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# Sheltie Connection



## President's Message....

**Jim Newman**

### UTAH SHETLAND SHEEPDOG ASSOCIATION ASSA MEMBER CLUB

*Presents the USSA's 7th Speciality ,  
OBEDIENCE & RALLY TRAIL  
TO BE HELD AT*

**SALT LAKE COUNTY EQUESTRIAN PARK**  
10800 S 2200 W, South Jordan, UT 84095

**Entries Close 6:00 PM — Wednesday, April 16, 2008**  
**Don't forget you can enter online at**  
**<http://www.utahsheltie.org/specialty.htm>**

**SPECIALTY EVENT (Morning)**  
**WITH JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP**  
**WEDNESDAY, April 30, 2008**  
**LIMITED TO 100 DOGS**

**SPECIALTY EVENT (Afternoon)**  
**WITH OBEDIENCE AND JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP**  
**LIMITED TO 100 DOGS**  
**WEDNESDAY, April 30, 2008 EVENT**  
**RALLY EVENT**

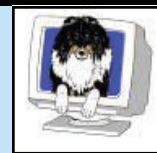
**WEDNESDAY, April 30, 2008 EVENT #2008506903**  
**LIMITED TO 88 DOGS**

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**We're on the web!**  
**[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**



### Caring for Your Dog When You're Sick as a Dog

Next time you're feeling lousy and the thought of taking care of yourself *and* your pooch makes you even more pooped, consider this: Having your dog by your side can lift your spirits, which can help put you back on a healthy path. But don't forget that you need to make an effort to be extra hygienic when your immune system is weak. Always be sure to wash your hands after touching your dog, and wear rubber gloves when picking up after him. If you're too knocked out to give your dog proper attention, ask for help from a friend, neighbor, or relative.

### Notice

**Anyone who 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 [utahshetlandsheepdogs@hotmail.com](mailto:utahshetlandsheepdogs@hotmail.com)**

# WELCOME

**To new Member:**

Ken and Julie Schow and Girls

**Happy Birthday**  
**We want to wish the following members a very happy March**

- 1 Mike Cornella
- 1 Robert Williamson
- 10 Carol Cowley
- 17 Barbara Vann
- 21 Steve Holmes
- 23 Dale Kendrick



- If we miss your birthday please let us know so that we can add you to our list.





## Clan Duncan Shelties



*Callie is 5 years old, OFA Excellent, CERF normal, proven, and is an International Champion with a Group 2. We are keeping a son and daughter and would like to breed one more litter from her. Callie is by Ch. Apple Acres Odyssey Armani ROM ex a dau. of Ch. Tall Timber Far Out Frisco ROM. The show ring bores her. She is a great mom. We want a forever home for Callie, but that could be with a breeder. She would be a wonderful foundation.*

**Clan Duncan**  
danaq@aol.com

## Windsor Shelties

Akadia Wildfire, RN  
"Cody"



I took Cody to the 3 day Golden Spike Dog Obedience Trial in Farmington, Utah March 21-23 and we are very pleased that this little guy finished his Rally Novice title.

Friday March 21st he got a perfect score of 100 at his very first show and placed 1st, then on Saturday March 22 he got a score of 89 (I cost him 10 points no bad handler) then on Sunday March 23rd he got a score of 99 and a 1st place finish. I have to thank Shannalee of Akadia Shelties for intrusting this little dog to me, he is so much fun and very much a free sprit and I just love him and I'm so very proud of him.

Chrissy Weatherston



# *Mainland Loyal Possible Merger*

## *"Garrett"*



***New Canadian Champion***

**Our Blue boy "Garrett" is now Canadian Champion Mainland Loyal Possible Merger breeder: Linda Griffith owners: Barbara Vann & Locklyn Guzman handler, Barbara**

**Friday, Lower Mainland Dog Fanciers, Judge, Joan Frailey was WD/BOW/BOB over 8 specials onto a Group Two (5pts)**

**Saturday, Shetland Sheepdog Specialty, Judge Rick Thompson, WD/BOW (5pts)**



# Norwood Saloona

"Sonya"



We are very thrilled and very excited to hear about our lovely little girl. Norwood Saloona, Sonya was Best of Winner on March 30, 2008 at the Central Indiana Specialty under judge Lloyd Graser. She only need few more points to finish.  
We are very proud of her! Thank you for letting us brag.

Mike and Linda Cornella  
Royal Hill Shelties





## Rescued Sheltie of the Month

This is thirteen year old Chewy who came to us from a woman in Logan along with a fourteen year old little girl already in kidney and heart failure. A week after she arrived we had to say "goodbye" to her. Thanks to the negotiating skills of Cindy Wilkinson and Julene Mathew's willingness to make a late night run to Logan, we also got a six year old female named Misty.



Chewy - blind in left eye from injury.

Misty was unsprayed. Cindy and Julene heard how she'd had "millions" of puppies and we could have puppies from her too. Thirteen year old Chewy actually fathered a litter with Misty a year ago! Chewy's not yet neutered and after I tell you about him you'll understand why.

It's hard to know where to start with Chewy. This incredibly happy, good-natured, and robust little senior boy is blind in his left eye. We don't know what happened but we believe he sustained an injury at some point in his life. His handsome, tipped ears were

surgically tipped. The scar tissue is very easy to feel when you scratch his ears. Chewy has a front foot that is malformed. We believe that a toe was ripped off at some time but again, we're not sure what happened.

