



UNITED WHITE SHEPHERD CLUB



White Shepherds in the news!

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UKC #2 Top Ten White Shepherd for 2005

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Premier 2005

Reserve Best In Show (2 of 4 Best of Breeds), Top Ten Award of excellence for WS's

Premier 2006

Thursday Specialty Show Best of Breed, Friday Best of Breed & Group 2nd, & Saturday Grand Champion Award of Merit



"Pebbles"

**UKC Grand Champion, AWSA Champion
ROYAL SPASZ VON TASZ, HC, CGC
PennHip, OFA prelim Elbows**

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Hi Everyone,

Well another Premier has come and gone, leaving us exhausted and energized all at once! I for one had a marvelous time! I really enjoy seeing all of you WS folks I don't get to see often. And the beautiful White Shepherds... well that just goes without saying. It was a long trip back home for us but worth every mile!!

The dog days of summer are just around the corner, don't forget to keep an eye on your fur babies for pesky critters and be sure to be aware of the heat!

Our club will be holding it's first WS specialty show here in the south. It will be in Perry, GA. Oct. 1, 2006. Be sure to mark your calendars!

I would like to take a moment to thank all those who supported me in the elections. I'm proud to be your new Vice President and will do my best to fulfill my new club position to the best of my abilities.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to all our new club members! We would love for you to send in your bio and photo to the newsletter so that we may get to know you better.

Please also remember to send in show results, new titles, WS Birthdays, New Arrivals, WS brags ect... and don't forget your photos! ;o)



Your newsletter editor,

Scarlett



Another incredible UKC Premier is behind us. Once again, our White Shepherd breed had one of the highest entries for the weekend and we were given so many kind words from our judges, not only about our dogs, but about our good natured and supportive “dog family”.

This September 9th and 10th is our second annual UKC All Breed show (less BSD) to be held in Hamlet, Indiana. The Conformation Event Secretary is Miranda Reeves. And I have volunteered to be the Event Secretary. We have many other “jobs” and, thankfully, have many volunteers – thank-you!

Just a reminder, the Cesar Milan Seminar in Michigan is just around the corner (first weekend in August). For information, please contact Judy Huston.

Yours for the White Shepherd,

Diana L. Updike



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by
JOANN & JOHN HEDA



UKC Premier 2006

The 2006 UKC Premier has come and gone, leaving us with many fond memories of good times with friends, old and new and so many beautiful white dogs! There were White Shepherds showing and several more there that weren't showing. As expected the white dogs made a good impression on both the spectator's and the judge's, they received several really nice compliments. The judges also complemented the White Shepherd owners and supporter's in attendance for their high spirited and genuine support of one another.



UKC Premier 2006 Grand Champion Class on Saturday June 17th.

There were 12 Grand Champion White Shepherds in attendance on Saturday, many of whom had come from all over the US to compete at the biggest UKC Annual show and Top Ten Invitational event.

What a beautiful group of White Shepherds!!

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

UKC Premier Photo's - WS in action!!



UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

UKC Premier Photo's - more WS in action!!



UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

UKC Premier Photo's - and more WS in action!!



GO WHITE DOGS!!!!

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

UKC Premier 2006 - Show Results

Friday June 16, 2006

Judge: K. Lorentzen

[Hallmark's Wynnter Moon For Neil, owned by Amanda Phillips, 2 ..](#)

[Hallmarks Evenstar Of Rivendell, owned by Becky Joyce, 1 RF ..](#)

[Lyons Honoring Dexter, owned by Melanie Fuellgraf and Alexander Fuellgraf, 1 ..](#)

[Marikes Lil Wil Vontasz Junior, owned by Christine Maluzhinsky, 1 ..](#)

[Proud Tobe Massey's Lakyndzie, owned by Diane Massey and Jen Proud, CH ..](#)

[Regalwise Amberjack Of The Arctic, owned by Arnie Krauss and Cheryl Krauss, 2](#)

[Royal Adonis, owned by Jean Reeves, 1 RM ..](#)

[Royal Goddess Of Love, owned by Jean Reeves, 1 ..](#)

[Royal Zipay Jumping For Joy, owned by Denise Mencke and Jean Reeves, 1 BF BOW ..](#)

[Royals Avalanche Of Beadog, owned by Denise Mencke and Jean Reeves, 1 ..](#)

[Vantasias Excellent Adventure, owned by Denise Mencke and Jean Reeves, RCH ..](#)

