

Sheltie Connection

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USSA club meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month.

This months meeting is scheduled for July 16th From 7:30 pm until business is concluded.

Board meeting is held prior to club meetingfrom 6:00pm till 7:30pm

<u>Club meeting location</u> <u>will be at Sugarhouse</u> <u>Park</u>,, See you there!

(library was found to be inadequate)

Summer Fun

There's more to be cautious about than ever this year with our pets. More danger putting our dogs in harms way.

Weather has been beautiful with a quick chill down for us in June to see us through the long hot days expected in July.

The usual alerts about leaving pets in cars and children with sad stories to bring us realization that our special dogs need our attention perhaps even more in summer than winter time. They need to be cool and have fresh water to make sure they stay healthy and happy.

It's wonderful to include them in on family outings and we miss them when we must leave them home. Along with yards and dogs you worry about toxins like toadstools, a variety of weeds and flowers, and poisons to control pests like mouse poison, snail bait etc that can present life threatening situations quickly.

Unfortunately we also must worry about people who may steal our dogs out of the back yard.

Make neighbors aware of who is allowed in your yard if leaving and be aware of who may enter your yard potentially leaving gates open behind. Put warning signs out so everyone is aware to shut gates. We've already had lost dogs this



The Kendrick's! Laurie, Dale, Lindsay, Chandrika with their Dogs Shiloh and Pirate!!

They are photographed in the Model T they drive in the 4th of July Parade!

Great fun guys!! Yea!

year and have been fortunate to get back most but some are still missing.

Use extra caution everyone! Our dogs are at extraordinary risk during summer months!

Special points of interest:

- * Missing Sheltie alert!
- * Brags of course!
- * Sheltie Rescue report
- * Committee reports!

Missing Sheltie alert

"Kiki", a sable bitch from Kaysville is missing!

Kiki was being tended by the owners son while they were on vacation.

Kiki is mohagany sable and 18 months old. She has a collie head and is stranger friendly but dog aggressive.

Kiki has not been debarked and is about 15 1/2 in tall. She has had some obedience training.

Kiki has a blaze on her face. The owners are still out on vacation and out of town so the son is on active search for Kiki.

Please be aware of her missing and contact Cherie Hyde 801-

226-0701 should you hear or see any sign of her. Thanks to everyone in advance!

Late flash:

Sadly, Cherie notified me at the last second (literally) that they believe they found this dog. A sheltie matching that description had been picked up dead off the freeway.

Too sad, Cherie.

It was with a very heavy heart that I said goodbye to my Marty on June 12th 2003.

He was such a sweet boy and gave me such joy during the eight years we had together. I picked him up at a show, never having seen him before. He was here "on approval". I tried calling his breeder for a week, only to find out she was avoiding my calls, afraid that I wanted to send him back. What I wanted t tell her was that he was a "Perfect fit" from the very first day. He was MY dog from the very beginning bonding so quickly even at the age of almost seven. I knew he would spend the rest of his life right here with me content to be held and cuddled but didn't want to be kissed. He would go right out and roll and rub off my kisses. He learned to "sing" and be a happy boy but all this ended when he no longer could hear my voice. Still sweet to the end. My only regret

is that we didn't meet sooner. That our time together was so short. He was my first and to

date my ONLY champion. My first dog that I put points on. The love of my life, I will miss(o)-7.5(l) JJ0 -1.fies7th8fe 6(r)5

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Summer Party

The traditional August summer party is rapidly approaching!
The committee was formed at the June 25th meeting, headed by Pam Parry and include:

Tulene Mathews, Barbara Edelberg, Barbara Soderberg, and Barbara Petty. They are tentatively looking at the Soverign Park near 9000S (?) and August 2nd was voted on with the 16th as the next potential date. If you want to help, please call any of the committee members. You'll be hearing from the committee soon with their menu and potential program for the Annual summer



Lets forget about business for an afternoon and enjoy ourselves!

party, which always has great food, great entertainment and enables us all to have a great visit with all our sheltie friends and fellow members.

Nominating Committee

At Club meeting on June 25th, the nominating committee for the 2004 Club year was selected. They are: Cheryl Albrecht,

Steve Holmes,

Ron Weatherston

and the two alternates are:

Chrissy Weatherston and

Judith Williamson.

