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SSCH Spring Newsletter

AKC Compliance Regulations for Breed Clubs

The American Kennel Club (AKC) has mandated that breeder clubs such as the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Hawaii (SSCH) must now provide education and services to the community to align with all-breed clubs. What does this mean to the SSCH?

In a letter from the AKC dated November 21, 2007, the SSCH was notified that AKC expectations to promote education and assisting new exhibitors was now mandated for all breed clubs.

The Executive Board of the SSCH has been diligently working to

comply with these new AKC standards for breed clubs. The following events are planned to meet those standards. Please contact any Board member to volunteer your services for the SSCH. Mahalo!

- May 10th & 11th—Pet Expo
Volunteers needed!
- May 25th—Show Steward class
- July 6th—Conformation Training Class
- August 3rd—Use of an AKC provisional judge for the SSCH Specialty

February OTCH Grounds Preparation

Mahalo to all SSCH members who volunteered their time to participate in the OTCH fundraising project in February! Special acknowledgement to George & Sharon Katahira, Mich Iwanaga and Ken Young for 'grooming' the grounds during a hot lunch hour on Friday before the OTCH weekend. The Board would also like to acknowledge the following members who participated in the OTCH grounds preparation, set-up and/or breakdown on February 23rd—24th:

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| —Mich Iwanaga | —Ray & Jean Sampaio |
| —Susan Kaneshiro | —Darlene & Laura Sawamura |
| —George & Sharon Katahira | —Carlene, Pam & Alex Toshi |
| —Tim Leong | —Sandy Yamamura |
| —Lisa Mitsunaga | —Harvey Yamashita |
| —Clyde Nishimoto | —Kenneth Young |

If you were unable to participate in the February fundraiser, we hope that you will turn out and help in November at the next OTCH grounds preparation fund raiser for the SSCH. See you there!

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Announcements & Reminders:

- The AKC has approved the SSCH August 3rd Specialty judge's panel as provisional breeder-judge Yvonne DeFreitas
- **Monday, April 30th**—Due date for Chili ticket sales submission to M. Iwanaga
- Visit the SSCH 'Member's Only' site for the listing of ASSA—approved judges for the 2009 Judge's nomination at the May general membership meeting
- **Sat/Sun May 10 & 11**—Pet Expo; to sign-up, contact S. Katahira at sharonkatahira@hotmail.com
- **Sunday, May 25**—General Membership meeting at 10:00 at Thomas Square
- **Deadline: June 27th** for August Specialty trophy donations
- **Sunday, July 6th**—General Membership meeting at 10:00 at Thomas Square with a Conformation Training Class and Fun Match following the meeting
- **Sunday, August 3rd**—67th SSCH Specialty Show at Thomas Square

Ken's Korner

During my 'walkabouts' to get to know all of the SSCH members, I've identified two recurring issues: a lack of trust between members and that the majority of the work to benefit all club members are done by a minority of the club members.

Trust requires risk, but it doesn't have to be risky. One way to build trust is to work together, to volunteer together, to get to know each other.

When the show is over, only a few will walk away with trophies. By building relationships and establishing trust between ourselves we'll enjoy the camaraderie between breeders, show, and obedience exhibitors; this is where the fun begins and where barriers break down.

In my position as President, I will do my best to ensure that the current Board earns and keeps your trust in us. If I don't know something, I will find out and get back to you, straight up.

The second issue identified is a fair question. As I have stated several times, this is our club. There is

no 'them' to make things happen. It is up to all of us to make it work. If we continue to rely on a handful of people to support the club, they will burn out, and that doesn't serve the SSCH. So what do we do?

Well, we can begin to look at different alternatives. Specifically, the structure of the SSCH membership. Perhaps it is time to begin looking at revising the types of membership that is offered. Here's just a few ideas to think about:

- Full Membership—Voting privileges with participation in fundraising, committee work / chair
- Supportive Membership—No voting privileges with participation in fundraising

I don't have the answers. But as the AKC pushes clubs to become more active, the work load for club members is going to increase. So who is going to step up and carry the load? I'm hoping it's you.; don't wait to be asked, volunteer.

It's Chili Time - Zippy's Chili That Is

By this time, each household should have received its allotment of ten (10) Zippy's benefit chili tickets at either the HKC, the SSCH Specialty, or via postal mail. The net proceeds from ticket sales will assist in defraying the cost of Club activities, including three Specialty shows. Your kokua in the sales effort is greatly appreciated and will assist the Club to continue community educational offerings such as the Pet Expo as well as insure that housekeeping items such as the SSCH insurance are kept current.