[Von Schrader's Kizer St Cloud, owned by Monica Gerzevske, 1 BM ..](#)

[Vschrader Blue Sky Ahead Of Fs, owned by Scarlett Sanders and Tim Sanders, 3 ..](#)

[Wh-Proud Krystalann Of The Lakes, owned by Kevin Connor and Laura Connor, 1 ..](#)



[Royal Spasz Von Tasz, owned by Diana L Updike, GRCH BOB G2 ..](#)

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UKC GRCH
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UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

Saturday June 17, 2006

Judge: W. Pasko

[Hallmark's Wynnter Moon For Neil, owned by Amanda Phillips, 2..](#)

[Hallmarks Evenstar Of Rivendell, owned by Becky Joyce, 3.](#)

[Marikes Lil Wil Vontasz Junior, owned by Christine Maluzhinsky, 1.](#)

[Proud Tobe Massey's Lakyndzie, owned by Diane Massey and Jen Proud, GRCH.](#)

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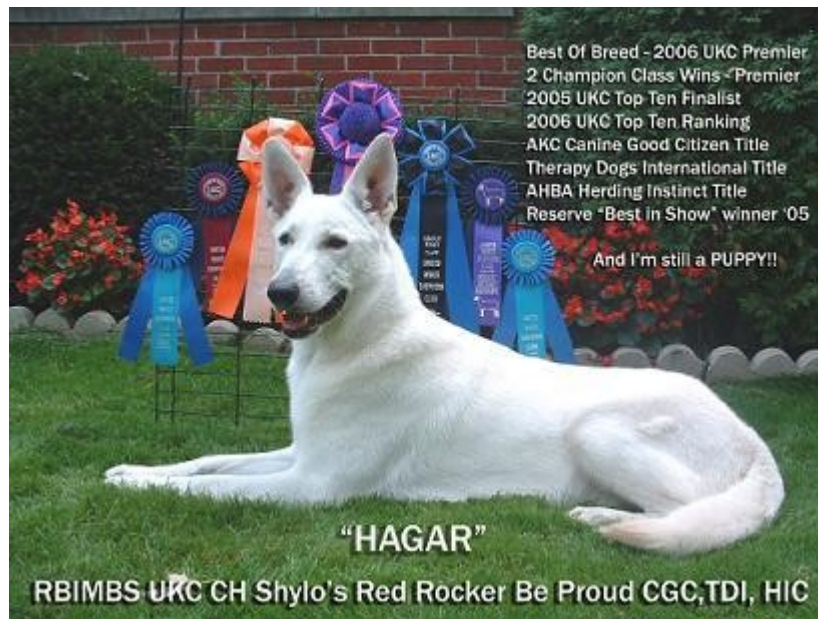
[Royals Avalanche Of Beadog, owned by Denise Mencke and Jean Reeves, 1.](#)

[Shylo's Miss Blanca, owned by Theresa S Dalla Valle, RCH.](#)

[Von Schrader's Kizer St Cloud, owned by Monica Gerzevske, 1.](#)

[Vschrader Blue Sky Ahead Of Fs, owned by Scarlett Sanders and Tim Sanders, 1.](#)

[Wh-Proud Krystalann Of The Lakes, owned by Kevin Connor and Laura Connor, 1 BF BOW.](#)



Shylo's Red Rocker Be Proud, owned by Dan Nowak and Betsy Anne Nowak, CH BOB ..



UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

Sunday June 18, 2006

Judge: R. Sacca

[Hallmark's Wynnter Moon For Neil, owned by Amanda Phillips, 1 ...](#)
[Hallmarks Evenstar Of Rivendell, owned by Becky Joyce, 3.](#)
[Hollybrook's Little Bit Acharm, owned by Nancy De Garmo, RCH.](#)
[Regalwise Amberjack Of The Arctic, owned by Arnie Krauss and Cheryl Krauss, 1.](#)
[Royal Adonis, owned by Jean Reeves, 1 BM BOW.](#)
[Royal Goddess Of Love, owned by Jean Reeves, 1 RF.](#)
[Royal Zipay Jumping For Joy, owned by Denise Mencke and Jean Reeves, 1.](#)
[Royals Avalanche Of Beadog, owned by Denise Mencke and Jean Reeves, 1.](#)
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[Wh-Proud Krystalann Of The Lakes, owned by Kevin Connor and Laura Connor, 1 BF.](#)



[Shylo's Galaxy Star, owned by Arleen Ravanelli, GRCH, BOB ..](#)



Happy 4th of July!!

