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LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Fellow White Shepherd Lovers,

Welcome to the Premier Issue of the UWSC Newsletter. This issue is all about the Premier, the conformation and performance side, the new side and old. This Premier Issue brings together perspectives from all gamuts of the White Shepherd World.

This was my own first Premier, and while I had read much about it, experiencing it was as much a surprise as it was invigorating. Being able to compete in conformation, experience the whole gamut of performance sport, shop, and socialize, all in the same place, is a dizzying and incomparable experience. It's overwhelming, but in a good way.

I took alot home with me from the Premier, not only newly purchased toys and treats for the enjoyment of my dogs, but also new skills and the simple enjoyment of having been able to speak to many of my friends and mentors within this breed in person for the first or second time.

Because Premier was such an all encompassing event, this issue will reflect that, bringing all of the most important parts of the Premier together. While it is impossible to capture the soul of the event in words, this is our best attempt at sharing it.

The next issue will most likely involve the training and behavior of the White Shepherd. As always I look forward to reading the messages of the members and please feel free to email me with articles, announcements and suggestions.

I hope you enjoy this issue!

Sincerely and Respectfully,

Catherine Helfgott

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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

DIANA UPDIKE

Dear Members,

Another grand Premier weekend at the Kalamazoo Michigan Fairgrounds is behind us. I was once again impressed by the commitment of our members and their collective determination to exhibit their beautiful White Shepherds to the large number of spectators that are ever so present at this event – what great PR! And, because of everyone’s dedication, our breed entry numbers were again one of the largest overall.

Many of our members kicked off the long weekend by competing in the Top Ten competition. I believe we had 9 of our 10 Top Ten White Shepherds entered in this competition. Congratulations to Lexi (Arleen’s girl) for winning #1 TOP TEN WHITE SHEPHERD and another congrats to Missy (Scarlett’s girl) and Adonis (Miranda’s boy) for winning the very honorable Award of Excellence.

We then hosted our annual White Shepherd Specialty following Thursday’s Top Ten competition. A very special “Thank-you!” goes out to Tim & Scarlett Sanders. They out did themselves with selecting and professionally mounting the show prizes which were absolutely gorgeous and unique. To wrap up the show, a huge congrats goes out to Adonis (Miranda’s boy) for his BEST OF BREED win.

For the balance of the weekend, our breed excelled in both the breed ring and the performance rings. Also notable, the annual Premier weekend club meeting was held on Saturday evening followed by another excellent “Sammy and Hagar Annual BBQ”. A big “Thank-you!” to Diana & Henry Theilgaard for all their hard work setting up for the BBQ and their wonderful cooking! I’m hoping we’ll all be reading lots more about the specifics in this very issue.

Thank-you again for making this Premier event just as special and wonderful as years past!

Yours for the White Shepherd,

Diana L. Updike



White Shepherd Genetics Project

"For the White Shepherd"

WSGP UPDATE

As of August 18, 2008

3rd Annual Genetics Fund-raiser was over \$3,000

Donations have been received from :

- Linda Prisant
- Ginger Dery
- Johnny Cannarsa
- Kate Huston
- Kim King
- Missy Lee
- Dale and Laurie Malony
- Linda Christiano
- Judy and Dick Huston
- Diana Updike

Cesar DVD Sales

- Jeff and Jill Campbell 2

Trophies and awards

- Lynda Proulx Best of Breed
- Diana Updike Trophies for all shows and some plate costs

Everything else

- Pat Currey Site and overall help on everything!
- Mona Persson Judges
- Diana Updike Ring gates
- Judy Huston T-shirts, raffle table material, etc.

Raffle Table Coordination

- Sheri Zamonski and Pam Koons

*Rock N' Roll K-9's *

- Pam and Michelle Koons and team

Database

- Establishing consistency in names
- Moving miscellaneous and other entries to more appropriate spot
- Adding call names when available
- Revising submission sheet/have a trial one
- Simplifying names of systems to make them easier to fin

Database Submission Sheet

- Posted a draft revision of the sheet to the genetics list for feedback before starting to do a preliminary use of it.

Diagnostics

- Approved telephone consulting fee, if any, for Michael Wright, Brad Hansen, and Robin Davey with Dr. Ben Colmery, dental specialist.

Dr. Padgett's book, "The Control of Canine Genetic Diseases" was purchased by the following people who also included donations to the WSGP :

- Cate Helfgott

Fundraising

- As many of you are aware, the new White Shepherd book written by Jean Reeves and Diana Updike was recently released. The authors are offering an autographed edition with a portion of the proceeds going to the WSGP. If you are interested in both an autographed copy of this book "and" supporting the White Shepherd Genetics Project, go to <http://reevesroyalacres.com/book> to place



your order. The WSGP is grateful to be the recipient of a portion of these funds.

Education

- The AKC Canine Health Foundation forwarded the complete set of DVDs from the 2007 St. Louis Health Conference. Permission is granted to distribute.
- Beth Barkley and Morgan Lewis from our White Shepherd Genetics Forum volunteered to copy and distribute them. So far I've sent a set to Beth.
- Betty Jo Smith from Bahr Shepherds requested copies.
- Tommy Reed, owner of an 8 month old pup, purchaser of George Padgett's book, and someone who has expressed much interest in learning about the breed has requested copies.
- I suggested to Beth that she make copies available at the Hoofprint shows. We can't charge for these DVDs, but people can make donations toward the Canadian genetics fund.
- Since these are DVDs and since I have no experience in copying them, I arranged for the three initial sets I distributed to be copied by the computer tech who keeps my system running for me. It was a lengthy process and it was time-consuming and costly. Hopefully most of the cost will be recovered.
- Labels were made for these DVDs by American Video Transfer.

Did You Know Educational Series

I have received a number of questions from individuals about various components of the WSGP. Since we are now expanding into a Not-for Profit organization and will be, at some point, governed by a Board, now seemed like a good time to make sure that anyone interested had a way of learning exactly what the WSGP did in the past, is doing now, and has plans to do in the future. The first posts in this series are:

- Did you know about the genetics funds?
- Did you know what and who determines the focus of a project?
- Did you know these details about the necropsy project?

The next one will probably be about the database.

Geneticist's Pedigrees

- Currently, Lynda Proulx and I are at a standstill with working on these pedigrees. We updated our program and are trying to get the kinks ironed out so we can start using it again.

Necropsy Reports

- Mona Persson has completed the information for the website. Now, anyone needing information or paperwork for necropsy will be able to find what they need on line "and" will have contact people to help talk them through it. Mona did the most OUTSTANDING job. It was exactly what I
- hoped it would be and more. She made the forms not only contain the necessary information, but look good in the process. Thank you so much, Mona.
- Contact people in the United States will be me and Mona. In Canada, it is Joanne Chanyi.
- This information has been posted by our webmaster, Ruut Tilstra.
- We extend our sympathy to Christine and Mike Maluzhinsky at the sudden loss of their nine-year old White Shepherd, Misty. Misty died on Sunday, July 27 and Chris drove her to MSU that night.
- We also extend sympathy to Judy Grumdahl at the loss of her beloved, Dreamer the weekend of August 16th. Judy was arranging a necropsy.

Not-For Profit Status

- I learned in early July that due to unforeseen circumstances with The Foundation Group handling our application, the process had been held up. It has now been officially submitted.
- I also verified that the Non-for Profit LLC I applied for in September of 2006 allows people to make tax-deductible contributions to the WSGP even though our application has not been approved.
- I have also been advised to apply for dissolution of our not-for-profit LLC that we have had since September, 2006.

Treasury Report

- Second quarter Treasury Report was published in July

Website

- Our current webmaster, Ruut Tillstra, has decided it is time to turn the website over to someone else. Ruut has done an outstanding job for us. She has agreed to stay on until the new database is ready to be added to the

website. We thank you for all your work in the past and for agreeing to remain until a new webmaster volunteers.

- Necropsy information pages have been added to the website by Ruut.
- Anyone with website experience who would like to take over the WSGP website, please contact me.