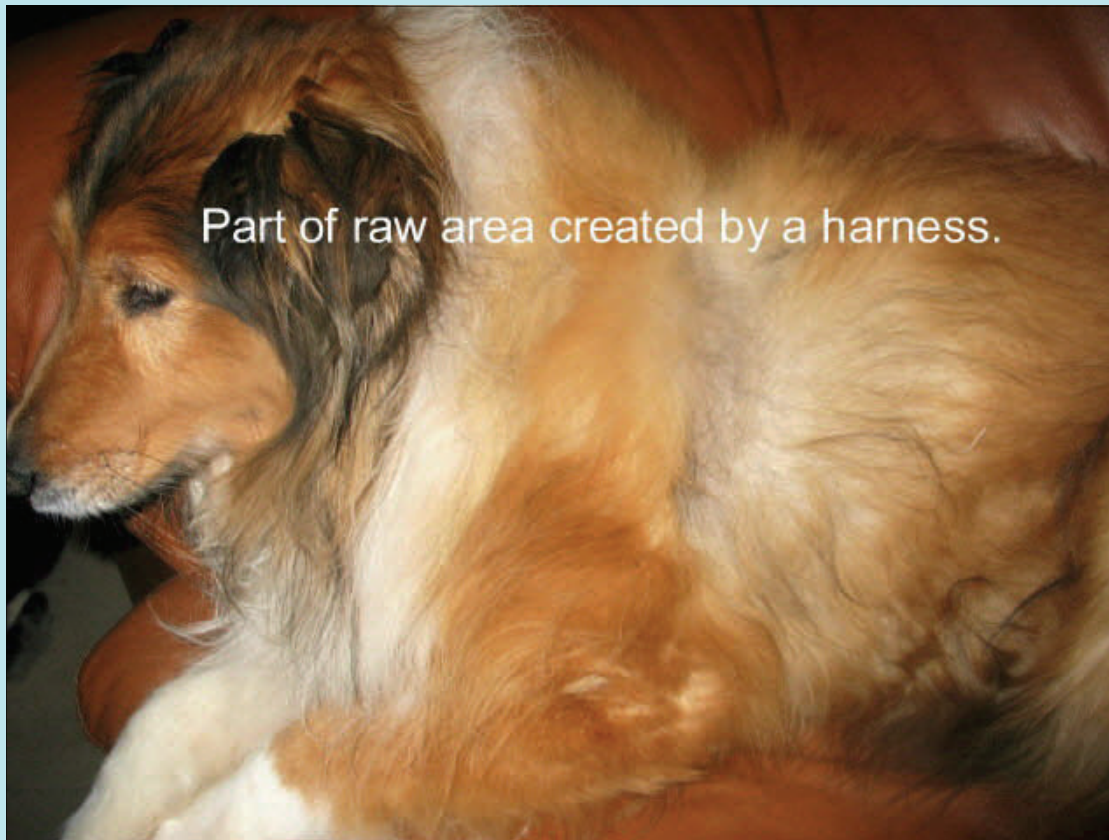
Chewy's rear right foot was very swollen and painful when he arrived. It hardly looked like a paw. Cindy and Julene were told that he chews on it all the time and that they could hear him, during the night, scratching his teeth on the bone of his foot.

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***Chewy is the essence of resilience. Turned over to rescue at age 13, bred all his life, even at age 12, a visible circle around his chest testifies that a harness rubbed him raw over a long period of time, blind in his left eye from an unknown injury, missing a toe on a rear foot that he chewed until the owners could hear him scraping the bone, he is still a loving and happy to meet you, Sheltie-boy!***



## Rescued Sheltie of the Month



Part of raw area created by a harness.

Below is a photo of what his foot looks like now after a course of antibiotics and alternating between an Elizabethan collar and bandages to keep him from chewing on his foot. It actually resembles a foot now!

Chewy desperately needs a dental which is likely to cost us around \$300.00 because of the many teeth that will need to be extracted. To help him eat we have him on Hydrocodone and Rimadyl and feed him soft foods.

At first we thought Chewy must be suffering from low thyroid because we noticed his hair was sparse in certain areas of his body. We did a comprehensive blood panel and Chewy, true to his robust nature, had the blood panel of a healthy boy and no thyroid deficiencies. I realized what the sparse hair was about. His hair was sparse exactly where a harness would rub against him if it was too tight. It was also sparse on a spot on his back where something connected to his harness apparently rubbed against him too.

The woman who gave us these sweet kids said that they were like her children. We hear this kind of thing often. I just don't know what to make of it.



Foot missing a toe and badly chewed.

## Whose Your Daddy

### **Subject: I ask myself every day what if I had not questioned the findings. Can we trust AKC on DNA Testing?**

I ask myself every day what if I had not questioned the findings of the DNA testing done by AKC on my babies sired by Can/ Intl. Ch. Ha-Dar Going Ballistic out of Ha-Dar Beckward Ready Made ...

The story begins in March/06.....Ballistic who's call name is Dalton was almost 10 yrs. Old and I was wanting something from him before it was too late so decided to breed him to my one and only Sable female Bette..... So when it was time for Bette to possibly allow Dalton to breed they were put together in my house yard....I have 3 different yards that dogs can run in....1 yard is a little more then 1 ½ acres, the 2<sup>nd</sup> yard is ¼ acre and my house yard is 2 .78 acres.... Each is totally enclosed with cyclone fencing.....I put Bette out with Dalton every other day from day 10 to day 16 hoping he would catch and breed her.....On around the 19<sup>th</sup> day my husband accidentally turned Bette out with all the other dogs in me ½ acre yard and knew another male tried mating her but didn't think he did but couldn't be sure.....So babies are born on 5/17/06 and Bette had 7 babies....5 females and 2 males....Lost 1 girl at 2 days....But I was very happy as the babies were all full white collars and beautiful heads .....

