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Reminders:

- 10/19/08 @ 10 AM at Thomas Square: SSCH General Membership meeting with open nominations for SSCH Officers and Board of Directors; Agility Demonstration by HAA to follow
- 10/31/08—deadline for Judge's banquet RSVP
- 11/09/08 @ Thomas Square: SSCH Specialty and Obedience Trial
- 11/11/08—Handling Class by Rosemary Petter at the Kaneohe VCA 10 am
- 11/16/08 General Membership meeting for Officer and Board elections at McKinley High School
- 11/22—11/23/08 OTCH Grounds preparation, set-up and break-down fundraiser



SSCH Autumn Newsletter

There and Back Again; A Sheltie's Tail

Contributed by Mich Iwanaga

Successful preparations and planning for a trouble free experience for your sheltie's mainland trip requires knowledge, much of which is not readily apparent from the website materials provided by the Hawaii Department of Agriculture ("DOA") and the various airlines.

Did you know:

1. Booster shots for distemper, parvo, etc. never should be put off until the day you go in to your veterinarian for the DOA-required health certificate
2. If your animal is not returning within 14 days of the date of the obtained health certificate in Hawaii:
 - a. A mainland veterinarian may be unable or unwilling to issue a second health certificate unless you have provided a vaccination certificate from your Hawaii veterinarian showing that your sheltie is still current for distemper, infectious hepatitis virus or adenovirus-2, parvovirus, parainfluenza virus, and

bordetella

- b. The tick treatment (e.g., Frontline) must be administered when you obtain the second health certificate from the mainland veterinarian
3. Your health certificate can "expire" in less than 14 days
 4. Staff at the Airport quarantine facility do scan for your sheltie's microchip; and there are potentially unfortunate consequences if the microchip is malfunctioning or does not match the chip number on the health certificate

Still interested in shipping your sheltie to the mainland? The Board will be posting a list of recommendations to reduce the chances of practical and legal mishaps during your sheltie's travels with worksheets and other information for compliance with DOA and airline requirements.

Members familiar with the DOA 5-Day-or-Less program are encouraged to share the knowledge they have acquired.

2009 Nominations for SSCH Officers & Board

Mahalo to H. Yamashita, S. Yamamura and L. Sawamura for their participation as the 2009 Nominating Committee.

The current slate for Officers & Board Members include:

President—Kenneth Young

Vice President—Michiro Iwanaga

Secretary—Darlene Sawamura

Treasurer—Harvey Yamashita

Board Members:

- Susan Kaneshiro

The 2009 Board slate currently has two openings for interested members who would like to sit on the Board.

Koa's Story: A Reminder on the Dangers of Rat Poison

Contributed by Khani Adams-Young

Koa, our playful Sheltie, died tragically at twenty-two months old from ingesting rat poison at a neighbor's home. One morning, at 3:00 a.m., Koa began to cough and was having difficulty breathing. He passed away within twenty-four hours, in spite of our veterinarian's gallant attempts to save his life.



Koa at the beach

Open containers of rat poison in a yard or home are dangerous to pets who may be able to reach them. Rat poison is attractive to pets and they will ingest it if they are given the opportunity. Early intervention is the only possible way to save a pet who has ingested this type of poison, which interferes with

the blood-clotting process. Prevention is even better.

It's important to make certain a pet's environment is a safe one. We thought our neighbor's yard was safe, since they also owned a dog who spent time in their yard. It turned out *not* to be safe and we ended up losing our little Koa suddenly. The last time we saw him, he was on an oxygen tank, on fluids and antibiotics, fighting for his life and bleeding internally.

The loss of a pet is devastating in itself, but to have a little dog die so needlessly in this way is heartbreaking. It is something I will never get over. I hope that perhaps our story will help save other pets so that Koa will not have died in vain.