Warm regards,

Judy Huston

WSGP DID YOU KNOW EDUCATIONAL SERIES

PART 1

Chronology of events leading to non-profit status :

1. April, 2005. Seminar with Cesar Millan, "The Dog Whisperer." This was Cesar's first seminar outside of California and no protocol was established other than the proceeds went to something related to dogs—preferably, rescue. Clearly, the White Shepherd Genetics Project would be honored to host him and earn the proceeds. This first seminar gave us the real start of a Genetics Fund with approximately \$7,000.00. At that time, Cesar's staff had no requirement that the organization be non-profit.
2. August 2006. Second seminar with Cesar Millan in Michigan. This time, we were informed that we had to supply our tax ID number before we could receive a check. This was a much larger amount of money, closer to \$19,000.
3. August 22, 2006. Filed Articles of Incorporation for use by domestic nonprofit corporations and obtained our LLC status and our tax ID number to give to Cesar's staff.

Purpose for which we were organized:

- i. To preserve, protect, and improve the health of the White Shepherd/white German Shepherd dog by educating breeders, pet owners, and the general public by conducting and supporting research, and organizing fundraisers through seminars, raffles, auctions, and donations.

1. October 24, 2006. Met for two hours with our personal attorney to organize the information and paperwork to get the non-profit status going. Contracted with The Foundation Group to handle this application for us since it was clear to me I wasn't going to find the 80 or so hours necessary to wade through and meet all the requirements.

- The Foundation Group states: "For 12 years running, The Foundation Group has maintained a *100% IRS approval rate*. We've prepared literally thousands of 501c3 applications, all of which have been granted tax-exempt status by the Internal Revenue Service. We accomplish this by actually getting to know your organization and accurately representing its programs.

- You will be approved - we *guarantee* it! "
- If we don't get approved, we get a full refund.
- Found out that 2/3 of the Board has to be from the states so with Joanne in Canada and Ruut in Holland, our initial plan to get started with the three of us wouldn't work. There were other requirements I had to look into and again I felt stalled.
- I purchased a book called *Starting & Building a Nonprofit—A Practical *Guide* and started reading and researching.

2. February 2008. A few fundraising discussions were started and it became evident that Ken Mankowski was interested in helping us out. He is very knowledgeable about Board operations and was, in fact, an active member on at least one Board. He volunteered to not only help us with fundraising but

take a Board seat as Secretary.

3. Another member, Arleen Ravanelli, showed a lot of interest in promoting the White Shepherd Genetics Project as an organization to support for year-end donations and estate planning. Since Arleen was recommended by Joanne and constantly trying to learn more about the WSGP, she was appointed.

4. The book on *Starting and Building a Nonprofit* outlined requirements for a Board. The most important factor to consider was whether there was a passion for the project (translated to a love for the breed) and a willingness to govern by following the purpose for which it was organized.

5. Board officers legally govern the non-profit. They do not themselves do the day to day work of running the non-profit. I was advised that since I was doing daily work for the WSGP and also making application, I had to be a Board member, but since everything is decided by a majority vote, there should be no issue with me doing both.

6. What makes a good Board (taken from the Non-Profit book)? Members:

- i. Share a passion for and commitment to the nonprofit's mission
- ii. Are willing to roll up their sleeves when necessary to help with the practical work of the nonprofit
- iii. Have strong ties to their communities
- iv. Are diverse in age, gender, race, religion, occupation, skills, and background, and
- v. Are willing to support efforts to raise money.

1. So what were the criteria for the rest of the members of the Board besides the obvious love for the breed?

- A variety of ages from early twenties to late sixties.
- A variety of geographic locations; not as diverse as it could be but taking into consideration that the Board is supposed to meet in person on a yearly basis, this group could manage that.
- All have demonstrated a willingness to work for the breed and most have already made significant contributions to the breed.
- Male and female.
- A willingness to work together for the breed with minimal personality conflict.

2. Who else was selected for the Board?*

- Besides the two members I already mentioned

(Ken Makowski and Arleen Ravanelli), former AWSA President, Maurice Seeger was asked and accepted. He had the ability to get the job done and maintain diplomacy as well as anyone could. Dale Malony, one of the major developers of our genetics website, writer of the interview article with Dr. George Padgett published in Hoflin, and someone who devoured information about the breed was another logical choice. Both of these men have good analytical minds that the project could use. Catherine Helfgott is the youngest member of the Board and most everyone in the United White Shepherd Club and AWSA are aware that she has jumped in with both feet and has become a great supporter of the breed. Dr. Mary Cardeccia has been our acting consultant concerning necropsy interpretations, diagnostic questions, and general information about diseases affecting our dogs and is a plus for our Board.

3. What about other qualified people?

- I think that a lot of people are qualified and I would hope that as people resign or their term expires that many others will take the opportunity to let their interest be known so that they can be nominated for a position on the Board.

4. Where does the Non-Profit stand as of this point in time?

- I was disappointed to learn that our paperwork was held up because of organization upheavals at the Foundation Group. This means that although the paperwork is complete, it still hasn't been filed. That should happen within the next few days.

5. How long before we might get approved?

- From what I understand, the earliest would be six months.

6. What happens in the meantime?

- If we are approved, then contributions people made and wish to deduct will be retroactive.

7. What is the Board doing at this time?

- The plan is for the Board to have their first official meeting sometime during the AWSA National and lay the ground rules and set the criteria for meetings via e-mail and/or conference calls.

By : Judy Huston

THIRD ANNUAL WHITE SHEPHERD GENETICS PROJECT FUNDRAISER

AUGUST 16, 17, 2008
BY JUDY HUSTON



WE RAISED JUST OVER \$3,300 FOR THE WSGP!

Thanks to the generosity of both the AWSA Club and the WSCC Club, proceeds from both shows were donated for the betterment of our breed. Add in our raffle, donations from friends of the White Shepherd, Cesar DVD sales, camping, event fees (dock diving mostly) and you have the recipe for success with the involvement of some of our club members, families, and friends. We want to express our heartfelt thanks and gratitude to:

- Patrick Currey of Currey's Family Petcare who donated his 72 acre beautiful show site and a lot of his time in preparing the site for the event. He was an OUTSTANDING host.
- Lynda Proulx who did her usual stellar job as Conformation Chair and by donating the Best of Breed prizes for all four shows.
- Diana Updike who donated the trophies for all four shows, as well as some of the costs for the trophy plates.
- Pam Koons and her daughter, Sheri Zamonski who raised the bar for raffle presentations. You will see what I mean from the pictures. They helped make the raffle such a success.
- Everyone who donated to the fundraiser or to the raffle table.
- Kristine Welser (one of Pam's team members) and Dale Malony for ring stewarding. Sunday, I took on the task, but was elated when our judge from the first show, Sandra Shaw, volunteered to ring steward for the second show.
- All the people who participated in the shows, raffle and the auction—you made a difference!

Dutton Photography

I met Ray at events and matches at Northfield Dog Training and invited him for the weekend. You will really enjoy his work. Notice the picture of our host, Pat Currey, with a slew of our dogs. I plan to put one of the pictures on a plaque and present it to him in appreciation for donating his site and working for us the entire weekend. Pictures are available to purchase for 30 days at:

3rd Annual White Shepherd Genetics Project Fundraiser.

Rock N' Roll K-9s Event

It was thrilling to have Pam Koons' performance team at our event. Everyone watching (and performing) enjoyed the antics and skills of these talented dogs. Pam, the WSGP owes you a lot. You are a hard act to follow.

Dock Diving

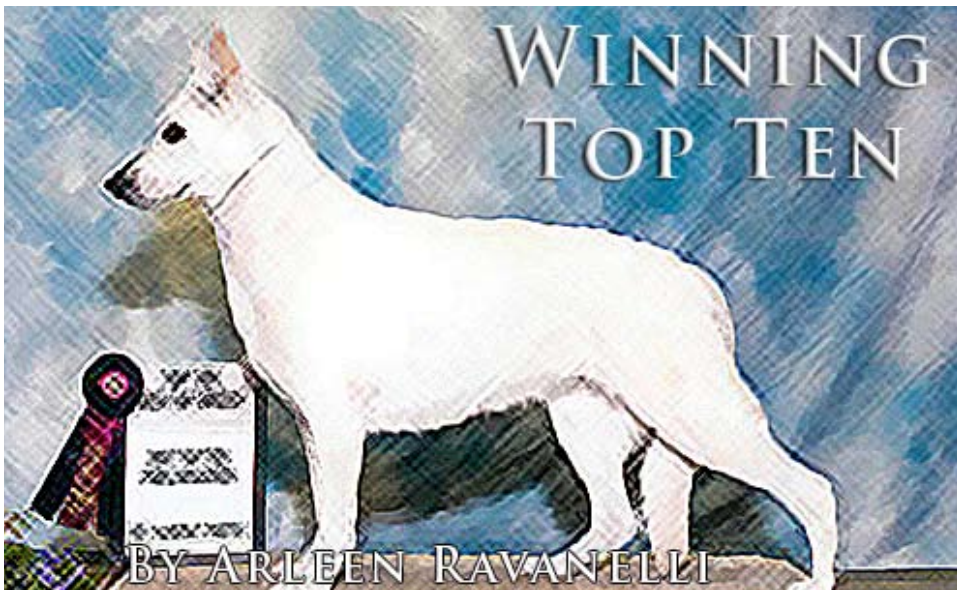
I believe that everyone who tried it or watched it loved it. What a fun thing to do with our dogs. You can see by the pictures that they had a blast.

