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# Sheltie Connection

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## President's Message

The year is nearly over and it is time to look forward to next year. The plans for our specialty are already well underway. We are moving forward as a club. As we have contemplated the Eva Jean Pickering award for this year, I have thought about all the wonderful contributions that have been made to the club. Contributions of time and talents. There are many who have contributed much and many of you who could be deserving of this fun award. I wish to thank each of you for the efforts you have put in making this club run effectively. Your efforts have not gone unnoticed. This has been a difficult year in many ways; it has been a year of learning. I know that I have learned a great deal this year.

I was recently handed the club history books. I have only had a chance to look briefly at them, but I want you to know that Laurie Kendrick has done a wonderful job putting them together. She has put a lot of time and effort in to making sure that we have a wonderful history of the club to pass down. I wanted to wish a special thanks to her for her hard work. These books are something that, hopefully, generations of Sheltie lovers will enjoy.

Just as many are deserving of an award, there are still many people that are needed to make our club run smoothly. I do hope to see all of you out to learn with us and help us make USSA the BEST.

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**[www.utahsheltie.org](http://www.utahsheltie.org)**



# Announcements

## USSA WEBSITE

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.UTAHSHELTIE.ORG](http://WWW.UTAHSHELTIE.ORG)  
YOU CAN DOWNLOAD PAST NEWSLETTERS THERE



## Microchip Clinic

We will be holding a microchip clinic in conjunction our Fun Match on October 8th. If you have dogs you would like to have microchipped this is a good opportunity to do it at a reduced price.

## Notice

Anyone that has puppies for sale, or is looking for a puppy or older dog, please contact Barbara Soderborg. You can reach Barbara at 801 561-4616 or email at [saltcityshelties@msn.com](mailto:saltcityshelties@msn.com)



Happy Birthday

We want to wish the following members a very happy October birthday!!

17th Cheryl Albrecht  
25th Tex Pockrus  
27th Diana Beebe



## **NOMINATED SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR THE 2006-2007 YEAR.**

The Following Slate of Officers were presented to the club at the September Club meeting. Nominations were taken from the floor. There were no Nominations given from the floor. So the following people will be voted on at our October Club meeting:

- President: Tricia Harris
- Vice President: Gene Cowley
- Treasurer: Cherie Hyde
- Recording Secretary: Diana Beebe
- Corresponding Secretary: Barbara Soderborg
- Judy Williamson Board Member
- Julene Matthews Board Member
- Carol Cowley Board Member
- Jim Newman Board Member





## Classified Ads

**For Sale:** I have 7 size 200 crates for sale. They are all used well, just at home use. Stained and worn, but still in good shape. \$15.00 each

**Also for sale** a medium sized Dura whelp whelping box. Sells new for \$150.00, will sell for \$75.00  
Contact Shannalee, Akadia@srv.net 208-754-4275



This cute 5 1/2 month old Black and White parti color Havanese boy is for sale to a pet home. He is house broken, lead trained, show & crate trained. He loves to play with toys and retrieves. He would make a wonderful agility dog too. He will be 6 months old on October 1st. Eyes, & heart have been checked. For more information contact Barbara Vann BISFashion@aol.com

USSA is selling sheltie calendars. The are the ones with the cute pictures of a sheltie for each month. The calendars are \$12.00 each. If you would like one email Linda Cornella at royalhill@msn.com

Rimadyl 75mg tabs. 170 tabs available. Pills are new and left over from a dog that recently passed away. Will sell them for 70 cents per tab which is what I paid for them. Contact Diana Beebe for more information at 801 319-4810 or email at dlbeebe@worldwidesoftware.net



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This wonderful bi black girl is for sale to the right pet home. She is a Canadian Champion and is 7 years old. She needs a wonderful pet home on a spay contract. She has the BEST personality and loves everyone. Who ever gets this girl will be very lucky!!! For more information contact Tricia—lacewoodshelties@comcast.net 801 375-1192



# NOTICES



## **\*\*HELP NEEDED\*\***

We need people to help us with the micro chip clinic that the club is running in conjunction with our Fun Match on October 8th. If you can help we would appreciate it. We will need someone to record and make appointments and someone to do the chipping. If you want to help place the micro chips you need a note from a vet that they have instructed you how to do the chipping. If you would like to have your dog or dogs chipped bring them out for a substantial savings over having them micro chipped at the vet's office.

If you can help please let Doug and Cheryl know at 435-384-2665 or sequoya1@etv.net

## **USSA Christmas Party**

**Our USSA Christmas party will be held Saturday December 2nd at 1 PM at the Golden Corral located at 8860 South Redwood Road. We will have a gift exchange of a \$10.00 gift. Come prepared to have a great time!!!**

**Carol and Gene Cowley are in charge of the Christmas party this year. If you wish to help, or have questions or suggestions you can contact them at [souvenir.shelties@att.net](mailto:souvenir.shelties@att.net)**

We have chosen the judges for our specialty in 2007. They are:  
Guy Jeavon and  
Glenda Hensen  
What a good opportunity we have to have the same judges that will be at an upcoming National Specialty.

## **End of Year Awards**

If your dog has earned an award this year you are eligible for an award plaque. Please email Barbara Soderborg at [saltcityshelties@msn.com](mailto:saltcityshelties@msn.com) if you would like to request an award for your newly titled dog. There is a form to fill out for his award in the newsletter.