They are to meet by the 1st of August to select a chairperson and get started with their nomination process. If anyone is interested in running for any position, please contact the Committee members and let them know what position(s) you are interested in.

The nominating committee for the 2004 Club year was selected!

Sheltie Rescue of Utah:

There are 12 rescued shelties right now that all need good homes. They need your help in finding some wonderful homes for these precious shelties-all of which deserve a forever home. If you have any suggestions, please call Barbara Edelberg. Additionally, please have your friends and acquaintances check out the web-



"Sassy" who was given up by Idaho Humane Society

site: www. sheltierescueut. org.

It is awesome and you'll see the pictures of these wonderful guys that are looking for a home. Rescue is an ongoing dynamic organization and just this week we were notified of a sheltie in the West Valley City shelter as well as being notified of a sheltie picked up. Unfortunately, we must turn strays over to a local Animal control and pull them back out if needed.

Please, please let us know if you are able to foster! Call 942-4762

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New Champion

Ernie and Caren Ciampini, who are owned by "Vinnie" would like to announce they have finished him to a champion and is now known as "Ch. Kensils Angel Of The Wind

Vinnie finished his title in Billings, MT with a 5 point Major and BOW. Congrats to the Ciampini's and



Vinnie and Ernie in Filer, ID

to his breeder Sylvia Calderwood who was able to see him finish!

Cindy Judkins, a new member in the club has a brag of her own announcing "Winston" and his little brother "Mark" (Angels Mark My Word CGC) passes their Canine Good

Citizens test both the same night! Markie is owned by Caren and Ernie Ciampini.

In Blackfoot, 19 month old "Winston" (Angel's Finest Hour CGC) had a bunch of firsts in one day. He was first in his Agility trial, got his first leg, and received a first place in 12 in Novice B jumpers. We were so happy!

We only showed one day because we didn't think he'd be ready when entries opened. Btw, he had a great time in the standard class too but decided to herd the weave poles so he didn't qualify there!

Congrats to all these hard workers!

Holiday Party

The annual December Holiday Party was also discussed at the June 25th meeting. Pam volunteered to help on the committee and would appreciate some help with this wonderful annual Club event.

Please give her a call and volunteer your help. By reserving a place now we should be able-hopefully to secure a private room at a restaurant where we can have a wonderful afternoon with our fellow Club members. The first or second Saturday in December is the potential date.

Pam volunteered to help on the committee and would appreciate some help with this event.

(hint: good job for new members!)

Small Brags from Cindy

Cindy would like to tell everyone that her Shimmer did well in Blackfoot by earning her Open Agility title! In Logan, Holly earned her Novice in Agility and Stripe received his 9th MS leg and his 6th and 7th MXJ leg in Agility!

Yea guys and someday we'll figure out what all that means!

The Kendricks are now proudly owned by...

Dale and Laurie Kendrick, along with their daughters Lindsay and Chandrika have been adopted by "Pirate"!

Regardless of the innocent look in his picture at the right, he earned his name!

"Pirate" is the son of Saltaire Guilty Pleasures and his mom is Kensils English Rose.

After a great search, "Pirate" jumped

in their laps and made them his own! He will be keeping the Kendricks busy teaching him obedience, agility, and being a partner with the girls in Jr Showmanship!

Congratulations on your new family "Pirate" and try not to wear out the Kendricks too much!

Congratulations to the Kendricks (who have no idea what they're in for)



"Pirate" Saltaire's Jolly Roger

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Ernies Report 2004 Nationals chair

Ernie has been busy finalizing bids from the various 'tent people' for the grooming tent that we will need, and working with the Golden Spike Event Center regarding our rental of panels, etc, for herding. There is a potential that the Sacramento Sheltie club will sponsor a herding trial and test on Friday the 16th of April 2004. The arena is available and they are talking contracts with the Event Center. This would be a great thing for everyone, as lots more people will attend the Nationals if there are two days of Herding. Will keep everyone posted

on this development.

Julie has purchased her ducks and is raising them with tender loving care... Thanks, Julie!

Phil Schmauder and Dale Kendrick are busily working up their budget for the communication systems we will need and all the local chairs are working up their budgets, as well. The goal is to have them all assembled and off to the National Show Chair by the 1st of August.

So much to do and so little time!

Summer Hint!