At 4 weeks I decided to do DNA testing to make very sure this was Dalton's litter and not the boy that was accidentally with her at the end of her season....The DNA department of AKC called me and said something was wrong as only 2 babies matched Dalton and 1 puppy matched the other boy so did I have more boys on my property and they needed permission for me to give them the DNA profiles on the other boys so they could match up the rest of the litter to the proper studs.....I argued with her that this was impossible as all boys were totally away from this bitch but did as she asked as every single dog on my place are DNA tested including all females...Well I wait and wait and again the DNA department of AKC tell me that the litter was sired by 3 males on my place and 1 girl matched all 3 males so there for she had no father and could not be registered.....Ask me if I was not upset.....I hit the roof and demanded that all dogs be retested again as I was not accepting their decision as my pick girl had no father that was on my place so another dog somehow grew wings and mated my girl ?? No way.....I demanded that every single dog involved with this be retested.... The girl at the DNA Dept. talked to her supervisor and the supervisor sent her to the head of the Department ....She Called me back in a couple of days and told me the head of the AKC DNA department was sending me new kits for the dam, all 4 males on my place and all 6 puppies in the litter and they were going to send all samples to an outside lab to retest every one at their expense.....So again the waiting game....Re-did everyone and sent it off to AKC.....Well from beginning to the end it took me 5 months to finally get the results....

This is a very big Thank You to the outside lab....They are the ones that discovered the mistake.....It seems according to AKC that when DNA testing was done in 1998 that somehow a female that I also had tested at that time her DNA swab was put into the Dalton's envelope and Dalton's swab was put into her envelope.....So AKC said either I or the AKC Rep. made the mistake.....I admit I made out the envelopes but it was not me but the AKC Rep. that did the swabbing and putting the swabs into the envelope.....At that time DNA department did not do Gender profile on the DNA testing....If they had put the Gender as they do now this could not have happened as they automatically would have had to know that Dalton had the wrong gender type so could not be the sire of anything.....As he had the female profile.....so the XX and XY they use now would have prevented this horrendous mistake and wasting 5 months of me not being able to register this litter and telling my buyers they had to wait for DNA testing.....But the best news is that Dalton and Bette has 3 girls nominated from this litter into the futurity.....including my pick girl that had no sire as she matched no one.....So I have to say after this ordeal was there any other mistakes when the DNA testing was done in Phoenix???? Am I the only one at all the Nationals that AKC went to the only mistake.....Pretty hard to believe.....Something to think about...

These babies could have been registered under the different males that AKC stated sired each one of them and all the pedigrees would be wrong, and this mistake could have kept on going.....

If your DNA does not include the gender (see the XX and XY codes) I would go to AKC and request a new DNA profile so this question does not have to be revisited...WHO IS REALLY MY DADDY ?

Robin Swan  
Ha-Dar Shelties



## The Animal Rights Agenda

At our last meeting Judy told us about a concern that some cities have. In some areas a mandatory spay/neuter law has been passed. This means that ALL dogs and cats MUST be spayed or neutered. They do allow for some exemptions for dogs such as show dogs. To get this they wanted the owners to bring in the club membership lists to "prove" they were a member of a kennel club. This list would give Animal Control the names and addresses of people who have unaltered dogs. It was suggested that the clubs instead issue membership cards, and Judy ask that we look into that also.

But you say, we don't have mandatory spay/neuter laws here. Well, not yet we don't. It is being suggested even today. This was in the letters to the editor in the Deseret Morning News today (Sat. March 29, 2008).

"If Provo wants to protect residents from dangerous dog bites without singling out any breeds, a spay/neuter law for all dogs would be a wise move.

Spaying and neutering dogs can significantly reduce their aggression and desire to roam, which may help explain why unaltered dogs of any breed are three times more likely to bite. As an added bonus, such a law would help prevent more unwanted dogs from being born. This would save taxpayers thousands of dollars and would prevent countless dogs from facing euthanasia.

Lindsay Pollard-Post  
People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals  
Norfolk, Va. "  
(<http://deseretnews.com/article/1,5143,695265598,00.html>)

Provo is also currently considering a ban on pit bulls. Read the article here <http://deseretnews.com/dn/view/1,5143,695264711,00.html>

We have to be aware of breed specific laws (BSL) as this is the start to banning more breeds. Yes, shelties "could" be on the list. In Italy Corgis are on the dangerous dog list. <http://www.petplanet.co.uk/petplanet/domino/>  
If you think you can identify the pit bulls go to this site and try: <http://www.pitbullsontheweb.com/petbull/findpit.html>

Mandatory spay/neuter is on the Animal Rights agenda. It is one step in the effort to do away with dogs and cats. In fact, to do away with **all** domestic animals. No I'm not dreaming up conspiracy theories or seeing black helicopters. It is happening.

Let's begin with the difference between Animal Welfare and Animal Rights. And please take the time to go look up the links I've provided. Many are from actual Animal Rights sites. Others are from anti-AR sites that are trying to expose the real agenda. (For those who don't get their newsletters by email let me know and I can get you hard copies of most of the links.)

Animal Welfare works for the good of the animal. They care about humane treatment and are not fanatical about things. Most of us who show dogs would fall into this category.

Animal Rights says that animals should have the same rights as people. They don't want us to own them (they say they're "enslaved"), we shouldn't "exploit" them by breeding or showing them.

<http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/cranks.htm>  
<http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/animalrightsquote.htm#Araw>

Animal Rights is no meat, no fur, no milk, no eggs, no service dogs, no guide dogs, no police dogs, no leather, no pleasure riding, nope, nada, zilch, zip, none. Don't use animals at all. Just enjoy them "from afar". They promote vegetarianism. They oppose any experiments done on animals.

<http://www.peta.org/about/faq-veg.asp>  
<http://www.peta.org/about/faq.asp>  
<http://www.peta.org/campaigns/ar-petaonpets.asp>  
<http://goveg.com/vegetarian101.asp>  
<http://www.peta.org/actioncenter/clothing.asp>  
<http://www.peta.org/actioncenter/testing.asp>  
<http://www.peta.org/actioncenter/entertainment.asp>  
<http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/animalrightsquote.htm>

Who are the Animal Rights groups?

