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Finnish Sheltie Speciality

October 1st 2011

Judges: Mary Bathurst UK and Jenny Martin UK



BEST IN SHOW: Australian & Finnish Champion Tiakina To Die For

Res BIS: Happy Master's No Speed Limits

Shelties of Southern Finland arranged this year the fall specialty show. Judges were Mary Bathurst for dogs and Jenny Martin for bitches. Päivi Eerola judged the puppies and junior bitches. The entry was 220 shelties.

PUPPIES

Best baby puppy dog 5-7 months WHIRLING'S BEST IS YET TO COME (Bluemeadow's Unique Harmony - Bosom Buddy's Lady In Black) breeder & owner Ella Saarenpää

Best puppy dog 7-9 months GENITAS PRINCE OF WHITEHAVEN (Shellrick's You May Me Luck - PM Quality's Touch of Whitehaven) breeder. Gert Ekblom, Sweden, owner Sanna Sillman

Best baby puppy bitch 5-7 months ARYA (Zarvo's U.S. Black Wild Card - Crimson Light's Truly Divine) breeder & owner Laura Pitkänen

Best puppy bitch 7-9 months ZAZA'S QUEEN OF HOPE (Lundecock's Happy Talk - Zaza's Melody Swing) breeder & owner Barbro Lönnfors



Best Bitch puppy and BOB Puppy: Arya.



Best Dog puppy: Genitas Prince of Whitehaven.

DOGS

Best junior class dog EE JCH SHADOWMIST NEW TREND (Windcrest Smart Suit - Shadowmist Designed Future) breeder Anita Nuuttila owners Anita Nuuttila & Ritva Puranen

Best intermediate class dog FLYLAND ESCAMILLO TORERE (White Coastal Little Golden Agent - Marvitholl Esmeralda) breeder Svetlana Kreslina, Latvia owner Jennina Kilponen

Best open class dog EE JCH HAPPY MASTER'S NO SPEED LIMITS (Tachnamadra The Desinger - Happy Master's I'm A Fairy) breeder Kaisa Vanhatalo owner Anni Kelkka

Best champion class dog FI CH SUNSWEET MOSTHAPPY FELLA (Bridemoor's Sergeant Pepper - Sunsweet Biggest Dream) breeder Marita Axi owner Merja Vanhanen

Best veteran class dog FI & EE & RU CH HELSKON KALEVA (Marnham Montanner - Willowtarn Taffeta) breeder Seija & Taru Ohtonen owner Seija Ohtonen

BITCHES

Best junior class bitch SMARTTEAMS TRUE LADY (Caravan Emerico The Evil Devil - Starsong Flame of Passion) breeder. Juha Sipola owner Seija Tyni & Juha Sipola

Best intermediate class bitch SHADELAND KISS SEALS MY SECRET (Sunland Secrets N Lies - Shadeland Dreams Of Dawn) breeder & owner Katja Vierimaa

Best open class bitch HELSKON PAOLA (Helskon Kaleva x Memus Jazzin' Monica) breeder Seija & Taru Ohtonen owner Seija Ohtonen

Best champion class bitch AU & FI CH TIAKINA TO DIE FOR (Tiakina Tailordby Armani - Tiakina To Remember Meby) breeder Carol Watson, Australia owner Jaana Illikainen

Best veteran class bitch WÄRTTINÄN ANDA (Sunsweet Lucky Legend - Happy Face Pernilla) breeder Jaana Ruokolainen owner Nadja Böckerman

FINAL COMPETITIONS



Best Dog 1st EE JCH Happy Master's No Speed Limits

Best Dog 2nd Pilvimarjan Johan Friso (second in open class)

Best Dog 3rd FI CH Sunsweet Moshappy Fella

Best Dog 4th EE JCH Shadowmist New Trend

Dog CC went to first and reserve-CC to second.



Best Bitch 1st AU & FI CH Tiakina To Die For
 Best Bitch 2nd FI&EE CH Anyway Classic Future (second in champion class)
 Best Bitch 3rd Helskon Paola
 Best Bitch 4th Shadeland Kiss Seals My Secret



Bitch CC went to third and reserve-CC to fourth. CC-winner Helson Paola gained her Finnish championship.

Best veteran was FI & EE & RU CH Helskon Kaleva, best of opposite sex Wärttinän Anda.

Best of breed was AU & FI CH Tiakina To Die For, best of opposite sex EE JCH Happy Master's No Speed Limits

Best breeder was kennel Helskon, owner Seija and Taru Ohtonen.

All results and picture links here:

<http://toffeli.nettisivu.org/>

Text Hilppa Järvinen (Finland), pictures by Sirpa Saari and Satu Tuominen

Report From The judges

Report From Jenny Martin (UK)

I was recently invited to Judge in Finland with co-judge Mary Bathurst. We met at Heathrow Airport on Friday and boarded a lunchtime flight to Helsinki where we were met and taken to our hotel for the night. The next morning we were picked up and taken to the venue for the show which is a lovely hall owned by the Finnish Kennel Club. I must thank all the exhibitors for bringing their dogs for my opinion as a Judge and to the Finnish Club for inviting me. Some of the exhibitors travelled great distances to come to the exhibition. The venue is ideal for dog showing and the surface for the floor very good to see the dogs moving. There were three rings and Mary judged the bitches, I did the dogs and Paiva Perola (a Finnish judge) did all the puppies and Junior bitch classes.

My main comments on the day were:

Quite a few of the exhibits had white on their stifles. Although I did not penalise many for this it is a point that should be watched in breeding programmes.

Most of the exhibits behaved well on the table and showed well. Some exhibitors were trying to bait their dogs while I was trying to go over them on the table. I asked the exhibitors to keep their bait in their pockets while having their dogs examined. It is very off-putting to have the exhibit trying to turn its head to get the bait from their owner while you are trying to examine it. Also while on the move the dogs are holding their heads high to look for the bait. Many of the owners move the dogs too fast and the dogs have to 'run' to keep up.

My best dog presented a lovely overall picture and he had a lovely head with sweet expression. He had dark eyes and nicely tipped ears. He was spot on for size.

All exhibits were clean and well presented and my hands were as clean when I finished judging as they were when I started.

After the Show we were taken to the home of Jaana Karonen where we had a lovely meal with committee members and then spent the evening chatting and socialising!!! We eventually got into bed about 2.30am.

Sunday morning after breakfast we spent time playing with some Sheltie and Havanese puppies before being taken back to the airport for our flight back to Heathrow. A very fleeting but enjoyable weekend.

Report From Mary Bathurst (UK)

When I finally set off on an Overseas judging appointment I always find myself wishing I hadn't agree to go in the first place as I loathe Airports, although I like flying. Why do they have to have the temperature so hot? Anyway, once I'm on the plane all is well, and we are always assured of a great welcome when we arrive.

Jenny Martin and I had arranged to meet up at the luggage drop off point, and would phone each other to say where we were, which would have been fine if I hadn't left Jenny's mobile number on my dressing table. Luckily she found me, so all was well. We were taken to a motel and dined, and then retired to our room, which was quite an odd layout, but did have two bedrooms. We were both very tired and went straight to bed. I can't remember when I last had eight hours sleep, usually it's four or five. Next morning we were collected and taken to the venue, which proved to be very airy with good lighting, and what I assume is Astro-turf for the ring surface. The dogs didn't mind it at all, and all looked good against the dark green.

I had been asked to judge the bitches and Best In Show, with my first class being judged by the Finnish judge who was doing the puppies to keep my numbers down.

Jenny did the dogs and Best Veteran, and a couple of other classes. I must say, that although the awards at the end lost me rather, I do like the method of giving a critique to every exhibit, as I feel the judges are more liable for their placings, having to give a reason for every class award, not just not placing something that looks good and no-one knows why, including the exhibitor. Obviously with the size of our entries in general, it wouldn't work, being time consuming, but nevertheless I feel exhibitors get more of a fair do, which is not always the case over here.

My best bitch was a lovely blue-merle, who turned out to be Australian bred.

She was beautifully made and flowed effortlessly round ring, was of lovely size, good head and eyes, and stole my heart completely. She is FI MVA AU. Ch. Tiakina To Die For, bred by Mrs. Carol Watson and owned by Jaana Illikainen. I made her Best In Show over the very nice sable dog Jenny sent through.

As to the dogs in general, it was pretty much the same as judging here. Certainly their dogs were in no way inferior to ours, but sadly some of the more ugly faults we seem to have allowed to creep in relatively unremarked on have appeared there too, namely large round eyes, hollow forefaces, poor front assembly and toeing in. The exhibitors were all very sporting and polite.

When the judging was completed, Jenny and I were presented with a wooden plaque each. We had been asked to supply photos of favourite dogs, and Jenny's plaque had Ch. Ramtin Heidi Hi on it, and mine Auldlyn Storm Lily, both no longer with us but very much missed.

The plaques had been painted by a very talented artist, and are something to treasure. The trip home seemed very long, and I was most relieved to meet Roger at Arlesey Station and hand over my suitcase. The dogs were all very pleased to see their mum, especially Trevor (mummy's boy). I very much enjoyed the trip, and making new friends, and both of us imbibed a fair amount of Jaarna's punch, which consists of Vodka, Strawberry liqueur and 7 Up. Wicked!!!!



Canine Musical Freestyle

Here is a video link from Seattle TV Morning show

October 20th 2011

The second dog in this studio display is 'Mackie'
(CH BluValley Macarena CD AX AXJ CGC RN)

<http://www.king5.com/new-day-northwest/Dancin-Dogs-Perform-132247608.html>

Mackie is co owned by Pat Bores (President of Lochland Shetland Sheepdog Club), and Mitzi Jorgensen who is performance training Mackie.



Gallery Of Dogs On The Shetland Islands

(Always something you missed in this intriguing gallery)

Follow the link below - sent to me by Lisa Porch (USA) for some fantastic and thought provoking pictures of the original early dogs and every- day life on the Shetland Isles!

[http://shetlopedia.com/A Gallery of Shetland Dogs](http://shetlopedia.com/A_Gallery_of_Shetland_Dogs)

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ACTING WITH DOGS



Sshhhhhh.....don't tell anyone.....but Bailey is treading the boards again! Last year, my sheltie Bailey appeared in a play at *The Lyric Theatre* in London and was also in the top 25 (out of 1000) of Andrew Lloyd Webber's *Search for Toto*, but, since then, he has been, as actors say,.....*resting*! Last week, while listening to one of my favourite local radio stations, *BBC London 94.9*, I heard a very intriguing interview with the producer of a West End theatrical event asking for anyone who had a dog who was friendly, well-behaved and confident to contact her as they were putting on a production 'somewhere in the West End' and needed a few dogs!

The next morning, I emailed her and received a swift reply asking me about Bailey and subsequently arranging for him to attend an audition at a secret location in the West End. So Bailey, an old hand (paw) at Tube travel, and I travelled up to the mystery venue in the West End!

Our destination was so secret that I had to ask twice before I found it! Once there, we met the three producers of the show and were told what Bailey would need to be able to do. He performed his repertoire of tricks and was his usual laid-back self. I am always amazed that a dog who is so used to living in a quiet, rural village can take the sights and sounds of London in his stride without any problems. Travelling on the Tube in the rush hour, and walking through the crowded streets, don't bother him at all.

The producers loved Bailey and he was chosen to be a member of the cast. Other dogs will be involved too but Bailey has his dates booked, starting on December 5th, and we will be travelling up to London a few times during December and January.

I can't tell you what the production is....I had to sign an agreement not to tell..... but I can say that it is completely sold out already and sounds amazing! Once it is over, I'll spill the beans but, for now, Bailey's appearances are shrouded in secrecy!!
Sssshhhhhh!!!

Bridget Jamieson UK

Note from Ed – Good Luck Bridget and Bailey. The Readers and I look forward to reading 'ALL ABOUT THE SHOW' in the March Edition.



Anatomy Of The Sheltie

The Spine

Structure – Preamble: The Spine:

Please refer to basic skeletal and musculature charts for this discussion.

The two major issues that seem to be out there in almost all breeds today are the set-in of the neck at the withers and the set-on or laying-on of the front assembly.

The first thing to remember is that unlike humans, dogs have no collarbone to stabilize and provide an anchor for the front structures. Their fronts are tied on wholly with muscles and ligaments.

I remember Quentin LaHam used to say in his seminars, "Show me a good spine, and I'll show you a good dog". I've come to agree with him, and the main structure that runs from the head to the tip of the tail that holds all the pieces together is a ligament called the longissimus dorsi. It holds the spine together. Off this spine, you find the various other tendons which adhere to the bones and surround the muscles.

The ligaments of suspension attach at the joints and serve as the cables like a puppet's strings to move the various limbs and structures. One key to how important or large a muscle needs to be is to look at the size of its attachment area on the bone -- a large area means a big, powerful, or supporting muscle. A small area of attachment, also called processes, means a muscle of minor movement, such as guiding balance or direction.

The first thing you notice in looking at the spine are the different kinds of vertebrae. There are 7 cervical (neck) vertebrae, 13 thoracic (chest/body) vertebrae, 7 lumbar (loin) vertebrae, 3 fused sacral vertebrae in the pelvis, and a varied number of coccygeal (tail) vertebrae, although 20 is usual. Your short-tailed dogs will have less vertebrae in the coccygeal (also known as caudal) series than a long tailed dog, but all the other types of vertebrae will be the same number in any dog. The other controlling factors are the width of each vertebrae and the size/spacing of the cartilaginous discs in-between each vertebrae. Another factor is the tension or tightness of the ligaments holding all these vertebrae and other bones together. These factors determine how long or short in length an overall dog is built to be, underneath the skin and hair.

The first two vertebrae of the cervical (neck) section are unlike any of the other vertebrae - they are shaped and function differently. The Atlas, as the first vertebra is called, allows the head to move in a wide arc up and down. The second vertebra, the Axis, is constructed so the head can swivel almost 180 degrees, and between the two, the Atlas and Axis, allow the head great freedom of motion and direction. All the other vertebrae are much more meshed, nested, within each other to provide rigidity and stability of the whole, much like the roadway of a suspension bridge.

