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Shetland Sheepdog: Dog of the Month



The Sheltie, a member of the herding group, was first registered with the AKC in 1911. He has a long, double coat which looks like that of a rough collie, but the Sheltie is only allowed to measure between 13 and 16 inches at the shoulder or be disqualified for conformation. The shape of the head, when viewed from top or side, is seen as a long, blunt wedge tapering slightly from ears to nose. Color ranges from black, blue merle, and sable (going from golden through mahogany). The ears are carried three-fourths erect with tips breaking forward. This alert and lively dog is quite versatile and the same dog who does well in the conformation ring, often shines in agility and herding as well.

Background

The Shetland Sheepdog traces back to the Border Collie of Scotland, which was brought to the Shetland Islands and crossed with small, intelligent longhaired breeds and in this way was reduced to a more miniature size. Later crosses were made with collies. Although the resemblance between the two is marked, there are many differences between the two breeds, particularly in temperament and grooming time.

Temperament

The Sheltie is bright, gentle, sensitive and never happier than when

working. He is intensely loyal, affectionate and responsive which makes him an ideal family pet and guardian. He is often reserved with other people, but gets along very well with other animals. Shyness, timidity, and nervousness are considered faults by the AKC.

Because of its popularity, there are many Shelties around. It is very important with this breed, as it is with other popular breeds, to choose a breeder carefully.

Text from The Complete Dog Book (18th ed.) by AKC, Legacy of the Dog by T. Yamazaki, and Your Purebred Puppy: A Buyer's Guide by M. Lowell

April Meeting

FOOD: Our April meeting will be held on Monday, April 20th. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner. The club will provide beverages. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. If you know of anyone who has recently moved into our area and might be interested in joining our group, do bring them along. All dogs are welcome after the meal.

PROGRAM: Janet Herzberg has asked Mary and Vern Bell to speak to us about their experiences at the famous Crufts Dog Show [21,000 dogs] in England. Find out which former DKC members were there, how one qualifies for THE DOG SHOW of England and how one wins, about the ring set up, what some exhibitors didn't wear, the size of the show halls, the number of vendors, and the variety of demonstrations and exhibits.

Good food, friends, and fun !!

Membership

The following were voted into membership on March 16, 1998:

CANDIDATE MEMBERS

Tracy Fletcher
Maggie Lutz Weber

REGULAR MEMBERS

Jane Masters

FROM Stella Maunsell

I will be out of town from April 30th until May 21, 1998.

If you have any membership questions or requests, please get in touch before the end of April. Thank you .

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E-MAIL ADDRESSES [Additions]

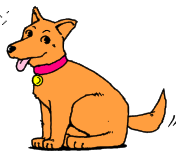
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E-MAIL ADDRESS [Correction]

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If your e-mail address is incorrect or missing, please contact Terri.

Puppy Play Group



Any DKC member who has a puppy (3-6 months) and would like to be involved in a day time puppy play group, please contact, **Marge White** at 477-5211.

Minutes of the DKC Membership Meeting

Mar. 16, 1998 - Following a program given by David Hancock, representing the Durham Search and Rescue team, the meeting was called to order by President, Richard Perschel.

The minutes from the February 16, 1998 meeting were approved as printed in the club newsletter.

President's Report: Richard thanked Joanna Burley for her efforts on behalf of the Awards Committee and also expressed his and Betty's appreciation for being invited, as guests, to attend said program.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking account: \$11,721.37
FTF: \$1,802.56
Balance due on loan: \$17,996.74
Fin. Manage. Account: \$22,700.17
Stella Maunsell, Membership Chairperson, read the following names of people applying for member-candidacy:
Tracy Fletcher and Maggie Lutz Weber.

Jane Masters was accepted as a regular DKC member.

Stella, as Education coordinator, distributed flyers to interested members regarding the April 18th pet education program to be held at Northgate Mall.

Jack Sappenfield reported that on April 5th, the DKC will host a tracking test with 10 TD tracks. Food volunteers are still needed.

Terri Toohil, reporting as newsletter editor, requested information on club activities and events for inclusion in the newsletter. Terri reminded members that we are now "on the Web."

Connie Howard, reporting for the spring show, stated that entries are down this year by about 300 dogs

Judy Ortiz, Obedience chairperson for the spring show, reported that she is all set with stewards.

Betty McAllister invited the membership to an open discussion on conformation on April 2nd at 7:00 PM at the DKC building.