## Year End Award Application Form

Please use this form to apply for awards for any AKC or you earned in 2006. Use one form per dog for any and all titles that dog earned. And don't forget to apply for those CGC awards!! Please be sure to send this form to: Barbara Soderborg, 8526 Colene Drive, Sandy, Utah 84094 on or before November 15, 2006. For questions, call her at (801) 561-4646 or email her at [saltcityshelties@msn.com](mailto:saltcityshelties@msn.com)

PLEASE PRINT:

Your Name:

Dog's Registered Name:

Dog's call Name:

Titles Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please see title list on next page)

## Title Abbreviations

The AKC offers many titles in several events. Dogs who achieve them are entitled to have them listed on pedigrees, certificates, and in event catalogues. These titles become an official part of a dog's record with the AKC. Listed here are the various AKC titles with their abbreviations:

<u><i>As a prefix:</i></u> <b>Ch.</b> <b>Champion (confirmation)</b> <b>FC</b> <b>Field Champion</b> <b>AFC</b> <b>Amateur Field Champion</b> <b>NFC</b> <b>National Field Champion</b> <b>OTCH</b> <b>Obedience Trial Champ</b> <b>MACH</b> <b>Master Agility Champ.</b> <b>HC</b> <b>Herding Champion</b> <b>DC</b> <b>Dual Champ. (Ch. &amp; FC)</b> <b>TC</b> <b>Trip. Ch (Ch, FC, OTCH.)</b> <b>CT</b> <b>Champion Tracker (TD, TDX &amp; VST)</b>	<u><i>As a suffix</i></u> <b>RN</b> <b>Rally Novice</b> <b>RA</b> <b>Rally Advanced</b> <b>RE</b> <b>Rally Excellent</b> <b>RAE</b> <b>Rally Advanced Excellent</b> <b>CD</b> <b>Companion Dog</b> <b>CDX</b> <b>Companion Dog Excellent</b> <b>UD</b> <b>Utility Dog</b> <b>UDX</b> <b>Utility Dog Excellent</b> <b>TD</b> <b>Tracking Dog</b> <b>TDX</b> <b>Tracking Dog Excellent</b> <b>VST</b> <b>Variable Surface Tracker</b> <b>UDTD</b> <b>Utility Dog Tracking Dog</b> <b>UDT</b> <b>Utility Dog Tracking</b> <b>UDTDX</b> <b>Utility Dog</b> <b>Tracking Dog Excellent</b> <b>UDXTD</b> <b>Utility Dog Excellent Tracking Dog</b> <b>UDXTDX</b> <b>Utility Dog Ex. Tracking Dog</b> <b>Excellent</b> <b>UDVST</b> <b>Utility Dog Variable Surface Tracking</b> <b>UDXVST</b> <b>Utility Dog Ex. Variable Surf.</b> <b>Tracking</b>
<u><i>As a suffix - continued</i></u> <b>JH</b> <b>Junior Hunter</b> <b>SH</b> <b>Senior Hunter</b> <b>MH</b> <b>Master Hunter</b> <b>HT</b> <b>Herding Tested</b> <b>PT</b> <b>Pre-Trial Tested</b> <b>HS</b> <b>Herding Started</b> <b>HI</b> <b>Herding Intermediate</b> <b>HX</b> <b>Herding Excellent</b> <b>JC</b> <b>Junior Courser</b> <b>SC</b> <b>Senior Courser</b> <b>MC</b> <b>Master Courser</b> <b>NA</b> <b>Novice Agility</b> <b>OA</b> <b>Open Agility</b> <b>AX</b> <b>Agility Excellent</b> <b>MX</b> <b>Master Agility Excellent</b> <b>NAJ</b> <b>Nov. Jumpers W/ Weaves</b> <b>OAJ</b> <b>Open Jumpers W/ Weaves</b> <b>AXJ</b> <b>Excellent Jumpers With Weaves</b> <b>MXJ</b> <b>Master Excellent Jumpers With Weaves</b> <b>JE</b> <b>Junior Earthdog</b> <b>SE</b> <b>Senior Earthdog</b> <b>ME</b> <b>Master Earthdog</b>	<u><i>Versatile Companion Dog</i></u> <b>Versatile Comp. Dog 1 (VCD1)</b> <b>for a dog that has earned:</b> <b>Companion Dog (CD)</b> <b>Novice Agility (AD)</b> <b>Nov. Ag Jumpers (NAJ)</b> <b>Tracking Dog (TD)</b> <b>Versatile Comp. Dog 2 (VCD2)</b> <b>Comp. Dog Excellent (CDX)</b> <b>Open Agility (OA)</b> <b>Open Agility jumpers (OAJ)</b> <b>Tracking Dog (TD)</b> <b>Versatile Comp. Dog 3 (VCD3)</b> <b>Utility Dog (UD)</b> <b>Agility Excellent (AX)</b> <b>Agility Excellent jumpers (AXJ)</b> <b>Tracking Dog Excellent (TDX)</b> <b>Versatile Comp. Dog 4 (VCD4)</b> <b>Utility Dog Excellent (UDX)</b> <b>Master Agility (MX)</b> <b>Master Agility jumpers (MXJ)</b> <b>Variable Surface Tracker (VST)</b> <b>Versatile Companion Champion (CVCCH)</b> <b>Obedience Trial Champion (OTCH)</b> <b>Master Agility Champion (MACH)</b> <b>Champion Tracker (CT)</b>



# Akadia Shelties

Shannalee Michalsky



## Can/Int. Ch. Sunlars Sudden Impact

"Zachary"