The next set, the thoracic vertebrae, you will note, have very long upright processes, or spines, which protrude above the spinal cord casing. This is where the major muscles of the front assembly attach to the spine and allow the ability of the shoulder blade to actually extend beyond by sliding over the ribcage to some extent when the dog is in motion. In some sighthounds the shoulder blade in action will push back over the ribs to become almost parallel to the spine rather than in the static 35 to 45 degree position when just standing still.

Btw - a 45 degree shoulder angle is an ideal of physics but is not usually seen in life. If it is seen, then one must also check to see if the point of shoulder is properly behind the point of prosternum where it should be, or if it is flush or ahead of it, indicating an incorrect set-on.

The first bone of those comprising the sternum (sternebra - manubrium) is the longest and called the "prosternum". Behind this the 8 ribs are attached to the thoracic vertebrae on top and to the balance of the sternum, or brisket, bones at the bottom. The 9th rib attached to the 9th thoracic vertebra is attached below by cartilage instead of bone. The 10th, 11th, and 12th ribs hinge into the 9th rib and are called "false ribs" because of this. The 13th rib is the "floating rib", not attached underneath. The sum of the thoracic vertebrae along with the ribs creates a protective cage for the most important organs such as heart, lungs, and liver. The length, breadth, and depth of this cage equals the capacity for endurance, the amount of heart/lung room, and how much the other internal organs are protected. The A shortened ribcage seriously affects both function of the dog and the protection of the major organs.

The last major set of vertebrae, the lumbar, provide the coupling for the rear to the body for transmission of the driving power, and for the support of the abdomen, the other internal organs. Large processes are needed for adequate muscle attachments in order to provide a broad, meaty loin coupling. Sighthounds have very hard muscles here, far more tucked up to the abdomen, and the loin is usually a very flexible, somewhat longer structure so that they may curl underneath themselves, collapse this region to provide the muscular energy spring necessary for their giant leaping gallops.

The sacral region is fused for support. The caudal vertebrae can be used as a rudder for balance, or lifted as a signal to other dogs. Various defects of this area include ankylosis, a fusing of some of the vertebrae and a genetic defect in GSD, or the curling of the tail off to one side as a dog moves indicating an unevenness in the longissimus dorsi, a minor genetic defect sometimes seen in various Collie family or Nordic origin breeds.

Neck Length

Re: Questions about Neck Length

Q: I was told at one point that every dog has the same number of cervical (neck) vertebrae so that the length of a dog's neck is based on the set of the shoulder blades. If the dog didn't have decent layback they would have a "short" neck vs. one who had a better layback.

Q: Is this correct? Is this all that is to it? It just seems a little simplistic to me.

Q: Could there be something also with the actual size/shape of these vertebrae?

Q: What's the deal here?!

Another Question about Neck Length --

Q: Yes, I remember going to the Quentin seminar and him carrying around the skeleton of his German Shepherd and demonstrating that all necks were the same. ...

Answers:

A: Absolutely correct, especially in each breed. In humans we have more variety in size from pygmies to basketball players, but in dogs, within each breed, whether Chihuahua or Great Dane, there is less variety, a smaller fluctuation in each breed's overall gene pool.....

But all dogs have the same number/type of vertebrae. The difference between breeds is the size and shape of the vertebrae themselves, and the amount of "padding" in-between each.

Due to our Sheltie size limitation, 13" to 16", the variations in Shelties are quite small when one looks at skeletons. The main difference in neck length is determined by where and how the shoulder blades are attached at the withers in life.

And this is the starting point of our discussion on the fronts.

Although one correction to my statement that all dogs have the same number/type of vertebrae needs to be made. This is not so. The number of tail (coccygeal) vertebrae can vary considerably from breed to breed. Some breeds are born tailless with minimal or atrophied vertebrae and/or with very few vertebrae here, while others can have more than the usual set of 20 vertebrae. Ours is a breed that normally has 20 vertebrae, but some individuals have less -- which can be part of the short tail problem, and some can even be born with very short tails, a genetic defect in our breed.

Our breed is supposed to have a tail which reaches the hock, a normal length for 20 vertebrae. All other vertebrae (cervical, thoracic, lumbar, sacral) are the same in number in all breeds of dogs.

Docking in some herding breeds started as a way to identify a drover's dogs - a dog with a docked tail was not taxed.

Front Assembly

The Front Assembly - Part 1:

The starting place for discussions of the front assembly begin at the top -- at the withers. Unlike humans, in animals the shoulder blades (scapulae) are not attached by collarbones to the spine but by muscles and tendons alone. The front leg quarter consists of an assembly of four main bones, each with different types of joints connecting them. The withers are the pivot and base point of a sliding joint as those muscle attachments allow the blade to slide over the muscles underneath the blade and over the ribs, thereby giving it a great range of flexibility. The shoulder blade is attached at the bottom end to the upper arm (humerus) with a ball and socket joint which allows some degree of rotation. The upper arm then attaches at its rear to the leg bones (radius & olecranon of the ulna) with a hinge joint which restricts movement to a single line of direction. The radius, along with the ulna, are attached down below to the carpal bones (pastern), and then those to the metacarpals (feet/toes) all of which allow for various degrees of flexibility and rotational movement.

Ligaments hold the bones together, tendons attach the muscles to the bones. The relative size of the muscles is determined by the size, length, and what are called spinal processes on the bones. The median ridge running down the scapula is an example of a spinal process -- these projections provide a space for the attachment of the muscle tendon sheaths and ends to the surfaces of the bones. A large process means a large muscle attaches there, a small process means a smaller muscle. Flat bones means flatter muscles attach there, such as the scapula and the ribs underneath. Also, bulky muscles are used for force or weight lifting like those of the upper arm, and long thin muscles like those in the lower legs are used for pulling and quick action.

And there are only two kinds of muscles, and two types of muscle actions. The first kind of muscle is called a flexor which bends a joint, like a biceps would, and the other form is called an extensor which straightens a joint.

These are the basic physics as all muscles can only contract or relax. It is the sequence of contraction, relaxation of the various flexor and extensor muscles that power the movement of a dog.

This is why the dog's nervous system ultimately determines the type of movement the dog displays, coupled with the condition and size of its muscle development and the correct shape and positions of where and how the bones are attached. There are far more physics involved than just the bare basics such as the length of the upper arm and the shape of the foot.

Now let's look at a proper front assembly. The serratus ventralis muscle is underneath the scapula. Its main function is to hold the scapula onto the ribcage and stop it from sliding upward. It also provides limited forward & backward motion. Next is the rhomboideus muscles (cervical & thoracic) on the underside of the scapula which also functions to hold the blade against the body and pull the blade backward or forward somewhat during moving. The next and outer layer of shoulder blade muscles are the trapezius -- two sections, the cervical (forward/neck side of the scapular spine) and the thoracic (rearward side of the scapular spine). The front half attaches from the 3rd cervical vertebrae to the 3rd thoracic vertebrae while the back half attaches from the 3rd thoracic vertebrae to the 8th or 9th thoracic vertebrae -- this can vary between breeds, lines, or individuals.

The principle muscles for moving the shoulder blade back and forth during gaiting are the omotransversus, the latissimus dorsi, the brachiocephalic, and pectorals. The deltoid and triceps muscles of the upper arm are the main extensors for that area.

Where most fronts have their problem is with the trapezius attachments at the top of the withers. When one puts hands on there should, in Shelties, be 1-1/2 to 2 finger widths (depending on how big your fingers are) between the shoulder blades. Less than that and the shoulder is what we call "tied on". Due to the restriction in this area, it will translate to more point of shoulder or elbow action as seen in barrel ribbed dogs, or more restricted movement of the whole shoulder assembly. Conversely, a dog with more than 2 -- say 3 fingers between the blades, is what we call "loose in the shoulder" and is sometimes seen in slabby youngsters or in dogs with weak and loose front assemblies as a whole, and is most often noticeable in the elbow actions.

Within that 1-1/2 to 2 finger width between the shoulder blades you should be able to feel the thoracic spines filling the entire space between the withers, front to back. If you feel a dip, depression or hole in the front part, it means either the front angle of the shoulder is too steep or more commonly that the whole assembly is set on too far forward and the trapezius attachment is genetically incorrect at the 1st or 2nd thoracic spine instead of the third as it should be. This incorrect attachment also lends itself to a dog appearing to have a short neck, which in effect, it has since the front assembly is shifted forward and further up the neck. It also increases the length of back compared to the length of the underline. Note that bone structures are not changed. It is the muscle attachments that have been altered with this condition. This is neither functionally correct nor desired.

Often, with this incorrect trapezius attachment condition, the point of shoulder is forward of its proper position also, which should be back along the sides of the ribs. When the point of shoulder is set on too far forward, there is no protrusion of the prosternum in front of it. The prosternum feels flat across the chest, or even sunken. This then means the dog will be unable to extend its front legs more than a very modest amount as it is the prosternum's projection which allows the dog to reach out with its front legs to cover ground.

It is the muscles of the omotransversus, the brachiocephalic and the pectorals that determine how far the leg, upper arm, and shoulder blade will extend in the forward position. Ideally, a straight line from the top of the withers through the point of shoulder and out to the tip of the toe at maximum forward extension during movement is called "an open shoulder". The toe end of this extension should fall in a vertical line under or beyond the tip of the nose in full trot. A dog lacking prosternum does not have the extensor muscles placed so they are able to act to achieve this "opening of the shoulder".

The prosternum is the anchor point for the muscles pulling (extending) the shoulder blade, the upper arm, and the lower leg forward for maximum reach potential. Lack of prosternum means no forward reach.

Front Assembly - Part 2:

Starting from Part 1, another aspect of the correct front assembly is the length of the upper arm (humerus) coupled with the static line which the points of the withers, elbow, and feet take in relation to each other.

Repeatedly it has been said that upper arms are often too short in Shelties. In judging, I find this rarely to be the case. Most measurements of the length of upper arm are determined by feeling the withers and upper arm while the dog is standing upright on an examining table in the ring. Most dogs, during this time, are either standing on tiptoes for the bait, racking forward or back, or sunk into themselves if temperamentally unsure. The very first thing these mental conditions throws off is the angle between the humerus and scapula. An on-the-toes or racking back dog will open this angle up while a lowering or an unsure dog will shrink it. Neither are correct or of importance on the table. The truth is seen during their use in motion. But the relative lengths of the scapula compared to the upper arm, which should be equal, can be accurately determined and felt on the table by the simple following method taught to me by the late Wes Cartwright. With a bit of practice, this technique can be completed in about 2 seconds during the hands on examination on the table.

If one places their right hand on the top of the withers, then with the left hand, put the tip of the index finger on the point of shoulder (greater tubercle of the humerus) and the tip of the thumb on the rear of the elbow, the left hand then spans the full length of the upper arm.. Then, using the 2nd, 3rd and 4th fingers of that left hand, cup those fingers under the bottom length of the upper arm bone which allows one to support and freely lift the whole lower leg assembly upward. Immediately, the relationships of the bones seem to shift and the true length of the upper arm compared to the actual length of the scapula will be felt. If you felt an alert dog on the table in static position prior to doing this, it will often seem that the upper arm is short. Once the 3 points (withers/shoulder/elbow) are determined and the arm is lifted, the true lengths and relationships will become apparent.

In a relaxed standing position, a well angulated dog should appear to have a good length of crested neck with no hollows in front of the withers, and its elbows should be held close to the body with its front legs positioned perpendicularly well under the body. In this stance, a line drawn from the withers should fall directly through the elbow and the front legs to the ground. The head and neck held in natural position in a well-angulated dog will be noticeably and mainly forward of the front quarters. Also in this position, the elbow should be exactly half way between the top of the withers and the ground. Less length in the lower leg, the radius and ulna, results in a short legged dog, a mild form of dwarfism found in our breed, probably inherited down from the KC Spaniel cross into this breed from its long ago origins.

It is wise for judges to note that a short legged dog will always look better on a flat indoor surface than a properly balanced dog. But they generally have more difficulty moving on uneven ground, whether in tall grass or brush outdoors, as they lack the leg length to properly traverse over rough areas. They will also always appear to have better reach and drive indoors even if they don't cover any more ground than a properly legged dog. This is because they have more relative (proportional) length underneath the body to move without interfering with the opposite quarter (front vs rear) hence will appear to have greater reach/drive, yet with the lack of leg length, are actually covering no more ground, unless moving very fast, than a dog with a proper leg length.

In short legged Shelties, during side gait, a gap can be seen between the front and rear leg swings that will appear in the middle at ground level. In a properly proportioned Sheltie, the front/rear legs will meet underneath in the middle without interference during trotting. Also, a short legged dog is generally incapable of breaking out of a trot, no matter how fast it is pushed, but since the gallop is the true working gait of a field animal with proper Sheltie proportions, a dog with a proper leg length will resort to galloping when pushed hard as it becomes easier and more efficient. Trotting is simply the gait chosen for comparison in ring gaiting, not in field work.

A long bodied dog will also be capable of extended trotting rather than galloping for the same reason. It was often taught that a dog with an insufficient rear will "break" into a gallop when pushed, which can be true when the quarters are unbalanced, but a balanced dog with proper ratio body will also "break", not due to insufficiencies, but due to efficiency. This is especially true when the height to length ratio is the same as a Collie - 9 high as to 10 long. A GSD's ratio is 9 as to 12. This is the difference between a slightly off square dog compared to a long and/or low dog. The old adage was that a Sheltie should be agile enough to be able to leap small buildings with a single bound. Short legged dogs cannot do that.

Dogs whose fronts are set on too far forward will have the line drawn straight down from the withers to the floor fall well behind the elbow and leg. In these dogs, a line dropped down from the ears will fall through the front legs on a dog standing in their natural position, and the head and neck will be mainly over the quarter instead of in front of it. These dogs, while looking very classy, will not have the prosternum position needed in order to reach out in front with the legs. As a result, their front will move mainly from the elbow as the shoulder will be unable to be drawn back or the upper arm adequately drawn forward in order to "open up". This type of dog will have no endurance due to the restricted movement, will tire easily, and not have the flexibility to work over rough ground.

A dog who moves from the elbow instead of the withers moves like a terrier which has a short upper arm, hence the confusion about short upper arms in Shelties. Terriers are supposed to move in this manner, but it is a handicap to a dog who needs a greater stride, flexibility, and endurance. The result of the too far forward front is the leg swings from the elbow forward with limited extension of the upper arm. This type of movement looks like a pendulum moving back/forth from the elbow.

