



# Sheltie Connection

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## President's Message Jim Newman

This month I would like to take the opportunity to thank the members of the club for their service.

I want to thank Cindy Wilkinson for chairing our obedience and rally trial at our spring specialty. Also assisting her are her daughter Shanna and friend Laurie Kendrick. The three of them are working very hard trying to make this year's obedience and rally a booming success.

A thank you to all of you that have helped Cheryl Sorenson by sponsoring a trophy or two.

Judy Williamson has volunteered to head up our Summer Picnic and Sarah Bagdoian has volunteered to chair our Christmas party this year. I ask all of you to please extend a helping hand when they ask you for some help.

This year we have almost all our committees filled with a volunteer which is the type of service I have been hoping to see from this club. I am hoping no one will feel over burdened this year because we are approaching a point in our club where no one is doing more than one job which will make it so much easier for all of us.

At our meetings last month we discussed the new guidelines established by the AKC for us to keep our status as a show giving club. Two things we decided to do this year are to sponsor a CGC test and at the specialty we are supporting Sheltie Rescue by allowing them to use the ring area next to our ring hold a raffle.

We have completed one AKC task which was to have a minimum of two educational lessons at our general club meetings. The topics were "Proper Teeth Cleaning" by a vet technician and "Animal Rights versus Animal Welfare" given by Jim Melton. This month's educational theme is "Finding the Lost Dog" by Judy Williamson. Thank you Kevin for helping us complete this task.

So I hope to see all of you on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7PM and the board at 5:45 PM.

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## Announcements

### USSA WEBSITE

**CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT**

**WWW.UTAHSHELTIE.ORG**

**YOU CAN DOWNLOAD PAST NEWSLETTERS THERE**



### \*\*\* Help needed\*\*\*

As we all know, the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Georgia, Inc. is sponsoring the 2009 National Specialty in Perry, GA on April 18-26, 2009. We have a very dedicated and excited crew of people involved in the planning of the show. We are looking for additional assistance from your club and/or club members in order to make this show a huge success. There are a number of ways that your club or club members can assist. My particular responsibility is the sale of catalogs. In order to not tie one person down all day I am asking for volunteers to man the table for one or two hour slots on Monday and Wednesday. This is may be too early to make definite plans. Please give some thought to this and let me know if you are interested. I am sure I will be walking the grounds signing folks up once we all get there. If you have any ideas toward making catalog sales more interesting, successful, available, etc please share them with me.

Thank you in advance for any and all help your club or club members are able to offer.

## Notice

Anyone who has puppies for sale, or is looking for a puppy or older dog, please contact Peggy Newman  
You can reach Peggy at  
(435) 783-4285 or email at  
[utahsheltie@yahoo.com](mailto:utahsheltie@yahoo.com)

### Editor's note:

We wish to thank Dana Quinney for providing the beautiful St. Patrick's Day sheltie graphics. Her graphics always make the newsletter so much more enjoyable!!

I would love to have the "Getting to know our members" questionnaire filled out by those who haven't yet. Among you are: Barbara Ray, Cheryl Sorensen, the Ciampini's, Aulbach's, Cindy Wilkinson, Kendrick's, Polster, Albrecht's, Diane Orr, Jim Melton, Matthews, Cornella's, Parry's, the Calderwoods just to name a few. Please don't be shy. We want to hear all about you. If I haven't named you and you haven't done one yet, please do!!!!  
thanks so much.  
— Shannalee

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

- 9 Doug Parry
- 12 Everett Aulbach
- 19 Marie Miles
- 20 Tomi Hamblin
- 23 Jamie Plott
- 29 Cherie Hyde



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

# Member Spotlight

## Getting to know our Members:

- 1) State your full name(s): **Tammy Renae Blakely**
- 2) Kennel name and how you came up with it: **Iona Shelties** , this was easy as it is the little city I live in, just east of Idaho Falls. Iona also means beautiful mountains in some Indian language, from this area years ago.
- 3) How did you first become interested in shelties? **Like most growing up and seeing Lassie on the TV, and by meeting a young lady named Shannalee Waller- Michalsky.**
- 4) Who was your first sheltie and what color was he/she? **My first sable and white female sheltie came from an ad in the classifieds, She came from a pitifully poor family that needed money so I was happy to have her and help them out at the same time. Of course this was my first companion, until... :)**
- 5) Do you breed shelties? What lines do you breed? **I will have a litter or, if I push it, two litters in a year, which I have exceeded that already this year :) I have, for several years, bred to keep my Benayr lines going. Which I crossed with Town Cryer and of late Zion lines. With the Benyar lines soooooooooo hard to keep going, I have strayed a few different ways to find just the right**



