

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 (62nd Street). Remaining membership meetings for 2013: January 4th, March 8th Awards Banquet, May 3rd, July Picnic TBD, September 6th, November 1st. Board meetings for 2013: February, April, August, October.

March 8th Awards Banquet

Our 50th Anniversary Celebration continues with our Awards Banquet on Friday, March 8th at Jonathan Byrd's in Greenwood. Be sure and R.S.V.P. to Kathleen Morphew by February 22nd. 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

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Agility Trial: Babs Beck Awards: Kathleen Morphew Education: Carole Creech Equipment: Doug McKee Historian: Kathleen Morphew Judges Selection: Carole Creech Legislative: Carole Creech

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Policies & Constitution: Cheryl Sharp Sheltie Info Line: Tom Schultz Showdown: Carole Creech

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

We're Celebrating 50 Years!



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

President's Corner

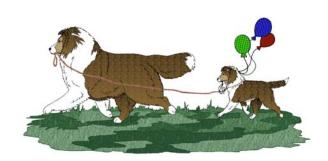
What fun the Winter Classic Dog Show weekend was, and our Friday Night Specialty Show! Thank you Cheryl Sharp and Kathy McKee for all that you do to prepare for these shows. The Friday night party was a celebration of 50 years as a club, and lots of wonderful people. The food was greatly appreciated 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 2nd place in her Excellent A FAST run under judge Nancy Davis. She also Q'd in her Master's JWW run. On December 30th under judges Howard Etzel and Nancy Davis, she Doubled Q'd. At our CISSC trial on January 12th under judge Keith Harold, Bliss Q'd in Master JWW and on January 13th she Doubled Q'd and took 3rd place in her jumpers class.

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



Glen of Imaal Terrier fancier Bruce Sussman: "We all know that in its purest form, a dog show is meant to be an arena for evaluating breeding stock."

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.

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 egodriven 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, <u>BLUEKAFKA @aol.com</u>; 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 Morphew by February 22nd
(Email responses preferred)

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