**PETA** (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals): PETA has been known to come to shows and release dogs from crates. They protest at public events. They have thrown red paint on people wearing fur coats. They have been known to take adoptable dogs and cats and put them down.

<http://www.peta.org/>

<http://www.petakillsanimals.com/>

[http://www.consumerfreedom.com/article\\_detail.cfm/article/134](http://www.consumerfreedom.com/article_detail.cfm/article/134)

**HSUS** (Humane Society of the United States): "Despite the words "humane society" on its letterhead, the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) is not affiliated with your local animal shelter. Despite the omnipresent dogs and cats in its fundraising materials, it's not an organization that runs spay/neuter programs or takes in stray, neglected, and abused pets. And despite the common image of animal protection agencies as cash-strapped organizations dedicated to animal welfare, HSUS has become the wealthiest animal rights organization on earth." [http://www.activistcash.com/](http://www.activistcash.com/organization_overview.cfm/oid/136)

[organization\\_overview.cfm/oid/136](http://www.activistcash.com/organization_overview.cfm/oid/136)

[http://www.activistcash.com/organization\\_quotes.cfm/oid/136](http://www.activistcash.com/organization_quotes.cfm/oid/136)

**ALF** (Animal Liberation Front), **Best Friends**, **American Humane Association** and **In Defense of Animals** are others that come to me right off.

<http://www.animalliberationfront.com/index.html>

<http://www.bestfriends.org/>

<http://www.americanhumane.org/site/PageServer>

<http://www.idausa.org/>

[http://dogpolitics.typepad.com/my\\_weblog/files/BestFriends.pdf](http://dogpolitics.typepad.com/my_weblog/files/BestFriends.pdf)

Some of these groups such as Best Friends are included in the AR groups because they are anti-breeder. They are not as outspoken as PETA but they do support mandatory spay/neuter laws, banning pit bulls and other such AR backed legislation.

Some of the terms used by the AR (Animal Rights) movement:

**Guardian** - Some areas have passed laws that animals will have "guardians" not owners. Guardian has a different meaning in a court of law than owner.

"Guardians are merely temporary caretakers whose ownership can be revoked at any time. Court-appointed inspectors must oversee all their decisions." <http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/guardian.htm>

Our animals need to remain as "property" so that we have the right to make the decision on what we can and can't do with them. Including medical care.

Guardianship can be removed if someone deems that you are not acting in what they think is the best interest of your animals.

For further reading go to the link above and this one:

<http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/animalrightsquote.htm>

[http://www.vet.upenn.edu/schoolresources/communications/publications/bellwether/62/high\\_noon.html](http://www.vet.upenn.edu/schoolresources/communications/publications/bellwether/62/high_noon.html)

**Puppy Mills, Hoarders, Collectors:** All these are terms that AR groups freely use. Part of the agenda here is to divide and conquer. If they can turn other breeders against other breeders, then we fight to eliminate them. Only in doing so we also help to enact laws that will affect us, and our ability to breed dogs.

Hoarders or collectors are anyone who has more than the two or three dogs most communities legally allow. They like to toss these words around to make owners of multiple dogs or cats look bad to the general public. True hoarders have medical or mental problems and usually the animal's, home and themselves are not taken care of.

According to the AR groups there is no such thing as a responsible breeder. A breeder is a breeder is a breeder and they're all bad. They do not want us to be breeding at all, ever. We are lumped in with puppy mills.

<http://www.peta.org/campaigns/ar-responsiblebreeders.asp>

<http://spanieljournal.com/33lbaughan.html>

<http://www.peta.org/about/faq-comp.asp>



If they came to **your** house and you have more than three dogs **you** will be labeled a puppy mill or hoarder. And they will count every dog and puppy (even newborns) separately and report that number as the total taken from your home.

**Overpopulation:** Again a term tossed around by AR people. They say breeders are the cause of overpopulation, because if dogs and cats were not bred then there wouldn't be an overpopulation problem.

Next time you go to a shelter or to an adoption event, notice how many puppies there are and how many are adult dogs. Most dogs in shelters are adults. This is an owner retention problem not an overpopulation problem. These dogs had homes at one time and have been given up for a variety of reasons.

AR people claim that every time we breed and place a puppy a shelter animal dies. This is not true as the market is totally different people. Most who want a purebred puppy and buy from a breeder are not looking for a dog to adopt from a shelter. And people who want to adopt from a shelter or rescue don't go to breeders.

In some areas shelters and rescue groups are "importing" dogs from other states or even Puerto Rico or other countries. If there is such an overpopulation problem why do we need to bring in dogs from other places?

<http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/hsus01.htm>

Now we come to **Mandatory Spay/Neuter** as this is supposed to be the solution to overpopulation. It will also end domestic dogs and cats. If we spay or neuter all our dogs and cats today, where will the next generation come from? Mexico maybe? Or other countries where they do not have the humane treatment we are used to for our animals.

[http://www.pet-law.com/future/ar\\_laws.html](http://www.pet-law.com/future/ar_laws.html)

Here's a link to cities that have passed mandatory spay/neuter laws and wording of some of them:

[http://www.helpinganimals.com/res\\_lawspayord.asp](http://www.helpinganimals.com/res_lawspayord.asp)

Yes, they say that there will be exemptions for show dogs, but usually that comes with a hefty fee and often they have expiration times written into them. So you are exempted for say two years then no more exemptions.

Fees are often \$100 per intact animal. Sometimes a fee to breed that animal is added on top of the fee to keep the animal intact.