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Great work Ernie!

A little hint for the summer comes from Cheryl Sorensen!

As a quick and non-toxic mosquito repellent hang a Bounce

Dryer sheet off your dogs collar or off your waistband!

Vicks Vaporub rubbed on also makes an effective mosquito repellent...l imagine it's a great husband repellent too!

Raffle Items for the 2004 Nationals

Can you believe it...only 9 months until the Nationals! We want our club Raffle to be the very best ever.

Cindy Wilkinson is heading up this extremely important committee and is looking for help from ALL of us. Let's all get busy and contact places of business for donations for the raffle. The Raffle and the Souvenirs are the two places where the Club will make all it's money and we can collectively make both of the endeavors the best ever.

Your contribution in helping to find donations is of paramount importance!

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Monthly Status Meetings

As discussed at the last Club meeting, the kick-off monthly status meeting for the 2004 Show Committee will be held next Wednesday, July 9th at 6:30pm at our (Ciampini's) home. Dinner will be served, then we'll discuss the status of each of the Projects for which you have been assigned for the 2004 National ASSA show here on 17-24 Apr 04.

This will be an important and informative meeting, and I urge you all to please try and attend. If you are unable to attend, please either email me

with the current status/future plans for your project, or phone me with the information.

Your presence and input is valuable!

I appreciate your reserving the evening of July 9th for this meeting, and I feel it will be very beneficial and productive.

We will also discuss potential dates, times and locations for our future monthly status meetings. I have been thinking about having the monthly status meetings on the 1st Wednesday of each month, probably about 6 or 6:30 pm. I will be willing to hold our meetings here at our home each month, but I also realize that it is a drive for some of you. So please be thinking of where else we could hold these monthly meetings at least part of the time to save you the drive, and we'll also discuss it next Wednesday.

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Calendar of Events!!

July 16th Club Meeting

August 2nd Summer Party at the Park

(May be changed to the 16th)

August 20th Club Meeting

September 7th Practice Match with MOKC

September 17th Club Meeting

October 5th USSA Sanctioned Match

October 22nd Club Meeting

November 19th Club Meeting

December 6th or 13th Gub Xmas Party

December 17th Club Meeting

There will be a monthly status meeting for Nationals committee members on the 1st or second

Wednesday of each month.

A Shepherd was herding his flock or, you may not know everything you think you know!

A shepherd was herding his flock in a remote pasture when suddenly a brand-new BMW advanced out of a dust cloud towards him. The driver, a young man in a Broni suit, Gucci shoes, Ray Ban sunglasses and YSL tie, leans out the window and asks the shepherd, "If I tell you exactly how many sheep you have in your flock, will you give me one?"

The shepherd looks at the man, obviously a yuppie, then looks at his peacefully grazing flock and calmly answers, "Sure. Why not?"

The Yuppie parks his car, whips out his Dell notebook computer, connects it to his AT&T cell phone, surfs to a NASA page on the internet, where he calls up a GPS satellite navigation system to get an exact fix on his location which he then feeds to another NASA satellite that scans the area in an ultra-high resolution photo. The

young man then pens the digital photo in Adobe Photo shop and exports it to an image processing facility in Hamburg, Germany. Within seconds, he receives an e-mail on his Palm Pilot that the image has been processed and the data stored. He then accesses a MS-SQL database through an ODBC connected Excel spreadsheet with hundreds of complex formulas. He uploads all of this data via an email on his Blackberry and, after a few minutes, receives a response. Finally, he prints out a full-color, 150 page report on his hitech, miniaturized HP Laser Jet printer and finally turns to the shepherd and says, "You have exactly 1586 sheep."

"That's right. Well, I guess you can take one of my sheep," says the shepherd. He watches the young man select one of the animals and looks on amused as the young man stuffs it into the trunk of his car.

Then the shepherd says to the young man, "Hey, if I can tell you exactly what your business is, will you give me back my sheep?"

The young man thinks about it for a second and then says, "Okay, why not?"

"You're a consultant," says the shepherd.

"Wow! That's correct,," says the yuppie, "but how did you guess that?"

"No guessing required," answered the shepherd. "You showed up here even though nobody called you; you want to get paid for an answer I already knew; to a question I never asked; and you don't know beans about my business."

"...Now give me back my dog"