



## Colonial Shetland Sheepdog Club

# CSSC Bulletin

September 2009

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### Upcoming events

- *November 2: Fall match*
- *November 15 or 16: Meeting*
- *November 27: Winter specialty*
- *January 2010: Holiday party, board and membership meeting*
- *February 21 or 22, 2010: Activity and meeting, Vote on judges, select nominating committee*
- *May 1 or 2, 2010: Activity and meeting*
- *May 15-16: Agility trial*
- *May 28: Spring specialty*
- *July: Annual meeting*
- *August: Fun match and picnic*

### President's message

The summer picnic was very well attended this year, with more people than I have seen there in years. Everyone seemed to have a good time, romping with the dogs in Lori's large fenced-in dog area, swimming in Lori's pool, competing in the fun match, and, of course, eating. There were quite a few promising puppies who

should have exciting show careers in the next few years. The weather held out pretty well – only a brief sprinkling of rain during the match, and just enough clouds to keep it from being too hot the rest of the time. Thank you, Lori, for again inviting us to your lovely place!

*-Bonnie Chandler*

### Time to pay dues!

Annual membership dues were due and payable for the upcoming year as of September 1. Make checks payable to CSSC. Please mail dues to Alanna Kelly, treasurer. Her address and more detail on membership fees and non-member newsletter subscriptions can be found on page 3.

### Annual meeting minutes, July 26, 2009, Mansfield, MA

Attendees: Alanna Kelly, Rosemary Roberts, Pat Wright, Bob Olsen, Louise cote, Randine Parry, Bonnie Chandler, Cynthia Hanlon, Richard Hildreth, Elizabeth Hildreth, Judith Stringer, Branville Stringer (guest), Carolyn Johnston, Carolyn Ing. Meeting called to order at 11:10 am.

**Corresponding secretary's report:** Liz received various correspondence from the AKC.

**Treasurer's report:** Alanna reported a gain of approximately \$1,530 from the agility trial and a net loss of \$500 for the spring specialty. Show deficit was due to the large sweeps prize, unexpected judge expenses and additional ribbon order. **Spring specialty report:** Caro-

lyn reported that despite the good entry this year, on the whole, expenses are increasing while entries continue their slow decline. Our tenting expenses are approaching that of the tenting cost at the old Newton site. Members discussed several options to reduce expenses. The possibility of moving to an indoor site was mentioned. Also discussed was to move the day of the show to Saturday, the day of the Ladies Dog Club show, and have our specialty in conjunction with the all-breed show. Carolyn will follow up with Ladies. The last suggestion was to eliminate the obedience and rally trials, which would reduce tent cost. Alanna will follow up with GSSSC, who had previ-

ously mentioned the possibility of having a weekend of obedience trials on a separate date.

**Fall match report:** Bonnie will chair the fall match on November 1.

**New business:** Bonnie commented on the decline of attendance at club meetings. She raised the possibility of having future meetings at shows and/or the day of the fall match.

**Old business:** The club will donate \$500 to the ASSA Foundation and \$200 to New England Sheltie Rescue. The club traditionally donates the proceeds from the lunch at the spring specialty.

The slate of officers was voted on and approved. Meeting adjourned at 1:10.

## Rally try-its and fall match planning on Sunday, September 27 at 1 pm

We will discuss plans for the November 1 Fall Match, and then our member Alanna Kelly will share her expertise on Rally with club members. Rally was started as a relaxed form of obedience that both people and dogs find easier and more fun than formal obedience, as well as a good way to get started in obedience. It involves following a course of numbered stations, each with a sign illustrating an activity to be performed at that station. Most show dogs

should be able to do most of the activities even without much obedience training, so everyone should bring a dog and give it a try!

Don't forget to bring a dish or beverages to share. Guests are welcome. Please be sure to arrive on time so we can get to the fun part more quickly.

Board meeting begins promptly at noon, followed by lunch and general meeting at 1:00. Rally try-its will follow.

### Directions to Gemini Dog Training, Littleton, MA

Gemini Dogs is located near the intersection of I-495 and Rt. 2A at 53 Ayer Road Littleton, MA 01460.

**From I-495:** take Exit 30 (Rt 2A/110 West). Follow 2A/110 West about 1.5 miles.

You will pass St. Anne's Catholic Church and a Shell gas station. Bear right at the blinking light, then pass a soccer field on your right. Just before the gravel company, turn right onto Distri-

bution Center Drive. Turn right again into the parking lot and look for the stockade fence. Enter at the gate to the left of the fence.

**From Route 2:** Take Exit 39 (Taylor Street) and head toward Littleton. Go approximately one mile and turn right at the stop sign. Go over the train tracks and turn left onto Ayer Road (Route 2A West). After the soccer fields and before the gravel company, turn right onto Distribution Center Dr. and follow directions above.