Weight Pull

While this was available to try, I think most people ran out of time J.

Highlights of the weekend included high praise from the judges for the work we are doing to help better our breed. They were impressed at the level of participation from breeders and owners and spent quite a bit of time looking at our poster exhibits and enjoying the raffle table.





For me just showing in the UKC Top Ten ring is a humbling experience. You are in the ring with some of the top breeders and best showmanship people around. As I look down the line at owners and dogs I feel small to say the least. Not to mention if you look back over the years Top Ten has always been dominated in wins by males, and I of course have only ever had females.

I have been in the ring 4 or 5 times now over the years. Each time I am honored to be there and never expect anything more than to have the chance to congratulate the winner, and stand among the elite. Of course that award of excellence would be really nice to get just once.

Last year I was blindsided when Lexi won Top Ten, I really don't think it sunk in until about Saturday! But it changed things

for this year; I now knew a female could win it, and as I walked in the ring this year, with the hopes of a repeat win, my nerves went sky high.

But as I stood in that ring I realized I was not looking for the win after all, we had beaten the odds last year and this year I was surrounded by dogs that I tended to drool over myself at shows. I was in there with some of the best White Shepherds any where and it became just an honor to be in the ring with them. I started looking down the line wondering who would be this year's winner. I had my guesses and also my favorites, just as we all do – but it sure was not Lexi that was on my list.

As the judge made his cut I started to get this silly grin on my face. I tried so hard not to want that win and stay calm, this is about the breed and those were my friends in that ring with me. But I could not wipe that grin off my face, nor stop the

shaking that had started all over my body. Little did I know that grin would get MUCH bigger as the judge gave us the win, for the second year in a row. And what made it even more special was that my family was there this year for the first time to see it all. I still can hear my daughter's scream!

On a serious note - This year in Top Ten something happen I have never seen before, in any breed being judged. The judge gave 2 awards of excellence ribbons. I asked him about that when I saw him Sunday in the juniors ring and he told me that he wished he could have given 3. He was so taken with

the dogs in the ring that he said: "It was just what Top Ten should be, a perfect example of what the breed standard calls for in each and every dog". We always

have one of the highest entries for Top Ten and also breeds showing at Premier. When a judge makes a comment like that it really speaks highly of our breed and their owner's commitment. Each of us should be very proud of that comment and all of our dogs.

Winning Top Ten is a wonderful experience, but what is more amazing is being at Premier in the ring with all those beautiful white dogs and their owners. It will be a few years before I get the chance again to be in the Top Ten ring, if ever. But you can be sure that I will be at ring side each year to cheer - "GO WHITE DOGS"!!!



In 2002, my boy “Polo”, Royal Von Tasz Classic, made history by winning “Best Top Ten Overall” at the UKC Premier. This annual event is an invitation only competition that pits the Top Ten Ranked Best of Breed winners of every qualified UKC breed against each other. The dogs compete at a breed level and then the winners of each breed advance to a group competition where another couple of dogs are selected to ultimately compete for “Best Overall”. And, Polo captured that “Best Overall” honor under a 3 judge panel. This was truly an amazing accomplishment!

Since then, many great White Shepherds have captured Herding Group wins and placements at the UKC Premier weekend shows, which are separate from the Top Ten competition. My girl, Royal Spasz Von Tasz, “Pebbles” just happens to be one of those top placers. And, notably, she just happens to be a granddaughter of the infamous Polo!

Pebbles is no stranger to the show ring. She thrives upon it and it shows. As a puppy, she captured Best Puppy awards. She also captured a 5 point major, at just 6 months old, at one of the AWSA National Specialty weekend shows. She easily finished her UKC Grand, AWSA, and WSCC Champion titles.

Over the last few years, Pebbles has been a top ranked Best of Breed winner in multiple circuits which is pretty amazing since I only attend a few shows each year (they just happen to be “big ones” that are highly attended).

In 2006, Pebbles captured multiple Best of Breed wins, a Group 1st, and a Reserve BEST IN SHOW during the Premier weekend. What was particularly interesting about this win is that it was under a 3 judge panel and Pebbles and a Beagle were tied in points between the 3 judges for the BEST IN SHOW win. At the time, we (the Best In Show competitors) didn’t know it and we were all wondering why it was taking so long for the judges to announce the winners. It wasn’t until afterwards when I asked one of the UKC representatives what had happened that he indicated “there was a tie between the Beagle and the White Shepherd... They had to pull the rule book to see what to do!” As it turned out, the tie breaker, whatever it was, gave the win to the Beagle and Pebbles got the Reserve win. I still can’t believe she came so close to taking it all back then! Later that year, Pebbles also captured the AWSA National Spe-



cialty Show Best of Breed win!

In 2007, Pebbles captured 3 of 4 Best of Breed wins during the Premier weekend. I believe she also placed in Group but the details escape me.... She was a top Best of Breed winner in multiple circuits but then we took some time off so that Pebbles could whelp a litter of 7 beautiful pups.

And now for the most notable win to date!!! This year, Pebbles captured 3 of 4 Best of Breed wins, a Group 2nd, a Group 4th, and a Group 1st that led her to a BEST IN SHOW win (without a tie breaker – LOL)! And, one of the first spectators to come over and congratulate us was the handler of the Beagle that had taken the win in 2006. ((smile)) I again want to extend a huge “thank-you!” to all of my wonderful friends who cheered us on and were there to share our joy.

I am so proud of what the UKC White Shepherd has done in less than a decade of the breed’s existence. Thanks to everyone’s efforts, we have established the White Shepherd as a breed that is here to stay and one of such superior quality that they can’t be overlooked. I am so proud to own White Shepherds!

So, what are Pebbles and I going to do from here? Well, we’re going to continue hitting the shows (when we can) and I’m also going to continue having a blast personally showing some of her kids from her first and second litters – Kole, Ramsey, and Ziva, just to name a few.

And, one day, I envision us all reading about another one of our many magnificent White Shepherds “taking it all” as the generations of excellence continues...



During the time of the Premier in 2007, I was anxiously awaiting the arrival of my first White Shepherd puppy at Dulles International Airport. I had heard some talk about the Premier online and in AWSA chat, and I thought about how exciting it would be to go. I made the decision to be there that following year.



The Premier this year certainly did not disappoint! I arrived in Kalamazoo and car-camped for the night (or rather the morning) in the parking lot with my dogs. That morning I woke up bright

and early to beautiful weather to get some breakfast for myself and my pups.

I was entered in all three conformation shows on Friday, Saturday Sunday and both of my dogs competed in these classes. The shows were not unlike other shows that I have attended, save for one or two differences. This was my first experience showing outside for one, and the sheer number of White Shepherds showing was another. In each of the three shows there was no less than 24 dogs!

While I was sad to have missed the Top Ten Showing as well as the United White Shepherd Club Nationals, I was able to gain a lot of experience from the All-Breed Shows. I gained a lot



of information from watching others show, and while some of it was a little overwhelming, it was most certainly informative! Everyone there was very helpful, and was able to offer me suggestions on what I can do to improve my abilities as a handler.

Perhaps the best part of the Premier in the Conformation Ring was Pebbles' win of Best in Show on Saturday. This was a first for the breed – to win a BIS at a UKC Premier All Breed Show, and while I wasn't able to see it (I was off purchasing food), I was able to return and celebrate the good news with everyone.

While Conformation was certainly the excuse to get me to Premier, I was really there for more than that. Getting an experience with UKC performance sports was one of those. I was amazed at the controlled chaos of the grounds. In one building there was Agility, in another Obedience, in a building in the back, Weight Pull, and outside there was Dog Sport, Terrier Races, and Dock Diving (if there was more I forgot! There was just so much!). And all of this was within a five minute walk.