The AR groups are opposed to crating. They have come to shows and released dogs. Sometimes these dogs have been caught, and I've heard of at least one who ran into traffic and was killed. If you lock your crate they have been known to pour anti-freeze into the crate, their theory is "better dead than caged". <http://www.peta.org/campaigns/ar-cratingdogs.asp>

#### Other Legislation:

The AR groups are suggesting and promoting legislation all over the country. Recently here in Utah "Henry's Law" was passed. This law was promoted to make animal torture a felony in Utah. However the law itself does not say "torture" it is an abuse law. Abuse is not defined. So IMO, this is a bad law since abuse can now be defined by the legal dept. In some areas of the country abuse is crating an animal, or not having food and water in front of them 24 hours a day.

<http://utahamicus.blogspot.com/2008/02/henrys-law-update.html>

[http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article\\_id=3460](http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article_id=3460)

We need to look at the laws very critically and look for the loopholes. How can this affect us? How can it be used against the average pet owner or breeders.

[http://www.api4animals.org/b4c\\_model.php](http://www.api4animals.org/b4c_model.php)

Realistically there are enough laws on the books now to enforce humane treatment of animals. They need to be enforced.

#### Children:

PETA is also targeting our children. They are taking their agenda into our schools. Many schools provide comic books for the children that have the AR ideas in them. <http://www.petaliterature.com/products.asp?dept=26>

[http://www.consumerfreedom.com/downloads/reference/docs/040817\\_petakids.pdf](http://www.consumerfreedom.com/downloads/reference/docs/040817_petakids.pdf)

One of the campaigns is "Your Mommy Kills Animals". Nice thing to teach children huh?

[http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE\\_ID=36208](http://www.worldnetdaily.com/news/article.asp?ARTICLE_ID=36208)

Be aware of what your child is learning in school and let your schools know you don't want the AR agenda taught in our schools.

<http://www.petaliterature.com/>

<http://www.theanimalspirit.com/AWE.html>  
[http://www.consumerfreedom.com/news\\_detail.cfm/headline/3589](http://www.consumerfreedom.com/news_detail.cfm/headline/3589)  
<http://www.petatv.com/kids.html>

**The Agenda:**

The AR agenda is being promoted across the country, in fact across the world. Docking and cropping bans are being enacted. They also include dewclaw removal and possibly banning blue merles. They claim merle is a "lethal" gene and should be eradicated. Mandatory spay/neuter, vegetarianism, breeder licensing, anti tethering laws, and so are being proposed and **passed** across the country.

<http://www.cdb.org/>  
[http://www.dogstuff.info/harle\\_breeding\\_banned\\_in\\_germany\\_yousha.html](http://www.dogstuff.info/harle_breeding_banned_in_germany_yousha.html)

There is a law regarding crating currently being discussed in South Carolina. It does not define "unreasonable period" or "access to sustenance".

[http://www.scstatehouse.net/sess117\\_2007-2008/prever/833\\_20080320.htm](http://www.scstatehouse.net/sess117_2007-2008/prever/833_20080320.htm)

Here are links to sites with the Animal Rights agenda spelled out. Please read them.

<http://www.mofed.org/The%20Twelve%20Steps%20Agenda.htm>  
<http://animalscam.com/>  
<http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/aragenda.htm>  
[http://www.raot.org/legislation/animal\\_rights.htm](http://www.raot.org/legislation/animal_rights.htm)  
[http://www.webdirectory.com/Animals/Animal\\_Interest\\_Groups/Animal\\_Rights/](http://www.webdirectory.com/Animals/Animal_Interest_Groups/Animal_Rights/)

**Quotes from the AR groups:**

These are the words of the people who are the leaders in the AR groups. Better than anything I can tell you, read it for yourself.

<http://www.naiaonline.org/body/articles/archives/animalrightsquote.htm>

"I don't have a hands-on fondness for animals...To this day I don't feel bonded to any non-human animal. I like them and I pet them and I'm kind to them, but there's no special bond between me and other animals." Wayne Pacelle quoted in *Bloodties: Nature, Culture and the Hunt* by Ted Kerasote, 1993, p. 251.  
(Wayne Pacelle is President of HSUS)

"In a perfect world, we would not keep animals for our benefit, including pets," Tom Regan, emeritus professor of philosophy at North Carolina State University and author of "Empty Cages" - speaking at University of Wisconsin-Madison campus, March 3, 2004

"Our goal: to convince people to rescue and adopt instead of buying or selling animals, to disavow the language and concept of animal ownership." Eliot Katz, President In Defense of Animals, In Defense of Animals website, 2001

"I don't use the word "pet." I think it's speciesist language. I prefer "companion animal." For one thing, we would no longer allow breeding. People could not create different breeds. There would be no pet shops. If people had companion animals in their homes, those animals would have to be refugees from the animal shelters and the streets. You would have a protective relationship with them just as you would with an orphaned child. But as the surplus of cats and dogs (artificially engineered by centuries of forced breeding) declined, eventually companion animals would be phased out, and we would return to a more symbiotic relationship - enjoyment at a distance." Ingrid Newkirk, PETA vice-president, quoted in *The Harper's Forum Book*, Jack Hitt, ed., 1989, p.223.

<http://www.nabr.org/animallaw/Quotes.htm>

"One generation and out. We have no problem with the extinction of domestic animals. They are creations of human selective breeding...We have no ethical obligation to preserve the different breeds of livestock produced through selective breeding."

Wayne Pacelle, HSUS, former director of the Fund for Animals, Animal People, May 1993



"The cat, like the dog, must disappear... We should cut the domestic cat free from our dominance by neutering, neutering, and more neutering, until our pathetic version of the cat ceases to exist."

John Bryant, Fettered Kingdoms: An Examination of A Changing Ethic (Washington, DC: People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PeTA), 1982), p. 15.

