

# SHELTIE CONNECTION

Happy Holidays!

Club Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each Month @ 7:00 P.M. Board will meet 1 hour prior to the club meeting.

> The location for the meetings: Alta Groomery 8052 S 700 E Sandy Bring a chair to sit on

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UTAH SHETLAND SHEEPDOG ASSOCIATION

DECEMBER 2010

# HAPPY HOLIDAYS

I hope sincerely that you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Years!

We are working on sewing up loose ends on the next specialty, but we need your help! We need a hospitality chair, and a raffle chair. Please be willing to help us out with this. Our club only functions with participation.

If you have not sent membership dues, then you must do it now!! Don't wait!

Our club Christmas party information is included in this newsletter, Come join us and bring a 10.00 gift for exchange.

Thank you for all you do on behalf of the club.

**Julene** 

We're on the web! www.utahsheltie.org

### **Announcements**

USSA WEBSITE
CHECK OUT OUR WEBSTE AT
WWW.UTAHSHELTIE.ORG
YOU CAN DOWNLOAD PAST NEWSLETTERS THERE



#### **Editor's Note**

Please have all your articles and ad's to me by the 25th of each month. My goal is to have the newsletter to you by the 1st of each month.

Thank You
Barbara Ray
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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 contact Tomi Hamblin so that she can send a card or flowers.

Thank you Dana Quinney for your special Clip Art!! We love how it adds so much to our newsletters



Anyone who has puppies for sale, are looking for a puppy or older dog, please contact
Cheryl Sorensen
sequoya@etv.net
or
Tomi Hamblin at famesheties@comcast.net

#### **NEWSLETTER CORRECTION**

Cherie Hyde was listed as being on the 2010 Nominating Committee. Please note that Cherie was NOT on the Nominating Committee.

Birthday wishes go out to the following members HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

- Shanna Wilkinson
- 3 Richard Harris



If we missed your birthday, please let us know so that we can correctly add you

Next time

# **Animal Rights**

For this month's article I'm going to bring up a subject that doesn't seem to be an obvious issue yet in Utah but it is a coming problem – and that subject is wolves. I bring this up because it points out the coming danger to our dogs as well as to our children and is being promoted by the growing 800 pound gorilla, the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) as well as environmental groups like the Sierra club.

In my opinion, extremist environmental and animal rights groups have used the Endangered Species Act to further their agenda using wolves. There have been publicized incidents in the three states known for the introduction of the wolf, Wyoming, Idaho and Montana, but little known is the spread of wolves to Oregon, Washington, Utah and Colorado. In many areas, deer and elk herds have been devastated by their spread of the wolf. This means the reduction of those deer and elk, which are the main food source for the wolves, will further the spread of those wolves into more populated areas.

Due to their belief that humans should only have a symbiotic relationship with animals, the AR's always dispute sightings of large predators in human populated areas. In 1994 the HSUS introduced and got passed, an initiative on the Oregon ballot, to outlaw the hunting of cougars with dogs. Since hunting cougars with dogs is the only effective way to hunt them and to control their numbers, it was predictable that the cougar population would explode if that type of hunting was outlawed. In 1994, when that Oregon ballot initiative passed, the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) estimated the Oregon cougar population at 3114. Today the ODFW estimated that population at 5700 or almost double the 1994 population.

Here in the Eugene/Springfield (Oregon) metropolitan area we've had sightings of cougars within the city limits for the last 10 years or so – always disputed by the AR's as not being credible sightings. It's only since sightings have become so common as to be actually photographed within the city, and sometimes photographed by the police, that the AR's have been silent about those sightings.

Last year, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service turned over wolf management to Montana and Idaho wildlife officials but left federal endangered species protections in place for wolves in Wyoming, where state law is considered hostile to the animals' survival. Then in April, 2009 the Defenders of Wildlife, the Greater Yellowstone Coalition and other animal rights groups sued the federal government. In August, 2010 a federal judge in Montana, reinstated Endangered Species Act protections for wolves in Montana and Idaho, saying the government made a political decision in removing the protections from just two of the three states where Rocky Mountain wolves roam. See:

http://www.oregonlive.com/pacific-northwest-news/index.ssf/2010/08/

judge\_orders\_protections\_reinstated\_for\_wolves\_in\_idaho\_and\_montana.html

I can only imagine, with the Endangered Species Act prohibiting the killing of a wolf and their disappearing food source, how their populations will grow and spread in the next 15 years.