Sometimes dogs with fronts set on too far forward will attempt to compensate for inability to reach properly by swinging the upper arm around in front, resulting in a crossing over or toeing in action. And with this, the elbow will often swing (wing) out away from the body instead of being held close, thereby wasting more energy and efficiency.

Other issues that can occur with the front movement are dogs who have slab sided ribs (flat) or lack depth of chest whose elbows are then tied in too close to or under the body, resulting in legs being held quite narrow coming at you and the front feet sometimes thrown outward in front of the dog. Conversely, if a dog is barrel ribbed (round rib cage), then the dog can never quite get its feet underneath its body for bicycling-type balance while moving. Instead, it will double track in front, the legs coming straight down from the elbows on each side from the wide ribs. The upper arm and scapula will also increase their muscle mass over time as the assembly is fighting the width of the ribs in the vain attempt to get the legs under the body when moving. That will result in what are called "loaded shoulders" from the muscle being built up underneath the shoulder blade and on the upper arms, just like a weight lifter increases muscle mass by doing resistance training g. The shape of the body itself is the resistance mechanism. The next instalment, the Body, will cover this more.

In static stance, a correctly shaped front when viewed from the front will have legs that fall straight down from the elbows with proper moderate (flat 4-finger hand) width between the legs with feet facing straight forward or with just a very slight turn outward position. A dog with slab sides or shallow brisket standing naturally will have a narrow front with feet usually toeing out in east/west position. A dog with barrel ribs or quarters set on too far forward will often toe in (pigeon toed) in front when standing. Too forward quarters will often toe in while moving also.

A correctly shaped front will move cleanly coming in and stand square naturally when stopped. On the table, this type of front can be lifted up by the neck and when allowed to come back down, the legs and feet will fall naturally into the proper stance.

The angle of pastern in our breed is moderate, approximately 10 degrees or very slightly more. This slope provides the cushioning flexibility needed to transverse rough ground without injury. Less than 10 degrees results in more jarring blows to the leg joints when working. This slope also results in the center of the foot falling underneath the center of the shoulder blade, which is the main center of gravity and weight bearing of the whole dog.

The foot finishes off the front assembly, and is oval in shape. Round (cat) feet are good for quick turns such as cutting and penning while long (hare) feet are good for endurance in long or straight outruns. Flat feet are useless to working dogs and detrimental to the dog's health and usefulness in the long run. The oval foot is the most useful in an all purpose farm dog as the Sheltie was bred to be. It is also important that the toes in this oval foot be well-arched and to have deep pads. The arch is needed for more flexibility and "give". This gives the look of a rather tall foot, and if the pads are sufficiently deep, it is otherwise known as a "pillow foot". This type of foot is often best viewed in short haired sporting dogs who work in the fields. It is rarely seen in Shelties anymore, yet very important as working over rough ground needs good "tenny runners" for the dog to maneuver, and to hold up to hard work with out injury over a good length of life.

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DOGS

baby class

vp1 SZEJK Herbu Psia łapa (Multi Ch. Quashee OPERATION CHAOS - ZORZA z łańcuta), owner Dominika Marek

vp2 UNICAS z Puli Szczęścia (J.Ch.PL, Ch.PL SID z Puli Szczęścia – J.Ch.PL JUST ANGEL ze Skalny Vyhličky), owner Ryszard Sarzyński

vp3 ARAMIS Shetlandska hvezda (Karmidale Monet with Tachnamadra - PATTY GABRIELA Smaal Kim), owner Katerina Pankova

vp4 BLUE NUMBER ONE Iskierka Szetlandów (J.Ch,Ch. Moorwood CARIBBEAN BLUE FLASH - NESCA XANTINA Iskierka Szetlandów), owner Joanna Mitera

youth class

exc.1, J.Club Winner, BOB Junior, BIS Junior-3 (All Clubshows) Lovesome DUKE OF DREAM-LAND

J.Ch.PL,MD,MAC,RO,J.CEEW'11 (Int.Ch.,Multi Ch. Shelteam DREAMCATCHER – Ch. Turmaja's LOVESOME ROSE), owner Mariusz Podżus

exc.2 PRYMUS GOLD z Kojca Coli (Int.Ch.,Ch. Memus MANDELSPAUN - PRIMAVERA Z Kojca Koli), owner Beata & Piotr Pytlik

vg3 DANGEROUS LOVER Lohrien (Ch. Grandgables Just Another Hero – ZIZI Lohrien), owner Alicja Bogusz

vg4 Di'Leila's Sheltie (FCI) KINLEY BY SHELBY & MOORWOOD (Ch. Grandgables JUST ANOTHER HERO - ETNA ze ZGUBY ELFÓW), owner Sobolewska Magdalena

intermediate class

exc.1, CWC Art Filisity DIMA AT FERVIDUS J.Ch.PL (Dippersmoor DIAMOND QUEST – Art Filisity PERSIA), owner Małgorzata Lula-Forysińska

exc.2 LEO Wspólny Dom J.Ch.PL, Ch.PL (Int.Ch.Ch Goodtimes BLAZIN' HOT MOMENTS – TOŚKA Wspólny Dom), owner Arkadiusz Polaszek

exc.3 JIM BEAM Perla z Polabi J.Ch.PL (Ch. Blenmerrow BORODIN – W.Ch.CZ ESSENCE OF LOVE Perla z Polabi), owner Robert Kabała, Magdalena Kozek, Marcela Hejduková

vg4 YARPEN Ventora (Int.Ch.,Ch. Vanilla Hills MINI STORM AHEAD – Int.Ch,Ch. PARIS Ventora), owner Piotr Łuniewski

open class

exc.1, CWC Amethrickeh APPARITION Ch.CZ, SK, BG, CLUB Ch (Rennerdale GHOSTBUSTER – Amethrickeh's MAGIC MIRROR), owner Katerina Pankova

exc.2 TIMON Ventora J.Ch.PL (J.Ch.PL, Ch.PL Overtop Oskar - J.Ch.PL, Ch.PL Golden Eye Ventora), owner Piątek Violetta & Mazur Patrycja

vg3 ALERT DAREDEVIL Lohrien J.Ch.PL (Int.Ch.Ch. Goodtimes BLAZIN' HOT MOMENTS – IMPRESJA GOLDEN ART Lohrien), owner Katarzyna Sowa

vg4 ORKAN FROM BLAZE Di'Leila's Sheltie J.Ch.PL (Int.Ch.,Ch. Goodtimes BLAZIN' HOT MOMENTS - ETNA ze Zguby Elfów), owner Tomasz Zmyślony

champion class

exc.1, CWC, Zw.KL, BOB, BIS-4 (British Breeds) Shellove JUST ON THE ROCKS

Ch.PL,MD.LT, Grand Ch.MD (Int.Ch.Ch. Goodtimes BLAZIN' HOT MOMENTS – Leigh-Hi's ON THE ROCKS), owner Ewa Łazicka

exc.2 Quashee OPERATION CHAOS J.CH.PL,BY,LT,SRB,MD, J.GRAND.CH.MD,CH.MD,RO,GRAND.CH.MD,RO, J.W.Club.LT'10 (Int.Ch.Ch. Quashee HIGH CLASS O' PIONION – Int.Ch.Ch. Aroct STRIKE A POSE, hod. M. von Poppel), owner Robert Kabała , Gracjana Kruszel



exc.3 BANJO Polly z M3 Ch.PL (Int.Ch.Ch. IDOL IMPOSSIBLE Metamorfoza – ALFA Polly z M-3), owner Kazimierz Trocha

exc.4 XTREME DARK PLAYER Vom Ohmtalteufel J.Ch.PL, Ch.PL (Int.Ch., Ch. Goodtimes Blazin Hot Moments - J.Ch.Dt. GrandGables Promise of Gold), owner Monika Tuliszevska

veteran class

vg1 DARK Kolyba u Grapy Ch. WET SK (Ch.PL. J.Ch.PL ABSOLUTE MAN Kropelka Oceanu - J.Ch.SK EVITA Szym-Tom) owner Anna Jagieło

BITCHES

baby class

vp1, BOB Baby, BIS Baby-3 (All Clubshows) DANAE DIVIDA Figa Ruminy (Multi Ch. Quanshee OPERATION CHAOS – Ch.PL BONA DEA Figa Ruminy), owner Justyna Falińska Stępień

vp2 Archos Canis NESTEA (Int.Ch.,Ch. Vanilla Hills MINI STORM AHEAD – Archos Canis YUCCA VEL COGIE), owner Grażyna Sztanka

vp3 ALTAMIRA Shetlandska hvezda, (Karmidale Monet with Tachnamadra - PATTY GABRIELA Smaal Kim), owner Katerina Pankova

vp4 BLUE QUEEN Iskierka Szetlandów (J.Ch,Ch. Moorwood CARIBBEAN BLUE FLASH - NESCA XANTINA Iskierka Szetlandów), owner Joanna Radosz

puppy class

nvp DUNIA Ko-To-Ra FCI (Ch. Art Filicity AMSTERDAM – ONLY OLIVIA Fatransky Sen), owner Grażyna Nachajło

youth class

v1, J.Club Winner TEQUILA Polcolland J.Ch.PL (Ch. Grandgables JUST ANOTHE HERO – Ch. DEJA Strażnica Kaszebstwa), owner Agnieszka Fortaszewska

vg2 PATI GOLD z Kojca Koli (Int.Ch.,Ch. Memus MANDELSPAUN - PRIMAVERA Z Kojca Koli), owner Beata & Piotr Pytlik

vg3 Di'Leila's Sheltie LA LUNA (Ch. Grandgables JUST ANOTHE HERO – ETNA ze Zguby Elfów), owner Beata Gryma

vg4 CHERRY CANADIAN DREAM Lohrien (Ch. Grandgables JUST ANOTHE HERO – ARWENA ORANGE Magiczny Ogród), owner Beata Ziemińska

vg SALSA Polcolland (JUMANJI Polcolland – BLACK PRINCESS Polcolland), owner Sylwia Orzechowska

intermediate class

exc.1, CWC GUANTANAMERA Amoreno J.Ch.PL (Int.Ch,Multi.Ch Shelteam DREAMCATCHER - Int.Ch,Multi.Ch PRIMA GLORIA z Kojca Coli), owner Monika, Ewa Kubrak

exc.2 BLISS LIVE Lohrien J.Ch.PL (Int.Ch.,Ch. Goodtimes BLAZIN' HOT MOMENTS – ARWENA ORANGE Magiczny Ogród), owner Iwona Pytlak

exc.3 ZA ZI NEL Ventora , blue merle, 15.05.2010, PKR- 67247 (Int.Ch.,Ch. ONYX Ventora - ELEKTRA BLUE Kulczyna Chatka), owner Bartosz Janowski

open class

exc.1, CWC, Club Winner Di'Leila's Sheltie ORINOKO FROM BLAZE J.Club W (Int.Ch.,Ch. Goodtimes BLAZIN' HOT MOMENTS – Etna ze Zguby Elfów), owner Dagmara Modzelewska

exc.2 Lovesome DREAMLIKE ROSE J.Ch.MD,MAC (Int.Ch.,Multi Ch. Shelteam DREAMCATCHER – Ch. Turmaja's LOVESOME ROSE), owner Robert Kabała, Anetta Smyk

exc.3 PEPPERMINT Polcolland (Ch.PL Lustrous DUMBLDOR – Ch.PL DEJA Strażnica Kaszebstwa), owner Aneta Nowakowska

exc.4 DAISY SWEET GIRL Metamorfoza J.Ch.PL (Int.Ch, Ch. Goodtimes BLAZIN' HOT MOMENTS – Ch.PL KLIO SWEET GIRL Metamorfoza), owner Wojciech Kaczmarczyk

champion class

exc.1, CWC Lovesome CHERIE Ch.MD,Grand.Ch.MD,Ch.Club MD (Int.Ch.,Multi Ch. Vanilla Hills NO STRINGS ATTACHED LOVESOME – Ch.PL OBSERVO RES MIRA Excellens Vivarium), owner Robert Kabała, Agnieszka Sobala

exc.2 NANCY XANTINA Iskierka Szetlandów PL Ch,LT, J.Ch.LT,PL, J.W.LT (Int.Ch, Multi Ch. Moorwood CARIBBEAN NIGHT TROPHY – J.Ch.PL SPLENDID Xantina), owner Anna Jagieło

veteran class

exc.1, BOB Weteran, BIS Weteran-2 (All Clubshows) PRIMA GLORIA Z KOJCA COLI Int.Ch,Ch.PL,LT,D,CZ,H,SK,A (Ch.PL HIGHLAND ROUGE ZE SZETLANDU - QUANTI OLIVE ASKETILA), owner Ewa & Monika Kubrak

exc.2 EMI z Puli Szczęścia Ch.PL, J.Ch.PL (Ch. Trademark's Run for the Roses – Dixi z Puli Szczęścia), owner Jarosław Bajczyk

exc.3 KLIWIA Asketila FCI J.Ch.PL,Ch.PL,CW'00,CEEW'01 (Int.Ch.,Ch. Cindahope Kyrene Show Off – Circa Gwiazda Zatrąty), owner Ewa Kudukis

exc.4 KENIA Raj dla Zwierząt Int.Ch, Ch.PL,SK,CZ (Ch.PL, JCh.PL HIGHLAND ROGUE ze Shetlandu - FESTNA LENTE Duma Tary), owner Ewa Sroga

BEST KENNEL: ISKIERKA SZETLANDÓW

BEST STUD DOG: Goodtimes Blazin' Hot Moments

BEST FEMALE-MOTHER: ETNA ze Zguby Elfów

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South Island Shetland Sheepdog Club (Inc) New Zealand, 40th Championship Show.

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Master Pierce I would think is either a son or more probably a grandson of E C Pierce who was the owner of the Eltham Park Kennels (UK). I think he started them somewhere around 1921.

All of family 1 comes down from the Eltham Park bitches through a bitch called Farburn Fascination who was the dam of the bitch in the picture. The Farburn kennel was owned by a brother of Jimmy Saunders of Helensdale fame.

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Coincidence – Fate – Stars in Alignment – History ??

By

Pat Ferrell, ASSA Historian

Recently I had two e-mails, basically unrelated but having a relationship. One was an inquiry, the other a statement.