"We're looking for good lawsuits that will establish the interests of animals as a legitimate area of concern in the law."

Ingrid Newkirk, PETA President July, 2000

"A rat is a pig is a dog is a boy. They are all mammals.

Ingrid Newkirk, PETA

"The life of an ant and that of my child should be granted equal consideration."

Michael W. Fox, Humane Society of the United States

"We all know that when we start making a true animal rights argument . . . the other side is going to say, . . . 'he's trying to make everyone a vegetarian.' You turn to the judge and say, 'I'm not trying to do that.' But in your heart you may be trying to do just that."

Steven Wise, 5th Annual Conference on Animals and the Law, 1999

"If the death of one rat cured all diseases, it wouldn't make any difference to me."

Chris DeRose, Last Chance for Animals

[http://purebredcatbreedrescue.org/animal\\_rights.htm](http://purebredcatbreedrescue.org/animal_rights.htm)

"In a perfect world, all other-than-human animals would be free of human interference, and dogs and cats would be part of the ecological scheme, as they were before humans domesticated them and as they remain in some parts of the undeveloped world."

-- From The PETA Statement on Companion Animals

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#### What We Can Do:

We need to be aware of what is happening and the control the AR groups are trying to gain over us. We need to spread the word. The general pet owning public needs to know what is going on. We need to not allow people to keep their heads in the sand and say it can't happen here. It **CAN** happen here and it will if we do nothing.

We can read the links provided, notice what's being said in our newspapers and on TV. We can let the newspapers and television stations know that we don't approve of their promoting the AR agenda. We can speak up.

We can write to our legislators and tell them we oppose more animal legislation. **You** own a dog and you **VOTE**. Make your vote count. Don't support legislators who cave in to the AR lobby.

When someone comes to your area and is speaking on the AR movement **attend!** Last year Bill Shelton spoke after one of our Beehive Cluster dog shows on the legislation that was being proposed in CA. Were you there to hear what he had to say? I was.

We need to know what's going on around the country not just in Utah. If it passes in CA it will be taken to other cities and states. If it's passed in KY, SC, NM, etc. It will spread. And yes, you can write, fax, email or call legislators in other states. Do you go to shows in those states? Do you spend money in their state? If so then you have an interest in that state. Speak up and tell them you oppose the AR legislation.

The law in New Mexico was passed. The one in Louisville, KY was passed has been overturned and has other court action pending.

[http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article\\_id=2790](http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article_id=2790)

[http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article\\_id=2864](http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article_id=2864)

<http://www.louisville-pets.com/>

The CA law is on hold for now. It is being revived and we will be hearing about it again.

[http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article\\_id=3191](http://www.akc.org/news/index.cfm?article_id=3191)

[http://www.akc.org/canine\\_legislation/CA\\_action\\_center.cfm](http://www.akc.org/canine_legislation/CA_action_center.cfm)

You can fight them and you can make a difference.

And also contact our legislators in Washington DC. Recently there was a PAWS law proposed. It was supposed to be a pet welfare act. It would have required that all breeders become USDA licensed. That means we'd have to have had kennel buildings, separate whelping buildings, etc. for our animals. It would be illegal to have your puppies whelped in your bedroom. The AKC was for this legislation until many show people told the AKC that they were opposed.

<http://www.pet-law.com/paws/pawsintro.html>

The AKC is now forming a PAC. Many states have dog owners federations. Perhaps this is something we need here in Utah. We sure need to band together. Our voice and our votes are much stronger as a group than separately.

[http://www.akc.org/news/sections/legislative\\_alerts.cfm](http://www.akc.org/news/sections/legislative_alerts.cfm)

Read the AKC legislation updates when you see them. Just because it's not in Utah does not make it irrelevant.

Read, listen, attend, be proactive. It is time for us to protect our rights to own, show, breed and enjoy our dogs.

There is a yahoo list that discusses pet-law across the country. I will warn you it is a high volume list and yes, I'm on it. I have to admit that at time I have to take a break from it as I get depressed with all that's being proposed across the country. Still it's good to read at least once in awhile.

<http://www.pet-law.com/>

<http://www.pet-law.com/whattodo.html>

[http://www.caninechronicle.com/Features/Grossman\\_08/grossman\\_208.html](http://www.caninechronicle.com/Features/Grossman_08/grossman_208.html)

[http://www.akc.org/enewsletter/taking\\_command/2008/january/archive.html](http://www.akc.org/enewsletter/taking_command/2008/january/archive.html)

<http://www.wethepeopleusa.us/>

<http://www.nifaa.org/>

<http://www.greenpeople.org/animalrights.htm>

For further reading:

[http://www.pedigreedatabase.com/gsd/bulletins\\_read/166692.html](http://www.pedigreedatabase.com/gsd/bulletins_read/166692.html)

<http://www.naiaonline.org/>

<http://www.activistcash.com/>

<http://www.mofed.org/>

Books:

"The Hijacking of the Humane Movement", Rod and Patti Stand, 1993.

"Animal Rights -- The Inhumane Crusade", Daniel T. Oliver, 1999.

"Animal Scam -- The beastly abuse of human rights", Kathleen Marquardt, 1993.

"The Future of Dogs -- In an Animal Rights America", 2007

"Redemption" - Nathan Winograd

by Peggy Newman



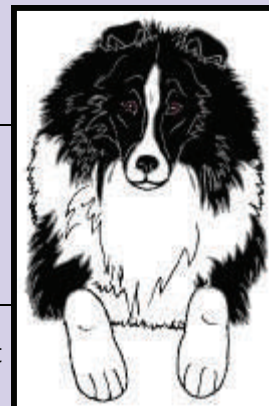
## I Have A Question .....

