Alpenglo Ms Chevious earned a Novice Preferred JWW leg with a first place finish on 5/16/2010 at the Indiana Collie Club Agility Trial. This was Gilda's first trial.

Piper: Brandywine's Sea Breeze, NAJ earned her first Open JWW leg on 5/15/2010 at the Indiana Collie Club Agility Trial with a second place finish under Judge Ron McClelland.

From Babs Beck:

Bravo earned his CD at the Fort Wayne Obedience Training Club Trial on May 8, 2010.

In Sympathy

Heartfelt condolences to Karen Adams on the recent passing of "Spanky" - Ch Alpenglo Above 'N Beyond RN HT NA NAJ NAP OJP.



HOT SPOTS

Note: First check with your Vet to see if there is a medical reason for the hot spot, such as a staph infection. If not, then your dog may be chewing from boredom or anxiety. The pain of their chewing or licking releases endorphins and other comforting neuro-chemicals into their blood stream, and this calms the dog. Spraying the hot spot with a numbing agent like Lidocaine should break the cycle. Orajel (baby teething pain medicine) spread around the hotspot is another way to break the cycle.

Hot Spots Can Appear Overnight

Hot spots are localized skin infections that are usually caused by a bacterium called *Staphylococcus intermedius*, although other bacteria can be involved. In most cases, the cause remains unknown, although they are often

due to some underlying factor such as fleas, mites, bacteria, allergies, or irritants (e.g. a harsh shampoo). In some cases, a severe essential fatty acid deficiency may also be the cause. It is suspected that increases in the temperature and humidity of the skin environment may play a role in the development of these skin infections. This is probably why hot spots tend to be more common in the summer than in the winter. Often, hot spots may occur after a dog has been swimming in a lake or river, likely because this changes the temperature and humidity of the skin microenvironment. Dogs that are prone to allergies also tend to get hot spots more readily than non-allergic dogs. At one time, all hot spots were thought to be the same and, as a result, were all treated the same way. However, research has shown that there are actually two distinct forms of hot spots (also known as acute moist dermatitis), namely superficial hot spots and deep hot spots. Correctly identifying which type of hot spot your dog has helps the veterinarian to determine the correct treatment and possibly even the cause. Superficial hot spots are, as the name implies, on the skin surface and appear as a moist patches of inflamed, ulcerated, itchy skin with matted hair. They are easily treated by clipping back the hair from the affected area, then cleansing with a medicated soap and water, followed by application of an appropriate topical medication.

The second type of hot spot is the deep hot spot. It is quite different from the superficial form in that there is itchiness, ulceration and inflammation but also a very deep infection and oozing. Unlike the superficial kind of hot spot, these hot spots must be treated with antibiotics as well as topical treatment. They are seen most often in young dogs and in Golden Retrievers and Saint Bernards.

Prevention is difficult, if not impossible, unless an underlying cause can be determined. If you cannot determine the cause, there are some

things you can do to lessen the probability of your dog getting hot spots. For example, giving medicated bathes (e.g. benzoyl peroxide shampoos) on a regular basis may help prevent some cases from re-occurring. Supplementing the diet with an essential fatty acid supplement may prove helpful in others.

Early detection of hot spots before they become serious is also an important part of any preventative program. Your veterinarian should be consulted if your dog gets a hot spot so that you can both work together to relieve your pet's suffering, as well as determine a cause and course of treatment.

Home Remedy suggestions that can be used until you can see your vet:

- Tea bag compresses (black or green tea) to help dry the area out. Tea can be used as a wash or as a compress.
- Internally, Echinacea, Vitamin C, Goldenseal, and garlic all help to boost the immune system.
- Domeboro's (Burow's) solution (aluminum acetate) - available over-the-counter at pharmacies to help dry the skin out. Can be used as a compress or as a spray.
- Rescue remedy cream or liquid applied directly on the hotspot.
- Keep it clean by dabbing it with a cotton swab soaked in an antiseptic solution such as Betadine Solution.
- Try a Bach Flower Remedy - Crab Apple. It is specifically indicated for skin problems such as hotspots. If the cause of the hotspot is emotionally-related, check into other flower remedies. There are many to choose from and can help heal the troubles that reside inside.
- Burow's Solution (aluminum acetate) three times a day will keep the area dry and promote healing. Burow's solution is available in pharmacies.
- Use Hibiclens Antiseptic Solution (confirm this with your Vet prior to use) several times daily. Swab with Hibiclens, then rinse thoroughly with plain tepid water. Dry

surrounding hair with hairdryer on LOW heat.