AKC Delegate, Lisa Connelly, presented a report on AKC happenings. Her report will be included in the next club newsletter. [p. 3]

A map and directions of how to get to the Harris Road property will be included in the next newsletter. [p. 5]

Following several brags, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:

Marjorie J. White

Recording Secretary

Upcoming Events

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
April 2, 1998 (Thursday)
DKC Building, 7:00 PM

Open Discussion on Conformation

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
April 5, 1998 (Sunday)

TD Test (10 TD Tracks)

Food Volunteers Needed
Jack Sappenfield
(919) 405-2124

YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY
April 18, 1998 (Saturday)
Northgate Mall, 12 to 4:00 PM

Pet Education Program

See flyers at entrance
of DKC Building
YYYYYYYYYYYYYYYY

AKC Delegate's Report

It was my privilege to attend the March 9th Delegates Meeting as the representative of the Durham Kennel Club. The main order of business was the annual election of the AKC board of directors. This year, there were three openings for the class of 2002, and seven delegates were running for those seats. Three were selected by the nominating committee -- Bernard Schwartz, Dr. Robert D. Smith (incumbent), and Kenneth A. Marden (incumbent), and the other four were all nominees from the floor (Robert L. Kelly, Dr. Asa Mays, John L. Ronald and John A. Studebaker). I cast my vote based upon my personal knowledge of the candidates, careful consideration of their published positions on various issues important to the dog fancy, and on conversations with DKC members who were in support of particular candidates. (Many thanks to those who took the time to tell me which candidates they favored and why -- my job is to represent the DKC, and it's much easier to do that with good input from club members!) On the first ballot I voted for Robert L. Kelly, Kenneth A. Marden, and Bernard Schwartz. There were 340 votes cast and 171 or more were needed to garner a seat on the board. Ken Marden & Bob Smith received 223 and 201 votes, respectively, and so were elected to the AKC board. None of the other five remaining candidates received a majority of the votes, which resulted in a second ballot. No candidate on the second ballot received a majority of the vote, although it was clear that the battle was between Robert Kelly (whom I continued to vote for) and Asa Mays. Before the third ballot, John Studebaker and John Ronald withdrew from the election, so delegates could vote for either Robert Kelly, Asa Mays or Bernard Schwartz. Even with the field narrowed to just three candidates, no single candidate received a majority vote on the third vote, so delegates went to the polls for yet a fourth time. On the fourth ballot, Asa Mays became the third member of the class of 2002.

In other business, the Ashtabula Kennel Club was voted in as an AKC member

club, and several changes to the Rules Applying to Dog Shows were voted on. Chapter 2, Section 18 was amended to eliminate the prohibition on advertising an event prior to AKC approval -- AKC does this anyway, in the Events Calendar, and it seemed silly not to let clubs advertise events as pending AKC approval. Your delegate voted in favor of this rule change, and it was passed. The second change was in Chapter 2, Section 19 which stipulates the AKC publications which must be available at an event. Questions arise at events which are covered in these publications (i.e., the Dealing with Misconduct booklet, Guidelines for Obedience Judges, etc.) And it would be helpful to have them on hand. Your delegate voted in favor of this rule change, and it was also passed. Chapter 4, Section 2 was changed so that a postal certification is no longer required when premium list copies are sent to the AKC -- the certifications were difficult to obtain and no one at AKC ever checked them so it seemed pointless to require clubs to obtain one. Your delegate voted in favor of this rule change and it was passed. The proposed change to Chapter 5, Section 4 generated quite a bit of discussion -- this change would have eliminated the prohibition on alcoholic beverages as prizes. Evidently, this rule was put on the books during Prohibition and had never been changed! Many clubs, particularly those in wine producing areas, wanted to be allowed to offer wine in gourmet baskets as prizes. At first I intended to vote in favor of this amendment, but after further thought your delegate voted against it. It seemed to me that in view of the large number of young people under legal drinking age who participate in dog shows (and often win!) offering alcohol as prizes might not be such a good idea. This amendment was defeated. It was proposed to alter Chapter 11, Section 6 so that changes could be made on the day of a show between the Puppy and Twelve-to-Eighteen Month class. I voted in favor of this change, and it passed. The thinking here was that exhibitors could already change between 6-9 and 9-12, and mistakes in 12-18 were just as common as in the other age-limited classes and they ought to be treated the same way. The last Dog Show Rule change was to Chapter 5, Section 10 -- now clubs can offer multiple-win trophies for First Place

in non-regular classes (such trophies used to be allowed only for regular classes). Your delegate voted in favor of this rule change and it passed by a wide margin.

