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**“Get Through this weave and I’m off!  
The September ‘Global Shelties Magazine’ has arrived!”**



The correspondents and editors hope you enjoy the magazine.  
We welcome letters and other contributions from you all.  
The next issue will be in December.

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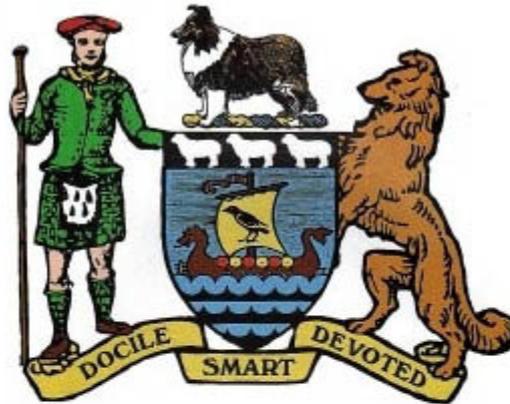
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# Sheltie Coat Of Arms!

Shetland Sheepdog



 Shetland Sheepdog

The Shetland Islands of Great Britain might easily have inspired the Lilliputians in *Gulliver's Travels*. The horses (Shetland ponies), sheep and cattle are miniature because so are the islands and farms. Anything bigger would fall off the edges. The Collie was too monstrous for these tiny herds, so in accordance with tradition and necessity, the Shetland Sheepdog came to be. The Shetland Sheepdog is a perfect miniature, possessing all the Collie's good herding and protective instincts. Importantly, this breed is friendly enough to get along in small spaces. She crests the coat of arms which bears the shield of the Shetland Islands with three sheep emblazoned thereon.

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*From the book*

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(Contact details from Editor of 'Global Shelties Magazine')





# Interesting History

The following is a typed copy of a hand written critique by Felicity Rogers ('Riverhill' UK) which she wrote after judging on  
May 8, 1960, for the

## Lexington Kennel Club All Breed Show (USA)

(Following the American Shetland Sheepdog Association National Specialty)

"My first thoughts are to thank the ASSA for asking me over to judge and for Mrs. Nichols & Mrs. Seggerman for being such charming hostesses. My sister and I enjoyed every minute of our stay with them both. I must also thank the exhibitors for the really wonderful entry and the nice way they took my awards, my stewards must have a mention for the way they stuck to their job standing about in the cold till they must have become like icebergs, I at least was moving about! Before I start on the individual dogs I should like to make some general remarks on the way the dogs struck me in relation to the British dogs.

In the first place they were not as overall big as I had been led to expect, the exception were the bitches. They in the general run are a good deal bigger than ours & to my eyes rather lacking in femininity. Now to heads, the American dogs are better in foreface & rounding of muzzle, also their profiles are good, two flat planes & the stop in the right place, i.e. between the eyes, not over the eyes, this is where a lot of English dogs fail at the moment, there were one or two receding skulls but nothing much to worry about, unlike us at home where they are on the increase. Eyes on the other hand did worry me, they are poor, the general run being big, round & badly placed & they were a good few light ones, here the British dogs definitely score. Ears are about the same, our dogs have it in placement but we have more prick. Now I am on the subject of ears, why oh why do you over trim them so? It gives the dogs such a hard terrier look & quite does away with the soft Sheltie look; also if the ears tend to be on the big side it makes them go higher, several over trimmed ears had traces of grease on them. I am all for keeping the ears tidy by removing over long & dead hair but not to cutting round the edges with scissors, for one thing our Kennel Club would not allow it & rightly so, I am sure it has become just a convention & one that should be broken, once over trimming starts one never knows where it will end.

The cutting of whiskers is another matter, some do and some don't, at home one or two judges detest it being done, we used to do it but after judging one day I tried to remember which dogs had been done & which hadn't, I couldn't, then I asked several other judges & they all said on thinking it over that they never noticed whether a dog had them cut or not so after that we have ceased to do it as if it is going to have no effect on the judge why put the dog to the discomfort of having them taken off, they always hate it I am not sure it doesn't hurt.

Now to shoulders & fronts. I found a lot of upright shoulders but not many crooked front legs, the worst fault was straight pasterns these were very prevalent & a lot of otherwise nice dogs got left out because of this. If you pause to think for a minute you will realize that a dog that has to gallop, jump & turn on

rough ground must have a slope to its pasterns to take up the jar otherwise it will soon go lame if running on hard ground, it is a hereditary fault & you must breed to get away from it.