The inquiry had to do with Miss Clara Bowring (UK), Larkbeare Shelties, her involvement with Shelties (appeared in an Afghan article) and her relationship with Mrs. Catherine Coleman Moore (USA) Sheltieland. All was mentioned in the article. The other was a comment of a re-read of the book Catherine wrote on “The Shetland Sheepdog”.

About the inquiry. Both ladies were Secretaries of their respective clubs or organizations. Miss Bowring was a long-time secretary and a past-president of the ESSC, Catherine was a founding member and the first Secretary of the ASSA. (ESSC = English Shetland Sheepdog Club, ASSA = American Shetland Sheepdog Association). Together they approached the KC about the Collie cross notations on export pedigrees. Dogs coming to the USA with such a notation were refused registry with the AKC. These were totally acceptable to the KC as such crosses were allowed provided three generations of “get” were bred back to Shelties. I show Larkbeare appearing as a prefix in 1921 by Miss Bowring. Catherine registered the first litter of Shelties accepted in the USA (without the Collie-cross notation) in 1926. She’d had a previous litter’s registration rejected because of the cross notation on the sire’s pedigree. Together they were able to have such notations removed from any subsequent exports. Miss Bowring’s associations had been unknown to the one making the inquiry.

The statement: A re-read of “The Shetland Sheepdog” by Miss Catherine Coleman (later Moore) and published in 1943 by W.A. Gallagher, J. Nate Levine, & A. R. Miller still being a “good read” even today was put forth by a friend.

History – While Catherine, I believe, was in the UK with Miss Bowring tending to the above matter, her “helpmate”, one Miss Evelyn Davis was in charge of Sheltieland. Another young lady, who had met Catherine at a recent Westminster Show in New York City wrote to Catherine wanting to visit the kennel as she had fallen in love with the breed. Her name was Miss Mary Van Wagenen. Later these two ladies, Evelyn and Mary Van would establish Sea Isle Kennels. I have the “letter of introduction” from Evelyn to Mary inviting her to come even while Catherine was away.

Thus set the groundwork for what would later become a 50+ year relationship of all three. Mary later judged at an ESSC show and was intensely involved in pedigree research often contributing to the ESSC handbooks, the ASSA yearbooks, and helping resolve some discrepancies that appeared in them thanks to her own research, letters, knowledge, and Catherine’s files. Evelyn’s knowledge was as extensive as Mary’s but she generally stayed in the background.

The three involved with the printing of Catherine's book, the first one printed on the breed in the USA all have an extensive history as well.

Wm. Gallagher was President of the ASSA from 1940-46. He founded Page's Hill Kennels and was the owner of the dogs to win both Best Of Breed and Best Of Opposite at the very first ASSA Specialty in 1933, Ch. Piccolo O'Page's Hill & Ch. Helensdale Sapphire (newly imported at the time). Today, thanks to his grandsons, both trophies won that day are part of the ASSA archives. Mr. Gallagher personally visited the Helensdale Kennels of Jim Saunders in the UK, and a return visit was done by Mr. Saunders to Page's Hill when Mr. Saunders came to judge here. They had a friendship that lasted till Mr. Gallagher's death. Several dogs from Helensdale came to Mr. Gallagher and one dog made the trip to the UK. A Sheltieland dog that at time of import to the U.K. had the name, Am. Ch. Sheltieland Laird O'Page's Hill. Laird was also Best Of Breed at the 1938 ASSA Specialty. There still are a few dogs in the UK that trace back to Laird.

J. Nate Levine was present at the first meeting that formed the ASSA, but appears he didn't "sign-on" at that time and was present to represent Mrs. Dreer. Originally he was the kennelman for Mrs. Dreer's Annahassit Collie and Sheltie Kennel. Mrs. Dreer was the second ASSA President from 1934-38. At one time Nate traveled the Continent and UK looking at dogs or making arrangements for selected ones to come the USA. Not just Shelties but other breeds too. He became very well known as the handler of a top-winning USA Boxer among others. Later he worked directly for Mr. Gallagher and upon Mr. Gallagher's death took over Page's Hill. It is also believed that he did a few Collie crosses with the Shelties in the USA, but without verifiable proof other than a statement he himself made in that regard.

A.R. Miller's Kennel was Pixie Dell, founded in 1939, which became known particularly for their blue merles. Together he and his wife bred more than 45 Sheltie Champions. He also judged Shelties at Westminster five times. Ray compiled a "History of the ASSA" and he served in various capacities with them for many years including President from 1956-60. He suffered a stroke and passed shortly after finishing his last assignment at Westminster.

Together these three were responsible for the publishing of Catherine's book. Because it was published in 1943, special arrangements were made by Mr. Gallagher for copies of it to go to England.

They drew up a citation, signed by all the members attending that year's annual meeting of the ASSA and presented to Catherine in acknowledgement of the book. The original document is framed and in the ASSA archives.

I was lucky enough to meet Catherine around 1972 when she judged at Trinity Valley SSC in Texas, one, if not her last assignment, to do so anywhere. My job that day was "judge's hospitality" so I got to spend some time with her and her traveling companion, a Mrs. Willette White of Ken-Rob Shelties. Willie and I have now traveled together to Crufts in 2008 and 2010 and to many of our ASSA Sheltie Nationals including this year. It was a fateful meeting, not realized at the time as I had not that long before acquired my own Sheltie and joined my first Specialty Club.

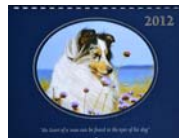
Later I was to return “home” to Massachusetts. I found myself not far from Sea Isle, Ken-Rob, and what had been Sheltieland. Mary Van was a board member of the Western Mass. SSC which I joined. We held “puppy picnics” at Sea Isle every summer to which Catherine came so I got to meet her several more times. I remember asking her once how old she was, her reply “What year is this, 1990? Then I am 90”. Her home had suffered a fire at some point yet they rescued boxes of her book in paperback form from the ruins. She signed quite a few of them, came to our local Specialty that year, signed more in person and gave me the remaining to sell with all monies to go into the ASSA Trophy fund. She couldn’t believe that anyone would still be interested in her book !! This all before I was appointed Historian for the ASSA.

I spent other times at Sea Isle with Mary Van and Evelyn never knowing I’d one day be given most of their accumulated history on the breed. Mary had collected and wrote to everyone in the USA and elsewhere from the time she “discovered” the breed when she was about 16 years old before she was able to acquire her own Sheltie. Many of those letters are in the archives today. Some of Catherine’s material ended up at Sea Isle as well. They had remained close friends those many years, Catherine, Evelyn, Mary and Willie. It was Mary who suggested I get in contact with a certain Bob Miller who does the breed statistics for both the ASSA and the Canadian SSC (I initially thought he might have some relationship with the above A.R. Miller, he didn’t). Today he and I still work together. I was not lucky enough to personally meet other’s listed above, but as the Historian for the Breed in the USA since 1994, I have learned much about all of them, including Miss Bowring. Were the stars in alignment, was it fate or coincidence that I met those I did when I did? Who’s to know, but I feel lucky today that I did.

Pat Ferrell, American Shetland Sheepdog Association Historian



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- Baby Puppy Dog First- Mrs C & Miss E Luxford (AMBERMOON KOSMIC KID)
Second- Mrs K C Tonkin (ARAJENTO THE DIPLOMAT)
Third- Mrs B A Shepherdson (IFONLY HES IN GODS TOP TEN(AI))
- Puppy Dog First- MRS S VAN DINTER (SUNLAND SHARP DRESSED MAN)
Second- Mrs B A Shepherdson (SHELSIAN DOUBLE DARE)
Third- Ms J Harris (LURIKEEN TALK NORTI TO ME)
- Junior Dog First- Ms J Harris (LURIKEEN NORTI LITTLE SECRET)
Second- Mrs K C Tonkin (ARAJENTO WEAVE ME A DREAM)
- Intermediate Dog First- Miss M Edmondson (SHELTASTIC EAT MY SHORTZ)
Second- F D & MRS H A HAWKINS (KISMET SO UWANT TSEE TH WIZARD)
- State Bred Dog First- MRS S VAN DINTER (CH. SUNLAND SECRET LIASON)
Second- Mrs K C Tonkin (CH. ARAJENTO SPELLBINDER)
Third- Mrs D Leverington & Miss K Post (LURIKEEN IM SO NOT NORTI)
- Open Dog First- Mrs M Howe (CH. KISMET RAIN SHADOW)
Second- Mr I R & Mrs C E Spangler (GRAND. CH. SHELSIAN STAR SPANGLED)
Third- Mrs K C Tonkin (GRAND. CH. ARAJENTO CALICO KID)
- Baby Puppy Bitch First- Miss K E Post (WHOAMI FLASH N DASH)
Second- Miss K E Post (WHOAMI BUT DA PRINCESS)
Third- Mr E & Mrs L Hagarty (ASHEM LITTLE MISS LUCKY)
- Puppy Bitch First- Mrs D Leverington & Miss A Stanton (LURIKEEN LITTLE MISS NORTI)
Second- Mrs J L Mitchell (LURIKEEN GOTTA HAVE ALL OF YOU)
Third- Miss E M Ayre (SHELTAIRE DONT DREAM ITS OVER)
- Junior Bitch First- Mrs C & Miss E Luxford (AMBERMOON MISS LA DEE DAH)
Second- Miss E M Ayre (SHELTAIRE THE DREAM BEGINS)
Third- MRS S VAN DINTER (SUNLAND STAR MAIDEN)
- Intermediate Bitch First- Mrs K C Tonkin (ARAJENTO RAISING HELL)
Second- Sharndah Kennels (SHARNDAH BUTTERFLY SECRET)
Third- Mrs K C Tonkin (ARAJENTO HOT DAMN HERE I AM)
- State Bred Bitch First- Mrs K C Tonkin (ARAJENTO RAISING ARAZONA)
Second- MRS S VAN DINTER (CH. SUNLAND SHES TAILRD MADE)
Third- Ms D Simpson (NIGHTWOOD I GOT BLING)
- Open Bitch First- MRS S VAN DINTER (CH. SUNLAND SAPPHIRE BLUE)
Second- Mr I R & Mrs C E Spangler (CH. SHELSIAN SEDONA)
Third- Miss A Stanton (GRAND. CH. LURIKEEN TURN UP TH HEAT)
- Challenge Dog** MRS S VAN DINTER (CH. SUNLAND SECRET LIASON)
Mrs K C Tonkin (CH. ARAJENTO SPELLBINDER)
- Res Chal Bitch** Mrs K C Tonkin (ARAJENTO RAISING HELL)
- Challenge Bitch** MRS S VAN DINTER (CH. SUNLAND SAPPHIRE BLUE)
- BOB R/U** Mrs K C Tonkin (ARAJENTO RAISING HELL)
- BOB** **MRS S VAN DINTER (CH. SUNLAND SAPPHIRE BLUE)**



SHETLAND CLUB OF ITALY

CLUB SHOW MONTICHIARI

September 10th 2011

Judge: Mr Alan Jones. UK



BOB - CH. GOING FOR GOLD DI SELVASPINA and BOS - ILARY MISTIK BLUE

(NOTE: allev: breeder / propr.: owner)

Minor puppy dog

1° very promising PHANTOM DI SELVASPINA - BEST PUPPY - allev: A. Albrigo – propr: P.Guariso

Junior Dog

1° ECC BEST JUNIOR - TESORO KINGS RANSOM - allev: R.Allan – propr: Allev. Enfy's

Interm Dog

1° ECC RIS. CAC. - CATCH THE WIND DI SELVAPINA – allev: A. Albrigo – propr: R. Bersan

Open Dog

1° ECC CAC - DANDY BOY DI SELVASPINA - allev: A. Albrigo - propr : Allev. di Selvaspina

Champion Dog

1° ECC BEST DOG - BOB - CH. GOING FOR GOLD DI SELVASPINA - allev: A.Albrigo - propr: A. Gili

Junior Bitch

1° ECC BEST BITCH - BOS - ILARY MISTIK BLUE - allev: D.Tirsi - propr: F. Raho

Interm Bitch

1° ECC CAC - GRACE OF AN ANGEL - allev: A. Gili - propr : A. Gili

Open Bitch

1° ECC RIS. CAC - PAILLETTE DI SELVASPINA - allev: A. Albrigo - propr: Allev. di Selvaspina

FULL RESULTS AND PHOTOS HERE:

http://www.shetlandclubitalia.it/raduni_2011.html





Pippin & Seren – Life at the Old Mill Cottage

By Fred Clough



The Shelties at the Old Mill Cottage have a story to tell!

This book is inspired by the adventures and reflections of a wise old Sheltie dog Pippin, and Seren - the Star Puppy, who came to live with him at the Old Mill Cottage, Wales.

www.pippinandseren.com

For many years we have loved and shared our lives with Shelties in our family, sometimes one, sometimes two, including breeding two chubby little puppies. About two years ago after our ten year old bitch Misty sadly died, leaving Pippin all alone, we decided it would be good to provide him with a new companion. My wife Mair found a beautiful eight-week-old Blue Merle Sheltie bitch of good pedigree - Seren (the Welsh word for Star) - who she hoped to 'show', and perhaps breed one day.

It was fascinating watching the old dog Pippin and the new puppy Seren interact in their new relationship - I could not resist putting words into their mouths, and so the story "Pippin and Seren – Life at the Old Mill Cottage" was born!

I imagined their 'conversations' as Seren sought to learn from Pippin with incessant questioning, and Pippin taught her how to behave properly, what to expect from 'people', and about her new life at our Old Mill Cottage in Wales. One could almost hear Pippin saying: "Leave me alone you young pup. Don't you jump all over me; can't you see I want a bit of peace?"

Soon the stories revealed their imaginary (and real) adventures in the woods and garden, excursions to the beach and Dog Shows, and conversations about Life at the Old Mill Cottage. Pippin shares his wisdom with the curious young Seren, teaching her 'people talk', and 'dog talk', sharing life in the garden with the birds, the fox, the rabbits, and 'making friends'.

"One day a baby rabbit came hopping across the lawn in front of Seren's very eyes. Pippin was away exploring in the bushes. Seren stood amazed, and then she approached it slowly and playfully as if not to frighten it. But it quickly dashed away through the fence to safety when an angry Pippin arrived. Perhaps Seren wanted to make a friend of the little rabbit too!"