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...



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SFX TREASURE'S TROVE
LORI CHAPEK-CARLETON & GORDON CARLETON

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TIBETAN MASTIFF

SHANGHAI'S MR STROU O AUJUDON
AUDREY LEE & SABRINA NOVARRA

-3-

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG

RHINE R'S GONE WITH THE WIND
HAROLD TWELLMAN & KAREN CATTIN

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GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER

KDT'S BLAZIN' BLEUGRAS
REBECCA SMITH

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AMERICAN ESKIMO

PINEBROOK RUSHMORE REAGAN
DAVID E ODELL

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DACHSHUND

GEMDACH RED ALERT L
JUSTIN M WILLIAMSON & PATRICK E WILLIAMSON

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LEANN NEIMAN TERBUSH & DENISE VERTREES

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WILOOWOODS PROUD JACK B NIMBLE
JEN PROUD

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ENGLISH SPRINGER SPANIEL
SILHOUETTES CLASIC CASE
LORI KING & GLORIA SCHAUT

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

United
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Speciality Show

June 14, 2006 - Kalamazoo, MI.

The UWSC Specialty show took place at the UKC Premier. With 30 white dogs & Puppies in attendance. BOB prize won by Diana Updike was a beautiful WS statue made by our own Arleen Ravanelli. What a wonderful line up of White Shepherds!



Champion Class

Judge: June Pasko

Male Puppy: Von Schrader's Skylar Blue, Mona Persson & Brenda Schrader

Jr. Male BM BOW: CH Lyons Honoring Dexter, Melanie & Alexander Fuellgraf

Breeder Handler Male RBM: Royal Adonis, Jean Reeves

Female Puppy: Vschrader Blue Sky Ahead of FS, Scarlett & Tim Sanders

Jr Female RBF: CH WH-proud Krystalann of the Lakes, Kevin & Laura Conner

Breeder Handler Female BF: Royal goddess of Love, Jean Reeves

Champion: CH Shylo's Red Rocker Be Proud, Dan & Betsy Anne Nowak

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...



Puppy Class

R Champion: CH Hollybrook's Little Bit Acharm, Nancy De Garmo

GRCH BOB: GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz, Diana Updike

NMP BP: Kyra's Kin - King Kole Von Tasz, Judy Huston

NFP: Foxhunt's Proud tobe from Dixie, Scarlett & Tim Sanders



Judy Huston & Her King Kole
Bred by: Von Tasz Shepherds



Best Of Breed Winner
GRCH Royal Spasz Von Tasz - Pebbles
Owned by: Diana Updike
Bred by: Reeves Royal Acres

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

~ UWSC ANNUAL MEETING & BBQ ~

The annual UWSC meeting and BBQ went well. There were several members old and new who were in attendance. There were several club issues discussed during the meeting and the results of the election were as follows... Vice President is Scarlett Sanders and Secretary is Miranda Reeves. Unfortunately we did not have enough voting members return ballots to be able to present Judy Huston with the Honorary membership. :0(It was just one vote short, which just goes to show every vote does count and how important it is for our club members to return their ballots.

Everyone had a great time at the BBQ, there was so much to eat even a hungry crew like ours couldn't eat it all. We enjoyed a wonderful evening of socializing and doggy talk. It was so nice to see and visit with other WS folks that we don't often get to see.



Our wonderful grill master Dan Norwak



Our UWSC President Diana Updike



Diana Updike and Brenda Schrader enjoying some of the marvelous food

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...



Everyone had a wonderful time socializing!

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...



Friends old and new had a great time visiting



It's all for the White Dogs!!!

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

Perry, GA. - May 6th & 7th



Best of Breed Class at Perry, GA.

The show was put on by the Middle Georgia Kennel Club. There were 8 White Shepherds in attendance and 1 nine week old puppy, "Foxhunts Proud tobe from Dixie" that showed in the Puppy Fun Match. Dixie placed 4th out of 21 multi breed puppies. **Go "baby" white Dog!!** There was a non club member, Carolynn Hogue, she brought her 2 WS's to show. Hopefully she will consider becoming a UWSC member. The weather was nice, we escaped the threat of rain. Everyone had a great time visiting.