**Kymric Kanata "Nattie", dam of 3 Champions in one litter!**

**mix for me :) Of course, my Nattie" Kymric Kanata, has been my foundation the past few years. She has really gave me some lovely champions , and we are hoping her daughter I have now, will make the number four champion for Nattie. Here is hoping for that last hopeful out of Nattie to make her an ROM!**

**6) Who was/is your mentor, Who do we thank for getting you started? Oh wow!, I have a lot of people to call my mentors and saviors, but the one I really really can blame for me getting started <g> was Shannalee. Truly it was a blessing, even though she was such a youngster back then and I, a married adult . Through Shannalee, I found my true beginning in this breed and my one and only, Toby (Labelle Toby The**



Tyrant). Now mind you, I was only looking for another companion, but to make a long story short, I met with Shannalee several times growing out my new tri boy. She was telling me he was sure turning out nice, maybe I should think about showing him. Yup! that is all it took, well almost. What really worked, was the first time I watched Shannalee groom up my boy, WOW I was hooked. I could go on and on but I won't this time.

7) How many dogs do you have? **I only have four shelties, ages 8 months up to 13 years, and one long haired Chihuahua.**

What titles do your dog's have? **Off the top of my little brain I believe there have been seven "Iona" American champions and a few more that I have owned from someone else that have become American champion titled.**



**Pictured: CH. Iona Elle, CH. Iona Desirable, BIS CH. Iona I Can Shine and Iona Mona Lisa (pts). 3 Champions in one litter. Chilled semen breeding from Am/Jap Ch. Iona Rembrandt ex Kymric Kanata.**

Macdega Piano Man ROM was a treasure, I loved CH. Marwal Stepping Out ROM CC, he had such a fun temperament. CH. Macdega Glenhardt Grand Prix ROM, and I loved CH. Tall Timber Far Out Frisco ROM, what a coat factored honest dog. I liked a lot down from him. For a bitch, CH. Macdega Sultana ROM and her son CH. Macdega Navarone, yum!!!! and of course anything down from, CH. Benayr Here Comes Trouble ROM. Wow what mix, Can you tell what type I like? Not <grin>

10) Who do you admire? **If I had to say one person it would be Sylvia Calderwood. I want to be like her when I grow up <grin> but seriously I admire a lot of you :) I look up to you for your strength, growth, sensitivity, friendship and**

8) Who is your favorite dog (that you own)? **Oh that is hard, as all my shelties are my favorite in their own little way but, my old girl "Shady", CH. Iona Sequoya Strike A Pose (bred by Cheryl Sorenson), is my heart dog and it just kills me every day to see her slowing down. She was my new start/foundation in my sable shelties.**

9) Who is your favorite dogs not owned by you (living or passed)? **There are a lot of them :) but, off the top of my head I would say,, CH.**



**Ch. Iona Sequoya Strike A Pose "Shady",, dam of BISS Am/Jap Ch. Iona Rembrandt (7 Champions)**

the love of our Shelties.

11) What is your favorite part of showing dogs? **I do better on the sidelines, Or owning your sheltie(s) and Watching all the lovely shelties in conformation , and I love seeing the Iona ones winning..**

12) What has been your favorite or most memorable win? **One of my favorites is when my sweet CH. Shady won the blue ribbon in the sable and white class at the 1998 ASSA National. Her handler almost pulled her thinking she did not have enough coat. Two years later she won 3rd in the brood class. I also have to say, I was tickled that her granddaughter BIS CH Iona I Can Shine won an all Breed Best In Show at the age of 8 months :) I owe I owe my soul to Shannalee :).**



13) Is there a dog that you own now that you are particularly excited about? **I do have high hopes and a lot counting on my 8 month old girl Annie, sired by AM/CAN Chelson Iona Work of Art (Rembrandt son) out of my sweet Nattie" Kymric Kanata. Annie is all I have here to keep my little breeding line going..**