Ch. Apple Acres Lawman x Apple Acres Sunlar Came

"Zachary" is owned by Patty Stevens and proudly co-owned now by Akadia Shelties. This stunning tri dog is so much like the old greats Formal Notice and High Born. He is now pointed in the US and I expect he will finish fast. He is an AOAC dog with a sable pedigree and NON White fact! Consider him for your blue and sable girls  
Full pedigree on [akadiashelties.com](http://akadiashelties.com)




# AKADIA & HIVALLEY SHELTIES

SHANNALEE MICHALSKY

JOANNE ADAMS

Akadia Shelties is PROUD



Of Ty and Chloe.  
Winning RWB at Chloe's  
first show, handled by Ty Heap.  
Ty is our official assistant at the shows.  
Akadia Project Runway  
is a repeat breeding of  
our bratty "Stinky".  
Proudly owned by Joanne Adams  
and Shannalee Michalsky



# Lacewood Shetland Sheepdogs

## The Starmaker

New Champion  
for  
Lacewood  
Shelties

"Draco"

CH. Lacewood The Starmaker

"Draco" has surpassed our dreams  
and became our first homebred  
Champion.

Draco is Co-Owned with Cheryl Sorensen of Sequoya Shelties and was  
co owned with Don Bickford of Roydon Shelties until his recent death.

# Lacewood Shetland Sheepdogs Akadia Shetland Sheepdogs

Tricia Harris  
Shannalee Michalsky

Lacewood announces...

"Shay"

a "Protege'"  
in our midst

Akadia The Protege'

Sired by the illustrious BISS Ch. SeaHaven  
Chasing Moonbeams AOM2, BOS, RWD ASSA  
and out of Akadia Totally Intoxicating (9pts)

It is our hope that "Shay" will be the  
"protege'" we have been waiting for.



Proudly Shared  
Lacewood-Tricia Harris  
Akadia-Shannalee Waller-Michalsky



# ROYAL HILL SHELTYES

LINDA & MIKE CORNELLA

## BISS ROYAL HILL'S SILVER LINING "SKYLER"



**WE ARE SO PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT AT THE TIOGA COUNTY KC IN OWEGO, NEW YORK AUG 19, 2006 SKYLER WENT WD, BOW, BOB OVER SPECIALS FOR A 3 POINT MAJOR. SKYLER IS 3 YRS OLD. HE ONLY NEEDS ONE MORE POINT TO FINISH!!**

**SIRE: CH. ANYSWORTH I HAVE A DREAM**

**DAM: CH. ROYAL HILL TROUBLE IN BLUE**

**SKYLER WAS BRED, AND IS OWNED BY: LINDA CORNELLA AND ANDREA WEMPE**

# HiValley Shelties

Joanne Adams

## Shalamar Talladega Nights

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E  
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Bred by  
Suzi Beacham

by Ch. Homewood Hoopla and out of Villagers Moonlight Romance  
(Ch Homewood Hurricane x Ch Benayr Village  
Tramp)

“Dega” is a beautiful tri, tons of coat, and tons of personality. 9 weeks old, he made the transition from his littermates to my house without a blink of an eye. Is running the household already.

HiValley Shelties  
Joanne Adams

# Autumn Skelties and Papillions

Gherie Hyde

## Autumn Chips Ahoy of Titian



**Autumn's Papillion puppy took  
BEST OF WINNERS  
at the Beehive Toy Specialty on 9-7-06  
from the 6-9 puppy class  
for his first two points.  
He also took a RWD on Sunday at the  
BBKA show.**



# I Have a Question....



## This Month's Question:

I have several black dogs that seem to get a reddish hue during the summer. Is that reddish color caused by the food that I am feeding, or is it the coat being sunburned or another cause? Are there some foods that cause the reddish color more than other foods? If the reddish color comes from sunburn is there anything you can put on the dog's coat that is a good sunscreen to help?

*This is just my opinion but I feel that there are 2 reasons why your black dogs turn red in the summer. The first is that the coats are old by that time and the dogs are getting ready to shed. Most sables lose their rich color also when they are getting ready to blow & the coat turns kind of a straw color.*

*The main reason, though, that your black dogs turn red is genetic. Those with a predominate Banchoy background have a predisposition to rust.*

*Bring some of the old Sea Isle non rusting black dogs into your pedigree and I think you will see a marked improvement.*

*Food is not a factor, contrary to popular belief. Years ago everyone said that lams caused a red coat because of the beet pulp in it. The beet pulp that is in it is from sugar beets and they are white!. Beet pulp is in the food for fiber and I think it is great because my boarding dogs have very firm stools...less dingleberries hanging from their behind. (smile) — Barbara Aulbach*

*First, there is an "Old Wives' Tale" which says that the reddish color is due to hook-worms, but Dr. Kris says that she knows of no actual cases to support this idea.*

*In actuality, the reddish hue seen in black coats is due to sunburn. And, yes, there is something to be done to help correct the problem. Probably the best would be a human-type hair conditioner which is intended to be left in the hair (not rinsed out) and which includes a sun screen. Since there are no products of this type intended for canine use, and since dogs have a different pH from humans, it is important to keep the product on the surface of the dog's coat -- don't rub it into the dog's skin. Following this procedure should go a long way toward keeping the dog's coat its natural color even when exposed to harsh sunlight.*

*Another approach would be to use a shampoo with sunscreen on the dog. Again, since there are no canine shampoos of this sort, a human variety would be needed. And the skin would need to be rinsed well due to the pH differences. The leave-in conditioner probably would be a more effective approach. — Kay Millar*

**Next Months Question:** What are the best shampoos and conditioners to use on my sheltie's coat. Is it bad to use human products? Is there a shampoo and conditioner that I can get locally that will work well? What other products should I consider to keep my dog's coat pretty?