### ***Are we A head and coat breed?***

Well, I never thought of Shelties as such, but cruising around the Sheltie ring at the last Specialty in Utah, makes me wonder. It reminded me of Poodles, all the spray, backcombing, ratting of coat and chalking. Having been in Irish Setter for over 30 years, I have seen to the detriment of the breeds, so many different head types, not all can possibly be correct, and the coat has been grown and bred for to the point of being ridiculous. Good sound movement is hard to find, and not many could do the job they were bred to do, hunt birds. I hope the same doesn't happen to Shelties. They are such a smart little breed, and can do just about all that is asked of them, not just trot around and look cute. Jane Guidinger

We aren't supposed to be but I think that a LOT of emphasis is placed on expression and quantity of hair. What are we Americans all about?...if a little bit is good, a lot is much better. Balance is what we should strive for.

Barb Aulbach



While I don't think Shelties are a "head and coat breed", I do believe that without a good head and a nice coat that they are not competitive. When I first got into Shelties in the 70's I believe there was a lot more emphasis on heads. There were a lot of very nice dogs out there with lovely heads that did not have all that nice of bodies. This is one way we have improved the breed since then. I believe there is much more emphasis on the body today than there was then. Coats have become much more profuse since those early days. I'm not sure that that is to the betterment of the breed. Today we see coats on bitches that would rival the dogs of those days. In Short, a sheltie today should be the entire package. A nice body with good movement with a lovely head. I do believe a sheltie has a better chance of winning with a spectacular head and not as good of a body than it has of winning with a spectacular body and not a very good head, however. If you look at the scale of points in our standard the head accounts for about 20% of those points. Coat is included in general appearance and by itself is about 5% of the points. That is to say, if we go by the standard about 1/4 of the emphasis should be put on head and coat. Now I'm not sure that is the way it is always judged in real life.

Tricia Harris

Sure looks like it :O) but should not be.

Barb

### ***Next Months Question: At what age would you breed your breeding bitches?***

***(Please submit answers to Diane at [windabrae@cablone.net](mailto:windabrae@cablone.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 Diane at [windabrae@cablone.net](mailto:windabrae@cablone.net) or mail to Diane Orr, 3910 E 132 N, Rigby, ID 83442***

## Club Meetings

**Our Club meeting for April 2008 will be held on **Wednesday April 23,**  
at **7:00 PM** at Sandy Bicentennial Park, in the building in front 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**

**There will be no educational program for April's meeting. We will be finalizing our specialty and will spend all of our time on that for April.**

**\*\*\* If you know of someone in the club who is in the hospital, ill, or of a death in the club or in the sheltie world, please let Diana Beebe know so that she can send a card or flowers.**

**[dlbeebe@worldwidesoftware.net](mailto:dlbeebe@worldwidesoftware.net) or call her at 801-375-3861**

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

**Linda Cornella**



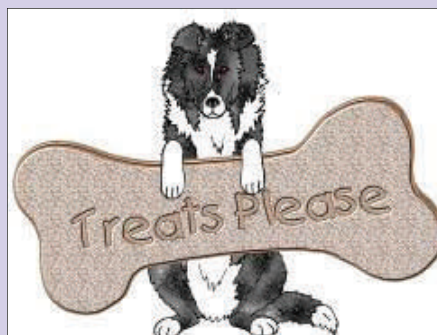
### RECIPE OF THE MONTH:

#### Microwave Doggie Biscuits

1.00 c Whole wheat flour  
0.75 c Dry milk  
0.25 c Cornmeal  
0.33 c Shortening  
1.00 tbs Bouillon granules

0.50 c Plain flour  
0.50 c Quick cooking oats  
1.00 tsp Sugar  
1.00 Egg, slightly beaten  
0.50 c Hot water

Combine flour, cornmeal, milk, oats and sugar. Cut in shortening, add egg, bullion, and hot water. Knead 5 minutes. and roll in 1/2" thick and cut out to favorite shapes. Micro at 1/2 power for 5 to 10 minutes, rotating plate. Makes 5 1/2 small shapes.





*Other News*

Brags from Redcoat :

Himark Blue Diamond of Redcoat "Captain" made his obedience and rally debut at the recent GSDOC trials. He qualified twice in Rally Novice B placing 2nd and 1st, and twice in Novice B obedience with a 4th place.

Ch. Soraj Chances Are CD RE AX AXJ NF "Chance" earned his 8th and 9th RAE legs with 3 placements and he showed the true nature of his breed by pointing birds in the Open A ring. It was beautiful, but brought nothing but consternation and excusal from the judge.

Redcoat a Fortune In Cash CD RA NA NAJ "Kilo" finished her RE with two placements and beat her brother once.

My Havanese.. CharBar's Inside edition "Andre" was WD two days and has a total of 4pts Canadian

Havanese. his brother (CharBar's Remember My Name) was RWD all three days and his sister (CharBar's Sneak Peview) was RWB all three days.

Barbara Vann  
CharBar Shelties

**Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 19, 2008**

Attendees: Jim Newman, Tricia Harris, Barbara Soderborg, AvaJane Pickering, Rachel Holmes, Steve Holmes, Julene Mathews, Cherie Hyde and Tony Plott

Guest: Peggy Newman and Judy Williamson

Welcome: Jim Newman welcomed all those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Approval of Minutes: The February minutes were reconstructed and submitted. A correction to minutes should show Tony Plott attended the meetings. Tricia Harris made a motion to accept the minutes as reconstructed and corrected. Steve Holmes seconded the motion. The motion carried.

President's Report: Jim Newman mentioned that our club specialty premium is complete and on the website along with online registration. He showed us a copy of the cover picture for the catalog that Cheryl Sorensen created. We were all pleased to see how nice it looked. Jim also shared with us the information regarding a letter he received from AKC stating changes in the upcoming year. He mentioned a in the criteria for specialties it states the club specialty has to be within 10 miles from the club's area. He also mentioned that we will be required to hold two events in which the public needs to be invited needs to take place each year. There are other changes and Jim will scan the letter and send it to each of the board members.