I enjoyed portraying their different personalities, having hopes and dreams as well as fears. Seren questions Pippin: -

"You have lots of wonderful memories, but do you have dreams?"

"Yes I have dreams, but not like Misty. She had nightmares, I have daydreams. I used to dream that I could be a cat."

Seren burst into giggles when she heard this. "What a silly dream. I thought you didn't like cats?"

"You know I loved Dusty, and I thought I'd like to live his way, being wild and free. He could go out into the fields and hills whenever he wanted, never on a lead, and he could find his own food by hunting. ...I can't feed myself like cats. I wish I could... So I had a better dream. Every time I look out there across the road to the sheep fields, I wish I were a real Working Dog, out in the fields all day..."

Of course they have their share of fun and mischief, especially in Dad's precious vegetable garden: -

"We are going to have some fun now" Pippin chuckled. "Let's pull and tug at those bean plants to make the whole row shake - just like you do shaking your floppy bunny Seren"

I wrote because the Shelties inspired me, and I enjoyed being under their spell. The stories reflect their real life setting in the Welsh countryside, supported by beautiful illustrations by our daughter Jen Delyth which also reflect that Celtic tradition.

Although originally conceived as a dog storybook for children, "Pippin and Seren – Life at the Old Mill Cottage" has apparently been appreciated by readers of all ages.

Book available at www.pippinandseren.com through Ninth Wave Publishing



Here is a review on this book from Pat Ferrell (USA)

What a truly delightful book! I really enjoyed reading it, very light-hearted and uplifting. Once I started I didn't put it down till I'd finished it. Very realistic and shows many sides of our lovely dogs, how they may think and act, and possibly why. I think any age would enjoy the read - I'm sure I will read it again!

Pat Ferrell - ASSA Historian





Melbourne Royal

September 2011



Photo: Pedini

**BOB: CH LYNDREAM TO BE A MAGICIAN
And
Best In Group 3**

SHETLAND SHEEPDOG

Judge: Mr Bo Skalin (Finland)

01 Baby Puppy Dog

- 1 Mrs H & Ms K Walls: HARTLY STAR ALLIANCE
- 2 Louanda Kennels: LOUANDA CREATE A DREAM

01A Baby Puppy Bitch

- 1 Louanda Kennels: LOUANDA SHOW STOPPER

02 Minor Puppy Dog

- 1 Tigrada Kennels: TIGRADA OSPREY
- 2 Tigrada Kennels: TIGRADA PEREGRINE

02A Minor Puppy Bitch

- 1 Mrs L Pearson: LYNDREAM ROYAL CREATION
- 2 Miss D Brearley: LYNDREAM GRANT A WISH

03 Puppy Dog

- 1 Ms D Berryman: TISMAN FIRE STORM

03A Puppy Bitch

- 1 Louanda Kennels: LOUANDA EXCLUSIVE STYLE
- 2 Mrs A Trueman: TRUEANGEL MISTS OF SKYE
- 3 Mrs A Walters: SHARNDAH BUTTERFLY BLU

04A Junior Bitch

- 1 Miss N Pearson: CH LYNDREAM CLASSIC
- 2 Sharndah Kennels: SYRINGA NEW ADVENTURE (Imp USA)
- 3 Mrs H And Ms K Walls: LIMBUNYA DAISY DANCING

05 Intermediate Dog

- 1 Mrs H And Ms K Walls: ARAJENTO IMA BELIEVER
- 2 Sharndah Kennels: CH SHARNDAH TH SWANKY YANK
- 3 Miss M Biggs: KIRRIMIST BENTLEIGH NBLU

05A Intermediate Bitch

- 1 Louanda Kennels: AMBERMOON COME WHAT MAY
- 2 Miss T Addison: LYNDREAM MAGICAL INTERLUDE
- 3 Mrs S Fox: SHELMANNA SWEET SERENDER

10 Australian Bred Dog

- 1 Mrs R Prentice: CH LYNDREAM TO BE A MAGICIAN
- 2 Ms K Blair: GR CH MEEGA CHAMPAGNE LOVER
- 3 Mrs G Hurley-Kees: TIAKINA TIME BLUE BY

10A Australian Bred Bitch

- 1 Ms J Ashmore: HILLACRE HYLAND MEMORY
- 2 Mrs L Pearson: CH HARTLY DIAMONDS R MAGIC

11 Open Dog

- 1 Louanda Kennels: CH & ENG CH RANNERDALE THE TIME WARP (Imp UK)
- 2 Mr A Lim & Mrs P Brennan-Lim: CH & JAP CH KENCHERRYS UNION BLACK JACK (Imp JPN)
- 3 Ms J Docksey: GR CH SHELMANNA ZULU PRINCE

11A Open Bitch

- 1 Mr D Griffiths: CH DAESTAR DAWNS MYSTIC SPELL
- 2 Miss L Berrill: GR CH SHELMANNA ZULU MOONBEAMS
- 3 Miss T Walters: GR CH SHARNDAH BUTTERFLY KISSES

50S **Challenge Dog**

- 1 Mrs R Prentice: CH LYNDREAM TO BE A MAGICIAN

55S **Challenge Bitch**

- 1 Louanda Kennels: LOUANDA EXCLUSIVE STYLE

51S Reserve Challenge Dog

- 1 Louanda Kennels: CH & ENG CH RANNERDALE THE TIME WARP (Imp UK)

52S Reserve Challenge Bitch

- 1 Miss N Pearson: CH LYNDREAM CLASSIC

90S **Best of Breed**

- 1 Mrs R Prentice: **CH LYNDREAM TO BE A MAGICIAN**

91S **R/Up Best of Breed**

- 1 Louanda Kennels: CH & ENG CH RANNERDALE THE TIME WARP (Imp UK)

96S **Best Puppy of Breed**

- 1 Louanda Kennels: LOUANDA EXCLUSIVE STYLE

99S **Best Baby Puppy of Breed**

- 1 Mrs H & Ms K Walls: HARTLY STAR ALLIANCE



Australian Grand Champion Kelanmee Top Deck
Bred, Owned and Handled by Kim Tresidder
Southern Highlands, NSW Australia



Proud Of New Canadian Champions

At Belleville in her only entry of the weekend my bred by co-own girl 'Bethy'
received WB,BOW & BOB over Specials an if this is not enough on to Group 3RD
giving her FIVE points an her CH. It is now

NEW!!! MULTI BOB CHAMPION SHARLS CAMELOTS LADY MACBETH

My thanks to all the judges who seen her and awarded her

With this comes my extreme happy honor and privilege to announce

******* SHARLS FIRST ROMC *******

THIS GIVES HER MOTHER HER FIFTH CHAMPION AND THE COVENTED **ROMC** TITLE

So it is now **SHARLS LADY SHALANVERA ROMC** (CKC PEND.)

Vera is by AM/CAN CH Rowanglen's Sir Lancelot X Sharls lady Guinevere

Thanks to handlers Laurie Campbell and Shelly McHugh-Bowmans who picked up the last and more then needed finial points to achieve this wonderful goal of an ROMC title that I was after. I just can't thank you enough

Also much thanks to the co-owners of Bethy Ken and Barbra Barber for allowing me to continue to show her to this Championship and to gain Vera's ROMC title as she was the only one who could do this. It's been a dream comes true for me to achieve.

Thanks for letting me share .Warmest regards

Sharon MacLean. SHARLS SHELTIES. Canada

www.sharlsshelties.com





UK SHELTYE CLUB SHOWS

Links to results and pictures from a selection of recent UK Sheltie Club Shows

Yorkshire Shetland Sheepdog Club. Open Show. October 2nd 2011

<http://www.yssc.co.uk/>

Judges: Dogs: Mr R Clubley (Mossvale) Bitches: Mrs F Kaye (Danfrebek)

Northern Counties Shetland Sheepdog Club. Open Show. October 16th 2011

<http://www.ncssc.org.uk/>

Judge: Miss Sharon Main (Shenachie)

English Shetland Sheepdog Club. Championship Show. October 22nd 2011

<http://www.essc.org.uk/>

Judges: Dogs: Mrs M Withers (Stanydale) Bitches: R Allan (Tesoro)

Mid Western Shetland Sheepdog Club. Championship Show. October 30th 2011

<http://www.mwssc.org/>

Judges: Dogs: Mrs A Wyse (Rivvalee) Bitches: Miss E J Ford (Mountmoor)

Shetland Sheepdog Club Of North Wales: Championship Show. November 12th 2011

<http://www.sscnw.co.uk/>

Judges: Dogs: Mr T Williams (Heathlake) Bitches: Mrs G Partridge (Rainelorr)

Eastern Counties Shetland Sheepdog Club. Championship Show. November 20th 2011

<http://www.ecssc.org.uk/>

Judges: Dogs: Mrs C Shovelton (Dunbrae) Bitches: Mr M Ewing (Sommerville)

E.S.S.C. Working Section

Results of the Obedience Classes held at the
E.S.S.C. Championship Show on 22nd October 2011

PRE-BEGINNERS

Judge Gerard Paisley

- 1st Mrs G Recker – Magic Monty vom Erkelenzer Land
- 2nd Mrs J Howe – Shellthorn Blue Dazzle
- 3rd Mrs W Ashby – Ellenmore Lady Be Quick
- 4th Mrs B Jamieson – Mountland Mountain Stream
- 5th Mrs W Ashby – Chelmarsh Finish-n-Touch
- 6th Mr M Burdett – Mountland Made in Heaven

BEGINNERS

Judge Sue Howard

- 1st Mrs G Recker – Magic Monty vom Erkelenzer Land
- 2nd Mr M Burdett – Mountland Made in Heaven
- 3rd Mr & Mrs Woolley – Valjon Light in the Darkness
- 4th Mrs R Burdett – Chandling Ebony Charge

NOVICE

Judge Gerard Paisley

- 1st Miss M Pettit – Franmead Fleck of Markit
- 2nd Mrs I P Helsby – Mistmere Music of the Night
- 3rd Mrs K Merek – Mohnesee's Man on a Mission
- 4th Mrs M Horsfield – Tarasol Blue Diamond P Beg.Ex
- 5th Mrs J Williams – Peerieglen Phoenix at Gleniewoods
- 6th Mrs K Fagg – Dukeson its Calvin Klein JW Sh. CM

CLASS 'A'

Judge Sue Howard

- 1st Miss M Pettit – Lirren Reddy Magic of Markit
- 2nd Mrs I P Helsby – Mistmere Music of the Night
- 3rd Miss R Kennedy – Rosias Tiger Lily at Donbeley
- 4th Ms H Hicks – Myndoc Monkey Puzzle
- 5th Mrs K Merek – Ayrpark Harrys Star
- 6th Mrs L Gibbs – Glensanda Garrity

CLASS 'B'

Judge Gerard Paisley

- 1st Mrs P Albrow – Shelridge Black Pearl
- 2nd Mrs K Merek – Ayrpark Harrys Star

<http://www.esscworkingsection.co.uk/>



Shetland Sheepdog Club of Northern Ireland

Open Breed Show

Judge: Mrs. Ellen Wilkie (Avonbank Shelties) UK



Best Dog and Best In Show: Tachnamadra The Tempest Sh CM
Res Best Dog: Fearnach Blue Rhapsody at Cluanultaigh



Best Bitch and Res Best In Show: Jaymur Touch of Class
Res Best Bitch and BPIS: Beechote Cut To The Chase

JD

- 1) Davis...ARDLYN CHARLEY HARPER

GD 2

- 1) Jackson's ...FERNACH BLUE RHAPSODY AT CLUAINULTAIGH
- 2) Armstrong's...BEEHCOTE TREASURE CHEST

LD 5 (1 abs)

- 1) McDade's...ARDLYN MICKEY BO
- 2) McArdle's...SLIEVEMAC SPACEMAN
- 3) Dunne's...JAPARO DESIGNED TO DAZZLE
- 4) McKnight's...LEAWOOD BLUEBERRY HILL WITH CINBARAMY

OD 5 (3 abs)

- 1) Kyle & Mann's...TACHNAMADRA THE TEMPEST Sh CM
- 2) Smyth's...JAYMUR HARVESTER AT SANERN

Vet D 1

- 1) Smyth's...SOMMERVILLE JAMIE AT SANERN

Sp OD s/w 2 (1 abs)

- 1) Jackson's...SEMITAR SPICE DREAM AT CLUAINULTAIGH

Sp OD B/W 1

- 1) McKnight's...DRUMCAUHLIE BLACKTHORN FOR CINBARAMY

MPB 2

- 1) Armstrong's...BEECHOTE HIGHLY FAVOURED
- 2) Close... WHISKERVIEW GOLDEN GIRL

PB 4 (1 abs)

- 1) Armstrong's...BEECHOTE CUT TO THE CHASE
- 2) Jenkins...JENTOPI CORNELIA MARIE
- 3) Close...WHISKERVIEW GOLDEN GIRL

JB 1

- 1) O'Neill's...ARDLYN BETTY BLUE AT CARONLEA

GB 4

- 1) Hagan's JAYMUR TOUCH OF CLASS
- 2) O'Neill's...ARDLYN BETTY BLUE AT CARONLEA
- 3) Taylor's...ANNAGHMORE BLACK DIAMOND
- 4) McKnight's...CINBARAMY HELLO DARLIN

LB 5 (2 abs)

- 1) Dunne's...FEARNACH FROSTY MOON AT LONGRANGE
- 2) McArdle's SLIEVEMAC CHRISTMAS FEVER
- 3) McKnight's...CINBARAMY SATISFACTION

OB 4 (3 abs)

- 1) McKnight's...LEAWOOD FRANCESCA WITH CINBARAMY

VB 3 (1 abs)

- 1) McArdle's...IR CH GLENAWIND SERENA BLUE FOR SLIEVEMAC
- 2) McKnight's...CINBARAMY MYSTERY GIRL

Bitch never having won a First Prize

- 1) JENTOPI CORNEILIA MARIE

Sp OB Tri 4 (1 abs)

- 1) JENTOPI CORNEILIA MARIE
- 2) ANNAGHMORE BLACK DIAMOND
- 3) CINBARAMY HELLO DARLIN

Sp OB B/M 2

- 1) IR CH GLENAWIND SERENA BLUE FOR SLIEVEMAC
- 2) Mcknight's...CINBARAMY TRUE COLOURS

Valerie Kyle. Ireland





Masquerade Ball



Therapy Dogs: Fred, Spenser and Jordon

Hope Hospice sponsored a Masquerade Ball last weekend and the therapy dogs went to the Ball in their formal best.