14) What goals have you set for yourself in purebred dogs? **Healthy , Fun, Fun, Happy , and the Big One, winning the Westminster hehehee, Dreamer:)**

15) Any words of advice for newcomers? **Keep it fun, honest and good showmanship goes along way, and do your homework.**

**"Annie" (our new hopeful)**



*Spring is in the air . . .*



# Annie

*Introducing our newest homebred hopeful.  
Annie is sired by AM/CAN CH. Chelson Jona Work of Art X Kymric Kanata  
Watch for this beautiful girl soon at a show near you!!*



*Jona Shelties*

*Tammy Blakely*

# Owen Whitland Jona Troubadour

Introducing our new boy coming to Jona. Owen will be our first sable male here for a long time waiting. We hope to have him out for some fun in the ring this summer. Owen comes from a quality producing Canadian bloodlines. Thank You Sheri for letting us own such a lovely exciting Boy.



AM/CAV CH CH TWILIGHT TEMPO  
CH WILLOW COVE'S ITS JUST A RUMOR ROMC

Willow Cove's Replica

CH HIGHLEDGE IRISH CREAM

MISS BIS AM/CAV CH CLASSY CRESTA BRONSON ROMC

Highledge Talkin' Tradition

MISS CH HIGHLEDGE SOMETHING TO TALK ABOUT

Bailey/Abbey Puppies

AM/CAV CH BARWOOD'S BRUSHFIRE ROMC

AM/CAV CH REMMAUR'S FIRECRACKER ROMC (ASSA 2005 QTD)

CH LYMPHIC'S DREAM COAT ROMC

CH BONNYVILLE'S PRISMATIC

CH BONNYVILLE'S PREVAILING WINDS

Bonnyville's Crystalene

CH BONNYVILLE'S MESMERIZE

## Jona Shelties

Tammy Blakely





Blue came into our lives at age seven through the generosity of Elicia Stevens. A sweet, gentle, brave fellow, he was just what we needed for our new foundation. He left us at age sixteen, dignified and fully himself until the last moment. Below are ALL the puppies Blue gave us while he was with us on the Hill, every one important in his or her own way.



Clan Duncan Figurine



Clan Duncan Black Moon



Clan Duncan Cherden New Moon



Royal Oaks Iris



Cherden Clan Duncan Dark Moon



Clan Duncan Flying Clouds



Clan Duncan Douglas Fur



Int. Ch. Clan Duncan Blue Reverie



Clan Duncan Flashback



Clan Duncan Cherden Full Moon



Clan Duncan Clearwater



Clan Duncan Witch Doctor

**Clan Duncan**

★ Except -- we couldn't find a photo of our big, lovable Patrick!



## Akadia's 2009 sable hopefuls



Akadia Making Spirits Bright  
by CH. Grandgables Lets Show Off  
ex  
UKC CH. Akadia Miss Congeniality



"Star" and "Bea"

By CH. Akadia Just Priceless  
ex  
BIS CH. Iona I Can Shine

# Animal Rights

## What you should know

By David Calderwood

This is the first in a series of articles on animal rights I've been asked to write for the newsletter.

We all know about the difference between Liberals and Conservatives ie: the left and the right. Living in Eugene, Oregon, I've heard it said that a person couldn't get any further to the left than Eugene -- unless they were in Berkeley, California! Therefore, living here has given us a unique perspective into the philosophy of the far left. The animal rights philosophy is distinctly a far left leaning philosophy.

Having gone through our own "growing pains" in learning about "animal rights" (AR) and since seeing the growing pains of other groups in the animal welfare people community, I've decided to start by attempting to help others from making the same mistakes we've made.

In the beginning, when we decided to stand up and fight, an Animal Task Force had been formed (by the county) without our participation, even though we had asked to be included. This Task Force had been given the task of addressing perceived county animal related problems and recommending changes in the animal control codes. Hindsight tells us the reason we weren't included was because -- when we first started attending the meetings -- the elected officials looked at us and said to themselves -- who are these people? They had never seen us before and had been seeing the animal rights (AR) people for years. Like most dog breeders, because of limit laws and fear of animal control, we had successfully hidden and flown under the radar for years.