Vice President's Report: Tricia Harris has contacted Tom Cohen in regards to holding a two day seminar for our club and anyone else that is interested. Mr. Cohen suggested we allow the Collie and Corgi clubs be invited to the seminar. The dates of August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> are what we will shoot for. The two day seminar will cost \$100 for each person and the club will do a breakfast and lunch. Jim will contact Davis County to see if that date will be available for our use.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Barbara Soderborg talked about the 2009 Sheltie calendars. It is time to order them now so we won't have to pay for shipping. This will be brought to the membership to see if we should do this for 2009. Barbara mentioned the convenience of having a Visa card. There were a couple of instances this past week that would have made having a Visa card helpful. One was to place an ad in the newspaper for the Fun Match. Another was in the case of renting a U-Haul truck to pull the trailer. This will be brought up to the membership for vote. There was a discussion on the problems with having this large of a trailer. It was also decided that we should have the trailer re-keyed and have the convenience of having all the locks fit the same key.

Treasurer's Report: Rachel Holmes presented the Treasurer's Report which is on file. Tony Plott made a motion to accept the report as presented. Julene Mathews seconded the motion. The motion carried.



**Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association  
Board Meeting Minutes  
March 19, 2008**

Shannalee's Waller-Michalsky's Handling Seminar: Shannalee will present her ideas at the Handling Seminar scheduled for Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Old Business: Tricia Harris has been going through the Bylaws and Constitution to clean up the grammatical errors. She passed out a copy to each board member to show them the changes.

New Business: There was no new business.

Adjournment: There was no other business so Barbara Soderborg made a motion to have the meeting adjourn. Cherie Hyde seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

**Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association  
General Club Meeting Minutes  
March 19, 2008**

Attendees: Barbara Soderborg, Cherie Hyde, Steve Holmes, Rachael Holmes, Kevin Mathews, Julene Mathews, Peggy Newman, Jim Newman, Sarah Bagdoian, Steve Bagdoian, Tony Plott, Diana Beebe, Julie Schow, AvaJane Pickering and Tricia Harris

Guests: Greg Cantrell

Education: Tricia Harris read a portion of the Sheltie Standard as taken from ASSA. A handout showing the dog's structure was passed out to the membership as she went over the parts of a dog and how the standard explains the description.

Welcome: Jim Newman welcomed all those in attendance and called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

Brags: One of Tricia's puppies sold to a Junior Handler in Florida went Winners Dog for it's first points.

Approval of Minutes: The February meeting were reconstructed. Corrections to those minutes were the motion of the Lifetime Membership by Ernie Champini which was seconded by Shirley McLaughlan. The motion was voted upon and did not carry. Shirley McLaughlan made a motion to hold club meetings another day. This motion was tabled. Peggy made a motion to accept the reconstructed minutes with the corrections. Tricia Harris seconded the motion. The motion carried.

President's Report: Jim Newman showed the members the premium told the members the premium was now online and ready for online registration. Jim showed the picture Cheryl Sorensen drew that will be on the cover of the catalog. Jim briefly spoke about upcoming changes that the AKC has in store for us and talked about the AKC changes on the educational portion.

Vice President's Report: Tricia Harris has contacted Tom Cohen in regards to holding a seminar for our club. It was decided that August 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> would be the days we will try to have the seminar. Judy Williams made a motion to have Tom Cohen do a seminar. Kevin Mathews seconded the motion. The motion carried. Arrangements will be made to try and get the Davis County Building for this event.

Corresponding Secretary's Report: Barbara Soderborg spoke about the Sheltie Calendars that we have ordered over the past few years. Tricia Harris made a motion to buy 75 calendars for 2008. Rachel Holmes seconded the motion. The motion carried. Barbara talked about the club getting a VISA with a minimum amount on it to use for the times when a credit card is needed. Tricia Harris made a motion that the club get a VISA with a limit of \$500.00 on it. AvaJane Pickering seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Rachel Holmes presented the Treasurer's Report which is on file. Tony Plott made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Kevin Mathew seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Show Report: Peggy Newman mentioned that everything is on target. The trophies will be shipped to us this week. The premium is online and ready to use.



**Utah Shetland Sheepdog Association  
General Club Meeting Minutes  
March 19, 2008**

New Members: The application for Craig Cantrell was received and presented to the club.

Unfinished Business:

- Fun Match – The fun match was accomplished and by having the fun match we completed one of the requirements set out by AKC in order to have a 2009 specialty.
- Meeting Motion – The motion of moving the meeting to a different Wednesday, or on a Tuesday was discussed. There was a vote taken to change the meeting date from the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday to any other Wednesday or on Tuesdays. The motion did not carry. The club meetings will remain on the third Wednesday of the month.
- Since the National will be held during the time when our club meets, the meeting day only for the month of April has been changed to the fourth Wednesday. We will have a club meeting on April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

New Business: Judy Williamson spoke to us regarding the mandatory spay/neuter bill. She saw where there is an exception to show people but that the show people needed to bring a club directory of all names and address of those members in the club. Clubs should be careful with this so the groups trying to pass this bill will not have access to members and where they live. Peggy discussed some of the things she has heard on this topic and also what PETA and Animal rights have discussed

Adjournment: There was no other business so Tony Plott made a motion to have the meeting adjourn. Kevin Mathews seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

## Calendar of Events

March 19, 2008 — Club Meeting

April 12 — 20, 2008 — ASSA National  
Greeley, Colorado

April 23, 2008 — Club Meeting

April 30, 2008 — USSA Specialties

May 21, 2008 — Club Meeting