Sherry Lindsey USA



Optimal Selection

New Advances In Technology

In case many are not aware, there is a new DNA service designed to help maintain diversity in gene pools. It is called Optimal Selection, and performed by Mars Veterinary Service. Using blood tests from various potential mates, breeding scores are given based on the compatibility of the chromosomes. Lower scores means more diversity. Of particular interest now is chromosome 12 as this one seems to be a key to a lot of the immune system.

Read more here: <http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/novel-new-dog-dna-test-turns-breeders-into-genetic-matchmakers-132435063.html>

Cheryl Anderson USA

The Editor Welcomes Your Opinions For The March Edition



HEALTH RESEARCH UPDATES

MDR1

Multidrug Sensitivity in Herding Breeds: MDR1 Gene Mutation

A few weeks ago, the 'Bristol, Dorset and Somerset' branch of the English Shetland Sheepdog club (UK) held an afternoon talk on the MDR1 gene mutation. The presentation was given by Veterinary Surgeon Niall Taylor MRCVS, from the Orchard Veterinary Group in Glastonbury UK

This was an interesting and easy to understand presentation, and Niall has posted the transcript of the presentation on his group's website.

You can read the presentation here:

<http://www.ovg.co.uk/MDR1.html>

Breeds Affected:

<http://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-VCPL/breeds.aspx>

Problem Drugs:

<http://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-VCPL/drugs.aspx>



DERMATOMYOSITIS RESEARCH (DM / FCD)

Dermatomyositis (DM/FCD) (Updated March 2011)

Latest Information on research and treatments can be found on the

American Shetland Sheepdog Association website: <http://www.assa.org/health.html>

Interview on DM/FCD with Dr Leigh Anne Clark

<http://www.akcchf.org/news-events/multimedia/podcasts/dermatomyositis.html>



MEGAESOPHAGUS RESEARCH

Dr. Leigh Anne Clark of Clemson University Genetics Lab (USA) has been working on megaesophagus research. If you have a dog that was diagnosed at or before the age of one year (congenital megaesophagus), Dr Clark would like DNA cheek swabs samples from those dogs for her research.

Info can be found here:

http://www.pedigreedatabase.com/german_shepherd_dog/forum/95909.html

All breeds are now qualified for DNA submissions.



Link to Information on Junior Renal Dysplasia (JRD) Page 43



WHY I BOUGHT GERMAN SHELTIES

Juvenile Renal Dysplasia (JRD) kidney failure.

Not just shelties, but many breeds.

At the end of this article I will tell you what to look for in your puppies but for now I will tell you my story



Roxy

I sold a cute little female puppy on a spay agreement. She was sired by one of my champions out of a champion sired bitch. She was very small so needed to go into a pet home. She was named "Roxy". I got nice letters from the owners about how well she was doing and then one day the bad news. Roxy had kidney failure. She had undergone all kinds of tests and it was decided she had JRD. Her wonderful owners took good care of her, put her on a special diet and she lived a happy healthy life and made it to 2 years and 4 months old and then suddenly went down. It was excruciating for both them and me, but meanwhile I was studying the problem. I found out that a test for JRD had just been developed in Canada. It takes two cheek swabs and the cost is \$135 dollars a dog. After studying everything I could about the hereditary disease I knew I wanted to clean up my stock. Yes, you can clean up your stock.

I had every dog I own tested and even tested some dogs I no longer owned. Almost all the dogs were double gene carriers. If you have a double gene carrier then you know that both the parents are carriers.

Now what? Where could I go to find clear stock? You have to have clear stock to breed to double gene carriers to get single gene carriers, which you then breed to single gene carriers to get clear stock. Or you can breed a single gene carrier to a single gene carrier to get a fifty percent chance of clear stock. I started my search.

Because I show my dogs I went to the top breeders, whose dogs I liked, to find clear stock. I have bred many specialty winning champions and I knew what I was after. As it turned out I could not find anyone doing the testing, and no one was willing to guarantee against JRD.

Most carriers never exhibit any problems. Even double gene carriers usually live normal lives without a problem. It is rare for a dog to actually exhibit signs of JRD

I started searching outside the U.S.A.

I found to my astonishment that the JRD problem was global! Finally I found a section of a club in Germany that was getting together on the problem and having testing done (managed over by an independent German Sheltie magazine). Yippee!

Having finally found the right people in Germany to approach, they were not too willing to sell me a dog outright but after checking me out thoroughly and much discussion; they said they would sell me sperm. So I purchased sperm from three different champion dogs that were all clear JRD. I was thrilled. I won't go into all the ups and downs we all went through in getting the frozen sperm collected and sent to America, suffice it to say it was stressful for everyone, time consuming, (I am so impatient), and quite expensive.

The sperm had to be frozen, not chilled. I had to find the best vet, most knowledgeable in doing frozen sperm and then the vet had to operate on my bitches to inseminate them, just like a c-section. I had to bring my bitches in every day to the vets and have blood drawn to get the exact moment for breeding and after all that both bitches that I had impregnated reabsorbed all the puppies anyway. This was a heartbreak for all the kennels that were working with me and for me. When the ultrasound showed puppies I was delirious with joy, when they all got absorbed I cried. Poor them, poor me, poor everyone.

I had used really good bitches that had had a couple of good litters already so I knew they were the perfect bitches to use. By now I had been working on this project for over a year and spent about \$4000 dollars and gotten nowhere. The Germans of the club section felt pity on me and decided to sell me actual puppies. At this news I was literally jumping up and down for joy, I was shouting around the front room and clapping my hands like a little girl, you would have thought I had just won Westminster.

Now I waited on pins and needles for puppies to be on the ground. Again, I'm sooo impatient. I had only told a few people what I was doing. Some were supportive but some people that knew I was buying German puppies told me I was going to be very disappointed in them. I even had people from Germany telling me they hoped I wasn't disappointed in the German dogs as they look so different to American shelties. I knew all that. I had been studying German dogs to find out how different they were going to be. I told all my friends and my "naysayers", I wasn't buying them for their looks, I was buying them for their genetics. I knew their heads were going to be much smaller and much slenderer than ours. But I thought it was funny because they call our dogs "big headed". I also knew they would be a smaller dog with a finer bone, a racier dog. Okay, I could accept that. Actually some of our dogs have too much bone and are getting awfully big and clunky. So smaller wasn't a bad thing.

The day came when the puppies were born. All tricolors, what luck, just what I needed. I felt like I was adopting a couple of babies. Pictures were sent each week for progress reports, and then when they were old enough all the tests were done.

I have to tell you we have it easy here in USA. In Germany the litters, kennel and dogs were screened by a person from the club before the puppies were 3 weeks old and after that they were checked again before they can be sold (about 8 to 9 weeks old). A report about type and quality, the condition of the dam, the rearing and socialization is done, and the chips, the vaccination certificates etc. have to be checked, too. The hoops everyone has to go through is amazing.

WOW! Everything checked out great! Now we had to figure out how to get them across the ocean. Neither the breeder nor I had done imports before. It finally all got done.

When they arrived at SeaTac Airport in Seattle I was a nervous mommy. I couldn't sleep the night before. I got to the airport after getting lost on the way, and then airport workers made me really jump through hoops to get them, going from one station to another so that I was finally in tears saying, "Where ARE MY PUPPIES!". Then they swung open the huge bay doors and there they were. Little tiny black furry balls in a great big huge white cage.

By now about \$8000 dollars on my part was spent to get these sweet little black furry things that looked up at me with big round eyes and pointed little noses like they were about ready to cry too.

My girl friend drove me home from the airport so that I could cuddle with the dogs. I noticed one of the ears on the male was a little high, which turned out to be stress related. They were such small little dogs for their age. I looked at their faces and thought, yep, if they were from my breeding they would be designated pet quality, not much foreface, pointed little noses.

But I had a lot to learn. They showed me. I knew they were the largest ones in their respective litters and I wondered how small the others must have been. I looked at my girl friend and said, "What can I say, they breed them little". But whatever they looked like at that age we were both thrilled to have these clear JRD dogs home. They were going to save my line, maybe save the breed. They were worth their weight in gold.



Dazzler



Changer

I carried the female into the house just fine but I still remember when I carried the male into the house he peed all over me, yep nerves. A nice introduction. The male has always been the nervous one. It was good that they could sleep together as they had grown up together even though they were from different litters. So they snuggled together in their new home and I loved them to pieces. That night I kept going in and checking on them, I just couldn't believe that they were finally here. They had already been named in Germany and registered. The male is "Sweet'n Special Caviar's The Game Changer", the female is "Sweet'n Special Dazzler At Caviar". Dr. Andrea Eißing of "Sweet'n Special" kennel is the wonderful breeder to whom I will always be so grateful. The father of both of them is German Ch. Blue Nick Nack O'the Highlands. The mother of "Dazzler" is Green Paradise Another Day In Heaven. The mother of "Changer" is Ch. Dully z Hermanova dvora sired by PL Ch. Moorwood Caribbean Night Trophy.

As they developed I did see the difference between the German style sheltie and the American shelties. Besides being smaller - the male especially, who did not quite make size - they had slightly oriental looking eyes. But they are very almond and very oblique and very proper as all Dazzler's judges put on her VI-A reports. The female turned out to be the closest to American dogs as she made it to 14 inches. Yes they do not have the broad muzzles, or as much bone as our dogs have but this is what they do have.

Natural tipped ears

Clean heads

Loads of coat (stands out without brushing)

Beautiful correct croups

Beautiful long and correct tail sets

Front legs that are set well back behind the withers!!!! I love this, the best about them, it's a WOW Factor.

Great angulation front and rear to match

Long gliding reach both front and back (to die for)

The female has a beautiful outline, and loads of neck, the male doesn't have as much neck but it's still enough to have a nice outline.

And to watch these dogs move and play is a symphony. They move low to the ground like an Aussie, and they also have great scent drive. These dogs would make the best agility dogs ever. They also have the instinct of the original "crofter dogs". Nobody can sneak up on my house. Not even a mouse.

I have to reiterate, what these dogs have that you don't much see in America's shelties is the beautiful correct croup and tail set and the beautiful front with front legs set well behind the withers. You just have to see it to believe it.

So they were growing up now and the time came to show the female in the International shows. What a day. I was scared silly that I would just get kicked out of the ring because of her long slender head. But, these judges knew what they were doing. Even with good competition she flew to her title. The male was too small to go.



Dazzler Photo: Bruce Ching

Dazzler got her V1-A's all the way through and finished her International Championship in one weekend. The judges made me work for it though. They made me run my little female around the ring, over and over and over again. Why? Because they wanted to watch her move. Why? Because they had never seen a sheltie move that good before. They were awestruck but I was ready to pass out. They all mentioned her funny looking head, (at which time I would politely reply, "these are imports from Germany" and the judges all replied back, "Oh, well you can get head back in one breeding, I love the body and structure and movement and that's more important.) And I - sighed a sigh of relief. She then went on to take a "Group 3" and a "Group 2" over good competition, on her way to her title. I came home with several nice medallions and it was a night to relax and shed a few tears of joy and grunt at my naysayers and e-mail the breeder the good news.

Now I felt that it had all been worth it. Dazzler is too young yet to breed but when she comes in heat next I will be breeding her. I have my two dogs that are "clear JRD" and I have my beautiful line up of Caviar champions to breed them with which you can see if you visit my website, www.caviarshelties.com And now I can clear up my stock. Carefully, slowly maybe, but it will get done. I won't throw the baby out with the bathwater, but now I have the formula to get beautiful clear dogs. I hope that others who care will start checking their stock for JRD and be responsible. Let's promote those dogs that are clear so we can eliminate the beautiful little "Roxy" dogs from a terrible death. Be responsible. You can't all go to the extreme of importing dogs, it is expensive, it is time consuming and it is not for the faint of heart but you can all get the cheek swabs done and start learning. Let's all do our part.

How Can You Tell If Your Dog Has JRD?

Clear looking urine from puppies
Fishy smelling breath
Drinking too much water
Does your dog pee in its bed at night after being house broken
Puppy not growing normally
Off his/her feed

These are some of the things to look for, and if your dog does turn out to have a kidney problem it can be put on a special diet. This diet will help it to live longer but it can not cure it.

