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Harmony Notes



Message from the President

Next Meeting
The next meeting of the HBCSPC will be on Sunday, November 18, 2001 at 12:00 p.m.
At the Monroe County Fairgrounds Building 2

WELL, one fun match down.....and two regional specialties to go! We received our "OFFICIAL" American Kennel Club (as well as CSPCA) approvals for our first major point shows. Now through April will be VERY busy months for our club, as we prepare to put these shows together.

We have a lot of work ahead of us—and many folks have already stepped up to the plate and volunteered for a lot of the jobs that need doing. But, as things heat up, expect a tap on the shoulder (or your wallet, asking for Trophy

Sponsorships!!).

The shows will be held at Mason County Fairgrounds (Deb's FAVORITE PLACE!) - the same show site that the Gig Harbor Kennel Club uses. There is plenty of room, and we'll have RV parking available, for those that need it (always a big plus for a specialty show). We're planning a hospitality for all of our exhibitors and judges—as well as a special evening event, centered on the Champions of Record who wish to participate. We are going to have a ton of fun.....and remember, this is another step closer to our AKC

club licensing!

Don't forget to get your entries to me before November 20th, if you want to be part of all the club members and our benching area at the Portland show in December. See y'all in Monroe!

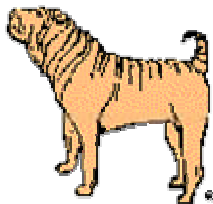
Cyndi =-)

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Chinese Shar-Pei Club

HBCSPC To Put On First Specialty Show



We have received approval to hold our first CSPCA Regional Specialty show, hosted by HBCSPC.

The show will be held at the Mason County Fairgrounds on April 20 and 21, 2002. Conformation judges are Marge Calltharp (Saturday) and Jean Dills (Sunday).

Sweeps judges are Rick Byrd (Saturday) and on Sunday, Kay Reamensnyder.

In conjunction with the show, HBCSPC will be hosting our first annual Harmony Bay Chinese Shar-Pei Showcase, featuring three judges in a conformation ring. Only champions will be allowed at

the Showcase, which will be in the same format as the Invitational at Nationals. We will have a barbecue on Saturday during the Showcase.

Entries for the show close April 13. For more information, call Steve Best at (206) 860-1937, or email him at guybest@altavista.com.



Minutes from the Last Meeting, 10-20-01

Place: IHOP Restaurant, Lacey, Washington

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Present: Cyndi Skinner, Todd Skinner, Savanna Skinner, Kim Howick, Deb Lewy, Steve Best; Gina Michaelson; Donna Michaelson, Lorraine Hill

Cyndi called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m.

Deb read the meeting minutes from the general meeting held 9/22 at the Mason County Fairgrounds in Shelton. Changes to the minutes: change raffle committee for April shows to Lorraine and Donna

photographer has been changed from Meg Callea to Tony Carter

Steve motioned to accept the minutes as read. Kim seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously.

President's Report

No president's report.

Secretary's Report.

No secretary's report.

Treasurer's Report. Deb reported that we currently have \$980.51 in our account.

Old Business

Fun Match Report. Cyndi turned in her fun match report. We made \$57.06 on the fun match. She turned over the report and monies to Deb, who will deposit them on Monday into the HBCSPC bank account.

Ring Rope. Cyndi reported she had investigated getting ski rope (blue) to finish our ring; the cheapest she could find was \$.68/foot at Home

Depot. We will need 275 feet.

Perpetual Trophy Sponsorship. Tony Carter has offered to sponsor the HBCSPC BOB perpetual trophy. Cyndi will sponsor the Veteran's Trophy, and Dee Dee will sponsor the Generations Trophy. Bonnie Stoney is looking for someone to sponsor the Bred-By (Breeder's Cup) Trophy.

We decided to give the Perpetual Trophies only once a year, at the Sunday show if we have back-to-back specialties.