Being able to watch and experience these performance sports helped give me a better idea of them. I am very interested in them, and it was an experience to be able to watch the UKC sports for a first time. Even more than that, there were chances to work with some of the sport groups to see if you were interested in those sports. I myself had some fun climbing into a pool with my dogs in a skirt to try dock diving. I learned that Leo is an inelegant swimmer but likes the water, and that Ruby is an awesome swimmer but just can't be bothered. I also took my dogs to work behind one of the stands with a helper from an SDA club in Illinois, which was good fun!

The shopping area was also a sight to behold. For someone like me...someone who likes to spend entirely too much money on my dogs...it was heaven. I was able to pick up new working equipment, new showing equipment, new treats, and yes – I didn't leave myself out - some shirts.





The best part of the Premier in my mind was the people. It was a good chance to meet people I had not yet met, as well as talk to those who have helped me grow as a Fancier in this breed over the last

year. I was able to debate some of my ideas (a must for me), learn some new information, improve some of my skills, and see what it is I want to strive for in the future from my dogs. I had a blast at the National BBQ (the food was awesome... and so were the drinks) and this was also the first meeting of a National Breed Club that I was able to take part in. That in itself was a great experience



– being able to see the motions, the votes, the discussion; most certainly a new and interesting experience.

While the Premier may not garner the same kind of brou-ha-ha as the Eukanuba Classic or Westminster or Crufts, it is most certainly an excellent event and more than worth the time it took to drive up there with my dogs. It is an experience I would recommend to all members of this wonderful breed, an experience that is not only good for the individual, but also for the whole. From what I can tell the Premier educated many about the excellence of our breed, and to be a part of that was a great experience!



The Premier Through New Eyes



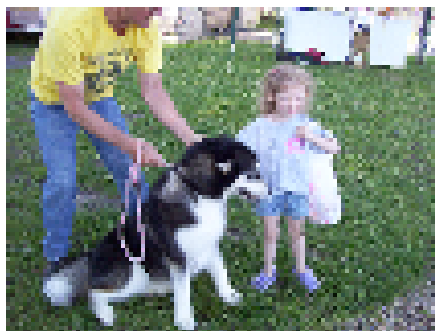
Premier - Not just for Adults



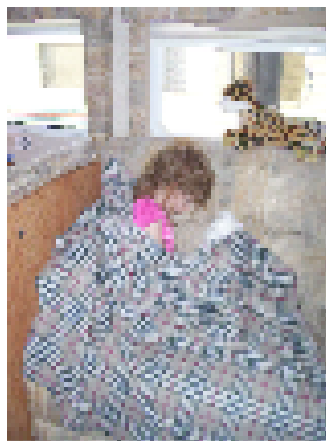
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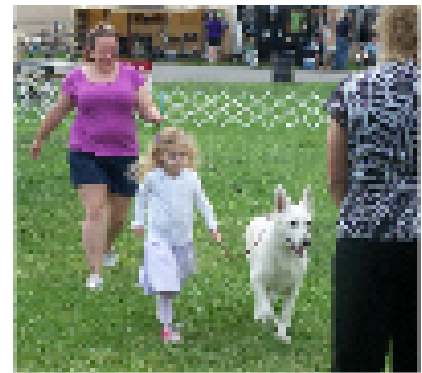
So much stuff to watch



Meeting all the different dogs



A tired child is a good child



Doing your best in the ring



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Zoie is 4 years old and this was her 3rd UKC Premier. Also her favorite dog show each year. Bring your little ones out to a show. You will get memories that last a life time.

We are not getting any younger - They are our Breeds future in the ring!!!

UKC Sports Highlight

"The Total Dog"

The Premier this year showed an opportunity for many White Shepherd Owners to show off their dogs in the many performance venues being held that weekend. White Shepherds participated in Dog Sport, Agility, Dock Diving, and others.

UKC® **THE PREMIER**



BY
BETH
BORCHARDT

This year was my first year to go to Premier. I had wanted to go for a while, but couldn't really justify the drive. But, I have always told myself that if my dogs qualify for a National agility competition, I was going to do my best to take them to it. So, this year, when Kal-El was ranked 32nd and Sparrow was ranked 46th in the UKC in Agility 2, I decided to make the trip.

Over the four days of Premier, there were 4 agility trials and the All Star competition. Sparrow had a very good trial! On Thursday, there were two trials and she qualified in 3 out of the 4 runs I did with her. One of the qualifying legs was the final leg she needed to get her United Agility Champion Excellent (becoming the second white shepherd to earn this title...and the first bitch to get it!). Friday was the All Star competition, where she ran clean in Agility 2 and was the 5th place dog in her height division. Saturday and Sunday each had one trial and Sparrow qualified in all 6 of her runs, earning the first two legs toward her United Grand Agility Championship. She had multiple placements over the weekend.

Kal-El had a lot of fun during Premier, but was not as consistent as his sister. Kal is not quite as willing to slow down when I ask him to, and when you combine that with a serious case of cabin fever...it can make for some interesting runs! He did have a few nice runs, and ended up qualifying in 6 out of 13 runs. He placed several times also, when he got it together he really did well!

I did find that we were really busy with agility, the trials were full and ran late. It was sometimes hard to find time to go and watch some of the other events that went on. I did get to see some of the breed judging of the white shepherds and got to watch most of the Best in Shows. All around, it was a great experience and I'm glad that we were able to go.





BY
BETH
CRAWFORD

PREMIER DOCK DIVING

Last year the Ultimate Air Dogs were set up for the first time at Premier. I had seen it on TV a couple of times and thought it was pretty cool. Well as you know it is a long time between shows and they said we could try the UAD jumping. The first time on the dock, Indy wasn't so sure about getting in - but the only toy he owned was in the water and without that toy he would be toyless. He jumped in head first and saved his toy. Everything went under water except the tip on his tail. What more could a dog ask - he was cool, wet, and he had his toy, and I told him he was great. From that point on he and I were hooked. We jumped every time we had the chance last year. At the end of the show we were awarded 5th in the novice division and couldn't have been happier.



When we got home, Scotty found out he had colon cancer and everything went on hold. But Indy still wanted to jump and run and do dog things. Nothing helps fight terror better than keeping your puppy happy. From June until the snow flew we found a practice dock and let Indy jump and play.

There is another group in this area called Dock Dogs and we went to some of their shows so that Indy could compete. He is so excited to jump I have to take the lead off before I go up the stairs since he pulls me off my feet going up. Of course the diving stops when the water freezes, but Indy still has his big red ball so the throwing did not stop and neither did the long walks. Scotty is now slowly recovering from the cancer operation and the chemo, and will finally be able to travel next month. All due to the joy of a bouncy young dog that would not let him quit.

This year we were not going to come to the Premier, but Indy was invited to the top ten so how could we say no! Scotty still was unable to travel so Indy and I came alone. I sent an entry to UAD and was told the only slot they had was the Friday jump. Well one jump was better than none. When we got there we managed to squeak in two more jumps and lots of practice jumps.

Arleen was trying to get Lexi to jump and having to jump in with her, so we all went over to the practice pool. The idea was that if Indy lusted after Lexy's toy she might jump in so that Indy didn't get it. It was a good idea but Lexy was not fooled and Arleen had to continue to jump with her. After one jump Arleen twisted her ankle and had to stop. Because she could not jump her dogs she withdrew from the diving and gave Indy her spot.

With all the practice jumps we had, Indy was finally starting to jump up and out instead of just straight out. He was starting to gain distance. Indy's best distance was 11' 8". This was a great improvement from last year -8'6" and his first jump of 1'8". Now he was starting to reach. He jumped 14'8". To my utter amazement that won first in the junior division.

I think he will continue to improve during the summer since he loves doing this diving stuff and will run out on the dock and throw his own ball for himself if we are busy. He is an amazing pup and has kept the terror and depression at bay through out this last year.

I should not forget that he had two wins in the conformation ring at Premier and has now gained the status of grand champion! And to do that at Premier of all places—wow! He has matured a lot in this year but I think he will always be my goofy pup that I can rely on to get me through the rough time too.



WHITE SHEPHERD SPOTLIGHT

Many White Shepherds made an excellent showing during the Premier this year. For the White Shepherd Spotlight this month we will be highlighting those dogs that placed this year at the Premier.

Congratulations to everyone who made a showing this year and helped to show the community what a fantastic breed this is!