Therefore the AR's were perceived as the true animal experts and we were perceived as outsiders with little knowledge of animal issues -- so it was the AR's that got appointed to the Task Force. When we began to attend the meetings and listen to the thought process of these AR's, we realized we were in deep trouble.

From that experience it's obvious that it is necessary for public officials to recognize who the actual animal experts are -- before animal issues arise -- and before you will be the ones appointed to these committees that will determine your future.

Since the meetings we attended, were essentially "work sessions" the general public wasn't allowed public input. Since we were considered the general public, we were not allowed input, even when we heard them making decisions based on erroneous and incorrect "facts".

Therefore it's of utmost importance that someone of your group, attend all regular public meetings, so the public officials will become aware of you and your depth of knowledge. Otherwise, when an animal issue hits in the future, you'll be on the outside looking in, like we were in the beginning. Believe me, it's a long rough road when your future is at stake and you have no input because the elected officials don't know you are the actual "animal experts".

After much discussion, our club determined that we needed to attend all the regular public meetings of our elected officials. We appointed "a volunteer" to attend every meeting of each chosen



government body. I volunteered for, but was essentially assigned to -- the City Council meetings in Springfield. Another club member volunteered for the City Council meetings in Eugene. A third member volunteered to go to all the County Commissioner meetings. That way we covered both the major cities in the county and then the county as a whole. Other communities would require different levels of club participation.

I found interesting reactions by the elected officials in the city I covered. When I started to attend every City Council meeting in Springfield, I went to the meeting, took notes, and went home. I never attempted to talk to any of the elected officials or to introduce myself. After a couple of months of this, I realized several of those officials started to "notice" when I was at the meetings. A couple of more weeks and one of them approached me after the meeting and asked who I was and why I was there. I explained that I was from one of the local kennel clubs and we were monitoring any possible restrictive animal rights legislation around the county. I also explained that we had people going to the Eugene meetings as well as the county meetings.

Going to those meetings on a regular basis did several things for us. The first is that it gave us credibility because elected officials are used to an indifferent public. Many times the only times the elected officials see members of the public is when those members of the public feel threatened. Therefore any indication of an interested public, that isn't hostile, is viewed in a favorable manner. Second, most people love animals or at least have a "soft" spot for them. I eventually learned that some of those officials had animal issues themselves and I was able to eventually give advice to them based on experience. In the case of Springfield, I also found one of those elected officials was involved in national breed rescue for his breed. Therefore, I learned this official was flying under the radar just like we were because of limit laws and animal control.

By regularly attending the meetings you will gain credibility as well as an allies. Because the AR agenda is to eventually end all animal ownership one step at a time -- you will eventually need these allies.

Some time back the AKC sent out letters to the Corresponding Secretaries of all clubs asking them to consider appointing an AKC Legislative Liaison. I belong to three local clubs, one Sheltie specialty club and two all breed clubs. Each one has an AKC Legislative Liaison. If your club doesn't have that position filled, consider doing this. The responsibilities are to pass information along about legislation issues that could affect the members. The AKC regularly sends out legislative alerts but I feel it's important for the appointed AKC Legislative Liaison to monitor local animal legislation as well.

I would be pleased to help whomever might be appointed to get started in that position.

Next month I will try and explain why we need to be able to articulate the difference between animal rights and animal welfare.

—David

# Africanized Honey Bees

Submitted By Judy Williamson

Africanized honey bees (sometimes called "killer bees") have arrived in Utah. Some colonies of Africanized honey bees defend their nests with more vigor and in greater numbers than our common European honey bee. When bees defend their colonies, they target furry and dark-colored objects that resemble their natural enemies: bears and skunks. Therefore your pets are likely to be stung when bees are disturbed. Animals that are penned or tied up near honey bee nests or hives are in special peril.

## Do's and Don'ts

Do look for bee colonies around your property regularly. Honey bees nest in a wide variety of sites. They may nest in such diverse sites as animal burrows in the ground, water meter boxes, or in overturned flower pots. Sometimes honey bees may nest in the open in trees or shrubs. Look for active bees and listen for a buzzing or humming sound in the ground, in trees and shrubs, or in block walls. If you find a colony of bees, call 911 immediately.