Thanks to the Middle Georgia Kennel Club who graciously agreed to allow the UWSC to use their show spot, we're all looking forward to the 1st UWSC WS Specialty show coming to this location in October!

The results of the shows as follows:

May 6, 2006

Show 1

Judge: Theresa Werder

MP/BM/BOW -

Owner: Caroline Hogue

FP/BF - Vschrader Blue Sky Ahead of FS

Owner: Scarlett & Tim Sanders

AF/RBF -

Owner: Caroline Hogue

Champion of Champions - CH Proud tobe Livin' in Holiday

Owner: Joann Heda & Jen Proud

RCH - CH Royal Veruka Salt

Owner: Susan Morabit

GRCH/BOB/GR - GRCH Proud's Winslow N' Easy of FS

Owner: Scarlett & Tim Sanders

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

Perry, GA. - May 6th & 7th cont...

Show 2

Judge: Pamela Simmons

MP/BM/BOW - Listed Entry

Owner: Caroline Hogue

FP/RBF - Vschrader Blue Sky Ahead of FS

Owner: Scarlett & Tim Sanders

AF/BF - Listed Entry

Owner: Caroline Hogue

Champion of Champions - CH Proud tobe Livin' in Holiday

Owner: Joann Heda & Jen Proud

GRCH/BOB/GR - GRCH Proud's Winslow N' Easy of FS

Owner: Scarlett & Tim Sanders

May 7, 2006

Show 1

Judge: Danny J. Buffard

MP/BM - Listed Entry

Owner: Caroline Hogue

FP/BF/BOW - Vschrader Blue Sky Ahead of FS

Owner: Scarlett & Tim Sanders

AF/RBF - Listed Entry

Owner: Caroline Hogue

Champion of Champions - CH Zac's Diamond in the Ruff

Owner: Scarlett Sanders

RCH - CH Reeves Royal Veruka Salt

Owner: Susan & Joe Morabit

GRCH/BOB/GR 3 - GRCH Proud's Winslow N' Easy of FS

Owner: Scarlett & Tim Sanders



GRCH/ BOB/Group 3 - GRCH Proud's Winslow N' Easy of FS

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

La Porte, IN. May 6th & 7th, 2006

May 6, 2006

Show 1

Judge: John Davidson

PM/BOW - Royal Lord Zeus

Owner: Jean Reeves

FP/BF - Royals Goddess of Love

Owner: Jean Reeves

Champion of Champions - Shewana's Wyl "E" Kyloyote

Owner: Brenda Schrader

GRCH/BOB - Royals Elite Advantage

Owner: Jean Reeves

Show 2

Judge: Deb Bean

PM/BOW - Royal Lord Zeus

Owner: Jean Reeves

PF/BF - Royals Goddess of Love

Owner: Jean Reeves

Champion of Champions - Shewana's Wyl "E" Kyloyote

Owner: Brenda Schrader

GRCH/BOB - Royals Elite Advantage

Owner: Jean Reeves

May 7, 2006

Show 1

Judge: Beth Snedegar

PM/BM/BOW - Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

Owner: Mona Persson

PF/BF - Royals Goddess of Love

Owner: Jean Reeves

Champion of Champions/BOB - Shewana's Wyl "E" Kyloyote

Owner: Brenda Schrader

GRCH - Royal Elite Advantage

Owner: Jean Reeves

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

La Porte, IN. May 6th & 7th, 2006 cont...



New Champion - Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

May 7, 2006

Show 2

Judge: Judy Threlfall

PM/BM/BOW - Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

PF/BF - Royals Goddess of Love

Owner: Jean Reeves

Champion of Champions - Shewana's Wyl "E" Kyloyote

Owner: Brenda Schrader

GRCH/BOB - Shylos Galaxy Star

Owner: Arleen Ravanelli

Randolph, OH. May 19th & 21st, 2006

Carnation City Kennel Club Show & Puppy Match



**Best in Show - Puppy Match
Hallmark's wynnter Moon for Neil**



**Reserve Best in Show - Puppy Match
Owned by Amanda Phillips**

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

Wapakoneta, OH. June 3rd & 4th, 2006



Wynnter received
75 points & 2 competition wins towards her Championship!