TOP TEN:

BOB Fo BRCH :



Shylo's Galaxy Star
Arleen Ravanelli

Award of Excellence :



GRCH Royal Adonis
Miranda Reeves

Award of Excellence :



GRCH Surefire Lil' Miss Tasz of FS
Scarlett and Tim Saunders

FRIDAY:

Best Male :

Von Tasz Born To Win
Diana Updike

Reserve Best Male :

Surefire Ruff's Gust of Wind
Scarlett Sanders / Rhonda McMahan

Best Female, Best Of Winners :

Royal Hyjinx Aurora Dee V Marike
Chrisine Maluzhinski

Reserve Best Female :

Royal Lady Isis IQ
Jean Reeves

Champion :

CH Royal Prairie Wind
Nancy DeGarmo

Reserve Champion :

CH Royal Ready Set Go
Susan McGrath / Jean Reeves

Grand Champion, Best Of Breed :

GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz
Diana Updike

GROUP 2ND :

GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz
Diana Updike

Premier in Profile



SATURDAY:

Best Male
Von Tasz Born To Win
Diana Updike

Reserve Best Male :
HollyBrook's Ghost of a Chance
Nancy DeGarmo

Best Female, Best Of Winners :
Proud I'm Bill's Last Ceilidh RO
Diane Massey / Robert Massey

Reserve Best Female :
Royal Lady Isis IQ
Jean Reeves

Champion :
CH Lyons Royal Scott
Robert Crawford

Reserve Champion :
Royal Ready Set Go
Susan McGrath / Jean Reeves

Grand Champion, Best Of Breed :
GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz
Diana Updike

Award of Merit :
Royal Hyjinx Aurora Dee V Marike
Christine Maluzhinski

Award of Merit :
GRCH Willowwood Marike Von Tasz
Christine Maluzhinsky / Diana Updike

Award of Merit :
GRCH Surefire Lil' Miss Tasz of FS
Scarlett Sanders / Timothy Sanders

GROUP 1ST, BEST IN SHOW :
GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz
Diana Updike

SUNDAY:

Best Male, Best Of Winners :
Von Tasz Born To Win
Diana Updike

Reserve Best Male :
Marikes Lil Wil Von Tasz Junior
Christine Maluzhinsky

Best Female :
Vivid Day Dream Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

Champion :
CH Lyons Royal Scott
Robert Crawford

Reserve Champion :
Royal Ready Set Go
Susan McGrath / Jean Reeves

Grand Champion, Best Of Breed :
GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz
Diana Updike

GROUP 4TH :
GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz
Diana Updike







LETTERS FROM THE MEMBERS



Dog Show Diary Junior Handling

I am pretty new to the conformation handling and my kids had never been to the shows. However sometimes they watch me practice at home.

I decided to bring my 3 yr old boy Aidan and 5 yr old girl Kayla to the show and enter them in Peewee Handler on Sunday morning, after witnessing my daughter mimicking me. She had one of my dogs semi-stacked and telling her "good stand"! I thought she might enjoy showing. I knew I would have to let Aidan enter too - at his age, he wants everything "just like his big sister"!!!

I have to thank Diana for speaking with Jean, so my daughter could use Zeus.

Thanks Jean and Miranda for letting Kayla handle the gentle guy. He has such a sweet temperament.

Also many thanks to the Madame judge for being so kind. She was very very patient with the kids and explained to them how shepherds were used as working dogs and that was why they had to be big and

strong. And rather than selecting one winner, she said "I need two trophies" and gave Kayla the "Best Girl Handler" and Aidan the "Best Boy Handler"! How cool was that?

Thanks Judy for providing 2 trophies so each child had one to take home.

Thanks all of the attendees, for cheering them on and letting them have such unforgettable experience. They are so PROUD of themselves and their shiny new trophies.

On the way home Aidan asked his dad (out of blue) that "Do you think Grandpa is proud of me?" and almost made his dad choke up -you see, Aidan's grandpa passed away last year and he had been missing him very much. Last night he put his trophy next to the grandpa's picture so grandpa could "see it".

I know they will never forget that experience for the rest of their lives. Thank you!



Submitted By : Missy Lee

Congratulations to everyone who was an exhibitor at the Premier.

All the dogs shown were winners, no matter the number of ribbons.



In Loving Memory of Shane
5-2-2002 to 8-16-2008

*My shadow
and my
true heart dog*

*My best
friend*



Love, Mom



The White Shepherd Dog is a breed we all cherish. It is a breed unlike any other, a breed with quirks, challenges, and, outweighing all else, joys. It is a breed that has faced hardship and endured without faltering, in part due to the unwavering dedication of its fanciers, and in part due to the breeds inherent nobility.

I think that we can all agree that this breed is certainly worthy of recognition in its own right. This breed has come a very long way because so many of you have held that belief near and dear to your hearts. And yet it cannot be denied that this breed still has a difficult road ahead; that the same, if not more, dedication will be required for what is yet to come.

While the breed seems to have come up against a barrier when it comes to AKC recognition, it does not mean that we shouldn't continue the fight for recognition in other venues. There has been some important work in to this affect in the performance arena such as the recognition of the White Shepherd as a breed by the Australian Shepherd Club of America (thanks to Becky's work). However, it is equally important that we fight for the same recognition within the other communities.

One such area of interest is the Health Community. Recently I was made aware that the OFA recognizes the White Shepherd Dog as a breed in its database. That is a step in the right direction – making use of this opportunity is the next. It is important that we show that we believe the White Shepherd Dog is a breed apart, not just in name only but in all aspects, to include health.

While the OFA recognizes our breed, there

are other health registries that do not. The two that come to mind are the Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF) and the (CHIC) databases. The CERF database lists designer breeds but not our own, which seems an injustice to me. If enough of us were to petition them, or submit their dogs as White Shepherd Dogs, we may be able to gain recognition from them.

CHIC is a database sponsored by the AKC Canine Health Foundation and the OFA Database. One of the CHICs philosophies is that each breed has different health concerns, and our own is no different. Having CHIC recognize our breed will lend a great deal of clout to our breed among the Fancy, because it cannot be denied that dogs with that coveted number are respected. This recognition can be obtained through one of the parent clubs.

The health community is a group that is very important to win over. If we gain recognition from this community it may lead to recognition with others, such as research and development. If the companies begin to recognize our breed as separate, that may lead to studies and the development of tests specific to our breed that will lead to better breeding decisions. If those communities do so, then it will lend some strength to our effort on other fronts.

This option is just one of many, and we must continue to research and look for other areas in which to show the Fancy and the AKC that this breed is a breed unto its own, a breed worthy of separation, recognition and respect.