Elicia Stevens USA

Juvenile Renal Dysplasia (JRD)

A paper on JRD by Mary H Whiteley here:

<http://www.videxgsd.com/PDF/JRD%20%2D%20THE%20DNA%20TEST.pdf>

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and Preserve Genetic Diversity in your breed
Mary H. Whiteley, Ph.D."**



PORTADOWN CANINE CLUB

7th All Breed Championship Show
(Irish Kennel Club Rules and Regulations)
15th October 2011 Judge: Mrs S. J. Wolfskill



Best of Breed and 2nd in Group 1 (Left): Ir, Rus, Ukr, FCI Int, RFK Ch Navarrem The Conqueror CW '07, D, 16/05/05, Bred by Exh, UK Ch Lythwood Spin Doctor x Ir Ch Navarrem Summer Nights An Ch 04
Best Baby Puppy in Breed and in Group 1 (Right): Cinbaramy Black Angel, B, 22/04/11, Bred by Exh, Drumcauchlie Blackthorn for Cinbaramy x Leawood Francesca with Cinbaramy

Puppy Dog

1. Farrell's **Moifara Hope and Dreams**, D, 31/12/10, Bred by Exh, Tachnamadra the Tempest x Karyshanty Pure Destiny of Moifara

Junior Dog

1. Castillo's **Irish Legend of Navarrem**, D, 12/11/10, Bred by Proctor, Degallo the Legend x Irish Dancer
2. Higgins **Cearthall Hurrican Higgins**, S, 14/08/10, Bred by Exh, Tachnamadra the Tempest x Channerswick Black Lace at Cearthall
3. Jackson's **Fearnach Blue Rhapsody at Cluainultaigh**, D, 06/08/10, Bred by McDonald, Ir Ch Longrange Lothario at Fearnach CW 10 x Fearnach Lady in Blue

Intermediate Dog

1. Hall's **Marizan Twilight, Jun Ch**, D, Bred by Exh 05/11/09, UK Ch Milesend Night Force x Ir Ch Karyshanty Spellbound at Marizan

Open Dog

1. Kyle & Mann's **Tachnamadra the Tempest**, D, 17/08/2008, Bred by Bywater, Multi Ch Japaro Eye of the Storm x Ellenyorn Queen's Melody at Tachnamadra
2. Farrell's **Carolelen Clean Sweep for Moifara**, Jun Ch, JD, CJW 09, EJW 09, D, 01/12/07, Bred by Trueman, Delft Blue at Ramtin x Carolelen Candleligh
3. Jackson's **Semitar Spice Dream at Cluainultaigh**, Jun Ch, JD, D, 06/09/09, Bred by Cushley, Rannerdale the Irish Wizard at Semitar x Semitar Special Spice
4. Savage's **Shellthorn Storm in a Teacup at Savataurus**, D, 01/10/05, Bred by Martin, Jontygray Black Magic x Shellthorn String of Pearls

Champion Dog

1. Castillo's **Multi Ch Navarrem The Conqueror, CW '07**, D, 16/05/05, Bred by Exh, UK Ch Lythwood Spin Doctor x Ir Ch Navarrem Summer Nights An Ch 04

Baby Puppy Bitch

1. McKnight's **Cinbaramy Black Angel**, B, 22/04/11, Bred by Exh, Drumcauchlie Blackthorn for Cinbaramy x Leawood Francesca with Cinbaramy

Puppy Bitch

1. Farrell's **Moifara True Destiny**, B, 31/10/10, Bred by Exh, Tachnamadra the Tempest x Karyshanty Pure Destiny of Moifara

Junior Bitch

1. McDonald's **Fearnach Blue Whisper**, B, Bred by Exh 06/08/10, Ir Ch Longrange Lothario at Fearnach x Fearnach Lady in Blue
2. Jackson's **Milesend Corndolly**, B, 13/06/10, Bred by Miles, Milesend Skywalker x Shellthorn Solar Storm

Intermediate Bitch

1. Dunne's **Fearnach Frosty Moon at Longrange, Jun Ch, CJW 11, CW11**, B, Y66266, Bred by McDonald 28/10/09, Ir Ch Longrange Lothario at Fearnach x Fearnach Lady in Blue.

Open Bitch

1. McDonald's **Tooralie's Edition de Luxe at Fearnach**, Jun Ch, B, 27/07/09, Bred by Walker, UK Ch Rannerdale Buggy Malone x Viennetta Too'ralie
2. McKnight's **Cinbaramy Mystery Girl**, B, 19/07/04, Bred by Exh, Cinbaramy Staying Alive x Cinbaramy She's a Lady
3. Farrell's **Karyshanty Pure Destiny of Moifara**, B, 19/04/08, Bred by McDonagh, Trixandy Ace of Spades at Karyshanty x Karyshanty Celtic Spirit

Group 2, BOB & Green Star Dog:

Res Green Star Dog:

Green Star Bitch:

Res Green Star Bitch:

Best Baby Puppy in Breed & Group:

IRISH, RUSSIAN, UKRAINIAN, RFK CH NAVARREM THE CONQUEROR CW 07

TACHNAMADRA THE TEMPEST SH CM

FEARNACH FROSTY MOON AT LONGRANGE JUN CH CJW11 CW11

TOORALIE'S EDITON DE LUXE AT FEARNACH JNR CH

CINBARAMY BLACK ANGEL

By 6pm...Very happy gents and a very tired girl:



AJ McKnight and Valerie Kyle. Ireland



KENNEL CLUBE FLUMINENSE RIO DE JANEIRO – BRAZIL

JULY 9, 2011.

SHELTIE SPECIALTY - JUDGE: Mr Guy Jeavons (Canada)

22 Shelties entered
14 Bitches
08 Dogs

RESULTS:

Females: (First)

PUPPY CLASS: Seafox Glamour Girl

JUNIOR CLASS: Lady Dandara da Estação do Cão

OPEN CLASS: Lady Lucy da Estação do Cão

CHAMPION CLASS: Seafox Miracle Girl

GRAND CHAMPION CLASS: Lady Cindy da Estação do Cão

Males: (First)

PUPPY CLASS: Seafox Let's Talk About

OPEN CLASS: Macdega Match Point

CHAMPION CLASS: Sir Crypton da Estação do Cão

GRAND CHAMPION CLASS: Lynphill Better Talk Now

FINAL RESULTS:

Best Puppy: Seafox Let's Talk About

Best Junior: Lady Dandara da Estação do Cão.

Best Bitch: Lady Cindy da Estação do Cão.

Best Dog: Lynphill Better Talk Now.



BEST IN SHOW: LADY DANDARA DA ESTAÇÃO DO CÃO.

Victor Rios. Brazil



HALLOWEEN RESULTS FROM NORTHERN IRELAND



Agility: The NI WAO Team hosted a Spooktacular Extravaganza
At Cooper Hill Farm, Dundonald

All proceeds went to the Northern Ireland team for 2012 World Agility Open
Championships.

Fancy dress (dogs & folk) excelled & not-so-pretty-pumpkin just about survived as the relay
baton!



Great day, but wild wind and freeeeezing at times. Thank goodness for the hot butties ☺
Plenty of crazy classes, yes fancy dress essential for some classes (!), with Shelties holding their own.

Judges: Curtis Mullan & David Duncan

Mary & Ellie were in top form winning the Autumn Agility
with **Sooty** coming in second for Ghostly Gamblers.



Breed: In the breed ring at Bull Breeds All Breed Ch show (IKC, 31st October 2011), Joe & Brenda
Doyle's **Ch Sevenoaks Gold Edition CW11** took home GSD & BOB with Maura Farrell's
Karyshanty Pure Destiny of Moifara taking the bitch ticket, but the star of the show was Emilio
Castillo's young dog winning RGSD & BPIS!!!



**Tino (Irish Legend of Navarrem) went Best Puppy in Show at All Ireland Bull Breeds
Championship Show**

aged 11 months. Congratulations & we wish him all the best going forward to the Pup of the Year
competition.

Amy Jayne McKnight. N.Ireland

FORTHCOMING EVENTS



Denmark

We have three days of events in Denmark in late May 2012 that might be of interest to some sheltie people. Starting with a show on Saturday May 26th with Tom Coen from USA as our judge.

Also on Saturday there will be a competition in RALLY (obedience) for all breeds at the same site.

A show on Sunday May 27th May with Malcolm Hart from GB as our judge.

Then on Monday May 28th, the two judges will present a symposium on the history and development of the Shetland Sheepdog in their countries.

The Shows will be outdoor shows in the village "Lille Bjernede" very close to Sorø, about 5km from the motorway E20 on Zealand.

It is about 90km from Kastrup Airport, Copenhagen and ca. 150km from Rødby on Lolland (ferry-connection to Germany).

Entry to the shows is possible now via the "hundeweb" on the homepage of the Danish Kennel Club.

The seminar will be about 200m from the show site. **The cost of the seminar – including lunch, and more details will soon be on the homepage of the Danish Shetland Sheepdog Club: www.sheltie.dk.**

Flemming Larsson

The Danish Shetland Sheepdog Club



USA

American Shetland Sheepdog Association
National Show

'Fun In The Sun'

The Tampa Bay Area Shetland Sheepdog Club

Hosts the 2012 ASSA National In Florida

March 3rd to March 10th

Full Details and list of all Judges Here:

<http://www.tbassc.com/Nationals2012.html>



In 2012 the UK is hosting the Olympic Games in London

Why not come and visit this prestigious event, and combine your visit with a visit to a UK dog show at the same time?

Dates:

The Olympic Games: July 27th – August 12th 2012

Paralympics Games: August 29th – September 9th 2012

Information Regarding the Olympic Games Here:

<http://www.london2012.com/index.php>

Some Sheltie Club Shows around that time are:

Mid Western Shetland Sheepdog Club Open Show: August 11th 2012

North Wales Shetland Sheepdog Club Open Show: August 4th 2012

Some General Championship Dog Shows around that time are:

National Working and Pastoral Breeds. Worcester. July 14th 2012

Paignton Championship Show. Devon. Aug 11th –13th 2012

Richmond Championship Show. Near London. Sep 7th – 9th. 2012



INTERNATIONAL SHOW

Herning, Denmark

5th Nov 2011



Judge: Jan De Gids, Holland.

BOB, CACIB: Int N DK Fin SE UCh NordW-09 WW-10 WW-11 KBHW10 DKW-10 SEW-11 Japaro Eye of the Storm

(Ch Milesend Stormwarden ex Japaro Laced With Silk), breeders: Ian & Margo Nixon, owners: Finn Helge Olsen, Ian & Margo Nixon, Norway/Scotland

2nd dog, Res.Cacib: N DK SE Ch Japaro Chasing The Storm

(Ch Japaro Eye Of The Storm ex Japaro Razzle Dazzle Me), breeders: Ian & Margo Nixon, owner: Finn Helge Olsen, Norway

3rd dog, CC (DK Champion of the day): SE Ch Shelteam Ace Of Diamonds

(Ch Snapswood Schnapps ex Starbelle She's Spotless), breeder & owner: Lotta Jidegren, Sweden

4th dog, Res.CC: JWW-11 EJW-11 Poulsgaards Don't Disappoint Me

(Ch Poulsgaards Classic Design ex Ch Poulsgaards Take My Heart), breeder & owner: Tove W Poulsgaard, Denmark

BOS, CACIB: DK N Ch JWW-10 Kelroe's Pretty Black Rose

(Ch Japaro Eye Of The Storm ex Creardon's Raja), breeders: E Simonsen & A L Sivertsen, owners: Finn Helge Olsen & Anne Lise Sivertsen, Norway

2nd bitch Res.Cacib, CC: Woodmist Fine Golden Velvet

(Rannerdale Oliver Twist ex Woodmist Fine Golden Moonlight), breeder & owner: Ann-Britt Sjøgren, Sweden

3rd bitch: SE DK Ch Woodmist Fine Golden Sunlight

(Ch Sheldon Space Joker ex Woodmist Fine Golden Moonlight), breeder & owner: Ann-Britt Sjøgren, Sweden

4th bitch, BOB-Veteran: Int Nord UCh KBHV04 Grolí's Nora

(Ch Poulsgaards Be My Talisman ex Grolí's Fame Fabiola), breeder: Gro Enge, owner: Finn Helge Olsen, Norway

DANISH KENNEL CLUB'S WINNER SHOW

6th Nov 2011
Herning, Denmark

Judge: Donna Cole, Canada.

2. Best in Show, 1st in Group, BOB, CACIB, DKW-11: Int N DK Fin SE UCh NordW-09 WW-10 WW-11 KBHW10 DKW-10 SEW-11 Japaro Eye of The Storm
(Ch Milesend Stormwarden ex Japaro Laced With Silk), breeders: Ian & Margo Nixon, owners: Finn Helge Olsen, Ian & Margo Nixon, Norway/Scotland

2nd dog, Res.Cacib: N DK SE Ch Japaro Chasing The Storm
(Ch Japaro Eye Of The Storm ex Japaro Razzle Dazzle Me), breeders: Ian & Margo Nixon, owner: Finn Helge Olsen, Norway

3rd dog: N SLO DK SE FI UCH EW-10 NORDV-10 St. Kilda's Legend In Time
(Ch Da-Dar Winning Edge ex Nice Try Delightful Dee), breeders: Laila & Bjørn Lauritzen, owners: Wenche & Leif Finberg, Norway

4th dog, CC: JWW-11 EJW-11 Poulsgaards Don't Disappoint Me
(Ch Poulsgaards Classic Design ex Ch Poulsgaards Take My Heart), breeder & owner: Tove W Poulsgaard, Denmark

Res.CC: Jenner's Mickey Mouse
(Poulsgaards Man On The Moon ex Jenner's Little Leika), breeder: Gunvor Jenner Jensen, owner: Niels Erik Jensen, Denmark

BOS, CACIB, DKW-11: DK N Ch JWW-10 Kelroe's Pretty Black Rose
(Ch Japaro Eye Of The Storm ex Creardon's Raja), breeders: E Simonsen & A L Sivertsen, owners: Finn Helge Olsen & Anne Lise Sivertsen, Norway



Photo: Sofie Wollbraaten

Best in Show-Veteran, 2nd bitch, BOB-Veteran: Int Nord UCh KBHV04 Grolí's Nora
(Ch Poulsgaards Be My Talisman ex Grolí's Fame Fabiola), breeder: Gro Enge, owner: Finn Helge Olsen, Norway

3rd bitch, Res.Cacib: PLCH INTCH DKCH Hvidebro Zobel
Amor Amor Douglas Des Romarins De M ex Godt Nok Afrodithe), breeder: Jens Hagen, owner: Anna Larsen, Denmark

4rd bitch, CC: Poulsgaards Delightfúll Matop
(Poulsgaards Terriwood Stormy Nik ex Ch Poulsgaards High Fidelity), breeder & owner: Tove W Poulsgaard, Denmark

Res.CC: St. Kilda's Touch My Soul
(Ch Ha-Dar Winning Edge ex Nice Try Delightful Dee), breeders: Laila & Bjørn Lauritzen, Ingrid Gullvik & Fred Frivåg, owner: Laila Lauritzen, Norway

Mainland's Sheltie
Finn Helge Olsen (Norway)



International Dog Show



Druskininkai Mayor Cup

5th September 2011, Lithuania, Druskininkai

Judge: Inna Begma (RUS)

Winners:

Best Junior: Flyland So Perfect

Best Veteran: Si-Said Velington

Best Dog: Mei-Dan Roon

Best Bitch: Dreamhill My Golden Image

Best of Breed: Mei-Dan Roon

DOGS

Open class:



*exc1, CAC, CACIB, **BOB Mei-Dan Roon***, blue merle, s:? + d:?

exc2 Chinook z Dablový studanky, bicolor, s: CH. Lustrous Dumbldor + d: CH. Josephine z Dablový studanky

Champion class:

exc1, CAC, resCACIB Xtreme Dark Player vom Ohmtalteufel, sable, s: ICH. Goodtimes Blazin' Hot Moments + d: CH. Grandgables Promise of Gold

exc2 Solar Eclipse Casidi, sable, s: ICH. Moorwood Caribbean Night Trophy + d: CH. Bright&Breeze Vesca Montana

exc3 Windcrest Smart Suit, sable, s: CH. Edglonian Strolling Nomad of Lockharen + d: ICH. Windcrest Scottish Passion

exc4 Sinsilkin Sembalot, tricolor, s: CH. Cathance Music Maker + d: CH. Sinsilkin Aamu-Usva

very good Valerina Ross Durango, sable, s: Lythwood Terriwood Stormy Nite of Navarrem + d: Rannerdale Sweet Harmony

Veteran class:

exc1, Best Veteran Si-Said Velington, sable, s: ICH. Cataway's Rising Sun + d: ?