Your dogs score in width of chest there were very few narrow ones or as we say "legs out of one hole", this is rather a common fault with ours, there were a few out at the elbows but this is not quite such a bad fault as it does not interfere so much with movement. There were quite a few round cat feet, this is a bad fault in a galloping dog & several otherwise good feet were spoilt by long nails this makes the toes splay out & the dog walk on its heels but on the whole the feet were good, better I should say in the general run than ours. While on the subject of heads I forgot to mention that only one mouth was slightly overshot but there were one or two pups who had double canine teeth, the milk canines should be removed under a general anaesthetics, several dogs were missing pre-molars like some of ours, this would rule them out for show in Europe except of course in Britain.

Your dogs on the whole were a good deal heavier built with more bone, you want to watch out that you don't get them too heavy, our Standard says "lithe & active" the definition of lithe in the dictionary is "pliant, supple, bending & ????? easily (*can't make it out*) which is a good description when you think of the job the dog is supposed to do. The hindquarters I found very good definitely better than ours, this interested me a lot as just after the war we had a visit from two Americans who said the chief fault in the American dogs at that time was hind quarters, so some intelligent breeding must have taken place for them to be as they are today. You are having the same trouble as we are with short tails I found a lot so you must pay attention to this as the full length tail completes the picture & also acts as a rudder to the dog when galloping & turning. Movement that great bone of contention could be better, some did move very well, there was one dog in the open class who was a really lovely mover, unfortunately he was out of coat & a bit thick in the skull but when you do see a really good mover you realize what the others miss by not doing so we also have our bad movers! Coats altho' rather lacking in extra length & feathers were mostly of good texture & a great many had the correct double coat which we are rather losing. To sum up, I should say your forefaces & profiles are better than ours, our skulls are cleaner but we have more receding ones, we score heavily on eyes, ears are much the same we have not so many upright shoulders & pasterns but more narrow chests & weak hocks. Your hindquarters & hocks are very good but you have more short tails & cat feel, tho the general run of feet are better than ours, we have more elegant feminine bitches, you have more double coats but not the length or furnishing of ours, you have more dogs with a good outline, my winners would all get in the money at home & my four top dogs would have no trouble in becoming champions. Your temperaments are good & your showmanship excellent it makes a judge's task so much easier if the dogs are displayed to advantage, one thing did rather worry me & that was the lack of muscle on the dogs very few were in good hard condition & this only means one thing, lack of exercise do please see that your dogs get plenty of free galloping Shelties are made for it & so do love it".

"American Bred Class - 1st. Winner's Dog, Best Of Winners - Green Acre's Little King. A beautiful sable dog with the true Sheltie expression, elegant & a graceful mover, nice balanced head, good profile, really good eye, this dog became my Best Of Breed, his eye should be most useful in the breed, he is a dog that would win anywhere in England, in lovely coat - bloom, & good furnishings, beautiful tail carried right, to be hyper critical I should like a shade more rounding in foreface, ears set a little closer together and he could be a bit shorter in back, he nearly threw away BOB by getting bored & in fact the Group judge Col Alva Rosenburgh told me afterwards he would have given him the Group if he hadn't thrown it up at the end, but one can hardly blame him, he'd had a pretty hectic time.

Puppy Bitches - This was a very lovely class 1st Badgerton Pantomime Patsy, golden sable, overly outline & the most wonderful shower she never let up for a minute, a really nice bitch with great presence nice profile a well placed eye in lovely bloom & coat for her age, she was my winner's Bitch but had to give way to an older bitch for BOS who won on overall maturity, but Patsy's time will come she would certainly get her title in England.

Specials - My BOS Ch. Colvidale Soliloquy came out in this class she is a very nice sable, well made with a lovely one piece head, nice expression showed very well, has a great air about her, would like a trifle smaller eye but they are well placed, she beat my Winner's Bitch on overall maturity.