June 3, 2006

Show 1

Judge: Richard Klatt

Best female/Best of Breed: Hallmark's Wynnter Moon For Neil

Owner: Amanda Phillips

Show 2

Judge: Karen McDermitt

Best female/Best of Breed/Group 4: Hallmark's Wynnter Moon For Neil

Owner: Amanda Phillips

June 4, 2006

Show 1

Judge: Bernice McDermitt

Best female/Best of Breed/Group 2: Hallmark's Wynnter Moon For Neil

Owner: Amanda Phillips

GO MANDY & WYNNTER!!!

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

Ixonia, WI June 3rd & 4th, 2006

June 3, 2006

Show 1

Judge: Carol Glodowski-Starr

BM - Von Schraders Skylar Blue

Owner: Brenda Schrader, Mona Persson

Champion of Champions: UKC CH Shewana Midsummer's Eve

Owner: Scarlett Sanders, Jean Reeves, Mona Persson

RChampion: UKC Ch Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

Owner: Mona Persson

GRCH/BOB/Group 3: UKC GrCh Shylo's Galaxy Star

Owner: Arleen Ravanelli

Show 2

Judge: Chris Kelly

BM: Von Schraders Skylar Blue

Owner: Brenda Schrader, Mona Persson

Champion of Champions/Best of Breed/Group 3 - CH Shewanas Wyl " E" Kyloyote

Owner: Brenda Schrader

RChampion - CH Shewana Midsummer's Eve

Owner: Scarlett Sanders, Jean Reeves, Mona Persson

GRCH - GRCH Shylo's Galaxy Star

Owner: Arleen Ravanelli

June 4, 2006

Show 1

Judge: Polly Smith

BM - Von Schraders Skylar Blue

Owner: Brenda Schrader, Mona Persson

Champion of Champions: CH Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

Owner: Mona Persson

RChampion: CH Shewana Midsummer's Eve

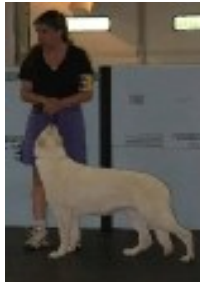
Owner: Scarlett Sanders, Jean Reeves, Mona Persson

GRCH/Best of Breed/Group 1: GrCh Shylo's Galaxy Star

Owner: Arleen Ravanelli

UWSC CLUB HAPPENINGS CONT...

Ixonia, WI June 3rd & 4th, 2006 cont...



**Best in Show Ring
GRCH Shylo's Galaxy Star with owner Arleen Ravanelli**



Group Ring

June 4, 2006

Show 2

Judge: Carlos Rodriguez

BM - Von Schraders Skylar Blue

Owner: Brenda Schrader, Mona Persson

Champion of Champions: CH Starr Hallmark Hemi Supercharger

Owner: Mona Persson

RChampion: CH Shewana Midsummer's Eve

Owner: Scarlett Sanders, Jean Reeves, Mona Persson

GRCH/Best of Breed/Group 1: GRCH Shylo's Galaxy Star

Owner: Arleen Ravanelli



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UKC CH Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil
Owner: Amanda Phillips



White Shepherd Brags



Hallmark's Wynnter Moon for Neil earns
75 points & 2 competition wins towards her Championship
at the Wapakoneta, OH shows!

White Shepherd Brags cont...



Arleen Ravanelli and little granddaughter Zoie shows Shira at the UKC Premier!
Zoie is the youngest Jr Handler that showed at the 2006 Premier and may well be the youngest Jr. Handler to ever show at Premier!!!

Go Zoie!!!!



~ A Brag from a Premier Judge on our WS's ~ "Those White Shepherds"

Written by: K. Lorentzen

I am going to admit here that this was my first ever time to judge the White Shepherds. It is a breed I greatly admire, and I anticipated my assignment with much excitement. As I stood in the ring with my Best of Winners, Champion Class winner and Grand Champion Class winner in front of me, I expressed to the exhibitors and to the ringside my heartfelt thanks for the size and quality of the entry. All the quality I had anticipated was there, deep in the entry. The heads were beautiful, with correctly sized and placed ears. Front assemblies were outstanding, with long, sloping bones, wonderful forechest and depth of ribbing. Toplines were firm and well-carried, and hindquarters were moderate, sound and useful. The icing on the cake was the temperaments, which were excellent throughout. My Best of Breed winner had it all that day, and to top it off, she was the most glowing ice white color and in superb condition. My Champion Class winner completed her Grand title that day, and she was so deserving of the award.

Judging the breed was a terrific experience and the temperaments of the owners were just as good as the temperaments of the dogs. My thanks go to all of them for a unique opportunity to learn about their breed.