Kudos to our expert sales members: Sharon Katahira (40 tickets sold) and Susan Kaneshiro (30 tickets sold). You are both fabulous!

Please feel free to contact Mich Iwanaga at miwanaga@silawgroup.com or 372-4124 for more tickets. Remember, the deadline for submitting your ticket sales to Mich is Saturday, April 30th. Mahalo!

SSCH Housekeeping Items for Review

- Yvonne DeFreitas has graciously accepted and the AKC has approved the judging assignment for the SSCH's 67th Aug Specialty
- It's the SSCH Specialty judge panel nomination time once more for judges in 2009. Please visit the SSCH website under 'Members only' for a current listing of ASSA approved breeder - judges and complete the judge's nomination form either attached to this email or enclosed in this mailing for submission at the upcoming May 2008 general membership meeting or you may send it to the SSCH Secretary by 5/16.
- The 2008 SSCH membership roster has been sent out via email and will be sent via postal mail to non-email members.
- May 10th—11th Pet Expo at the NBC SSCH Participation Sign-up: Please contact Sharon Katahira at sharonkatahira@hotmail.com with your availability; sign-up sheet is attached to this email or enclosed in the postal mailing

Hawaiian Kennel Club Results

Congratulations to all the winners of record at the 2-day HKC All-breed show held on March 1st and 2nd!

Saturday, March 1st:

- BOB & BIS: CH Mindalyn-Winterset Sunrunner, Breeder: C. DuPree; Owned by S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz
- BOW / WB: El Solo Tristar Sharaz, Breeder: M. Norstrom & Y. DeFreitas; Owner: D. Kamakana & M. Norstrom
- BOS: CH Gentry's the Restless Wind, Breeder / Owner: S. & G. Katahira
- WD: El Solo Lochwind Aidan Adair, Breeder: M. Norstrom; Owner: Sharon Au
- RWD: Shelgrande's Aloha Journey, Breeder: C. & R. Rainsforth; Owner: D. Sawamura
- RWB: Gentry's Winter Sonata, Breeder: S. & G. Katahira; Owners: T. & C. Leong and S. & G. Katahira
- Best BBE: CH Winterset Hy-Verta A Crowd Roars, Breeder/ Owner:: P. Strametz & S. Ferroni-Kelleher

Sunday, March 2nd:

- BOB: Winterset Hy-Verta A Crowd Roars, Breeder/ Owner:: P. Strametz & S. Ferroni-Kelleher
- BOW / WD: CH Winterset Greatest Show on Earth, Breeder/ Owner:: S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz
- BOS: CH Gentry's the Restless Wind, Breeder: S. & G. Katahira; Owner: S. & G. Katahira
- WB: Conestoga All in the Game, Breeder: J. & C. Mullen; Owner: H. Yamashita & J. Mullen
- RWD: Blackpoint's Raisin Cain, Breeder / Owner: E. Chang
- RWB: Harley's Woman of the Year, Breeder / Owner: M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom
- Best Veteran: CH Mindalyn-Winterset Sunrunner, Breeder: C. DuPree; Owned by S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz

SSCH March Specialty Results

Mahalo to Judge Dorothy Christiansen as well as the exhibitors and volunteers that contributed to the success of the March SSCH Specialty! The SSCH Board would also like to thank and acknowledge Janice Ibaraki who provided the judge's transportation to/from the show site on very short notice. Congratulations to the winners of record!



- BISS: CH Gentry's the Restless Wind, Breeder / Owner: S. & G. Katahira
- BOW / WB: El Solo Serenity, Breeder: M. Norstrom, K. Aston & P. Culumovic; Owners: S. Wong & M. Norstrom
- BOS: CH Mindalyn-Winterset Sunrunner, Breeder: C. DuPree; Owner: S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz
- WD (new CH): Lynroc Heart and Soul, Breeder: J. Thuener & R. Oishi; Owner: J. Thuener & D. Blazek
- RWD: Shelgrande's Juan Heluva Nite, Breeder: C. & R. Rainsforth; Owner: D. Sawamura
- RWB: Harley's Woman of the Year, Breeder / Owner: M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom
- Best Puppy: Barwoods Gor-Don Adrianna, Breeder: B. Thompson & D. Crabtree; Owner: S. & D. Ancheta
- Best BBE: Harley's Woman of the Year, Breeder / Owner: M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom
- AOM: CH El Solo Infinity, Breeder: M. Norstrom, K. Aston, P. Culumovic; Owner: M. Norstrom
- AOM: CH Lynroc Solitary Soul, Breeder / Owner: D. Hisaka & J. Thuener
- AOM: CH Tri Star Summerwynn Top Model, Breeder: D. Kamakana; Owner: H. Yamashita