*(Please submit answers to Tricia at [lacewoodshelties@comcast.net](mailto:lacewoodshelties@comcast.net))*

*If you have a question for this column that you would like to receive an answer for, you can submit the question anonymously to Tricia at [lacewoodshelties@comcast.net](mailto:lacewoodshelties@comcast.net) or mail to Tricia Harris 2082 Mountain Vista Lane, Provo, UT 84606*

# Club Meetings

This year we are taking the dog apart one part at a time and discussing the structure and use of that part as well as grooming techniques for that part!!

Our Club meeting for October will be held on October 17th at 7:00 PM at Sandy Bicentennial Park, in the building behind the pavilion.

The Park is located at 8680 South 500 East.

The board will meet at the same location on the same night at 5:45PM

We will have elections of officers and board members for the 2007 year.

\*\*\*If you know of someone in the club that is in the hospital, ill, or of a death in the club or in the sheltie world, please let Barbara Soderborg know so that she can send a card or flowers. saltcityshelties@msn.com or call her at 561-4616

The club wishes to send  
Get Well Wishes  
to the following people:

Denny Daffron  
Susan Bradford



## RECIPE OF THE MONTH:

### Turkey Sausages

#### Ingredients:

- Ground Turkey Meat (any amount)
- Low Sodium Bread Crumbs
- Parmesan Cheese
- Parsley Flakes

In a large mixing bowl, add 1 tsp (per lb of meat) of parsley and 1 TBS (per lb of meat) of parmesan cheese to the meat. Stir in breadcrumbs until the mixture is somewhat dry. You should be able to form small balls and roll sausage shaped treats between your hands without having the mixture stick to your hands (too moist) or crumble apart (too dry). Place on a jelly roll pan lined with aluminum foil. Bake at 350 until the sausages are lightly browned on the outside and fully cooked on the inside. Remove to absorbent paper towels and blot the sausages to remove excess grease. Store cooled sausages in Ziploc bags in the freezer. For training treats, cut sausages into raisin sized pieces.



# Kitty Litter Cake

WANT TO HAVE FUN AT A PARTY? PREPARE THIS RECIPE!  
COMPLETELY EDIBLE,  
BUT YOUR FRIENDS MAY NOT THINK SO!

## CAKE INGREDIENTS:

1 box spice or German chocolate cake mix  
1 box of white cake mix  
1 package white sandwich cookies  
1 large package vanilla instant pudding mix  
A few drops green food coloring  
12 small Tootsie Rolls or equivalent

## SERVING "DISHES AND UTENSILS"

1 NEW cat-litter box  
1 NEW cat-litter box liner  
1 NEW pooper scooper

1) Prepare and bake cake mixes, according to directions, in any size pan. Prepare pudding and chill. Crumble cookies in small batches in blender or food processor. Add a few drops of green food coloring to 1 cup of cookie crumbs. Mix with a fork or shake in a jar. Set aside.

2) When cakes are at room temperature, crumble them into a large bowl. Toss with half of the remaining cookie crumbs and enough pudding to make the mixture moist but not soggy. Place liner in litter box and pour in mixture.

3) Unwrap 3 Tootsie Rolls and heat in a microwave until soft and pliable. Shape the blunt ends into slightly curved point s. Repeat with three more rolls. Bury the rolls decoratively in the cake mixture. Sprinkle remaining white cookie crumbs over the mixture, then scatter green crumbs lightly over top.

4) Heat 5 more Tootsie Rolls until almost melted. Scrape them on top of the cake and sprinkle with crumbs from the litter box. Heat the remaining Tootsie Roll until pliable and hang it over the edge of the box. Place box on a sheet of newspaper and serve with scooper.

Enjoy!





# Sheltie Education

## An Article of Interest for Sheltie Owners

### 2 + 2 + 2 = 10 OR MORE

Jane Barber, DVM, MS, Dipomate ACT

Often bitches are referred to me when they fail to conceive. Their owners are frustrated and abjectly disappointed, but resolutely determined to find out why no puppies are forthcoming. They are often prepared to go to any length to get to the cause, including chromosome analysis and surgical biopsy. Most of the time these tests are not necessary. In my practice, over half of the females presented for work-up of an infertility problem are perfectly normal reproductively. So if these bitches are perfectly normal, why aren't they pregnant? They aren't pregnant because their breedings were improperly timed.

The average bitch ovulates about 12 days after the onset of proestrus. The most prominent signs of proestrus onset are vulvar swelling and bloody vulvar discharge. A common rule of thumb is to breed bitches on day 11 and 13 after onset of proestrus. The vast majority of bitches will conceive an average-numbered litter of puppies when bred on these days (to a fertile male). However, some bitches ovulate as early as 3 days or as late as 26 days after proestrus onset. Even taking into account that canine spermatozoa can live in a normal female reproductive tract for at least 5 days, breedings that occur on days 11 and 13 for these early and late ovulators will not result in conception. Remember that while sperm cells are relatively long-lived, oocytes (eggs) remain viable only about 24 hours after they are ready to be fertilized.