Do not pen, tie or tether animals near known bee hives or nests. Keep animals away from apiaries, and bee nests. Bees may seem docile at first, but don't take chances.

Do not disturb or tease bees EVER, and do not try to remove bees yourself. Do not shoot at, throw rocks at, or pour gasoline on bee nests, this will only arouse the bees. Also, do not attempt to control them with aerosol pesticides.

Do keep pets and children indoors when using weed eaters, hedge clippers, tractors, power mowers, chain saws, etc. Honey bees are sensitive to unusual odors, such as cut grass, and to loud vibrations. Attacks frequently occur when a person is mowing the lawn or pruning shrubs and trees, and inadvertently strikes a bee or wasp nest.

Do keep dogs under control when hiking. A dog bounding through the brush is more likely to disturb bees than one following quietly at your heels.

Do stay alert when horse-back riding through brush or under low hanging branches, where bees might nest.

What to do if your animal is stung:

Try to get the animal away from the bees WITHOUT ENDANGERING YOURSELF. Call your dog inside your house or car, or release the animal IF IT WILL NOT HARM THE ANIMAL OR OTHERS NEARBY. Do not attempt to approach a person or an animal being stung without some sort of protection (such as a beekeeper's suit or inside a car), because the bees are likely to attack you as well. If you approach an animal that is being



stung, remember that an injured animal may bite or attack unexpectedly. If you release penned livestock, be aware that an unrestrained animal may run into the road and be hit by a car, or may run away. And if the animal runs to you with aroused bees following, it, you are likely to be stung, too.

If possible, douse the animal with a shower of soapy water, which will kill any bees clinging to it. A mixture of common dish detergent and water knocks bees down and drowns them.

Covering the animal with a heavy blanket may also discourage the bees. Once the animal is away from bees, look for stingers. When a honey bee stings, it loses its venom sack and stinger. This means the honey bee dies after it stings, but also that the stinger may continue to inject venom for up to a minute or until the stinger is removed. If you can see stingers on the animal, remove them by scraping them out with a credit card, knife or fingernail. Do not pull them out with tweezers or fingers, because you will squeeze more venom into the animal.

If an animal has sustained numerous stings, you may want to consult your veterinarian. The number of stings an animal can survive depends on its body weight, the amount of venom it received, and whether or not it is allergic to bee venom. As with humans, even one sting may be dangerous if the animal is allergic.



## I Have a Question



**This Month's Question:** Where/how do you buy your fresh-chilled kits, and which ones do you like best, and why?? What has been your experience with fresh chilled breedings, have they been successful etc and how is the best way to hand them?

*I purchase my kits from the International Canine Semen Bank in Oregon (<http://www.ik9sb.com/>). I buy the puppy paks. They are \$50.00 each. Usually two are needed for two separate shipments (breedings).*

*I have had good luck with the owner of the bitch buying these and having them shipped to me on the first day of the bitch's season. From there, ICSB overnights them to me and I keep them on hand until we do the shipments.*

*I leave the option of doing progesterone testing up to the bitch owner but highly suggest it. This better predicts the breeding dates. According to the owner of the bitch or the progesterone tests,, I wait to ship the "collection" till I hear it is time. At that point, I overnight the puppy pak to the bitch owner. They receive it and can either inseminate their bitch or take her to the vet. One thing I also highly suggest is to inseminate the semen into the bitch while it is still cooled. It will warm to the body temperature of the bitch once in her and be right where it needs to be to make the babies. I learned this at the Myra Savant seminar.*

*I have had very good success with both shipping and receiving semen. I would highly recommend it. I personally love it as a stud dog owner since I don't have to tend another dog and have that responsibility.*

**Shannalee (Akadia)**

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*I purchased mine from sybiotics <http://www.synbiotics.com/cgi-bin/Products.pl?cgifunction=Search&Product%20Code=99-4010>. They have their "Fresh Express" packs that come with two boxes and extender. I have heard that they like to only sell to Vets, but they didn't give me any problem when I bought mine. — Tricia*

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### Next Month's Question:

I am having a problem with my dogs eating dog poops. I try to keep them picked up but they seem to find them anyway. Is there any good way to prevent them from eating poops?

