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Harmony Notes



Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Harmony Bay Chinese Shar-Pei Club will be held:

Saturday, July 21 2001 at 2:00 p.m.

Place: Lacey
Timberland Library
500 College St. SE
Lacey, Washington

Message from the President

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National's week was a spectacular event—especially for the members of Harmony Bay Chinese Shar-Pei Club! Compiling a list of club member accomplishments was a **TRUE** eye-opener: 63 wins and placements. That's right—**SIXTY-THREE!** You know the old saying: the cream **ALWAYS** rises to the top! I think it's safe to say that the members of Harmony Bay have established themselves as a cohesive group of competitors—and, most importantly, true friends and supporters. I'm very proud of each and every one of you (and of those wonderful Shar-Pei that make it all possible!)

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Our newsletter has been very well received by a great number of people from all over the U.S. But, as you know, newsletters are expensive, especially when they are done professionally, as is Harmony Notes. Many of you have pledged your membership, but we haven't seen your applications yet. To make sure this isn't your last copy of the newsletter, I urge you to send in your applications today! Please support the club!

See you all at the Brush Prairie show —don't forget the club barbecue on Friday!

Cyndi =-)

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Chinese Shar-Pei Club

Surprise Baby Shower for Steve and Alan!

Steve Best didn't see it coming. And (as Martha says), that was a good thing.

HBCSPC members planned a surprise baby shower for Steve and his partner Alan after the June 23 meeting.

Kim Howick supplied the

delicious cake (a bit "melted", but excellent), and club members filled a diaper bag and gift bags with baby items.

Steve and Alan are adopting a baby boy from Viet Nam. All of the paperwork is done, and Steve is waiting to take a

trip to Ho Chi Minh City to see his baby as early as this month. Steve and Alan will probably have the baby home by the end of summer! They have chosen the name Ewan G. Best for this lucky guy. Congratulations to all of you!





Minutes from the Last Meeting

Meeting time and place: 7:00 p.m., June 23, 2001, Dee Dee Wells' house.

In attendance: Cyndi Skinner, Todd Skinner, Savanna Skinner, Kim Howick, Deb Lewy, Steve Best, Dee Dee Wells, Gina Michaelson, Donna Michaelson, Christopher Nepper, Jacob Chen, Justice.

The meeting was called to order by Cyndi Skinner at 7:15 p.m.

Minutes

Deb read the minutes from the last meeting. They were accepted as read.

Secretary's Report

Deb discussed the membership applications that had been received to date. She passed around copies of the "official" club stationery, as well as the Barker ad that she designed promoting club member wins at Nationals.

Deb reported that at the board meeting held earlier in the day, it was decided that the club would split the \$100 cost of this ad with the Skinners and Tony Carter.

Treasurer's Report

Deb reported that the board members had filled out the necessary paperwork to get a checking account for the club. Deb will turn this paperwork in to Bank of America this next week, predicated on getting an EIN number.

Committee Reports: Fun Match

Donna reported that she investigated having a fun match at Tumwater Falls Park in August; it is free to have

the match, but we would have to set up and clean. The Pacifica Dog Fanciers use this park every year.

Right now, there are a lot of weddings at the park on weekends, but we can have a fun match there later. We need to bring our own trash bags. Donna talked to Joe Reider about getting the park for the match.

Cyndi reported that she made contact with Terry Jones regarding having a fun match (Shar-Pei, Rare Breed match) in conjunction with the American Rare Breed Association (ARBA). ARBA is having their show at the end of July at Fort Dent Park, but members decided this is too soon. This date also conflicts with the Hurricane Ridge show.

ARBA also is hosting a show the first week in October. Terry Jones thought we might have up to 80 entries. She agreed to judge for us.

Old Business

Deb discussed the need to get paperwork moving on the non-profit status of the club, as well as getting an EIN number and business license in order to get a checking account established.

New Business

Breed Booth: Cyndi brought up the need to establish a breed booth committee, and determine club colors. After discussion, Gina motioned that the colors be blue and silver. Deb seconded the motion. Motion passed. The committee will be Gina, Deb, Dave, and Steve. We discussed what the booth would

look like, and decided on PVC pipe for the structure, with fabric stretched along the structure. Deb volunteered David to build the PVC pipe structure.

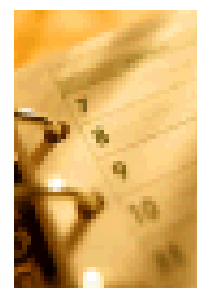
We discussed the possibility of getting the breed booth done by the Portland show, the second weekend in December. Dee Dee will check whether breed information spots are available.

Banner: Donna will work on getting a HBCSPC vinyl banner made in time for the barbecue at Brush Prairie.

Barbecue: The club will be sharing space with Shea and Tiffany. The barbecue will be Friday, July 15 at 5:00 after the specialty in Brush Prairie. Club members will bring their own meat to barbecue (Todd will provide the barbecue), and members will sign up on SmartGroups for accompaniments.

Brag Jar: Steve suggested that the club start a brag jar. Steve will design the brag jar. Brags will be made after the meeting and will be \$1.00 per brag. Dee Dee moved, and Gina seconded that we have a brag jar. Motion carried.