This was a wonderful class & I should have liked to have taken a long time over it really browsed over the dogs but I was being hurried on because the Group judge wanted to get on, there were several very nice dogs indeed but they seemed to just lack the bloom of my BOW, there was one extremely nice merle dog a really lovely mover, a graceful dog in lovely bloom, beautiful topline, if Green Acres Little King hadn't decided to show in the end this dog

would have gone up, he was Ch. Mori-Brooks Icecapade & he is a really beautiful quality dog, the winner just had it on eye, there were also several very nice tri's but all rather lacking in bloom I also recognized and old friend Ch. Crag Of Exford looking very well indeed for his age.  
F.M. Rogers”



**Ch. Badgerton  
Pantomine Patsy CD**



The original hand written critique is in an album that was presented to Miss Rogers, with pictures and pedigrees of the dogs she placed. It was later sent back to the ASSA for their archives.

*Thanks to Pat Ferrell (ASSA Breed Historian) for typing the above document.*



# AMERICAN SHETLAND SHEEPDOG ASSOCIATION NATIONAL

This years National was held in Perry, Georgia USA



## Best Of Breed

**Ch. Kandisweet Crestar Phoenix**

Intersex Judge: Guy Jeavons

Handler: Tammy Gabrielson

Breeder: Janeen Simpson

Phoenix is proudly owned by Ellen Worthington

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# Junior Handling



Photo - Irene Kidney. UK.

Above, we have Malachy Paxman, aged six (UK) handling Orea Teen Spirit with Tachnamadra, at a show in Howden, East Yorkshire.

Malachy and 'Leon' won 1<sup>st</sup> place, beating a Bernese Mountain Dog and Handler from Norway.



Photo submitted by Julia Soltoggio. Australia.

Above, we have Alexander Lamb, aged six and a half (Australia) handling Sundland Shining Star, at the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Western Australia Ch. Show. Alexander and 'Sparkle' won Minor in Show & Best Puppy of the Day. Judge - Mrs. D Crofts.

If you have any Junior Handling pictures and stories that you would like featured in future GSM issues, please send them along to the Editor for consideration.

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# 4 Year Old Belgian Girl Successful in Doggy Dancing

By Christel Verdonck (Belgium)



<http://www.foto-alex.be/>

This is an exceptional story about Nikki Heremans, a little girl who started her new hobby, doggydancing, with her two shelties Jessy and Frully at four years old.

When a friend of Nikki's mother told about this discipline, she was instantly intrigued and Nikki convinced her mother to go and have a look. Initially her mother preferred their Sheltie Frully to dance with Nikki because she was a bit quieter.

Her mother had her doubts, she immediately saw that it wasn't so easy and she could not imagine how an infant could manage to teach her dog the necessary tricks. She expected that Nikki would give up, on one hand because given her young age she is not very handy yet and she could not imagine that Nikki could ever get her sheltie to do tricks. After all doggydancing is much more extensive and features a lot more variation compared to obedience, and in this discipline children are only admitted from the age of ten years old .

On the other hand, the lessons took place Saturday mornings at 10 o'clock and Nikki doesn't like getting out of bed early. After about five lessons it became clear that her mother was mistaken because doggydancing had become a passion for Nikki. In the mean time the Sheltie Jessy was brought in to follow the lessons because Frully was barking all the time and easily refused exercises.

The instructors found it overwhelming that such a young child wanted to be part of their group. As a result, the lessons were adapted a bit, to better fit Nikki's interests. Frequently they presented more exercises which children like, for example teaching the dog to ride a skateboard or a big box with a door where the dog had to go in at first and was conjured out of, or an exercise in which all the adults stood with their legs wider apart from each other so Nikki could crawl through with her dog. This way Nikki looked forward to the lessons and getting out of bed early wasn't a problem anymore.

The teachers saw real great potential in Nikki and her Sheltie, so they decided to ask the big request... If Nikki wanted to join them at a demonstration. They thought about a song which matched perfectly with the exercises Nikki liked. The choice was quickly made, the song "Iedereen kan toveren" (translation: "Everybody can work magic")! by K3. K3 is a well known group from Belgium that consists of 3 girls singing songs for children.

After a proposal from the teachers, Nikki's grandpa built a big hat out of a water barrel, in which the dog could go in and out. Nikki was dresses as a little fairy and her mother played as a wicked witch in the song to tell Nikki where to do which exercise. And instantly, it was a big success. Wherever they danced, everybody was wildly enthusiastic to see such a little girl work so well with her Sheltie.