A report was given on the first sixty days of the Compliance Audit Program in which DNA is used to verify parentage and thus protect the integrity of the stud book. DNA was sampled from close to 300 large commercial breeders and puppy mills and it was found that 13% of the almost 600 litters tested had parentage that did not match their pedigrees. Owners of such litters were either suspended or placed on probation. If anyone is interested in more details about the use of DNA to verify parentage, please see me -- I have lots more facts and figures that space prevents me from reporting here.

Likewise, I have many facts and figures from the Treasurer's Report which was presented at the March meeting. In a nutshell, AKC grossed 47 million dollars in 1997, with a net income of 4.7 million. In other financial news, the AKC property in Durham is on the market again as the contract with the Midland Group expired before they could get some required zoning variances. It is expected that the property will be under contract again in the very near future, and should be sold for a tidy profit. If any member wishes to know more about the treasurer's report or the 1997 registration totals, please feel free to contact me -- for brevity's sake I won't go into more detail here, but the information is available should you want it.

As is always the case, I was grateful for the chance to attend the Delegate's Meeting as your delegate -- it is an honor to represent the DKC! Please let me hear from you if there is any more information that I can provide or any questions I can answer. My ears are always open!

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Connelly

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Spring TDX Test Report

By Nancy R. Burka, Test Secretary

Durham Kennel Club attracted entries from 8 states for the Tracking Test Excellent held February 22, 1998. Judges Cynthia Harrell and Donna Thompson brought in great weather (NO RAIN) for the weekend. Robin Early of Lewisville, NC and her Pembroke Welsh Corgi Whysperwyns Baxter Black CDX, TD earned his TDX by running the first track of the day in 12 minutes! Check the DKC website for a picture. Cross-tracks laid by Carol Quinlan and Judy Ortiz proved to be too interesting to most of the other 4 exhibitors. Tracklayers Pat Lawrence, Jack Sappenfield II, and George and Emilie Beglane did an excellent job. Thanks to Cathy and Mark Fogel who coordinated and set up the after trial lunch and a special note of thanks to the Border Collie group who cleaned the building and set up tables after the Saturday Show-and-Go so that it was ready for us Sunday morning!

The following notes were received from the judges:

From: Donna Thompson
Sent: Friday, Feb. 20, 98 2:38 PM
Subject: Re: Thanks

And thank you for a pleasant weekend. You "done good." The Club should be complimented on a super trial. Had a great time and was thrilled that we could pass someone!

Take care.
Donna

From: Cynthia Harrell
Sent: Mon., Feb. 23, 98 10:24 AM
Subject: Re: Cynthia - Thanks
Hi Nancy,

I really enjoyed the weekend, too, but then again, Durham is one of my very favorite assignments, and I've had nothing but good times when I've been invited to judge for "you guys". Thanks bunches for the invite!

Take care, Cynthia

A Toast to Ourselves and Our Dogs by Joanna Burley at the Awards Banquet

May our feet on the mats be solid and sure and ne'er slide out from under us;

May our sits and our downs be ever long and our jumps be direct and true;

May noses be keen, may scent never fail,

And win some or lose some, at the end of the day,

May our tails ever wag, happy and glad to couch cuddle, safe and sound with our loved ones.

--Joanna

The AWARDS Banquet

By Joanna Burley, Awards Committee

A WONDERFUL time was had by 52 DKC members and their guests at the Annual Awards Banquet held Friday, February 20. After a delicious meal, well over 100 awards were presented and rousingly applauded. The achievements accumulated during a single year by our club members are truly astonishing, and something we can all be proud of and brag about! Highlights included the presentation of the Dog World Award to Lisa Connelly, the DKC Service Medallions to Sharon Pitz and Cathie Fogel, and the first ever DKC Good Sportsmanship Award to Betty McAllister. Sharon and Tony Hinson took home the Thompson Obedience Trophy for OTCH Carolina's Orion Sam UDX CGC, Carol Quinlan took the Utility A Trophy for Lake View Chorus D'Michaelyn UD, Joanne and Michael Wright were awarded the Open A Trophy for Shannon Black Nose CDX and Norma Williams got the Novice Obedience Trophy for Georgia Dachs Ebony Overdrive CD. The Kartye Brood Bitch, Stud Dog, and Hill Breeder's Cup trophies were all awarded to Susan and Johnny Jones and their Sleepytime Miniature

Longhair Dachshunds. The Haines Show Dog Trophy went to Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance for CH Calirose Prize Patrol JE, and the Fowler Show Bitch Trophy went to Peggy Schmidt for CH Titan-N-Bayview's Mystery Girl JH. The only trophy not awarded this year was the Holland Versatility Trophy, so here's the challenge for the 1998 year---get those front and rear end titles! Many, many thanks from me personally to my wonderful committee: M.F. Davis, Jan Gray, Jack Sappenfield, and Joanne Wright. Here's looking to next year!