**(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

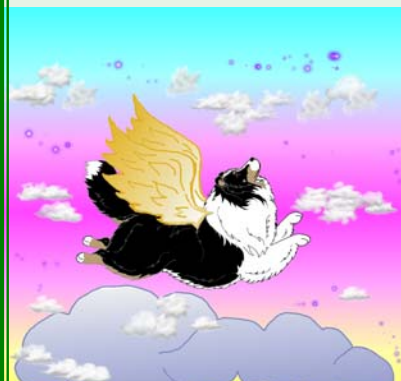
**Our Club meeting for March will be  
Wednesday March 18th,  
at 7:00 PM at Sandy Bicentennial Park,  
in the building in front the pavilion.  
The Park is located at 8680 South 500 East.  
The board will meet at the same location on the same night at  
5:45 PM  
The program will be on how to find a lost dog presented by  
Judy Williamson**

\*\*\* 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 Tomi Hamblin know so that she can send a card.  
[famesshelties@comcast.net](mailto:famesshelties@comcast.net)  
or call her at 801-538-2751

Get well wishes for :

- Ron Weatherston
- Marie Miles

Condolences to:



### Pooch Prozac Treats

2 c. whole wheat flour  
2/3 c. yellow cornmeal  
1/2 c. sunflower seeds -- shelled  
1 pinch sugar  
2 tbsp. corn oil  
1/2 c. chicken broth  
2 eggs -- mixed with 1/4 c. milk  
1 egg -- beaten  
2 tsp. fresh crushed mint  
-- (a natural antidepressant for dogs)

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a large bowl, blend together flour, cornmeal, sugar, and seeds.

Add oil, chicken broth and egg/milk mixture. Let sit 30 minutes. Place mixture on floured surface.

Spread out dough 1/4 inch thick. Cut into small circles, shape like smiley faces, and brush with beaten egg. Bake 30 minutes, until golden brown. Let stand until cool.

Makes about 40 treats



**\*\*\* Shannalee is in need of more members to volunteer to fill in this questionnaire. Please fill it out and send it in to her!!!!**

Dear Club Members——

I am doing club member interviews in the form of a few simple questions. I have started sending them out via email to some members but have had little response. If you all would take the time to just answer the questions and email them or mail them to me, I would really appreciate it. **WE WANT TO GET TO KNOW YOU!**

Please fill out the following questionnaire about yourself. If the question does not apply to you, please just go on to the next one.

Thank you

Getting to know our Members:

- 1) State your full name(s):
- 2) Kennel name and how you came up with it:
- 3) How did you first become interested in shelties?
- 4) Who was your first sheltie and what color was he/she?
- 5) Do you breed shelties? What lines do you breed?
- 6) Who was/is your mentor, Who do we thank for getting you started?
- 7) How many dogs do you have? What titles do your dogs have?
- 8) Who is your favorite dog (that you own)?
- 9) Who is your favorite dog not owned by you (living or passed)?
- 10) Who do you admire?
- 11) What is your favorite part of showing dogs?
- 12) What has been your favorite or most memorable win?
- 13) Is there a dog that you own now that you are particularly excited about?
- 14) What goals have you set for yourself in purebred dogs?
- 15) Any words of advice for newcomers?

After filling this out, please email it to Shannalee Michalsky, [akadia@srv.net](mailto:akadia@srv.net) or [akadia2shonga@yahoo.com](mailto:akadia2shonga@yahoo.com).

You may include three (3) photos of your choice to include with your interview.

## Items needed for Sheltie Rescue Raffle

This is a call for handmade items or new items people might be willing to donate to the sheltie rescue for raffle at the shows this year? The need for funds has increased greatly since the economic downturn. We have even had a number of puppies turned over to rescue which was quite unusual up to this past year.

We hope people will be willing and able to help us out with raffle donations for important fundraising efforts on our shelties behalf!

Thank you!

Julene

--salttareshelties

## USSA Board Meeting Minutes February 18, 2009

In attendance: Cherie Hyde, Peggy & Jim Newman, Judy Williamson, Mike Cornella, Sarah Bagdoian, Kevin & Julene Mathews.

Welcome and meeting called to order at 5:55p.m.