## Brag!

**Liz Hildreth:** July 25 at the Providence County KC shows under Robert Thomas our Mikey (CH Rabbit Run CIndahope Fair Trade) won BOB and group 2. I am especially proud of this as it was my first AKC group win as a handler!

Our Teddy (AM/CAN CH Halstor Cindahope Trueheart) is now the sire of seven champions. Four of them have finished since the end of July: CH Amen True Faith, owned/bred by Pat Sells, CH Edgemere Commander in Chief, owned/bred by Barbara Deloge), CH Ventura Expectation, owned by Martha Heckman and bred by Martha Heckman and Connie Nelson, and the most recent, CH Karmayne's Summer Princess, owned/bred by Karen Rech. Dianna finished with a major under Jane Kay at the Des Moines KC show.

Meanwhile, Mikey (AM/CAN CH Rabbit Run Cinda-

hope Fair Trade) took a trip up to Ingleside, Ontario with us in early September and came home a Canadian champion.

**Bob Olsen:** BISS CH Bare Cove Back In A Jiffy Jiffy is now a champion having had a unbelievable three days at Maine shows...WD, BOS on Thursday, WD (major) on Friday, and WD, BW, and BB over specials (major) at the Downeast SSC Specialty on Sat as well as a Group 3rd. Jiffy is by Ch. Macdega Asterisk ROM x Ch. MACH Bare Cove Trend Keeper and is owned by Diane Gregoire and bred by Paulette Swartzendruber, Vicki Harkins, and Bob Olsen (also his handler).

**Alanna Kelly:** Striker earned his MACH2 at the Old Colony agility trial in early September.

**Linda Loring:** On September 12 at the South Shore KC under Helen Lee James, Molly Laureate Foxhill's

Magic went Winners Bitch and Best of Opposite for another point.

**Carolyn Ing and Kim Schive:** Kendall earned her last two points this past weekend and is now CH Foxglove Suntera All Mine. She took WB, BOW and BOB at the Tuxedo Park KC show on September 4 and again the following Sunday at the Westchester KC. Kendall is by CH Foxglove Chances Are and out of CH Ashburton Foxglove All Of Me and co-owned by Colleen Gentilcore, Deborah Jones, Kim Schive and Carolyn Ing.

## Trophy pledges due

Members can now send their trophy pledge checks for the winter specialty to Bob Olsen at 372 Cushing Street, Hingham, MA 02043. Please make checks out to Colonial SSC. If you do not remember your pledge amount, contact Bob.

## Sheltie calendars

A limited number of Sheltie calendars are now available and may be reserved by contacting Alanna Kelley. Calendars are \$12.00 each. Any calendars that have not been reserved will be offered for sale at the fall match.

## Tracking clinic

October 10-11, 2009: Tracking Club of MA, Step 1 Tracking Clinic

Location: Top of Hill Farm, Ayer, MA

Instructor: Randie Meyer  
Secretary: Pam Frattalone,  
978 486-3157, cocker-dog@verizon.net

Clinic Fee: \$150.00

FMI: [www.trackingclubofma.com](http://www.trackingclubofma.com)

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## How to qualify for annual club awards

Titles that are earned from May 1, 2009 to May 1, 2010 will be eligible for awards at the annual meeting in July 2010. In order to qualify, you must be a member in good standing; you must attend two meetings and work at one event during the year for which you are receiving the award; and you must send proof of the title and date to Alanna Kelly by June 1, 2010.

The awards are 9" x 12" plaques arrayed with twelve brass plates, one of which is engraved with your dog's name, title and year earned. Once you receive a plaque, the club will engrave additional brass plates for subsequent titles earned.

Visit the club website  
[www.colonialssc.org](http://www.colonialssc.org)

Join our Yahoo group:  
[groups.yahoo.com/group/ColonialSSC](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ColonialSSC)

## Membership and dues

Annual club dues are due each year on September 1. Fees are as follows:

Adult: \$15

Junior: \$12

Family: \$25

Non-members may subscribe to the club newsletter for an annual fee of \$12. Make checks payable to CSSC and mail to club treasurer Alanna Kelly, 197 Vernon St., Norwood MA 02062.

Potential members interested in applying can download an application from the club website ([www.colonialssc.org](http://www.colonialssc.org)) or by contacting Alanna Kelly, club treasurer. New members must have attended two club events and have received endorsements from two current members in good standing.

## One more thing . . .

Did you notice anything missing from the bulletin, such as a brag, article or announcement? Well, that's because you didn't submit it personally to me, your newsletter editor! I troll for fresh newsletter nuggets but

can't guarantee that you will be included unless you send them to me directly.

The submission deadline for the next issue is Saturday, October 24, 2009.

- Carolyn Ing

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