It is my belief that the Endangered Species Act needs to be modified or rewritten, so that extremist groups, either animal rights or environmental, can't continue to use it to further their extremist agenda.

Below are the links to several articles about wolves in Utah.

http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/home/49989755-76/utah-wolf-wolves-killed.html.csp

Wolf sighting, trapping confirmed in Utah

http://www.standard.net/topics/animals/2010/08/05/officials-wolf-kills-100-pound-dog-utah

Officials: Wolf kills 100-pound dog in Utah

http://www.parkrecord.com/ci\_15669389 Officials say wolf slaughtered sheepdog



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

I found this article on KSL.com last Wednesday and wanted to share with all of you that had not seen this. Barbara

SL County Council endorses puppy mill ordinance

December 8th, 2010 @ 12:08pm

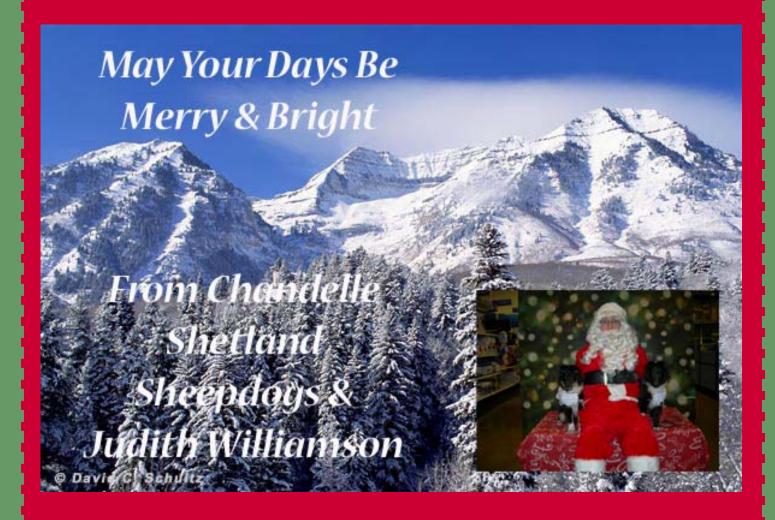
By ksl.com

SALT LAKE CITY -- The Salt Lake County Council has endorsed Utah's first-ever ordinance to regulate puppy mills.

The measures, presented by Council member Joe Hatch, will require anyone breeding more than one litter of puppies a year to obtain an annual license.

The conditions of that licensee would include proper housing for animals and resting periods for breeding animals.







Tararose Shelties wishes everyone a Merry Christmas May your new year be bright

What a wonderful year 2010 was:



Tararose's Alegro Combrio Too wins back-to-back majors. She is very close to finishing! Handled by team Akadia



Introducing
CM. Mistybrooks Panda Crossing!
"Panda" is our new boy for the
2011 season.
At stud with handler/co-owner
Akadia Shelties
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BISS Ch. Macdega Notorious ROM ex BISS Ch. Imagine Dangerous Curves









Akadia celebrates

5 new Champions

in 2010

ALL specialty winners!







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USSA CHRISTMAS PARTY
FOR GOOD FOOD
AND A GREAT TIME



DECEMBER 18TH
2:00 P.M.
DIAMOND LILS
1528 WEST NORTH TEMPLE



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LINDA CORNELLA also has December 2003 through Fall 2004 Sheltie International Magazines and 2007 Pacesetter Magazines for sale. If you are interested in buying any of them, please email her at royalhill@msn.com

### **Calendar of Events**

#### THERE WILL BE NO CLUB MEETING THIS MONTH

**December—18th Club Christmas Party** 

January — 19th Club Meeting

February —16th Club Meeting

March —14th Club Meeting

April — ASSA National—April 16-23, 2011 Purina Farms, Grey Summit, MO