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White Shepherd Birthdays



**Ruger's 3rd Birthday
Hidden Hill White Shepherds
June 28, 2003**



**Diamond's 2nd Birthday
Foxhunt White Shepherds
June 20, 2004**

White Shepherd Birthdays cont...

**POLO'S 9TH BIRTHDAY
VON TASZ SHEPHERDS
DOB: 05-16-97**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY POLO!!!



UWSC WELCOMES OUR NEW MEMBERS



~ NEW MEMBERS CONT... ~

| Hello everyone!

Many of you probably already know me, but maybe you will learn something new when you read this. I'm one of UWSC's newest members - Alicia Lips. Yay, I'm finally old enough to become a member! Anyway, I live in north-central Kansas at the moment with my parents, younger brother, five cats, five dogs, and my snake. Four of my dogs are White Shepherds. Let me introduce them first. Kande (IABCA Int'l Ch. Regalwise Oreo, HIC, OFA H&E, MDR1) is the mother of my first litter. Hopefully, she will soon be finishing her UKC championship. In April, she had a nice healthy litter of nine white babies sired by AWSA/WSCC Ch., UKC GrCh. Royal's Elite Advantage, CGC, HIC, OFA H&E, vWF, MDR1, PennHIP (or just "Eli"). Out of that litter I kept the pick girl Kenya (Kerstone's Heart of Africa) and I also co-own a boy with Callie Smuder, Noble (Kerstone's Aristocrat). He lives at her place in Minnesota. My other two White Shepherds are Kerstin (UKC Ch. Regalwise Dot Com Kerstin, CGC, TDI, HIC, OFA H&E, MDR1) and Rieger (Regalwise Krieger, CGC, TDI, HIC, MDR1). They are both "fixed".

I got involved with White Shepherds when I was 11-years-old. I was searching White Shepherds on the Internet and found Ronda Beaupre's website. She had just moved to Kansas, only 30 minutes from where I lived. From the moment I met her & her dogs I was in it for life! I got Rieger not long after I met her, then starting going with her to shows when I was 12-years-old. I was hooked! Since then I just seem to be collecting White Shepherds... Ronda has been a great mentor and has taught me so much about showing, breeding, training, & White Shepherds. I would like to give a big THANK YOU to her and everyone else who has helped (and will help) me learn so much.

I took off almost 2 years from showing to spend more time enjoying high school life. *Grin* Don't worry, it was time well spent. I finished my senior year with a 3.8 GPA out of a possible 4.0 with a few college credits. I was also the senior class Student Council Representative, chosen to be a Jr. Rotarian, and recipient of a small scholarship. But now I'm ready to get back "in the game". Just recently (June 24 & 25) I took Kande to some IABCA shows in the St. Louis area and she easily finished her International championship with four V-1 ratings and a Group 2nd (over about 9 breeds).

I will be moving to Denver, Colorado in August and in September I will be starting school at the Bel-Rea Institute of Animal Technology to become a veterinary technician. Kande & Kenya will probably be moving with me. I am very excited to be moving to a big city where there will be lots of training clubs and dog events near by! I hope that I will have time outside of school to try a little bit of everything - especially herding, agility, rally obedience, and maybe some tracking. I would like to see how the girls will do in Schutzhund too.

I can finish my schooling in as little as 18 months. After that I plan to find a farm/kennel and start up my breeding program. My main focuses will absolutely be temperament and health. They are both very important to me! I like dogs with good confident, working temperaments - strong willed, good drives, less sensitive to touch & sound, very adaptable, outgoing. I am also very interested in crossing out some of the White Shepherd show lines to unrelated white lines and to colored German Shepherd lines. I am considering breeding out to American show-line dogs for conformation and movement and to German import lines for strong temperament and drives. That is something that I have always wanted to do.

If you want to learn more about me & the dogs you can visit my website at www.kerstoneshepherds.com.

Thanks to all of you for the warm welcome into the club!

Alicia Lips



“LUNA”



UGRCH Stellar’s Lunar Eclipse PT, JHD, HCT, HIC (s,d,g), CGC, TDI OFA (h, e & cardiac)

By Becky L. Joyce

On Friday, July 14, 2006 Luna and I entered our first American Kennel Club herding test/trial at Hado-Bar Farm in Nova, OH. We were entered in both the AM & PM test for the Pre-Trial (PT). It is with great pride that Luna passed and received her PT.