SSCH 67th August Specialty

A special mahalo to our outgoing 2008 Show Chair, Kathy Doi, who has unselfishly given of her time and effort these last three years to assist the SSCH with our Specialties. We would also like to acknowledge and thank Sharon Samson for her continued Show Secretary expertise and unwavering assistance with putting on our Specialties. Without these two ladies, we would not have had the success we've experienced with our club Specialties. Mahalo to you both!

Sunny skies and mild breezes set the stage for the SSCH 67th Specialty at Thomas Square with Judge Yvonne DeFreitas of Krystalyn Shetland Sheepdogs. A huge 'mahalo' to all of the volunteers that helped make the Specialty a success! Congratulations to the winners of record!



BISS: Am/Can/Jap CH Barkley's SS Sky Fantasy; bred by N. Takenoshita, Owners: J. Thuener, R. Oishi, N. Takenoshita

BOW/WB/BBE: Harley's Woman of the Year; bred by M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom, Owners: M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom

BOS: CH Mindalyn Winterset Sunrunner; bred by C. Dupree, Owners: S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz

WD: Blackpointe Fantasea Party of 5; bred by E.H. Chang & L. Guihen, Owners: C. & G. Nishimoto & E. H. Chang

RWD: Pacific Blue Bolero; bred by S. Kaneshiro & S. James, Owners: C. Toshi, S. Kaneshiro & S. James

RWB: Harley's Pure Spirit; bred by M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom, Owned by: S. Yamamura & M. Norstrom

Best Puppy: Lynroc Paint the Sky Akirene; bred by J. Theuner, R. Oishi & N. Takenoshita, Owners: J. Thuener, R. Oishi & N. Takenoshita

West Oahu Kennel Club Results

Congratulations to the winners of record at the West Oahu Kennel Club on Saturday and Sunday. A special congratulations to Susan Ferroni-Kelleher and Pam Strametz as CH Mindalyn-Winterset Sunrunner (Travis) won Best in Show on Saturday under Judge Joseph Gregory.

Saturday

BIS / Group 1/ BOB: CH Mindalyn Winterset Sunrunner, bred by C. DuPree, owned by S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz

BOS/BOW/WB: Harley's Woman of the Year, bred by M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom, owned by M. Iwanaga & M. Norstrom,

WD: Lynroc Paint the Sky Akirene, bred by J. Theuner, R. Oishi, N. Takenoshita owned by J. Theuner, R. Oishi, N. Takenoshita,

RWD: Shelgrande's Juan Heluva Nite, bred by C. & R. Rainsforth, owned by D. Sawamura

RWB: Barwood's Winning Colors O'Jana, RN, bred by B. Thompson & N. Porta, owners: S. & D. Ancheta

Sunday

Group 1 / BOB: CH Mindalyn Winterset Sunrunner, bred by C. DuPree, owned by S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz

BOS/BOW/WB: Lynroc Akirene Dreamgirl, bred by N. Takenoshita, J. Thuener & R. Oishi owned by N. Chock

WD: Blackpointe Fantasea Party of 5, bred by E.H. Chang & L. Guihen, owners: C. & G. Nishimoto & E.H. Chang

RWD: Lynroc Paint the Sky Akirene, bred by J. Theuner, R. Oishi, N. Takenoshita owned by J. Theuner, R. Oishi, N. Takenoshita,

RWB: Barwood's Winning Colors O'Jana, RN, bred by B. Thompson & N. Porta, owners: S. & D. Ancheta

Hawaii Kennel Club Results

Congratulations to the winners of record at the Hawaiian Kennel Club on Saturday and Sunday. Once again, special congratulations to Susan Ferroni-Kelleher and Pam Strametz as CH Mindalyn-Winterset Sunrunner (Travis) won Best in Show on Saturday under Judge Enrique Phillipini.