Success in breeding early and late ovulating bitches demands that breedings be properly timed, which in turn, demands that the time of ovulation be accurately determined. Early and late ovulating bitches were used as examples to illustrate the importance of accurately timed breedings. There are other breeding situations when ovulation timing should be performed:

1. When the breeding is being done by AI (artificial insemination).
2. When bitches experience a "silent estrus" and fail to show standing behavior.
3. When bitches are to be shipped. It is best to ship bitches after their LH surge to avoid a decrease in LH that might result from the stress of shipment.
4. When the dog is heavily "booked" so as to avoid sperm cell depletion by over-usage.

When there is a need to accurately predict whelping dates, as in cases of planned Caesarian sections, or cases of previous dystocia (difficult birth), or with any valuable litter. One of the most gut-wrenching decisions a veterinarian has to make is the decision to surgically deliver puppies when no breeding dates or only breeding dates, and not ovulation dates, are known.

Ovulation dates are determined by measuring serum concentrations of progesterone during late proestrus and estrus.

Progesterone levels in the bitch begin to rise about 2 days before ovulation. Serum progesterone is <1.0 ng/ml when bitches are not "in heat" and during most of proestrus. Values increase rapidly to >1.0 ng/ml about 2 days before ovulation. Serum progesterone is 4-10 ng/ml when bitches are ovulating. This 2 day interval between the initial rise in progesterone and ovulation represents the first "2" in our equation, "2 + 2 + 2 = 10 or more."

But our task is not done just because we know when ovulation is taking place. That's because the bitch has yet another reproductive idiosyncrasy. Unlike other domestic species, which ovulate ova (eggs) as secondary oocytes that are ready for immediate fertilization, the bitch releases ova in a more immature state as primary oocytes. It takes about 48 hours (or 2 days) for these primary oocytes to mature into secondary oocytes and become ready to accept spermatozoa in the fertilization process. This 2 days for oocyte maturation represents the second "2" in our equation, "2 + 2 + 2 = 10 or more."

When ovulation does occur, the ova are not all released in an instant of time. It typically takes about 48 hours for all of the ova to be released from the ovary. That's the rationale for the common practice of breeding dogs twice 2 days apart. This 48 hour or 2 day duration of ovulation, represents the third "2" in our equation "2 + 2 + 2 = 10 or more."

It should be pointed out that serum progesterone concentration measurement is only one tool used for predicting both the time of ovulation and optimal breeding dates. It is prudent to use all available methods for planning a breeding. Other diagnostic tools include vaginal cytology, vaginoscopy, and LH (luteinizing hormone) assays.

Proper timing of ovulation, along with knowledge of canine reproductive physiology and endocrinology, are necessary in managing a successful breeding program. Use progesterone assays to predict when ovulation will occur, understand that canine ova are not ready to be fertilized at the time of ovulation, and do 2 breedings to ensure that rigorous spermatozoa are "ready, willing and able" at the instant each ovum matures to a fertilizable state. That is the way to make "2 + 2 + 2 = 10 or more. . . PUPPIES!"

Jane Barber, DVM, MS, Dipomate ACT

*Dr. Barber is board certified in Theriogenology and is a member of the American College of Theriogenologists. She is also certified to perform PennHIP radiographs for evaluation of hip joint laxity. Prior to her graduate training in reproduction, Dr. Barber completed a clinical residency and Master's degree program in veterinary behavior. She provides behavioral consultation and behavioral modification therapy for pets. Her veterinary practice, Veterinary Specialties at the Lake, is located north of Charlotte in the Lake Norman area.*

## JUST A DOG

From time to time, people tell me, "lighten up, it's just a dog," or, "that's a lot of money for just a dog." They don't understand the distance traveled, the time spent, or the costs involved for "just a dog."

Some of my proudest moments have come about with "just a dog." Many hours have passed and my only company was "just a dog," but I did not once feel slighted.

Some of my saddest moments have been brought about by "just a dog," and in those days of darkness, the gentle touch of "just a dog" gave me comfort and reason to overcome the day.

If you, too, think it's "just a dog," then you will probably understand phrases like "just a friend," "just a sunrise," or "just a promise."

"Just a dog" brings into my life the very essence of friendship, trust, and pure unbridled joy.

"Just a dog" brings out the compassion and patience that makes me a better person.

Because of "just a dog", I will rise early, take long walks and look longingly to the future. So for me and folks like me, it's not "just a dog" but an embodiment of all the hopes and dreams of the future, the fond memories of the past, and the pure joy of the moment.

"Just a dog" brings out what's good in me and diverts my thoughts away from myself and the worries of the day.

I hope that someday they can understand that it's not "just a dog", but the thing that gives me humanity and keeps me from being "just a man or woman."  
So the next time you hear the phrase "just a dog", just smile --  
because they "just don't understand."

-- Author Unknown

## Question of the Month

*(I received another very good answer to last month's question of the month. So here is the question Reprinted with the answer)*

**When you are in the conformation ring, what are some of the commands you give the dogs? I need some besides sit, stay, & stand. What do you say to the dog while the judge is poking and prodding? What if the dog decides it's play time instead of show time? Do you say "Behave? or Quit it? Do you say any funny things to your dogs?**

*Commands... I usually say "OK " just to get attention when i start the down & back. Cookie is the word i use the most when standing with the dog, or good girl or good boy. Lots of little talk a little of this and that <g>*

*some dogs you cant talk to at all they get all hyper, some you have to talk a lot too. I have one that I just let stand there, she does wonderful but once i start to say something to her ears flatten back. It depends on the dog on that day.*

*While the judge is going over them, hmmm, I very seldom say anything.*

*When they want to play, I just try and settle them down a little as usually it is the youngsters that want to play and their attention span is so little. I don't want to get after them, want the dog to have a good time in the ring, they will remember it the next time. <g>*

*It is hard to say what you do and not do while in the ring, even being in the ring over the years each dog is different and I never think about any certain commands. my motto "play it by that day" be interesting what others have to say.*

**Barbara**

**CharBar Shelties & Havanese**



## Shannalee's Tips

During the housebreaking stage of puppyhood, I like to take baby diapers and cut a hole for the tail and put them on my puppies. I can let that puppy go anywhere in my house and never worry about a pee spot on my carpet.