Bitches:

Junior class:



*exc1, J-CAC, **Best Junior*** Flyland So Perfect, blue merle, s: ICH. Golden Rose Play With Fire + d: Scandyline Silver Elegy

exc2 Summer Flower Antoria, sable, s: ICH. Shellove Just On The Rocks + d: Be My Surprise Fulfilled Dream

Open class:

very good1 Si-Said Oriál Beauty, sable, s: ICH. Moorwood Caribbean Night Trophy + d:?

Champion class:

exc1, CAC, CACIB Dreamhill My Golden Image, sable, s: ICH. Windcrest Flying Scotsman + d: ICH. Woodmist My Fine Morning Mist

exc2, resCACIB Nancy Xantina Iskierka Szetlandow, sable, s; ICH. Moorwood Caribbean Night Trophy + d: Splendid Xantina Anna Jagiello. Poland

International Dog Show

Baltic Winner 2011

6th September 2011, Lithuania, Druskininkai

Judge: Michael Leonard (IRL)

Winners:

Best Junior+Baltic Junior Winner: Summer Flower Antoria

Best Veteran: Si-Said Velington

Best Dog+Baltic Winner: Siniketun Brandon Lee

Best Bitch+Baltic Winner: Nancy Xantina Iskierka Szetlandow

Best of Breed: Nancy Xantina Iskierka Szetlandow

DOGS

Open class:

exc1, CAC Mei-Dan Roon, blue merle, s:? + d:?

exc2 Chinook z Dablovy studanky, bicolor, s: CH. Lustrous Dumbldor + d: CH. Josephine z Dablovy studanky

Champion class:



exc1, CAC, CACIB, **Baltic Winner Siniketun Brandon Lee**, sable, s: ICH. Japaro Special Agent + d: Siniketun Serenella

exc2, resCACIB Xtreme Dark Player vom Ohmtalteufel, sable, s: ICH. Goodtimes Blazin' Hot Moments + d: CH. Grandgables Promise of Gold

exc3 Windcrest Smart Suit, sable, s: CH. Edglonian Strolling Nomad of Lockharen + d: ICH. Windcrest Scottish Passion

exc4 Solar Eclipse Casidi, sable, s: ICH. Moorwood Caribbean Night Trophy + d: CH. Bright&Breeze Vesca Montana

exc Sinsilkin Sembalot, tricolor, s: CH. Cathance Music Maker + d: CH. Sinsilkin Aamu-Usva

exc? Valerina Ross Durango, sable, s: Lythwood Terriwood Stormy Nite of Navarrem + d: Rannerdale Sweet Harmony

Veteran class:

exc1, *Best Veteran* Si-Said Velington, sable, s: ICH. Cataway's Rising Sun + d: ?

BITCHES

Junior class:

exc1, J-CAC, *Best Junior+Junior Baltic Winner* Summer Flower Antoria, sable, s: ICH. Shellove Just On The Rocks +d: Be My Surprise Fulfilled Dream

very good? Scandyline Golden Verbena, sable, s: Lundecock's Mr Thomas + d: Scandyline Golden Lobelia

very good? Flyland So Perfect, blue merle, s: ICH. Golden Rose Play With Fire + d: Scandyline Silver Elegy

Champion class:



exc1, CAC, CACIB, *Baltic Winner*, **BOB** Nancy Xantina Iskierka Szetlandow, sable, s: ICH. Moorwood Caribbean Night Trophy + d: Splendid Xantina

exc2, resCACIB Dreamhill My Golden Image, sable, s: ICH. Windcrest Flying Scotsman + d: ICH. Woodmist My Fine Morning Mist
exc3 Si-Said Oriol Beauty, sable, s: ICH. Moorwood Caribbean Night Trophy + d: ?
Pictures: Monika Tuliszevska, Sebastian Pytlak, Ewa Lazicka

Report: Anna Jagielo. Poland



1990



Picture submitted by Pat Ferrell (ASSA Historian)

This picture, taken in 1990 at the Western Massachusetts Shetland Sheepdog Club

Tom Coen(Macdega) with Adelia Deja Vu, BOB
Judge: Stanley Saltzman, past ASSA Pres. 1970-73
Mary Van Wagenen (Sea Isle)
Catherine Coleman Moore (Sheltieland) in wheelchair
Ring Steward: Connie Nelson
Rose Chandless (Winslow-Summit) with BOS



Stop Press!



Winner 2011 Show Finland

December 3rd 2011

shetlanninlammaskoira -Shetland Sheepdog (79)

Tuomari - Judge: Elena Ruskovaara

ROP - BOB

Sunsweet Biggest Dream (Axi Marita, Porvoo)

VSP - BOS

Japaro Eye Of The Storm (Olsen Finn Helge & Nixon Mr & Mrs, Ramnes Norway)

Juniorivoittaja - Junior Winner uros - dog

Bluemeadow's Yes Sir I Can Boogie (Ruotsalainen Kirsi & Rautapuro Jasmine, Salahmi)

Juniorivoittaja - Junior Winner narttu - bitch

Susadan Ylva (Kaltakari Tiina & Aini, Haukipudas)

CACIB uros - dog

Japaro Eye Of The Storm (Olsen Finn Helge & Nixon Mr & Mrs, Ramnes Norway)

CACIB narttu - bitch

Sunsweet Biggest Dream (Axi Marita, Porvoo)

SERT - CC uros - dog

Japaro Chasing The Storm (Olsen Finn Helge, Ramnes Norway)

SERT - CC narttu - bitch

Susadan Ylva (Kaltakari Tiina & Aini, Haukipudas)

ROP - BOB Veteraani - Veteran

Lundecock's Last Dance (Axi Marita, Porvoo)

ROP - BOB Pentu - Puppy

Karaatin Oh Hoh Oliver (Kukkasniemi Teija, Hirsilä)

ROP - BOB Kasvattaja - Breeder

Kennel Sunsweet (Axi Marita, Porvoo)

Winner 2011 Show Finland

4th December 2011

shetlanninlammaskoira -Shetland Sheepdog (72)

Tuomari - Judge: Marion ten Cate, Hollanti

ROP - BOB

Japaro Eye Of The Storm (Olsen Finn Helge & Nixon Mr & Mrs, Ramnes Norway)

VSP - BOS

Sunsweet Biggest Dream (Axi Marita, Porvoo)

Juniorivoittaja - Junior Winner uros - dog

Myhappiness Be My Valentine (Lintunen Mirva, Vaasa)

Juniorivoittaja - Junior Winner narttu - bitch

Susadan Ylva (Kaltakari Tiina & Aini, Haukipudas)

CACIB uros - dog

Japaro Eye Of The Storm (Olsen Finn Helge & Nixon Mr & Mrs, Ramnes Norway)

CACIB narttu - bitch

Sunsweet Biggest Dream (Axi Marita, Porvoo)

SERT - CC uros - dog

Peltsun Almon-Superman (Särestöniemi Sari, Pello)

SERT - CC narttu - bitch

Sunrise Iz Grafskogo Pomestija (Kibireva Elena, Pavlovsk, SPb Russian Federation)

ROP - BOB Veteraani - Veteran

Lundecock's Last Dance (Axi Marita, Porvoo)

ROP - BOB Pentu - Puppy

Gwenda Dancing Forever (Pajunen Mirva, Lakiala)

Hilppa Järvinen (Finland)

GREETINGS FROM AROUND THE GLOBE



Here's wishing everybody a Very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous and Successful New Year from Irene Kidney and the Ichthus shelties (UK)

<http://www.ichthus.moonfruit.com/>



Wishing everyone a safe and Happy Christmas filled with family & friends, may the spirit of Christmas fill your heart all year long, Petrina Limkin, Shatrin Kennels, (Australia)

<http://www.shatrin.com/default.asp>



Wishing everyone a wonderful Christmas and many BIS in the upcoming New Year, from all of us here at Dalgarnoch Shelties. Darren MacIsaac and Bettijane Flanagan, Thunder Bay, Ontario (Canada)

www.dalgarnoch.com



May all your dreams come true. Merry Christmas.
From Denise Brown and RanLyn Shelties, Black Forest, Colorado, (USA)



Malcolm and Chrissie Hart and the Hartmere Shelties (UK)
Wish friends near and far a Happy Christmas and peaceful New Year

<http://www.cassie.dk/hartmere/index.html>



All the best to you and yours, near and far, this holiday season.
Pat Ferrell, Kassank Shelties, (USA) and ASSA Historian

<http://www.kassank.com/>



Kim and George McIntock of Foxstone Shelties (UK)
Would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year

<http://www.foxstoneshelties.net/index.html>



Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Successful 2012
From Margaret Botham and the Balidorn Shelties (UK)

www.balidorn.co.uk



The Mont'Alves family (Portugal) would like to wish all the dog and sheltie lovers the very best for this season and a brightful 2012. BOM ANO NOVO !!!!!

<http://www.montalves.com/>





Gail and Michael Fenton of the Shannmie kennel (UK)
Wish you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year.
www.shannmie.co.uk



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Jenny and Jim Martin
and the Ramtin Shelties (UK)
www.Ramtin.co.uk



Greetings are sent (from all sheltie lovers from Poland)
Anna Jagielo (Poland)
<http://shelties.pl/>



Seasons Greetings and Best Wishes for 2012
To all our fellow sheltie enthusiasts around the world. Bless you all
Betty and Jim, Peach (Rosdyke Shelties) (UK)



Seasons Greetings to all of our sheltie friends from all around the world.
We wish you good health, great wealth and best of all, plenty of hugs and kisses from your
beautiful furkids.

From John, Leslie and all the Shelbrae furkids down under in Oz :))
<http://www.shelbraeshelties.com/>



From Linda Houle and her Shelties-Sassy & Spike (Western Massachusetts Shetland
Sheepdog Club, Inc., U.S.A): Make no bones about it, we wish you a pawsitively Blessed and
Merry Christmas and a Blessed and Yappy New Year-2012! Enjoy! Roll over! Frolick! Woof!



Christmas and New Year Greetings to friends at home and abroad from
Jean Fitzsimons (UK) and the Snabswoods
<http://snabswood.dvc.no/>



Sue and Julia of Sunland Shelties (Aus) wishes all Sheltie Lovers
A Merry Xmas and Happy New Year
<http://www.sunlandshelties.net/>



Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
from Leonie Clarke and the "Prosper Shelties"
New Zealand



Laila, Bjørn, Ingrid and Fred St.Kilda's kennel Norway: Wishes all 'Global Shelties Magazine'
readers a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
<http://www.st-kilda.org>





Christmas Greetings to all Sheltie Folk.
Have a Successful and Prosperous New Year
Jan and 'Janetstowns' (UK)
www.janmoody.com



Holiday greetings and best wishes for 2012 from all at Cinbaramy (NI).
www.cinbaramy.co.uk



To all Sheltie lovers around the globe Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year
from Jane Hill and the Molson Sheltland Sheepdogs in Edinburgh Scotland.



Debbie and Ross Miller of Kylara Shelties, (USA) wish everyone around the World a very
Merry Christmas!



Wishing Sheltie owners around the World Christmas Wishes and a very Happy, Prosperous
New Year! Lennie and Linda Kunicki and Christy Calkins (USA)
www.StarliteShelties.com



Wishing a Very Merry Christmas to all Shelties and their people.
Karen B. Evans and the Karashome Kids, Karashome Shelties (USA)
www.karashome.com



Christmas Greetings from Lotta Brun & the Caravan Shelties, (Norway/Spain)
www.kennelcaravan.com



Season greetings and peace on Earth to all sheltie breeders around the world from Liz,
Nancy and Richard Hildreth Cindahope Shelties in Massachusetts (U.S.A)
www.cindahope.com



Ted and Brenda Whitworth of the Embaley Shelties (UK)
Send Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for 2012



Margo and Ian Nixon Japaro Shelties (Scotland), would like to wish all sheltie friends a
Happy Christmas and a Successful New year.
www.japaro.co.uk



Martina, Jessica and Josef Feldhoff, Shelties "von Solingen-Wald" (Germany),
Wish all Sheltie fans a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
<http://www.shelties-von-solingen-wald.de>



Gill and Kirstie Venton of Mistyisle Shelties (UK) would like to wish everyone a
Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
www.mistyisle-shelties.co.uk





Di Leverington, Ashlea Stanton , Julie Harris and all the Group of Lurikeen (Australia)
wish all our Sheltie friends a Very Merry Christmas and happy New Year

<http://www.lurikeenshelties.com/>



Happy Holidays from Finland, The Land of Santa Claus! Hilppa and family

<http://www.saunalahti.fi/marhir0/Hipsu/>



Everyone here at Dalgarnoch Shelties (Canada) wishes your and yours
a Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

Bettijane Flanagan and Darren MacIlsac

www.dalgarnoch.com



From Valerie Kyle (Rossnow Shelties), Northern Ireland (UK) wishing everyone and their
Shelties, a great Christmas and lots of fun and happiness in 2011

<http://www.rossnowshelties.com/>



Victor Rios at the Sheltie Rivers Kennels (Rio - Brazil) Wishes all readers a happy Christmas
and a successful 2012

www.sheltierivers.com



Every Good Wish for Christmas and the New Year

Margaret Dobson (UK)



Jan and Ray Grice and the Gang at 'Janaray' (UK)
Wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and a Peaceful Year in 2012



And on behalf of all the 'Global Shelties Magazine' team,
Wishing you all peace and success in 2012





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Suggestions For Future Editions

Suggestions from readers for some fun in future editions

"Embarrassing moments in the show ring or obedience ring.
There must be heaps of funny happenings".

So- come on Readers; let's have your amusing stories for consideration.



A VETERANS FEATURE

If you have a Sheltie that has achieved well in Veteran classes
Please send details for the March edition



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