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Reminders:

- Next General Membership meeting is on July 6th at 10am at Thomas Square with a Conformation class to follow
- SSCH Specialty on Aug 3rd at Thomas Square
- SSCH requests that you submit your August SSCH entries early!
- Judge ballots for 2009 & 2010 nomination due by Monday, June 30th to D. Sawamura, darsaw9@gmail.com
- Reservations and payment for the SSCH Banquet following the August Specialty is due Sunday, 7/20 to Sharon Katahira (please visit the SSCH site for menu selection); Cost is \$30 per person



SSCH Applies for 501.C7 Non-Profit Status

As shared at the May 2008 General Membership meeting, Mich Iwanaga has researched, spear-headed and drafted the IRS application of non-profit status for the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Hawaii. The application was also reviewed by Kirk Wong, CPA specializing in non-profits (spouse of SSCH member S. Wong), with additional recommendations to facilitate IRS

recognition of the SSCH as a non-profit organization.

Thanks to Mich's hard work and Kirk's input, the IRS application was submitted via post on June 5th. Once the IRS approves the SSCH as a non-profit organization, Mich will once again take leadership to follow through with a State of Hawaii exemption to the Excise Tax. Mahalo Mich and Kirk!

Show Photography at the November SSCH Specialty

The SSCH offer to provide show photography services at the November 9th SSCH Specialty was accepted by Susan Ferroni-Kelleher.

The following conditions will apply as Susan is also an exhibitor at our SSCH Specialties:

- Susan will not be taking out her camera until all judging has been completed
- Only those photos that will be used for the SSCH website and Shelties On-line will be made available

electronically at no additional cost

Further discussion with Susan has resulted in the following offering to SSCH Specialty Winners:

- \$25: One 8 x 10 and two 4 x 6 photos (for Ilio submission)
- \$38: Two 8 x 10 and one 4 x 6 photos (for Ilio submission)
- \$20: One 8 x 10 photo

If you would like your photos available in an electronic format, please contact Susan directly to coordinate this at Winsheltie@aol.com.

Ken's Korner

When I took office in November 2007, I stated that I was planning to run the Club like a business. The cornerstone to this philosophy is to place "process before personality". I've said it enough times that I'm sure my fellow Board members may be tired those words.

During the course of this term, it was discovered that there weren't many written processes or procedures. This led to hours of discussion at Board meetings as without written procedures there is room for misinterpretation, misunderstanding, inconsistency and a potential for non-accountability.

This has been one of the many issues that the Board has been working to address. We are in the process of developing job descriptions and procedures for the many tasks that support the SSCH in an effort to fortify and strengthen the foundation which future Boards may springboard from.

Aside from the development of procedures and job descriptions, there are many more challenges that the Board must address; many of which may not be resolved during my term as President. One such challenge that requires addressing is the ability of the SSCH to continue sponsoring three Specialty shows a year; rising costs and dwindling volunteer support contributes to the questionable feasibility of a third Specialty show for our relatively small club. Although superficial discussion regarding the third Specialty has occurred in the past, a thorough discussion will be necessary at a general membership meeting. At that time, information relating to costs (both financial and human resource) will be reviewed to ensure that decisions are information-based and outcome-focused.

You may once again hear me say, "process before personality".



Show Stewarding Class: Mahalo Nui Loa!

A huge 'Mahalo' to Mel Rodrigues for investing the time to provide a Show Stewarding class to SSCH members following our May 18th General Membership meeting.

A total of nine SSCH members attended the lively and interesting class with the majority of the time spent on questions and answers provided by the veteran show steward and President of the Windward Dog Handler Fancier Association.

Copies of the AKC rules and regulations regarding Conformation Show Stewarding are available

to any SSCH member who would like to learn more about show stewarding. Again, mahalo Mel!

Mahalo to the following volunteers:

- August SSCH Specialty Hospitality Chair—M. Norstrom
- August SSCH Specialty Hospitality Committee Members: S. Wong and D. Kamakana
- 2009 Nomination Committee for SSCH Officers and Board: H. Yamashita and L. Sawamura

Windward Hawaiian Dog Fancier's Association Results

Congratulations to the winners of record at the April 2008 WHDFA all-breed show!

Saturday, 4/12/08:

Best of Breed / Group 3: CH Lynroc Heart and Soul, owner: J. Thuener & D. Blazek, breeder: J. Thuener & R. Oishi

Best of Opposite Sex / BOW / WB: Trinaslyn Autumn Moonshadow, owner: H. Yamashita & C. Mullen, breeder: J&C Mullen

WD: El Solo Lochwind Aidan Adair, owner: S. Au, breeder: M. Norstrom

RWD: Conestoga Summerwynn Mite Quinn, owner: J&C Mullen & H. Yamashita, breeder: J&C Mullen

RWB: Conestoga All In The Game, owner: H. Yamashita & J. Mullen, breeder: J&C Mullen

Dogs:

- Puppy — Pacific Blue Patriot, owner: S. & M. Kaneshiro, breeder: S. Kaneshiro & S. James
- Bred By — Pacific Blue Bolero, owner C. Toshi, S. Kaneshiro & S. James, breeder: S. Kaneshiro & S. James
- Am Bred — El Solo Lochwind Aidan Adair, owner S. Au, breeder: M. Norstrom
- Open — Conestoga Summerwynn Mite Quinn, owner: J&C Mullen & H. Yamashita, breeder: J&C Mullen

Bitches:

- Am Bred — Lynroc Now That's Pretty, owner: A. Aono & J. Thuener, breeder: N. Takenoshita, J. Thuener & R. Oishi

- Open— Trinaslyn Autumn Moonshadow, owner: H. Yamashita & C. Mullen, breeder: J&C Mullen

Sunday, 4/13/08:

Best of Breed / BOW / WD: Attridge Windy City, owner: B. Klassen, breeder: B. Klassen & K. Linkletter (G. Nishimoto, agent)

Best of Opposite Sex / WB: Trinaslyn Autumn Moonshadow, owner: H. Yamashita & C. Mullen, breeder: J&C Mullen

RWD: Conestoga Summerwynn Mite Quinn, owner: J&C Mullen & H. Yamashita, breeder: J&C Mullen

RWB: Lynroc Paris, owner: S. Uehara, breeder: J. Thuener & E. Sumida

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What's Up with the Executive Board?

As members of the SSCH Executive Board complete their 7th month in office with five months remaining in their term, it was decided that members of the Executive Board would participate in a Board Retreat. The retreat serves to review where the SSCH is, where the SSCH would best position itself to remain solvent, and development of measurable strategies to achieve short and long term goals.

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