For those of you that are not involved in herding or just starting out here is what is required by AKC of you and your dog to receive your PT:

WS Herding Stories Cont...

The Pre-Trial test is designed to help/guide owners into a knowledge of and participation in herding activities, and will provide a dog that is not fully trained but is capable of performing herding work at a level just below the beginning trail level. AKC will issue a Pre-Trial tested certificate to all eligible dogs, and will permit the use of the letters PT after the name of the dog that has been certified by two different judges to have qualified by passing two licensed or member club Pre-Trial tests.

Time allowed is ten minutes once the lead is removed. A dog must complete all test elements within the allotted ten minutes to qualify. Minimum field size is 100 feet x 200 feet and maximum field size is 100 feet x 400 feet for sheep & cattle. Two panels are placed on the far (narrow) end of the arena.

The judge must observe the handler and the dog but may not physically assist the handler or the dog in controlling the livestock. The judge may advise the handler on how best to encourage the dog to move the stock and how to maneuver around the course. The dogs should be permitted to work the stock as much as possible with a minimum of commands by the handler.



Luna and Becky - boundary work

If the dog is being tested by the boundary, the stock is held within 12-foot of the boundary for the entire course.

The dog enters the arena on lead. The judge will instruct the handler when to remove the lead and when to send the dog. The handler may take any position relative to the stock and dog throughout the course. Your dog must be under control and move the stock under control, either on or off the fence, throughout the course. The dog will move the stock through the first gate at the side of the arena, across the narrow end of the arena and through the second gate. Direction is reversed at approximately the midpoint of the long side of the arena. The stock then moves back through the second gate, across the narrow end, through the first gate and to the pen. While the handler opens the gate the dog will sit, stand or

WS Herding Stories Cont...

down/stay until the commanded to pen the stock. Four gate passes are required and at some point on the course the handler must demonstrate that the dog can hold a stop (controlled pause). The test is completed when the gate is closed and the handler may leash the dog.



Luna & Becky - Narrow end of the arena

The five elements of the test, which must be executed, are:

1. A stay (controlled pause)
2. Controlled passage of the stock (which includes clearing four gates and a change of direction)
3. One stop on the course
4. One stop while the handler opens the pen gate
5. Penning the stock



Luna and Becky re penning sheep

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Retries at the gates and pen are a judgmental consideration and there is no general limit on retries except as dictated by the time allowed, and when the dog's attempts are nonproductive or the stock exhibits lack of forward progress.

Reluctant stock are a consideration and a dog can be considered as having met the requirements if all but one head pass through the gates and are penned, provided the dog qualifies in all other aspects of its work. Generally 80% of the stock should be penned.

End of test!



Luna and Becky - controlled stop

Once everyone has run the course awards are given along with your score sheet. The score sheet tells you if you passed or failed and what kind of stock you were tested on. There are also seven categories they check Yes or No if you dog demonstrated them or not. Those categories are stay (a controlled pause) at beginning, controlled passage of stock, stock cleared four gates, change of direction, one stop on course, stop while handler opens gate and re-pen. Even though Luna finds boundary work boring (she'd rather work the sheep) Luna passed everything. Her course time for our first run was 4:35 and our second run was 3 minutes.

When they were handing out the ribbons they also gave each dog a tennis ball. Since Luna and I were the last to run we received our ribbon, score sheet and tennis ball last. They said they kept the white tennis ball for the White Shepherd. Not German Shepherd but White Shepherd!! Here we are at an AKC event and she was called a White Shepherd.

There was a representative from AKC at the show and after our first run I had a chance to talk with him. Since they were also holding AKC trials I had a chance to ask him some questions about the trails. He was very nice, gave some nice compliments about Luna & Arwen and about Luna's herding ability. We also received compliments from other's at the show. My

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younger sister Beth went with me because she wanted to see what Luna and I have been doing for the last year and she said one lady was commenting on Luna when we were running the course and Beth told her "Oh yes, they have been training for a year and a White Shepherd can herd."

As always I'm very proud of my "Precious Luna". We are having a lot of fun "Working as One - Working as a Team".



Have you heard of the UKC Herding Program?