*(If you would like to submit a tip to Shannalee for this column you can email her at [akadia@srv.net](mailto:akadia@srv.net))*





**Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association**  
**EvaJean Pickering Award**  
**Nomination**  
**Cheryl Sorensen**

My nomination is based on the following reasons.

1. Cheryl Sorensen has been instrumental in every aspect of trying to keep this Club together. She has been a wealth of knowledge in as far as she knows how a Club should be put together.  
She gives freely of her time & knowledge to all that may need advice or help in anything pertaining to the welfare of Our Club & our Dogs.
2. She was in complete control of the South Jordon Specialty Show. If it hadn't been for her, the Show may not have gone so well. She did have help, but she was the cohesive glue that kept it together. She handled trophies, Judges etc. & many other aspects of the Show with almost flawless effort.
3. Cheryl gives of herself unselfishly, all her knowledge of the dog world, she willingly allows us all to pick her brain for advise & help whenever we ask. She gives this freely to all who ask. She shares with all of us her knowledge in the form of her seminars, that she is so willing to present.

This is only a small sample of why I feel that Cheryl Sorensen does really deserve this Award. I am sure that most of the Club knows this & feels the same.

——-Respectfully; Shirley McLaughlan



## Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association EvaJean Pickering Award Nomination **Tricia Harris**

Carol Cowley and Judy Williamson wish to nominate Tricia Harris for the first USSA Dr. EvaJean Pickering Award. We think she is worthy of this award for several reasons. She was willing to step up and serve as President of USSA at a time when the organization was experiencing great difficulty. And due in large part to her calm spirit and desire to keep the club moving in a positive direction, has been successful in helping the club to avoid divisive discussions and actions. She has remained unbiased and very charitable with and towards both factions of the schism that occurred in the club and toward each individual of the club as they have sought her counsel and advice. She has shown that she wanted all sides to feel appreciated and listened to. Her integrity has been irreproachable and she has gone the extra mile to ensure that the spirit as well as the letter of the law was followed in the actions that the club took. She has also served as the editor of our newsletter which has required great amounts of time and effort, and has done it in a very professional way. Lastly, she has agreed to serve as President of USSA if elected for another term. She has been and is a very valuable member of USSA and is deserving of this honor. She has done all of this with personal sacrifice to her family and community and has been a great example to all of us.

—Respectfully submitted by Carol Cowley and  
Judy Williamson



Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association  
EvaJean Pickering Award  
Nomination  
**Barbara Soderborg**

I am nominating Barbara Soderborg for the EvaJean Pickering award. Barbara has consistently shown her strength and honest love for the Shetland sheepdog in general and the Utah Shetland Sheepdog association in particular. She showed real strength and diligence in the face of great opposition while trying to keep the general membership of the club informed of club and board decisions. Barbara stood up to those that would have split the club and endured anger that was directed at her while performing her job expertly. She has shown strong interest in all sheltie events. Barbara has taken the club minutes faithfully for the past 2 years and tried, in as much as is possible, to keep the entire club informed. Barbara has spent many long hours bringing the Secretary's books current and with others helped steer the club toward a great future.

———Respectfully Cheryl Sorensen



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## OBITUARY FOR JOAN REJHOLEC-CAMPBELL

### April 11, 1917– July 5, 2006

Joan Rejholec-Campbell, whose name is synonymous with Shetland Sheepdogs in Colorado because of Tobruk Shelties, died July 5 following a brief illness. Born in Stamford, near London on April 11, 1917 during a blizzard (she always hated cold and wind!), Joan grew up and was educated in England. Her work with grooming, training, kennel management and veterinary assistance began when she was a teenager. As WWII forced people to leave the London area, many pets were destroyed, and kennels were put out of business. Because her father was a Commander in the Navy, Joan joined the Women's Royal Naval Service (WRENS). She was too small but managed to "stretch" to the 5'2" height requirement, and she served with the WRENS for almost five years. Her father, the famous "Smith of Tobruk" because of his defense of that African port city, was posthumously awarded all the highest decorations except for the Victoria Cross, which is for *one* great deed...Representing her family, Joan received the decorations from King George VI while she was still in uniform, and spoke informally to him for fifteen minutes. After living under bombing from Germans, including the buzz bombs, Joan came to Colorado with the last of the war brides, as she had married Gus Poulos, a captain in the medics. She arrived on July 4, 1946, but all government offices were closed for the holidays and no one could disembark until they opened on July 5! Gus was too ill to work after the war and Joan was soon left a widow. She bought a run-down kennel on South Broadway and worked at grooming and boarding. Later she married Otto Rejholec and had twenty-five wonderful years with him. On South Lima in Aurora, they established Tobruk Shelties, named to honor Joan's father. They became known throughout the "dog world" as Joan showed her Ch. Badgerton Alert Alec, the first Sheltie ever to receive three Best in Show awards. Shelties were then a part of the huge Working Group. Joan and Otto both served as professional handlers and then as dog show judges of all the breeds in the Working and Herding Groups. In 1952, Joan and two friends started what is now the Centennial Shetland Sheepdog Club of Greater Denver, Inc., and Joan served many years as president and board member, mentoring many young Sheltie owners. Joan and Otto planned to spend their retirement years in Florida, but Otto died taking a swimming lesson, and left a grieving widow. Joan had already sold Tobruk and did not have the heart to start another kennel. She bought a little home in Aurora and spent her time enjoying her birds.