Web Page. Gina showed the Web page that she had designed, and members were asked to send Gina comments. Cyndi has reserved Harmony-BayChineseShar-PeiClub.org as our domain name at a cost of \$17.00 for two years. HarmonyBay.net, Harmony-Bay.org, and Harmony-Bay.com have all been taken within the last week.

Breed Booth. Dee Dee is writing the history of the Shar-Pei to include on the booth. The physical booth is done; we need to make the posters/photos/info that will hang on the sides. We may not have the space at the Dec. 9 bench show in Portland to have our entire booth—we may just hang the banner.

April Shows. Steve reported on the judges that he had received confirmation from judges regarding judging for our April shows. We still need a sweeps judge for Sunday. Deb will start on a Barker ad for the January/February issue announcing our regional show.

Our shows have not yet been approved. We still need to send in a Disas-

ter/Emergency Plan and confirmation that Steve is a CSPCA member before AKC approves our April shows.

New Business

Trophies. Deb passed around photos of metal "dogs"—weathervanes, business card holders, napkin holders, etc. that Dick Beckwith (member of Sammamish Kennel Club and a well-known judge in the area) makes. Cyndi suggested that these would make excellent standards. We all agreed they are a good possibility for trophies. Dick has not made any Shar-Pei yet, so we would be able to determine the look and color of the dog. Once the \$90 template fee is paid, we can determine any size for trophies, and buy them at wholesale. Deb offered to pay for the template. She will call Dick to see if we can view samples of the actual trophies at the Monroe show.

Trophy Sponsorship. Deb reported that she had asked the board to approve donating the BOB trophy for the Sammamish Kennel Club's January show. We will be donating that trophy. In addition, Cyndi asked the board to sponsor the BOB trophy (\$25) for the Greater Portland show in January. We agreed to pay this out of HBCSPC funds.

Non-Profit Status. Cyndi talked to Rick Byrd. He suggested we wait until after we get AKC licensed to pursue non-profit status. Deb said that some of the answers to questions on the non-profit

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New club Web site address:

www.HarmonyBayClub.com

New club email address:

HarmonyBayClub@yahoo.com

First Case of WNV in Dogs Found in Georgia

The focus to date on West Nile Virus (WNV) has been on birds, horses, and humans, but now dogs are added to the list. A veterinarian, Dr. David Bryan of Bryan and Hight Veterinary Clinic, received results that a blood sample of a dog he treated earlier in the month had come back positive for the mosquito-borne West Nile Virus. The virus is spread by migrating birds, which are in turn bitten by mosquitoes, and those in turn transmit the virus to horses, humans, and other animals such as dogs.

A seminar on WNV by the Serology Department at the UGA diagnostic lab at Tifton represented a list of 8 clinical signs of WNV in horses. The dog he treated showed 6 of the 8. Dr. Bryan said the dog was an otherwise healthy two and one-half year old male Labrador. At presentation, the

dog was drooling, "morbid," had partial anorexia, facial tics in the muzzle-area muscles, and his left ear was drawn up toward the top of his head. His vision appeared to be impaired and he had a slight temperature. Overall, Bryan said, he showed signs of a central nervous system problem.

In-house lab work was reasonably unremarkable, so blood samples were sent to Tifton for screening, including Eastern and Western equine encephalitis and West Nile virus. The encephalitis screenings were negative, but the WNV was positive. Dr. Bryan said veterinarians had thought that dogs would not be affected by WNV.

Bryan had begun treating the dog with chloramphenicol since it will cross the blood-brain barrier and might have some antiviral properties as well. The human version, chloromycetin, had been off the market for

some time. The dog was well enough to go home in 3 or 4 days and reached full recovery about 5 days after that. While there are WNV vaccines for horses, there are none yet for dogs.

Pet owners should not panic. As ProMED posted in 1999: Pets: No [clinical] causes of encephalitis linked to WNV have been documented in pets in this [1999] outbreak, nor does it appear from other WNV outbreaks overseas that this will be likely. However, CDC has found 3 positive sera from healthy dogs in a preliminary screen of 84 dog serum samples from New York. Pets will probably be similar to most species of mammals and birds in that they are susceptible to a transient WNV infection if bitten by an infected mosquito, but are unlikely to become chronically ill.