In June 2004 a small group formed a UKC HERDING yahoo list
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ukcherding/>

The group was formed and began revising a herding program that earlier had been written, the list has grown to over 200 and the revisions to the program have been completed and submitted to the United Kennel Club, Inc. for approval

To learn more about UKC Programs & Events go to:
<http://www.ukcdogs.com>

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UWSC Presents White Shepherd Spotlight

Three Is A Magic Number

By Diana L. Updike



"Pebbles"

Pebbles was born on 3/3/03. She is currently 3 years old. She whelped her first litter this year and had 3 pups. "Three" really is a magic number for my little girl. <smile>

Flashback: In April 2003, I went to Jean's home to evaluate the Damien x Tia litter with the hopes of bringing home my first female puppy since 1990. My dream was to select a female that was loaded with attitude, had a pure white coat, jet black pigment, a body "to die for", and was feminine looking – the quest for the perfect White Shepherd bitch.

In this litter, all of the females were very nice. We started trying to pick them apart but that wasn't working because they were all truly wonderful representatives of the breed. So, I decided to sit back and just watch them. There was one female, the "purple collar girl", that seemed to instigate "trouble" and I just loved the way she carried herself. And, that is how I selected my Pebbles.

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Pebbles show career kicked off the day after I lost my beloved old girl, Sassy (Pebbles' Great-Great Grand Dam). Only a few select people knew about her passing but I can't tell you how healing it was for me to be at the annual Indiana dog shows, surrounded by my extended "dog family", seeing many of them for the very first time after a long winter, talking dogs, and showing my new little girl. Notably, Pebbles took "Best Puppy" the very first show!



Pebbles Best of Breed - May 2005

That very same month, I was fortunate enough to hook up with Sam Malatesta through Judy Huston. Sam is a Canadian dog trainer that is a variation Cesar - "the dog whisperer". Through Judy, we formed a group of dog trainers that met for a full weekend each month. Sam taught me how to instill patience, confidence, focus, and prey drive in my dogs. He taught me how dogs think and why it is so important for them to have a master that protects them, teaches them with positive reinforcement, and is fair when passing judgment. Two of many memorable teachings conveyed to me were: *I do not have four dogs... I do, however, have one dog four times. I now live by that philosophy. Also, *when my dog is with me, I want them animated, eager to please, and focused on me.* I have to believe everyone wants this but how many of us actually achieve this?*

Sam's training method definitely proved effective in fall of 2003 when the AWSA Nationals were held in Davisburg, MI. At the Friday show, Pebbles captured Best of Winners and a 5

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point major from the 6-9 month old puppy class. The next day, she earned her first leg towards her AHBA Herding Capability Test (with sheep).



Pebbles is very athletic

Within a short time, Pebbles went on to earn her AWSA Champion title as well as her UKC Grand Champion title. She also currently has a 5 point major toward her WSCC Champion title.

Her UKC conformation highlights include:

- * 2004 & 2005 Top Ten
- * June 2005 - 2 Best of Breed wins *and* Premier Reserve Best in Show
- * June 2006 – 2 Best of Breed wins, a Group 2nd, and a Grand Champion Award of Merit

Here are some other items that I want to share about my girl.

Oddities: When Pebbles is “just being a dog”, she loves to assist my hubby, Scott, and I with any and all projects. For example, if Scott has to get out a screwdriver and tweak something, you had better best believe Pebbles is right there trying to see exactly what he’s doing. She’s really funny that way.

Pebbles’ Hobbies: She loves to go swimming with me. She also loves to get a running start and jump off the end of our boat dock (after a ball or just for fun). She also enjoys boating

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with us and her favorite spot is at the very front of the boat, looking out over the bow. She also loves to chase the squirrels in her back yard.



**UKC GRCH/AWAS CH Royal Spasz Von Tasz, HC, CGC, PennHip, OFA
prelim elbows**

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Pebbles' Working Career: Since last fall, Pebbles and I have been actively herding sheep under the mentoring of Kelly Malone in Ohio. Pebbles really loves to work the sheep and she has become more attentive and focused than ever before. Even while she is in the process of driving the sheep, I can get her to stop on a dime and re-flank if need be. I just LOVE her working abilities and look forward to not only getting AHBA and AKC Herding titles with her but earning some Obedience titles as well.

I look forward to many, many more rewarding and fun filled years with my dear Pebbles.

Lastly, I have to say that Pebbles' registered name says it all. She really is a:

ROYAL SPASZ VON TASZ!!

To see more of Pebbles and the other Von Tasz dogs, go to:

<http://www.vontasz.com/index.htm>