Submitted by : Catherine Helfgott



WHITE SHEPHERDS IN THE UKC

UPCOMING SHOWS

Conformation and Junior Showmanship

- 01 September 2008 – Princeton, ON : United Greyhound Club
- 06 September 2008 – Taunton, MA : Apple Valley Rat Terrier Club
- 06 September 2008 – Ravenna, OH : Carnation City Kennel Club
- 06 September 2008 – Mechanicsburg, PA : Obedience Trainign Club of Harrisonburg
- 06 September 2008 – Hutto, TX : Kangal Dog Club of America
- 06 September 2008 – Hutto, TX : Lone Star-Louisiana Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 06 September 2008 – Hayward, CA : Northwestern American Eskimo Association
- 06 September 2008 – Minneapolis, MN : United German Shepherd Dog Alliance
- 07 September 2008 – Hutto, TX : Akbash Dog Association of America
- 13 September 2008 – Warrenton, VA : Shenandoah Belgian Shepherd Dog Association
- 13 September 2008 – Racine, WI : Mid-Lakes Australian Shepherd Club
- 19 September 2008 – Hickory, NC : American Hairless Terrier Association
- 19 September 2008 – Hickory, NC : United Poodle Breeds Association
- 20 September 2008 – Brunswick, GA : UKC Licensed Event
- 20 September 2008 – Charlotte, MI : Foundation Kai Club of America
- 20 September 2008 – Minneapolis, MN : Northern Lights American Eskimo Dog Association
- 20 September 2008 – Sparks, NV : Silver State APBT Club
- 20 September 2008 – St Helens, OR : American Eskimo Dog Association of Oregon
- 27 September 2008 – Tulare, CA : Sequoia American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 27 September 2008 – Lexington, KY : Earthworkers Unlimited
- 27 September 2008 – FT Gratiot, MI : Michigan American Eskimo Dog Association
- 27 September 2008 – Centerton, NJ : Garden State Kennel Club
- 27 September 2008 – Westfield, MA : American Eskimo Club of New England
- 27 September 2008 – Denton, TX : North Texas American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 27 September 2008 – Enumclaw, WA : American Eskimo Dog Club of Washington
- 02 October 2008 – Belvidere, IL : Chippewa United Belgian Shepherd Dog Club
- 03 October 2008 – Enfield, CT : American Pit Bull Terrier Club of New England
- 03 October 2008 – Peoria, IL : Illinois Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 03 October 2008 – Belvidere, IL : Rock Valley Kennel Federation
- 03 October 2008 – Belvidere, IL : United Belgian Shepherd Dog Association
- 04 October 2008 – Oakdale, CA : Central Valley Rat Terrier Club
- 04 October 2008 – Enfield, CT : National American Pit Bull Terrier Club of Association
- 04 October 2008 – Enfield, CT : United Belgian Shepherd Dog Association
- 10 October 2008 – Bloomington, CA : Silver Stike American Hairless Terrier Association
- 10 October 2008 – Centreville, MI : All American Bulldog Club
- 11 October 2008 – Modesto, CA : Central Valley Rat Terrier Club
- 11 October 2008 – Bloomington, CA : Silver Strike American Hairless Terrier Association
- 11 October 2008 – Hollywood, FL : Mid Florida Dog Club
- 11 October 2008 – Elburn, IL : Kay-9 Petiquette
- 11 October 2008 – Warner, OK : Performance Events Trials and Shows
- 17 October 2008 – Cortland, NY : Finger Lakes American Eskimo Dog Association
- 18 October 2008 – Loomis, CA : Central Valley Rat terrier Club
- 18 October 2008 – Davis, CA : North American Dalmation Association
- 18 October 2008 – San Antonio, FL : Hurricane Alley American hairless Terrier Association
- 18 October 2008 – Cortland, NY : National American Eskimo Dog Association

BRAGS!

NORTH CAROLINA

March 29, 2008

Show One

Judge: Ronald Sacca

1 Entry

Female Puppy BF BOB
Vivid Daydreams Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

Show Two

Judge: Deborah Orwin

1 Entry

Female Puppy BF BOB
Vivid Daydreams Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

March 30, 2008

Show One

Judge: Pamela Simmons

2 Entries

Male Puppy BM
CH Pawsinn's Davinci Di Falconara
Catherine Helfgott
Female Puppy BF BOW BOB
Vivid Daydreams Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

VIRGINIA

April 5, 2008

Show One

Judge: Alleyne Dickens

2 Entries

Male Puppy BM BOW BOB
CH Pawsinn's Davinci Di Falconara
Catherine Helfgott
Female Puppy BF
Vivid Daydreams Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

Show Two

Judge: J. Ray Johnson

2 Entries

Male Puppy BM
CH Pawsinn's Davinci Di Falconara
Catherine Helfgott
Female Puppy BF BOW BOB
Vivid Daydreams Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

- 18 October 2008 – Athens, TN : Great Smokey Mountain Dog Club
- 18 October 2008 – Shelton, WA : Volcano View Rat Terrier Club
- 24 October 2008 – Davenport, IA : Illowa Kennel Club
- 25 October 2008 – Claremont, CA : American Pit Bull Terrier Club of Southern California
- 25 October 2008 – Golden, CO : Frontier Belgian Shepherd Dog Association
- 25 October 2008 – Salisbury, NC : United Labrador Retriever Association
- 25 October 2008 – Denton, TX : North East Texas American Eskimo Dog Association
- 31 October 2008 – Simpsonville, KY : Mason-Dixon Multi-Breed Dog Association
- 01 November 2008 – LaPorte, IN : Trail Creek Dog Training Club
- 01 November 2008 – Perry, GA : The Finnish Spitz Club
- 07 November 2008 – Jayess, MS : Mississippi State American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 08 November 2008 – Ixonia, WI : Wisconsin Boston Terrier Association
- 14 November 2008 – Caledon, Canada : Maple Leaf Kennel Club
- 14 November 2008 – Taunton, MA : Silver City K-9 Club
- 15 November 2008 – Long Beach, MS : Catahoula Owners Breeders And Research Association
- 15 November 2008 – Norman, OK : Oklahoma American Eskimo Dog Association
- 21 November 2008 – Aurora, CO : American Norwegian Lundehund Club
- 22 November 2008 – Aurora, CO : High Plains Kennel Club
- 23 November 2008 – Claremont, CA : Goldenwest Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 28 November 2008 – Loomis, CA : Central Valley Rat Terrier Club
- 28 November 2008 – Lakeland, FL : Florida Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 28 November 2008 – Wapakoneta, OH : Ohio Toy Fox Terrier Association
- 28 November 2008 – Longview, WA : Cascade American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 29 November 2008 – Hutto, TX : Bluebonnet All-Breed Dog Club of Texas
- 05 December 2008 – Wakefield, VA : Hampton Roads Weight Pull Club
- 12 December 2008 – Kalamazoo, MI : K9 Fanciers
- 13 December 2008 – Phoenix, AZ : Russell Terrier Foundation Club

Obedience Events

- 06 September 2008 – Jacksonville, AR : Pinnacle Dog Training Club of Oregon
- 13 September 2008 – Louisville, KY : Metro Louisville Training Club
- 19 September 2008 – Hickory, NC : United Poodle Breeds Association
- 19 September 2008 – Spruce Grove, AB : Rose County Canine Association
- 20 September 2008 – Minneapolis, MN : Northern Lights American Eskimo Dog Association
- 20 September 2008 – Douglas, AK : Captial Kennel Club of Juneau
- 20 September 2008 – Rockford, MI : Grand Rapids Area Canines
- 20 September 2008 – Murray, UT : Gone to the Dogs
- 27 September 2008 – Santa Maria, CA : Santa Lucia Open Dog Obedience Group
- 27 September 2008 – York, ME : Marshland Obedience Club
- 27 September 2008 – Westfield, MA : Dog Obedience Guidance School
- 27 September 2008 – Montpelier, OH : Northwest Ohio Dog Obedience Club
- 03 October 2008 – Enfield, CN : American Pit Bull Terrier Club of New England
- 03 October 2008 – Belvidere, IL : Rock Valley Kennel Federation
- 03 October 2008 – Adel, IO : K-9 Sports Club
- 04 October 2008 – Enfield, CN : National American Pit Bull Terrier Association
- 04 October 2008 – Staten Island, NY : Staten Island Dog Training Club
- 04 October 2008 – Fountain Inn, SC : Carolina Obedience and Agility Trainers
- 05 October 2008 – Cornelius, OR : Canine Action Pack
- 11 October 2008 – Southgate, MI : Great Lakes Obedience Club of Michigan
- 11 October 2008 – Ixonia, WI : Bark River Dog Club
- 18 October 2008 – Anchorage, AK : Alyeska Canine Trainers
- 18 October 2008 – Lowell, IN : Paw Power Blues Dog Club
- 24 October 2008 – Davenport, IO : Illowa Kennel Club
- 25 October 2008 – Golden, CO : Timberline Dog Club
- 01 November 2008 – Cedar Rapids, IA : 4RK9'S
- 01 November 2008 – Charlotte, NC : Central Piedmont Obedience Training Club

April 6, 2008

Show One

Judge: Diana Allen
2 Entries

Male Puppy BM BOW BOB
CH Pawsinn's Davinci Di Falconara
Catherine Helfgott
Female Puppy BF
Vivid Daydreams Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

Show Two

Judge: Joseph Allen
Male Puppy BM BOW BOB
CH Pawsinn's Davinci Di Falconara
Catherine Helfgott
Female Puppy BF
Vivid Daydreams Dionna
Catherine Helfgott

MICHIGAN

April 12, 2008

Show One

Judge: Tina Reed
2 Entries

CH
CH Hallmarks Evenstar of Rivendell
Becky Joyce
GRCH BOB

GRCH Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil
Amanda Phillips

Show Two

Judge: Mary King
2 Entries

CH
CH Hallmarks Evenstar of Rivendell
Becky Joyce
GRCH BOB

GRCH Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil
Amanda Phillips
Group 4th

GRCH Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil
Amanda Phillips

April 13, 2008

Show One

Judge: Carlos Rodriguez
2 Entries

CH
CH Hallmarks Evenstar of Rivendell
Becky Joyce
GRCH BOB

GRCH Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil
Amanda Phillips
NON-LICENSED PUPPY – BP