Saturday

BIS / Group 1/ BOB: CH Mindalyn Winterset Sunrunner, bred by C. DuPree, owned by S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz

BOS/BOW/WB (New CH): Barwood's Winning Colors O'Jana, RN, bred by B. Thompson & N. Porta, owners: S. & D. Ancheta

WD: Shelgrande's Aloha Journey, bred by C. & R. Rainsforth, owned by D. Sawamura

RWD: Blackpointe Fantasea Party of 5, bred by E.H. Chang & L. Guihen, owners: C. & G. Nishimoto & E.H. Chang

RWB: Lynroc Akirene Dreamgirl, bred by N. Takenoshita, J. Thuener & R. Oishi owned by N. Chock

Sunday

Group 1 / BOB: CH Mindalyn Winterset Sunrunner, bred by C. DuPree, owned by S. Ferroni-Kelleher & P. Strametz

BOS: Barwood's Winning Colors O'Jana, RN, bred by B. Thompson & N. Porta, owners: S. & D. Ancheta

BOW / WD (New CH): Blackpointe Fantasea Party of 5, bred by E.H. Chang & L. Guihen, owners: C. & G. Nishimoto & E. H. Chang

WB: Lynroc Akirene Dreamgirl, bred by N. Takenoshita, J. Thuener & R. Oishi owned by N. Chock

RWD: Shelgrande's Juan Heluva Nite, bred by C. & R. Rainsforth, owned by D. Sawamura

RWB: El Solo Serendipity, bred & owned by M. Norstrom

Ken's Korner

Prior to being voted in to the office of President I announced that I would run the club like a business. The core of this business approach has been what I have dubbed "process before personalities". I must say that the Board has held true to this. Every decision we have made has been fact or merit-based. This has proven to be most effective when faced with challenging issues.

The process was truly tested when we reviewed our clubs' status going into 2009. As a result of this review process, the Board has recommended that the third Specialty be discontinued. There were four primary determining factors in this decision: 1) the 2008 fundraising participation has been sub optimal to date, 2) the cost of acquiring a judge has increased approximately 30 percent, 3) less than half of the club members actively participate in club business or activities and 4) funds may then be invested in diverse club activities to include and solicit non-conformation members.

A cost analysis of the past 2 shows was completed and based on known variables; we simply cannot continue to afford three specialty shows per year. The numbers speak for themselves. In terms of participation, I have continually requested that members participate in show responsibilities; these requests have generally gone unheeded. Without members to volunteer to do the work, activities cannot be maintained. The Club cannot continue to provide the luxury of three specialties with the same handful of members carrying the majority of the show responsibilities.

There will be a vote regarding this issue at the October general membership meeting. Please be present to voice your opinions.

Aloha, Ken

October General Membership Meeting to Discuss the Number of Annual Specialties

Aloha SSCH members! Please be aware that the October General Membership meeting will serve two important functions:

- Accept nominations from the floor for the 2009 Board of Directors and Officers slate
- Platform for discussion by the general membership regarding the third SSCH Specialty

Please plan to attend this important meeting. Your voice and vote counts.

We'll see you at Thomas Square @ 1000 on Sunday, 10/19. Remember, bring your dogs as the Hawaii Agility Association is sponsoring an agility demonstration / mini lesson after the SSCH General Membership meeting.

Rosemary Petter Handling Class on Tuesday, 11/11 (Veteran's Day)

Judge Rosemary Petter has graciously offered to conduct a handling class for the SSCH as a fund raiser on Veteran's Day, November 11, 2008 from 10 am—12 noon. The class will be held indoors at the Kaneohe VCA 2nd floor large room.

Judge Petter is well-known for her expertise in handling both adults as well as puppy training for conformation and has had videos produced on her handling techniques and strategies.

Please send the registration form that will be distributed at the October meeting and emailed as an attachment with this newsletter to Janice Ibaraki no later than 11/09/2008. The pre-registration donation is \$20 for participation with a dog, and \$10 to audit the class. The handling class will be limited to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis.

Hope to see you at the handling class, and leash trained puppies are welcomed!

Contact us at Shetlandsheepdogclubofhawaii@gmail.com

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