Minutes, continued

forms would change once we got licensed. We voted to delay attempting to get federal non-profit status until after we are AKC licensed.

Shows/Trophies. We decided to have our Shar-Pei showcase on Saturday evening, which would feature the shadow boxes made by Todd and Savanna. If we go with the metal trophies, these would be handed out on Saturday. The Perpetual Trophies would be handed out on Sunday, as well as shadow boxes with the ribbons.

Membership. Cyndi said that

Shirley Rafferty will be sending in her membership application. Donna motioned and Steve seconded to include her as a charter member with no membership dues. All were in favor. Jennifer Dowell is sending her dues in. Deb reported that she would be sending a complete membership roster out in December and June, with the newsletter.

Deb also discussed the idea having a membership drive this spring as we get close to our one-year anniversary.

Christmas/Holiday cards. Kim suggested that we send holiday greetings to our members from the board. This was expanded to include holiday greetings from the HBCSPC to a) other Shar-Pei

clubs, b) CSPCA board members, c) judges such as Anna Quigley and Margee Thompson, and d) AKC Club Relations. Kim will get estimates on Sir Speedy doing the cards. Cyndi will take our logo and add a wreath around it to put on the front of the card. The card should read "Seasons Greetings from the Harmony Bay Chinese Shar-Pei Club."

Combined Regional. Cyndi reported that the Greater Portland Chinese Shar-Pei Club is interested in holding a combined regional with HBCSPC. This may happen as soon as this Fall, most likely by 2002.

Next meeting: Sunday, Novem-

ber 18 at the Monroe show. Place tbd.

Steve motioned to adjourn the meeting and Kim seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Brag jar: \$13.00



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Member Wags 'n Brags

McKenzie Cascade KC, September 6 Eugene, OR

WD/BOW: Tuck 'N Rolls Woody Wood Pkr, Dee Dee Wells
RWD: Rumples Takes The World By Storm, Cyndi Skinner
B/G3: CH. Rumples The Brave Just Do It, Cyndi Skinner

September 7, Eugene OR

RWD: Tuck 'N Rolls Woody Wood Pkr, Dee Dee Wells
RWB: Gralings Mon Cherie Soeur, Linda Graling
BOS: Rumples The Brave Just Do It, Cyndi Skinner

Eugene Kennel Club, September 8

RWD: Tuck 'N Rolls Woody Wood Pkr, Dee Dee Wells
WB: Gralings Mon Cherie Soeur, Linda Graling
RWB: Golding Keep The Edge Margem, Dee Dee Wells & Dejan Buhovac
BOS: Toko's Winter Rose of IR, Maury Sachsenmaier & Tony Carter
BOB: Toko's Ruger Aim For The Hart, Tony Carter

Eugene Kennel Club, September 9

BOW: Rumples Just Lock 'N Load, Cyndi
RWD: Tuck 'N Rolls Woody Wood Pkr, Dee Dee
RWB: Stoney's Precision Cut, Bonnie Stoney
BOB: Rumples The Brave Just Do It, Cyndi

Longview/Kelso

October 13

BOB: CH Rumples The Brave Just Do It, Cyndi Skinner
WB/BOW/BOS: Graling's Mon Cherie Soeur, Linda Graling
WD: Rumples Brave The Millennium, Cyndi Skinner
RWD: Stoney's Shiny Sportster, Bonnie Stoney
RWB: Rumples Takes The World By Storm, Cyndi Skinner

October 14

BOB/G2: CH Toko's Ruger Aim For The Hart, Tony Carter
WB/BOW/BOS/Best Bred By/G4: Stoney's Lil Legend, Bonnie Stoney
WD: Rumples Just Lock 'N Load, Cyndi Skinner

Congratulations! Harmony Bay Chinese Shar-Pei Club members keep on winning!!!