Nikki herself enjoyed this positive attention to the fullest and because of the applause and the gifts she received here and there for her performance, the passion grew even more.

Soon she began dancing in the garden at home with her other Sheltie Frully when Jessy became a bit tired. And not much later the question came from Nikki to take Frully with her to perform at demonstrations. Nikki chose a song

herself and she decided to go for the song “Indianendans” (translation: ”Native American dance”) by the MKids. Now daddy could start tinkering because this song needed a real Native American totem. So now Nikki dances with both Frully as well as Jessy for the general public. Every demonstration she can go to, she will. And each time she is the big sweetheart of the audience and receives the biggest applause.

Then she felt like entering real contests. The first competition was a Christmas contest. Nikki danced to a Christmas song by Disney and she immediately snatched the first place in the fun league. After this success the little rascal decided to enter the real competition league, the innovation class for groups. The first contest she drew a blank, but at the next competition she was among the winners, she became third and at the following contest she became second!

What's learnt in the cradle lasts till the tomb, nobody knows where this will end but seeing that she can already work with her dogs this well, expectations are very high!

Meanwhile she is training a dance with her two shelties Frully and Jessy together. We are looking forward to the result. And the story doesn't end here. Besides doggydancing Nikki also started flyball with her third Sheltie Rocky. Even though Rocky is not a rocket they have so much fun together.

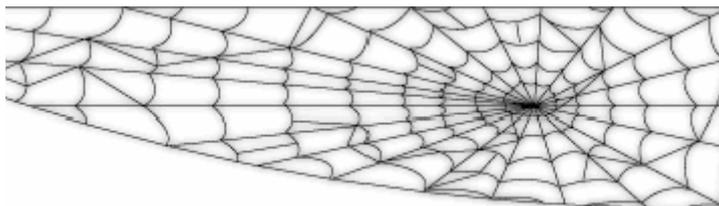
To know more about Nikki an the adventures of her shelties, to see a movie of her dancing, you can visit the website of the dogdancers [www.theswingingtails.be](http://www.theswingingtails.be)



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Submitted by Bianca Heideveld



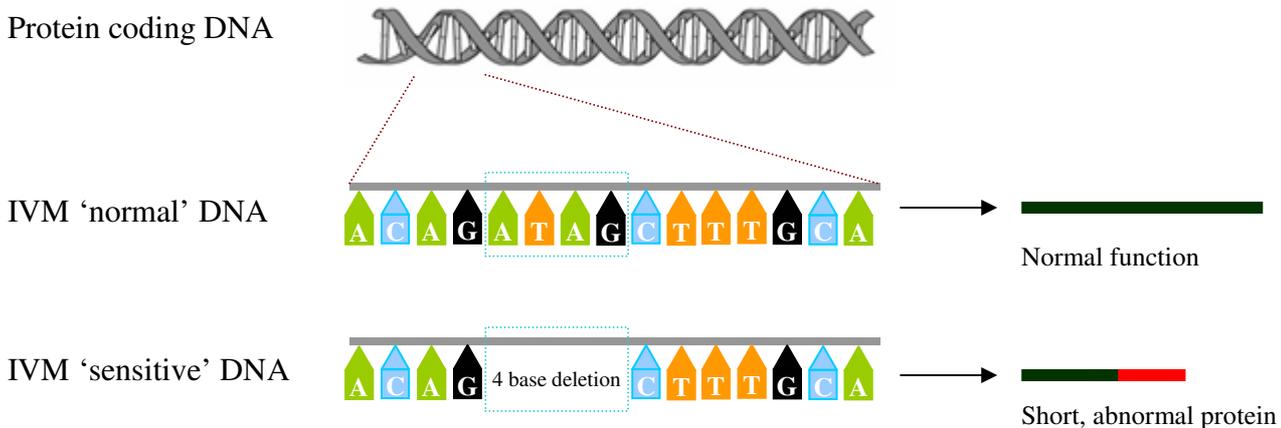
# Drug Sensitivity- A Disease?

## Part II

Several recent studies have shown that damage to nerve tissue could not be attributed to mutations in the *ABCB1* gene, the official version of what we know as *MDR1*, and mutations in this gene can be exploited for determining optimum drug doses.