Todd moved to adjourn the meeting. Gina seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Complete minutes of the June 23 meeting will be posted on SmartGroups, along with specific motions and voting. Due to space limitations, only a synopsis appears in this newsletter.

Treasurer's Report

Report submitted as of
6/30/01, by Deb Lewy

INCOME—to 6/30/01

Memberships	\$ 295.00
Member	
Donations	\$130.00
Brag Jar, 6/23	7.00

Total Income	\$432.00

EXPENSES—to 6/30/01

WA St. Business License	(\$15.00)
Postage, June Notes	(24.20)

Total Expenses	(\$39.20)
In Account:	\$353.60

Donations Received

Since its inception in April, the Harmony Bay Chinese Shar-Pei club has received several donations. *A big thanks to:*

Donna Michaelson - donated the HBCSPC post office box for a year
Deb Lewy - donated news-letter paper, scans, and ink
All members who donated extra to the club with their membership applications



Meet the Harmony Bay Board Members!

Last month, we introduced Cyndi Skinner, Steve Best, and Deb Lewy as Harmony Bay Chinese Shar-Pei Club officers. This month, we'd like you to meet Kim Howick and Donna Michaelson.

Kim Howick, our first Member-at-Large, has owned Shar-Pei for the past 8 years; she currently has two, as well

as three Rottweilers. Kim has just started showing her blue male, Max, and she hopes to get into breeding later. Kim and her husband, Tim, expect their first child next January!

Donna Michaelson has been a 4-H leader for over 10 years, and her daughter, Gina (also a club member!) has

shown as well as judged dogs in 4-H. Donna and Gina have had Shar-Pei for five years, and want to have their dogs be therapy dogs next year.

The Michaelsons have 6 dogs, including a Sheltie. Their Web site is <http://www.angelfire.com/anime2/buddhapei/ourhomepage>



Breezy & Ledger from Mariah (Linda G) & Gibson (Cyndi).

DOGSTEPS: Book and Video Review

DOGSTEPS, A New Look, by Rachel Page Elliott. Howell Books, 2001, 124 pp. \$19.95.

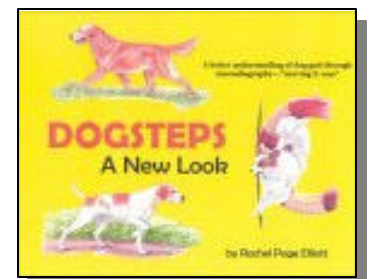
With simplified drawings and layman's text, the newest edition of the best book on dog gait provides a clear understanding of what to look for in judging the ways dogs move.

The author's groundbreaking work using cineradiography—moving X-rays—allows her to demonstrate dog movement like never before.

DOGSTEPS: A Study of Canine Structure and Movement, by Rachel Page Elliott (Video— 69 minutes,

VHS format), \$49.95. This is a continuation of the popular **DOGSTEPS** book, and gives a complete picture of structure and movement in dogs.

You can buy both the book and video together and save at <http://www.4mdogbooks.com/SHOW.HTML>. Price is



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Member Wags 'n Brags



Moses Lake, Saturday, 4/14—Cyndi's wins

WD: Rumples Kick Up A Storm, Cyndi Skinner & Mara Snyder
RWD: Rumples Just A Breeze
RWB: Rumples Takes The World By Storm
WB/BW/BOB: Rumples Calm Before The Storm
BOS: CH Rumples The Brave Just Do It

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Puyallup VDF, Saturday, 6/9

WD: Toko's Sure to Winchester, Tony Carter
WB/BW/BOS: Toko's P Winter Rose Of I R, Tony Carter
BOB/G1, CH Toko's Ruger Aim For The Hart, Tony Carter

Tacoma Kennel Club, 6/10

WD/BW: Toko's Sure To Winchester
WB/BOS: Toko's P Winter Rose Of I R

BOB/G2: CH Toko's Ruger Aim For the Hart

Clackamas KC, 6/23

Judge Vera Bistrim
WB/BOS: Margem's Apple Crunch, Geoff Picket (shown by Dee Dee)
RWB: Margem-Khambalique Life Style, Isabella Pizzamiglio (shown by Dee Dee)
BOB/G2: CH Rumples The Brave Just Do It (Cyndi)

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WB/BOS: Margem's Apple Crunch (shown by Dee Dee)
RWD: Margem's Nevermore, Dee Dee Wells & Michelle Reid

RWD: Margem-Khambalique Life Style

Gina Michaelson got a new GEO convertible !!!!

Dawn Stefanski would like to thank all HBCSPC members for their support of the Top 25 Invitational at Nationals.

Corrections!

In last month's newsletter we failed to state who owns Rumples Go For the Storm. The mega-cute "Gopher" is co-owned by Donna and Gina Michaelson, and he won Novice Dog 3rd at Nationals!

Dee Dee Wells, showing Margem's Apple Crunch, went 2nd in 15 months & over Futurity Brushcoat Bitch, and also took 2nd in the Novice Bitch class at Nationals. Congratulations to Donna and Dee Dee!