**USSA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**SEPTEMBER 19, 2006**  
**Sandy Bicentennial Park**  
**8680 South 500 East**

**ATTENDEES:** Tricia Harris, Barbara Soderborg, Julene Mathews, Cherie Hyde, Judy Williamson.  
**Excused:** Doug Sorensen and Jim Melton **Guests:** Diana Beebe

Barbara Soderborg taking minutes for Ginny Clark

**WELCOME:** Tricia Harris welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 6:05

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES:** Judy Williamson made a motion to accept the board meeting minutes as written. Cherie Hyde seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Nothing to report at this time.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Not present – excused

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Barbara received a letter from ASSA asking if our club would like to donate money for the 2007 National and/or to the ASSA Foundation which includes Health Research, Health Research – DM, Rescue Operations, Scholarship Programs, Legislation Education, and General Fund. The Board voted not to donate this year but will bring it to the club membership for final vote. Barbara also showed the board a letter stating ASSA medallions may only be allowed for Winners Dog and Winners Bitch IF an ASSA Judge is judging.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** New applications for membership into our club included Diane Orr and Kathleen Koyle. Cherie Hyde presented the financial report. Barbara Soderborg made a motion to accept the financial report. Julene Mathews seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0-0. The financial report is on file.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **FALL FUN MATCH:** This will be discussed at the club meeting with Peggy Newman, Chairperson.
2. **2007 SPECIALTY SHOW:** This will be discussed at the club meeting. In regards to the obedience portion of our specialty show, Cherie Hyde has been told by the people in charge of the all breed show, there will be room for us to hold our obedience show.

**DOG SKELETON:** This will be discussed at the club meeting with Cheryl Sorensen.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BOARD:** There was a discussion regarding the board members and the position of past president. The board advised that according to the Standing Rules of the Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association, Inc under Section I – Structure – Item B it states, “Board members unable to attend a Board meeting will advise the Secretary. Any Board member who misses three consecutive unexcused Board meetings will be deemed to have resigned from the Board membership. The board will monitor absences as necessary to assure rule is appropriate to the situation”, we no longer have a Past President on the board. The board advised that **any** board member with greater than 3 unexcused absences will no longer to considered a board member, therefore, in order to maintain the correct number of members on the board for voting Barbara Soderborg made a motion to ask the club to add an additional board member until the position of Past President becomes filled again when Tricia Harris is no longer President. Judy Williamson seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.

There was no other business so Julene Mathews made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Barbara Soderborg seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0-0.

# USSA CLUB MEETING MINUTES

## SEPTEMBER 19, 2006

### Sandy Bicentennial Park

### 8680 South 500 East

**ATTENDEES:** Tricia Harris, Barbara Soderborg, Julene Mathews, Kevin Mathews, Cherie Hyde, Judy Williamson, Diana Beebe, Peggy Newman, Helene Pockrus, Tex Pockrus, Tomi Hamblin, Shirley McLaughlan, Steve Holmes, Rachel Holmes, Cheryl Sorensen, Mike Cornella, Linda Cornella, Gene Cowley, Carol Cowley, Ava Jane Pickering

Barbara Soderborg taking minutes for Ginny Clark

Tricia Harris did a remarkable job talking to us about the neonate. She talked about the bitch in trouble, whelping procedures, and how to take care of preemie babies as well as newborn puppies in the first few hours after birth. We were told how to sustain the puppies and shown how to tube feed them. All those present enjoyed and learned much regarding this subject. As in the past, we appreciate the experience and knowledge that Tricia Harris and Cheryl Sorensen have given us!

**WELCOME:** Tricia Harris welcomed those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:40 P.M.

**CLUB MEETING MINUTES:** Julene Mathews made a motion to accept the July club meeting minutes as written. Kevin Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Nothing to report at this time.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Not present – excused

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Barbara received a letter from ASSA asking if our club would like to donate money for the 2007 National and/or to the ASSA Foundation which includes Health Research, Health Research – DM, Rescue Operations, Scholarship Programs, Legislation Education, and General Fund. The club members present decided not to donate this year. Barbara also told the members about the letter stating the ASSA medallions will only be allowed for Winners Dog and Winners Bitch IF an ASSA Judge was judging. Cheryl Sorensen reported a medallion would also be able to be given for the high in trial dog in obedience.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Cherie Hyde presented the financial report. Barbara Soderborg made a motion to accept the financial report. Cheryl Sorensen seconded the motion. The motion carried. The financial report is on file. New applications for membership into our club included Diane Orr and Kathleen Koyle.