Each individual's genotype affects the absorption, distribution, metabolism and elimination of particular drugs. Genetic mutations affect many drugs including antidepressants, anaesthetics, beta-blockers, and pain-killers. \*\*\* The specific *ABCB1* (*MDR1*) gene mutation actually affects a dog's response to drugs with **both therapeutic and toxic effects** \*\*\*

The mutation often noted on 'inherited disease' websites and associated with Ivermectin (IVM) sensitive Collie breeds is found in other breeds (e.g. Whippets, GSDs). In dogs, a small deletion in the gene results in the production of a short, nonfunctional protein which facilitates drugs pumped in the brain (and other areas) in a higher concentration than normal. This is what leads to potentially devastating outcomes from toxicity.

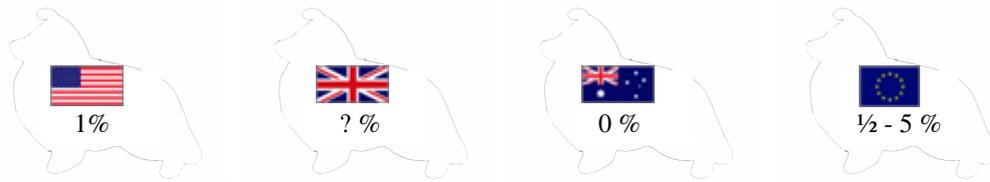


Harsh toxic effects are often seen in dogs with two copies of the 'bad' gene, but less severe reactions have been observed in *carriers* of the mutation when given increased daily doses of Ivermectin. Sound simple? **But...**

- Not all dogs with this mutation are sensitive to these drugs
- Wild-type dogs that do not carry this mutation may have similar toxic problems
- The effect of this mutation maybe induced by drugs for therapeutic benefit.

The specific *ABCB1* (*MDR1*) mutation affects a dog's response to drugs with both therapeutic and toxic effects.

How common is the 'bad' genotype?



Clearly we need better records to figure out how common this mutation really is in Shelties. The figures above are taken from published papers investigating the gene in Shelties. A commercial test is available here:

<http://www.vetmed.wsu.edu/depts-VCPL/>

Or here: <http://www.laboklin.co.uk/laboklin/showGeneticTest.jsp?testID=8032>

Is it a real problem? The old adage with Ivermectin was, "white feet, don't treat" referring to the white paws present in most collie-type breeds. Risk drugs are now tested on Ivermectin sensitive breeds. At the manufacturer's recommended dose, FDA-approved products for Heartworm preventative products in the United States are safe for dogs with the 'bad' genotype. This is one DNA test I do believe in!

Incidentally, one of these studies quoted, "DNA from ... mouth cells ... did not display fully reliable amplification results".

Blood-derived DNA is always best, but it usually means a trip to the vet and the tube has to be inverted several times so that the blood doesn't coagulate before arriving at the lab.

Oragene kits are also good, but expensive.

AJ McKnight

#### **Problem drugs include:**

- Acepromazine
- Butorphanol
- Erythromycin
- Ivermectin
- Loperamide (Imodium®)

#### **Drugs to watch include:**

- Cyclosporin
- Dexamethasone
- Digoxin
- Doxorubicin
- Fentanyl
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# World Agility Championships

**Bernadette Bay and her O'Bay Sheltie Zen have been picked to represent Great Britain at the World Agility Championships in Austria in September. Bernadette will be in the medium team, and Nicola Garrett with her O'Bay Sheltie is in the small team.**

**Below, Bernadette tells us a little about how they qualified.**

Zen (Ag. Ch. OBay Truly Balanced) has qualified this year for both the European Open Championships 2009 in the Netherlands and the World Agility Championships 2009 in Austria in September. She was also a member of the silver medal winning medium team at the World Championships 2007.

To qualify for the try-outs for these events your dog has to be a Grade 6/7 in agility and accumulate points during the year by placing in specified classes at shows around the country. The try-outs are then held over one day with 4 rounds. After the 4 rounds, the top 2 dog/handler teams are automatically chosen to represent Great Britain in their height division.

Zen runs as a medium which is for dogs between 13 ¾" up to 17". At 15", Zen is one of the smaller dogs competing at this level and is regularly competing against the smaller Border Collies. While she cannot match the Border Collies' ground speed; she has quick turns and great technical abilities which gives us a fighting chance against these bigger quicker dogs.