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Show Two

Judge: Cherish Dewitt
CH

CH Hallmarks Evenstar of Rivendell
Becky Joyce
GRCH BOB

GRCH Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil
Amanda Phillips

- 01 November 2008 – Spokane, WA : Lilac City Dig Training Club
- 08 November 2008 – Burnsville, MN : Minnesota Mixed Breed Club
- 08 November 2008 – Pottstown, IL : Kickapoo Kreek K9 Klub
- 08 November 2008 – Jacksonville, FL : First Coast Dog Obedience Club
- 09 November 2008 – Warren, MI : Belgian Sheepdog Club of Oakland County
- 15 November 2008 – Monticello, FL : Canopy Roads Crew
- 15 November 2008 – Flint, MI : Dog Sports of Genesee County
- 22 November 2008 – Aurora, CO : High Plains Kennel Club
- 22 November 2008 – Santa Fe, NM : Enchantment Training Club
- 29 November 2008 – Los Angeles, CA : West Los Angeles Obedience Training
- 06 December 2008 – Evansville, IN : Lincoln Trail Belgian Shepherd Dog Club
- 06 December 2008 – Farmington, UT : Gone to the Dogs
- 13 December 2008 – Hillsboro, OR : Northwest Oregon Dog Training Club
- 13 December 2008 – Warrenville, IL : Smack-Dab's Obedience Training
- 14 December 2008 – Cary, IL : Flying Paws Dog Training Club

Weight Pull Events

- 05 September 2008 – Chehalis, WA : Rainier Weight Pullers Association
- 09 September 2008 – Taunton, MA : New England Pullers Association
- 20 September 2008 – Leslie, MI : Mis West Weight Pullers
- 27 September 2008 – Denton, TX : North Texas American Pit Pull Terrier Club
- 03 October 2008 – Enfield, CT : American Pit Bull Terrier Club of New England
- 04 October 2008 – Enfield, CT : National American Pit Bull Terrier Club of Association
- 04 October 2008 – Oceanside, CA : Rip Curl Weight Pullers
- 10 October 2008 – Centerville, MI : All American Bulldog Club
- 10 October 2008 – Reno, NV : Silver State American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 11 October 2008 – Longview, WA : Cascade American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 18 October 2008 – Athens, TN : Working Dog Association
- 31 October 2008 – Victor, MT : Courteous K-9 Obedience Clun
- 01 November 2008 – Glendale, CA : Rip Curl Weight Pullers
- 01 November 2008 – Port Clinton, PA : Pride and Prejudice American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 07 November 2008 – Jayess, MS : Mississippi State American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 07 November 2008 – Reno, NV : Silver State APBT Club
- 08 November 2008 – Morristown, TN : Working Dog Association
- 14 November 2008 – Chehalis, WA : Rainier Weight Pullers Association
- 28 November 2008 – Longview, WA : Cascade American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 29 November 2008 – Clinton, CN : New England Pullers Association
- 06 December 2008 – Longview, WA : Cascade American Pit Bull Terrier Club
- 06 December 2008 – Oceanside, CA : United National Weight Pullers
- 07 December 2008 – Oceanside, CA : Rip Curl Weight Pullers
- 12 December 2008 – Kalamazoo, MI : All American Bulldog Club
- 13 December 2008 – Renton, WA : Cascade American Pit Bull Terrier Club

Agility Events

- 06 September 2008 – Cornell, IL : United Piece of Cake Dog Club
- 06 September 2008 – Laporte, IL : Trail creek Dog Training Club
- 06 September 2008 – Gloucester, VA : Belroi Agility Club
- 13 September 2008 – Longmont, CO : Twin Peaks Dog Club
- 13 September 2008 – Warrenville, IL : Smack-Dsb's Obedience Training

OHIO

April 18, 2008

Show Two

Judge: Marian Campbell
2 Entries

Male Puppy BM
Kaufmans Brutal Reality
Julie Cornelius
CH BOB

CH Royal Athena Gotta Winna
Julie Cornelius and Jean Reeves
GROUP 4th
CH Royal Athena Gotta Winna
Julie Cornelius and Jean Reeves

April 19, 2008

Show One

Judge: Donald Wells
2 Entries

Male Puppy BM
Kaufmans Brutal Reality
Julie Cornelius
CH BOB

CH Royal Athena Gotta Winna
Julie Cornelius and Jean Reeves
GROUP 1st

CH Royal Athena Gotta Winna
Julie Cornelius and Jean Reeves

Show Two

Judge: Betty Unberto-Wells
2 Entries

Male Puppy BM BOB
Kaufmans Brutal Reality
Julie Cornelius
CH

CH Royal Athena Gotta Winna
Julie Cornelius and Jean Reeves

WISCONSIN

April 19, 2008

Show One

Judge: Carol Glodowski-Starr
2 Entries

Female Puppy BF
Royal Hale Koa's Makai
Jacqueline O'Connor
CH BOB

CH Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa
Jacqueline O'Connor
GROUP 2nd

CH Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa
Jacqueline O'Connor

Show Two

Judge: J. Ray Johnson
2 Entries

Female Puppy BF BOB
Royal Hale Koa's Makai
Jacqueline O'Connor
CH

CH Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa
Jacqueline O'Connor

GROUP 3rd

Royal Hale Koa's Makai
Jacqueline O'Connor

- 13 September 2008 – New Hill, NC : Autumn Winds Agility Club
- 20 September 2008 – Escondido, CA : San Diego Dog Fanciers
- 20 September 2008 – Garden City, KS : Dodge City Kennel Club
- 27 September 2008 – Montpelier, OH : Northwest Ohio Dog Obedience Club
- 03 October 2008 – Belvidere, IL : United Belgian Shepherd Dog Association
- 04 October 2008 – Laporte, IL : Trail Creek Dog Training Club
- 04 October 2008 – Norman, OK : OK Paws K9 Sports Club
- 18 October 2008 – Newburgh, IN : Lincoln Trail Belgian Shepherd Dog Club
- 18 October 2008 – Auburn, WA : Puget Sound K-9's
- 25 October 2008 – Spring Grove, IL : WO-IL Agility Group
- 25 October 2008 – Escanaba, MI : Bay de Noc Kennel Club
- 01 November 2008 – Schiller Park, IL : Windy City Agility Club
- 01 November 2008 – Lynchburg, VA : Dog Owners Training Club of Lynchburg
- 08 November 2008 – Lawrence, KS : Agility Ability of Greater Kansas City
- 08 November 2008 – Lewisburg, PA : Trained N' Talented Canines
- 15 November 2008 – Monticello, FL : Canopy Roads Crew
- 15 November 2008 – Tulsa, OK : Companion Dog Club of Tulsa
- 15 November 2008 – Lowell, IN : Paw Power Blues Dog Club
- 15 November 2008 – Pottstown, IL : Kickapoo Kreek K9 Klub
- 28 November 2008 – Warrenville, IL : Smack-Dab's Obedience Training
- 29 November 2008 – Dillsburg, PA ; Obedience Training Class of Harrisburg
- 06 December 2008 – Manville, IL : United Piece of Cake Dog Club
- 13 December 2008 – Beltsville, MD : K9 Konnection
- 27 December 2008 – Warrenville, IL : Smack-Dab's Obedience Training

Dog Sport Events

- 10 October 2008 – Niota, TN L Athens TN SDA Association
- 31 October 2008 – Niota, TN : Athens TN SDA Association
- 08 November 2008 – Jacksonville, FL : First Coast Dog Obedience Club

Current Top Ten Standings

1. GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz	67
2. GRCH Royal Adonis	43
3. Royal Wish Upon a Star	15
4. Regalwise Oreo	14
5. GRCH Surefire Sugar Magnolia v Starr	13
6. CH Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa	12
6. GRCH Kyra's Kin--King Kole Von Tasz	12
8. Starr Shiver Me Timbers	11
9. GRCH Surefire Lil' Miss Tasz Of Fs	10
10. CH Royal Prairie Wind	7