- Dab with milk of magnesia to calm irritated skin.
- Spray Colloidal Silver onto the affected area several times daily.
- 1 quart water, 1 heaping teaspoon dried sage, 1 heaping teaspoon of thyme, $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. Epsom salt. Boil everything together for 5 minutes then let it sit overnight. Strain off the herbs and refrigerate unused portion. You can add it to shampoo and make a "medicated" shampoo ... also works for ant bites, red bumps, flea dermatitis, etc.
- Dab with organic apple cider vinegar.
- Saturate a cotton ball with witch hazel and apply on hot spots for several days.
- Apply vitamin E gel (buy the capsules and open them) to the hot spot twice a day.
- Calendula cream or hyper/cal (hypericum and calendula) cream applied directly to hotspot.
- Mix equal parts extra virgin olive oil and oil of thyme. Apply to the hot spot with a cotton ball. This will stop itching and prevent infection.
- Aloe Vera gel, freshly squeezed from the plant, helps to calm and heal. It can be ingested as well to work on the inside.
- Hydrocortisone creams - Some people advocate using a thin film of an over-the-counter hydrocortisone cream. I would recommend talking to your vet first - in general, creams and ointments only serve to "gunk up" the area and prevent proper drying if used incorrectly. Also, if the pet licks it, you want to make sure that it isn't toxic.
- Fleas and Teas - Fleas HATE Stash Earl Grey. Tear open a few bags, scatter the tea about on your carpet and vacuum up in a few days. Fleas will flee. Other folks have noticed that their pets love to roll in Stash-perhaps that's why!
- Mix a combination of one part lavender oil, one part Neem oil, to 9 parts almond oil. Apply to sores and infected areas once or twice daily.
- Mix ten drops of yellow dock extract with ten drops of Echinacea extract, dilute with four ounces of distilled water and apply. Yellow dock

is effective as an itch treatment. Other herbs that help with itching are calendula and aloe vera.

- Make up a mixture of three tablespoons fresh lemon juice mixed with two ounces of witch hazel and four ounces of distilled water: Add 10 drops of grapefruit seed extract and six drops each of tea tree oil, golden seal root, olive leaf extract, and pau d'arco. Keep away from the eyes. Spray or dab onto sores once a day.

Via Sheltie Vibes

Legislative Corner

Informational Update:

Federal PUPS legislation introduced
Thursday, May 27, 2010

U.S. Senator Richard Durbin (D-Ill.) introduced US Senate bill S. 3424 late Tuesday evening. The bill is designed to close the "internet loophole" in the Animal Welfare Act which allows breeders who sell numerous puppies over the internet or directly to the public to avoid the USDA regulation required of other breeder-retailers. The measure, called the Puppy Uniform Protection and Safety Act (PUPS) is a complete revision of previous measures by the same name. This bill would require individuals who breed and sell more than 50 puppies a year over the internet or directly to the public to be regulated by the USDA. The bill amends the Animal Welfare Act in the following specific way:

1. Defines anyone who breeds and sells more than 50 puppies a year as a High Volume Breeder Retailer. High Volume Breeder Retailers would be required to abide by current USDA dog dealer regulations. These regulations require kennels to:
 - Obtain a USDA license,
 - Meet federal minimum standards of care,
 - Be inspected (generally not less than once Every two years) by the USDA.
2. Requires new exercise standards that allow a dog daily access to exercise that enables it to move sufficiently to maintain normal muscle tone and mass, the ability to achieve a running stride, and is not a forced activity.
 - The area for exercise should have flooring that allows for this type of exercise.
 - It should be constructed of solid flooring or non-solid, non-wire flooring that is safe and

appropriate for the breed, size and age of the dog, is free from sharp edges, and is designed so that the paw cannot extend throughout and become caught in the flooring.

- The flooring must be cleaned at least once daily, be free of infestation and designed to prevent escape.

The bill provides an exemption from exercise for dogs that should not exercise for reasons of health/condition/well-being as certified by a licensed veterinarian. This measure does not limit the number of dogs a person/kennel may own or define commercial breeders based on the number of dogs they own. The measure would go into effect one year after the date of the enactment of this bill.

The AKC is currently studying the impact of this measure.

Hey! It's HOT!!!

Here's some cute pictures found on the web of some smart shelties who know how to keep cool!