Obedience at the Tarheel Circuit by Stella Maunsell

Some new DKC members may not know that for years we have been trying to get a separate building for the obedience. This year it was to be outside under tenting. Unfortunately there were several hitches and the weather was awful. On Thursday, Alamance nobly carried on in the rain amid flowing streams across the rings and in the tent. On Thursday night, the State Fair Grounds Maintenance people moved equipment and put the three rings up in the Kelly Building, (the one next to Graham). It was great.

Your Show Chair and DKC Board would be very glad if you would write to:

Ms Barbara Williams, NC State Fair Grounds, 1025 Blue Ridge Blvd. Raleigh NC 27607.

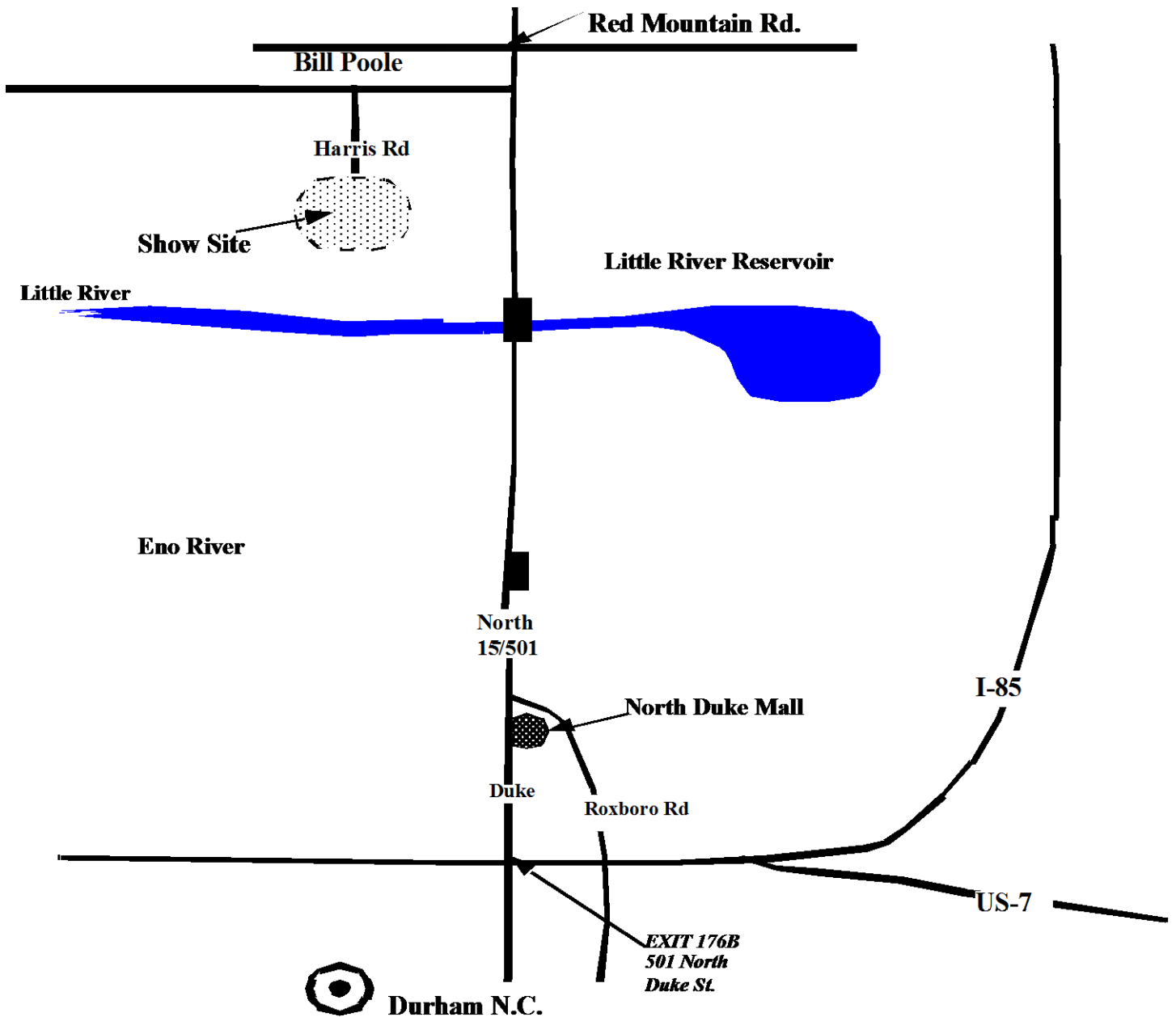
Say how wonderful it was to have the space, Great environment for obedience, Judges appreciated the facility Hope we will be permitted to use it next year, etc etc etc.