OREGON

April 19, 2008

Show One

Judge: William Orwin
6 Entries
Male Puppy BM BOW BOB
Starr Shiver Me Timbers
Betty Tanner
Sr. Male RBM
Hallmarks Help On The Way V Starr
Keslie Joyce
Jr. Female BF
Listed Entry
Sr. Female RBF
Francesca Destiny
Cathy Norlin/Scott Norlin
CH
Invalid entry
GRCH
GRCH Surefire Sugar Magnolia V Starr
Keslie Joyce and Winter Shepard
NON-LICENSED CLASSES
NFP BP
Starr's Not Fade Away V Surefire
Cathy Norlin/Keslie Joyce
GROUP 1st
Starr Shiver Me Timbers
Betty Tanner

ILLINOIS

April 26, 2008

Show One

Judge: Richard Klatt
3 Entries
Female Puppy BF
CH Royal Hale Koa's Makai
Jacqueline O'Connor
CH BOB
CH Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho
Koa
Jacqueline O'Connor
RBF
Starr's Ocean Splash of Hallmark
Mona Pearson
GROUP 3rd
Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa
Jacqueline O'Connor
Show Two
Judge: Dean Spielvogel
3 Entries
Female Puppy BF BOB
CH Royal Hale Koa's Makai
Jacqueline O'Connor
CH
CH Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa
Jacqueline O'Connor
RBF
Starr's Ocean Splash of Hallmark
Mona Pearson
GROUP 3rd
CH Royal Hale Koa's Makai
Jacqueline O'Connor

April 27, 2008

Show One

Judge: Dawn Todd

2 Entries

Female Puppy BF

Starr's Ocean Splash of Hallmark

Mona Pearson

GRCH BOB

GRCH Royals Timeless Treasure

Mona Pearson and Jean Reeves

GROUP 2nd

GRCH Royals Timeless Treasure

Mona Pearson and Jean Reeves

Show Two

Judge: Karen Todd

4 Entries

Female Puppy BF

Starr's Ocean Splash of Hallmark

Mona Pearson

CH

CH Hallmark Kahuna's Hana Ho Koa

Jacqueline O'Connor

RCH

CH Hale Koa's Makai

Jacqueline O'Connor

GRCH BOB

GRCH Royals Timeless Treasure

Mona Pearson and Jean Reeves

GROUP 1st

GRCH Royals Timeless Treasure

Mona Pearson and Jean Reeves

MASSACHUSETTS

April 26, 2008

Show One

Judge: Eleanor Main

2 Entries

Jr. Female BF BOB

CH Surefire's Red Eye Flight 696

Linda Machorro/Rafael Machorro

Sr. Female RBF

Halo Royale Von Tazs

Robin Davey

Show Two

Judge: Tim Parr

Jr. Male

Invalid Entry

Jr. Female BF BOW BOB

CH Surefire's Red Eye Flight 696

Linda/Rafael Machorro

Sr. Female RBF

Halo Royale Von Tazs

Robin Davey

April 27, 2008

Show One

Judge: Jill Soble-Smith

2 Entries

Jr. Female BF BOB

CH Surefire's Red Eye Flight 696

Linda Machorro/Rafael Machorro

Adult Female RBF

Regalwise Regina V Surefire

Rhonda McMahan



Show Two

Judge: Pamela Simmons

2 Entries

Jr. Female BF BOB

CH Surefire's Red Eye Flight 696

Linda Machorro/Rafael Machorro

Adult Female RBF

Regalwise Regina V SurefireRhonda

McMahan

OKLAHOMA

April 26, 2008

Show One

Judge: J.D. McNutt

3 Entries

Male Puppy BM

Surefire Regalwise Rodeo Starr

Ronda Beaupre/Rhonda McMahan

Female Puppy BF BOW BOB

CH Kerstone's Twist and Shout

Susan Gebur/Alicia Lips

Sr. Female RBF

Regalwise Elisharuth

Ronda Beaupre

Show Two

Judge: Danny Bussard

Male Puppy BM

Surefire Regalwise Rodeo Starr

Ronda Beaupre/Rhonda McMahan

Female Puppy BF BOW BOB

CH Kerstone's Twist and Shout

Susan Gebur/Alicia Lips

Sr. Female RBF

Regalwise Elisharuth

Ronda Beaupre

April 27, 2008

Show One

Judge: Karen Shivers

3 Entries

Male Puppy BM

Surefire Regalwise Rodeo Starr

Ronda Beaupre/Rhonda McMahan

Female Puppy BF BOW BOB

CH Kerstone's Twist and Shout

Susan Gebur/Alicia Lips

Sr. Female RBF

Regalwise Elisharuth

Ronda Beaupre

INDIANA

May 4, 2008

Show One

Judge: Richard Klatt

6 Entries

Jr. Female RBF

Von Lunsford Greatest Moment

Maggie Keller

BHF BF

CH Royal Wish Upon A Star

Jean Reeves

CH

CH Royal Ready Set Go

Susan McGrath and Jean Reeves

RCH

Ch Royal Lord Zeus

Jean Reeves

GRCH BOB

GRCH Royal Adonis

Miranda Reeves

GROUP 1st

GRCH Royal Adonis

Miranda Reeves

RBIMBS

GRCH Royal Adonis

Miranda Reeves

Show Two

Judge: Jeanne Heger

Jr. Female RBF

Von Lunsford Greatest Moment

Maggie Keller

BHF BF BOB

CH Royal Wish Upon A Star

Jean Reeves

CH

CH Royal Lord Zeus

Jean Reeves

RCH

CH Royal Ready Set Go

Susan McGrath and Jean Reeves

GRCH

GRCH Royal Adonis

Miranda Reeves

GROUP 1st

CH Royal Wish Upon A Star

Jean Reeves



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

The United White Shepherd Club would also like to extend a warm welcome to:

Maria from PA!

In Loving Memory of Reno

By :
Kim King

Being a member of Therapy Dog International (TDI), we take great Pride in participating in our very active and continuous therapy dog range of activities. The members and dogs within our chapter and everywhere are selfless, devoted people who thoroughly enjoy what we are doing.

Members of the Schenectady Chapter of Therapy Dogs International, which consists of Golden Retrievers, Poodles, Rottweilers, Boston Terriers, Vizslas, Shelties, Japanese Chins, Labs, Lhasas, Fox Hounds, Bichons, Corgis, Bernese Mountain Dogs, German Shepherd Dogs, Springers and Mixed Breeds; routinely visit the Hospital Rehabilitation Centers on a weekly basis. We also do monthly visits at Adult Health Care Centers, the YMCA, and the Library. We also participate yearly in dressage, march in parades and whatever else comes up.

Members of the Schenectady Chapter of TDI currently visit a library for children to read to the dogs. We visit strictly as members of TDI. If you provide a reading program to a school or library it must be done independently from any other reading program due to insurance regulations. This can be referenced under Rule B-1 of the new 2004-2005

Members Guide.

We, the members, have the utmost respect for the elderly, children, staff and all those involved in participating in the reading program.

The children, ages 5 to 11 years, love reading to member dogs and it is so fulfilling to see the enjoyment they have reading to the dogs without being afraid of criticism or petting and playing with canines.

What do we as members get out of our participation? I would say that we're out there educating as many as possible about responsible pet ownership and the joy of a loved and behaved friend beside you, in the process of sharing ourselves and canine's and bring comfort to those in need. It's most definitely a win-win situation for the many members volunteering themselves and their canines.



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Catagories

- * Best
- * Scariest
- * Funniest
- * Most Original

Entry Deadline
October 20, 2008

* Certificate and a free ad
in the UWSC Newsletter will be
awarded to each winner!

Dress up your White Shepherd or White German Shepherd
for Halloween and send in your pictures!

Send your entries to:
NewsletterEditor@UnitedWhiteShepherdClub.org



Contest Rules for the 4th Annual UWSC Howl-O-Ween WS Photo Contest

1. Photos must be the property of the person entering them
2. Photos must be of a White Shepherd or White German Shepherd in costume
3. All photos must be submitted with:
~ Owner's name & the dog's name ~
4. Photos may be of past or present dogs
5. By entering your photo you are giving UWSC permission to publish your photo in the UWSC Newsletter and to use your photo for club promotion or profit

All entries will be published in the
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Missy

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Eli

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Lexi goes out with a bang at UKC Premier



Multiple BIMBS, RBIMBS, GRCH, FO, Shylo's Galaxy Star, CGC, VCC, TDI, RN, VCCX, HIC, TT, OV, SARA

Lexi retired from UKC conformation after winning her second in a row BOB Top Ten at this years UKC Premier.

She has done all she can do in conformation with UKC, beating almost every record set by White Shepherds in UKC conformation.

Quite a feat for a little girl nick named "Mutant Child".