Jim asked if there were corrections to the January minutes, no corrections noted. Peggy motioned and Mike seconded to accept the November minutes as printed. Motion carried.

### Reports:

Presidents Report: The show has been approved by the AKC.

Vice Presidents Report: Red Cross cancelled the education meeting that was scheduled for tonight, but they have been rescheduled for May.

Recording Secretary: nothing to report. Sarah reminded board she will not be able to attend the March meeting.

Corresponding Secretary: The Specialty judge Shelby Price had to cancel due to a family medical issue. Peggy contacted Robin McTaggart as a possible replacement, Robin still needs to confirm with Peggy. ASSA has invited some clubs, us included, to make an offer to host the 2013 USSA National. Nothing was volunteered.

Treasurer: Mike reported the finances. Judy motioned to approve the Treasurers report and Kevin seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Jim asked if the board members had any recommendations or edits to the Constitution and By-Laws. Constitution and By Laws were discussed. Nothing formalized.

Standing rules were also discussed. Nothing formalized on them other than there cannot be any standing rules that override the Constitution.

Committee Chair Persons:

Still need nominations and volunteers for committees without chairs, this was discussed and some suggestions made.

Sunshine Committee: Tomi Hamblin is the chairing this.

Trailer Chairman: Julene should continue as chair.

Refreshment Chairman: Julene should continue as chair, and she can also assign people to help her with this.

Summer Picnic: Judy Williamson will chair the summer picnic.

Christmas Party: Sarah Bagdoian will chair the holiday event.

Obedience: Cindy Wilkinson will chair for this years show.

Sanctioning: We are required to have 2 major activities to meet the sanction requirement by AKC. Ideas presented:

- CGC Test
- Educational spotlight on how to do a CGC test.
- A public education spotlight that is open to the public
- Help Sheltie Rescue

Advertise on a public website.

Fun Matches no longer count toward our requirements to maintain sanctioning.

Show Report:

- Meier's catering: They can do an Italian themed dinner for \$12.00/person.

The club won't have a raffle because we are doing the money jar, but we will allow Sheltie Rescue to have a raffle at the show.



## USSA General Club Meeting Minutes February 18, 2009

In attendance: Cherie Hyde, Peggy & Jim Newman, Judy Williamson, Cindy Wilkinson, Shanna Wilkinson, Mike Cornella, Sarah Bagdoian, Kevin & Julene Mathews, Barbara Edelberg, Jim Melton, Barbara Ray

Guest Speaker: Jim Melton of Sheltie Rescue discussed Animal Rights vs. Animal Welfare Groups.

Meeting called to order by Jim Newman at 8:10p.m.

Brags: Cheryl's Shane got his first two points in Denver. And she put points on a Maltese she's showing.

January minutes were mentioned and no edits were recommended. Judy moved to approve and Kevin seconded January minutes.

President Report: nothing to report

VP Report: nothing to report

Corresponding Secretary:

- Peggy received an updated Shetland Sheepdog Membership
- Peggy also received the ASSA Premium for Nationals

No inquiries for puppies this past month.

Treasurers Report: Mike reported financials. Kevin motioned to approve Treasurer's report and Jim Melton seconded.

Committee Reports: Premium for the Specialty is almost done, should be complete and ready to mail the first week of March.

Show Report

- One of the judges Shelby Price and to cancel, Peggy is working on a replacement.
- Meier's Catering was suggested for the Show dinner.
- Cheryl has the trophies. But donations are needed for them.
- Obedience chair is ready and suggested people get their dogs ready.

We are allowing Sheltie Rescue to have a raffle at the Specialty and this will also satisfy as one of our requirements to maintain our AKC sanctioning. It was mentioned that other events were mentioned during the Board meeting that could also satisfy our sanction requirement by AKC

Motion to adjourn meeting by Mike with Kevin seconding. Meeting adjourned at 9:50p.m.



## Calendar of Events

**March 18, 2009 — Club Meeting**

**April 15, 2009 — Club Meeting**

**April 18-29, 2009 — Sheltie National, Perry, GA**

**April 29, 2009 — USSA Specialty Show**

**April 30-May 3 — Utah Cluster**

**May 16, 17 — Mount Ogden Kennel Club Show**

**May 20, 2009 — Club Meeting**