Ballots were passed out to members to vote on the new memberships of Shannalee Waller-Michalsky, Joanne Adams, and Susan Bradford. All three were approved and welcomed as new members of the club.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **FALL FUN MATCH:** Peggy Newman asked for volunteers to help with the Fun Match which will be held on Sunday, October 8, 2006 at the Davis County Fairgrounds. Most of the members present volunteered to help in various areas and we expect to have a great fun match. We will hold a microchip clinic at the fun match for those who need to have their dogs microchipped at a reduced rate.
2. **SKELETON:** This has been put on hold for right now.
3. **BOARD:** Tricia Harris talked to the members regarding the position of Past President. According to the Standing Rules of the Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association, Inc under Section I – Structure – Item B it states, “Board members unable to attend a Board meeting will advise the Secretary. Any Board member who misses three consecutive unexcused Board meetings will be deemed to have resigned from the Board membership. The board will monitor absences as necessary to assure rule is appropriate to the situation.” Ava Pickering advised the club that according to Robert’s Rules the club is within it’s rights to add another board member to completely fill the board positions. Mike Cornella made a motion to add an additional board member and Rachel Holmes seconded the motion. The motion passed with one vote against



**NOMINATING COMMITTEE:** Judy Williamson, as Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented their findings. The following members were asked and agreed to serve on the board if voted upon:

President – Tricia Harris  
 Vice President – Gene Cowley  
 Treasurer – Cherie Hyde  
 Corresponding Secretary – Barbara Soderborg  
 Recording Secretary – Diana Beebe  
 Board Members: Julene Mathews, Carol Cowley, Judy Williamson, and Jim Newman

Nominations were open from the floor for President. There were no nominations so Kevin Mathews moved to close the nominations for President. Mike Cornella seconded the motion. The motion passed. Nominations were open from the floor for Vice President. There were no nominations so Kevin Mathews moved to close the nominations for Vice President. Mike Cornella seconded the motion. The motion passed. Nominations were open from the floor for Treasurer. There were no nominations so Steve Holmes moved to close the nominations for the position of Treasurer. Kevin Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed. Nominations were open from the floor for Corresponding Secretary. There were no nominations so Mike Cornella moved to close the nominations for Corresponding Secretary. Kevin Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed. Nominations were open from the floor for Recording Secretary. There were no nominations so Mike Cornella moved to close the nominations for Recording Secretary. Kevin Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed. Nominations were open from the floor for Board Members. There were no nominations so Mike Cornella moved to close the nominations for Board Members. Kevin Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed.

**5. EVAJEAN PICKERING AWARD:** Nominations were open from the floor for recipients to receive the EvaJean Pickering Award. Shirley McLaughlan nominated Cheryl Sorensen, Carol Cowley nominated Tricia Harris, and Cheryl Sorensen nominated Barbara Soderborg. There were no other nominations so Peggy Newman moved to close the nominations for the Ava Jean Pickering award. Shirley McLaughlan seconded the motion. The motion passed. Each of the people nominating will send a write up of the reasons why they feel these people should receive the award.

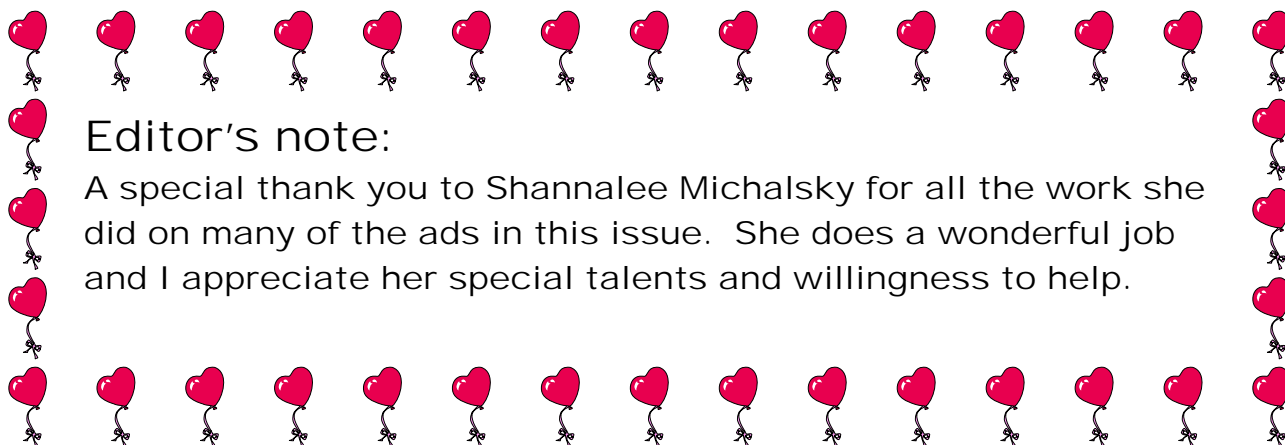
**6. 2007 SPECIALTY SHOW:** Cheryl Sorensen presented the names of four judges for the members to vote upon. The judges receiving the majority of the votes were: Guy Jeavon and Glenda Hensen. These judges will be contacted to see if they will judge for our specialty. The Obedience Chair, Laurie Kendricks, ask that the club vote upon a judge. It was decided that Barbara Fredrick would be asked. There was some discussion on letting Onofrio send out the premium for the obedience show. This will be discussed again at the next meeting.

**HERDING DOG COMPICTION:** Judy Williamson spoke to us regarding the excellent experience she had while watching The Herding Dog Competition in Heber City over Labor Day. She suggested we all go see this event next year.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no other business so Barbara Soderborg made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gene Cowley seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 P.M.



## Calendar of Events

October 8th — Fall USSA Fun Match  
October 17, 2006 — Club Meeting Voting for Club officers  
November 1, 2006 — Club Dues Due  
November 21, 2006 — Club Meeting  
December 2, 2006 — USSA Christmas Party  
January 16, 2007 — Club Meeting