A PET'S TEN COMMANDMENTS.....

1. My life is likely to last 10-15 years. Any separation from you is likely to be painful.
2. Give me time to understand what you want of me.
3. Place your trust in me. It is crucial for my well-being.
4. Don't be angry with me for long and don't lock me up as punishment. You have your work, your friends, your entertainment, but I have only you.
5. Talk to me. Even if I don't understand your words, I do understand your voice when speaking to me.
6. Be aware that however you treat me, I will never forget it.
7. Before you hit me, before you strike me, remember that I could hurt you, and yet, I choose not to bite you.
8. Before you scold me for being lazy or uncooperative, ask yourself if something might be bothering me. Perhaps I'm not getting the right food, I have been in the sun too long, or my heart might be getting old or weak.
9. Please take care of me when I grow old. You too, will grow old.
10. On the ultimate difficult journey, go with me please. Never say you can't bear to watch. Don't make me face this alone. Everything is easier for me if you are there, because I love you so.

Take a moment today to thank God for your pets.

Life would be a much duller, less joyful experience without God's critters.



The Happy Dog's Bedtime Prayer

Now I lay me down to sleep,
The queen-sized bed is soft and deep.
I sleep right in the center groove
My human being can hardly move!

I've trapped her legs; she's tucked in tight
And here is where I pass the night.
No one disturbs me or dares intrude
Till morning comes and I want food!

I sneak up slowly and it begins
My nibbles on my human's chin.
She wakes up slowly and smiles and shouts,
"You darling beast! Just cut it out!"
But morning's here and it's time to play,
I always seem to get my way.

So thank you, Lord, for giving me
This human person that I see.
The one who hugs and holds me tight
And shares her bed with me at night!

Author Unknown





The Indiana Collie Club and Central Indiana Shetland Sheepdog Club



Please join us!

**For a Sanctioned B Match (Collies and Shelties) and CGC Testing
On Sunday, August 1, 2010**

We will be gathering for a fun day of collies/shelties/friends/food at the gorgeous estate of Susan Miller Hall, on the northwest side of Indianapolis. We are planning a bring your own lunch gathering, CGC testing, separate collie and sheltie matches judged by Lenora Alexander, litter classes, and even a Parade of Champions class so the old guys can come out to play!

*It will be a great time! We may even have a few surprises!
(Susan's Kennel is air conditioned, just in case!)*

Time: Entries taken 10:00 am – 11:00 am
Judging: Collies – 11:00 am, Shelties following collies
CGC Tests: Starting at 10:00 am (Alicia Bloomfield, Tester)
(Pre-registration recommended for CGC testing)

See ya'll there!

*For more info, please contact Karen Weber at 317-861-5151 or
braetondog@sbcglobal.net*

Directions to Susan Miller Hall's home:

9140 Lafayette Road... but it won't show up on MapQuest! Take either I-65 to 71st Street to Lafayette Rd and go north past 86th Street, or I-465 to 86th Street west to Lafayette Road. Then go north on Lafayette Road about a mile to the crossing of Kissel Road on the right, Doe Spring on the left. Turn left on Doe Spring. It will say Private Drive, but this is Susan's driveway. There are a couple of houses along the way. Take it ALL the way around to the very end. Her house/kennel is at the end of the road on the right. You see the 2-story kennel building first, her house is hidden to the left. The driveway is actually a Y. The picnic will be down on the grounds beyond/behind the kennel.

ICC can use volunteers to help with the CGC Testing. Contact Karen Weber if you can help or want to do the testing. There is a limit of 12 collies/shelties at \$10/test. Three volunteers are needed for each test.



The Indiana Collie Club and Central Indiana Shetland Sheepdog Club



Are pleased to present

Myra Savant Harris' Reproduction and Puppy Intensive Care Seminar

On Saturday and Sunday, August 7 & 8, 2010.

If you have ever considered breeding a litter, are currently a breeder, or have friends who are breeders - this seminar is a must! It is a power packed 2 day seminar filled with very useful information. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend! Tell all your friends! You don't want to miss it!

Location: Country Inn & Suites

1-465 and Kentucky Avenue

Indianapolis, IN

317-821-1100

(There is a block of rooms reserved-hurry, they're going fast!)

Time: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Cost: \$75 (snacks and beverages provided)

➔ Please complete the form below and mail with payment to:

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Payment must be received no later than August 1, 2010!