Hopefully many members will write even if you were not there, you can say you heard how great the grounds people were to come to the rescue, or some like message.

Directions to the DKC Show Site

Durham Kennel Club
1700 Harris Rd.
Roxboro, N.C.

- Take I-85 to Durham, North Carolina.
- In Durham take **EXIT 176B (501 North, Duke St., Roxboro)**
- Take Duke St. north for **14.4 miles**.
- Left turn onto Bill Poole Rd. for **0.8 mile**
- Left turn onto Harris Rd.
- The show site is **1.3 miles down Harris Rd.**



SHOW REPORT: CONFORMATION

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	POINTS	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
Barbara Hawkins	Marval Affair of the Heart (Am. Cocker Spaniel)	Conyers KC, Atlanta (1/31/98)	Open Bitch	5	WB	Finished!
Lisa Connelly & Charles Vance	Coco (Border Terrier)	Evansville KC (3/14/98)	Bred-by	4	WB	
Susan Jones	Ariel (LH Mini Dachs)	Jacksonville NC Match (3/1/98)	Adult		Best in Match	
"	Flash (LH Mini Dachs)	Jacksonville NC Match (3/1/98)	Puppy (3-6 mo.)		Hound Group I	
Edwin Foster	Rosewood's Sweet Revenge (Vizsla)	Furniture City KC (8/97)		1	WD	
"	"	Sarasota KC (1/7/98)		1	"	
"	"	Inverss (1/8/98)		2	"	
"	"	Danville KC (3/17/98)		2	"	
"	"	Carolina KC (3/18/98)		2	WD, BOS	
"	"	Alamance KC (3/19/98)		2	WD	
"	"	DKC (3/20/98)		1	"	
"	"	Fayetteville KC (3/22/98)		1	"	
Marie Inman & William Pitzer	Blackmon's Highland Laddie (Boston Terrier)	Danville KC (3/17/98)		1	WD	
"	"	Alamance KC (3/19/98)		1	WD	
Marie Inman	Majesda's Obsession (Keeshound)	Fayetteville KC (3/22/98)	Bred-by	4	BOW, BOS over Specials	4 pt. Major-Marie's 1 st Champion Bred-by
Peggy Schmidt	Roxy (Pointer)	Westminster	BOB		BOS	
Peggy Schmidt & Ellen Granger	Butler (Pointer)	Westminster	BOB		AOM	

PERFORMANCE SHOW REPORT: OBEDIENCE, TRACKING, HERDING, FIELD TRIALS, LURE COURSING AND AGILITY, ETC.

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	SHOW & DATE	CLASS	SCORE	LEG	PLACING	SPECIAL AWARD
Sharon Pitz	Maria (Golden Retriever)	Winston-Salem	Novice B	188	3	3 rd	CD
"	"	Charlotte Obed. Trial	"		4		
Judy Ortiz	BRAGG	W-S DTC	"	193		1 st	
"	"	Carolina DTC	"	196.5		1 st	
Lisa Roberts	Genesis	W-S DTC	Open A	190	1	4 th	
"	"	Carolina DTC	"	193	2	4 th	
"	"	Carolina DTC	"	195	3	1 st	CDX
Carolyn Dennis	Steel (Dob.)	Greensboro	Utility B			2 nd	2 OTCH Points

Lost Dogs-Two black and tan German Shepherd dogs were lost in November of 1997 in the Rougemont-Bahama area. DKC members who live or drive in those areas are asked to please keep their eyes open for these dogs. If they are still alive, they may be living with someone and be visible in a backyard. They have been altered and the male, especially, is quite friendly. His name is Woody. There is a reward offered for their return. If you think you have seen either or both these dogs, please call the following numbers: **477-6989 (H)** or **682-1410 (W)** or **286-5633** and leave a message.