This year at the World Championship qualifiers, Zen not only ran clear in every round, she also placed 1<sup>st</sup> overall. She is joined in the medium team by two very talented Border Collies.

In addition to Zen, there is one other Sheltie running at both the European Open and the World Championships in the small team (for dogs up to 13 ¾" tall) and that is Zen's half-brother Indy (Ag. Ch. OBay Truly Driven).

**Bernadette Bay**

**Obay Shelties can be seen in action in previous agility competitions on 'You Tube' here -**  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T9Lqb48ZSo4&feature=related>  
**and**  
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NVTB1gMqg>



**STOP PRESS! Zen and Bernadette won a very respectable 5<sup>th</sup>!**

**RESULTS** Of World Agility Championship  
<http://www.agility-wm2009.at/OnlineResultate/?setindex=136>



# The Belgian Shepherd Championship Show

at the National Show Centre, Cloghran, Dublin

## Shetland Sheepdogs

Judge: Mr Eddie Cushley (Semitar)

**GSD: CH. BLARNEY POCKET OF MISCHIEF AT SEVENOAKS**

**RGSD: TACHNAMADRA THE TEMPEST.**

**GSB: FEARNACH XIT TO HEAVEN BOB.**

**RGSB: EVAD IRISH MIST AT GREENAN**

**BPIB TACHNAMADRA THE TEMPEST**



**TACHNAMADRA THE TEMPEST went 4th in the Puppy Group 1.**

### Puppy Dog 3/1

1st Kyle & Mann's TACHNAMADREA THE TEMPEST

2nd Doyle's SEVENOAKS GOLD EDITION

### Junior Dog 1/1

### Open Dog 3/1

1st McDonald's LONGRANGE LOTHARIO AT FEARNACH

2nd McArdle's SLIEVEMAC SPACEMAN

### Champion Dog 1/0

1st Doyle's CH. BLARNEY POCKET OF MISCHIEF AT SEVENOAKS

### Puppy Bitch 3/0

1st Dunne's LORNGRANGE SCARLET O'HARA

2nd Doyle's SEVENOAKS ANGELS WHISPER

3rd McDonald's COLROY CRYSTAL CHARM AT FEARNACH

### Junior Bitch 5/2

1st Farrell's KARYSHANTY PURE DESTINY OF MOIFARA

2nd Higgins' CEARTHALL CRYSTAL BALL

3rd Rooney's CEARTHALL TEMPTING TAMMY OF HILLAWNS

### Intermediate Bitch 3/1

1st Hagan's JAYMUR TOUCH OF CLASS

2nd Higgins' CHANNERSWICH BLACK LACE AT CEARTHALL

### Open Bitch 10/1

1st McDonald's FEARNACH XIT TO HEAVEN

2nd Robinson's EVAD IRISH MIST AT GREENAN

3rd Thomas' MYTER PIE IN THE SKY

4th Armstrong's BEEHCOTE MAGGIE MAY.



# Quilt Making

Sherry Lindsey is making wonderful quilted portraits from photos. The quilted portraits are done with fabric appliqué, not a photo transfer.



Spenser (enjoying his agility) is featured in the quilt above



Sherry also makes Wall hangings, Pillows, Crate Covers, Awards and other Items.

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## NEWS RELEASE

### ERADICATION OF INHERITED DISEASES IN DOGS MOVES A STEP CLOSER

The Kennel Club Charitable Trust strengthened its campaign to eliminate inherited diseases in dogs last week, as it signed its formal agreement with the Animal Health Trust (AHT), to jointly create the Kennel Club Genetics Centre and revealed some of the exciting findings so far.

Representatives from both the Kennel Club and the AHT held their first meeting at the AHT's site in Newmarket, Suffolk. At the meeting, those in attendance received an update of the work undertaken since the project was launched at this year's Crufts in March. This update included research on estimated breeding values that will eventually enable entire dog populations to be evaluated for inherited disease, even if individual dogs haven't been scanned or DNA tested.

The meeting also revealed news of Hereditary Cataract (HC) research currently underway in a host of different breeds. Investigation into the genetic basis of HC in Golden Retrievers and American Cocker Spaniels has been in progress for several years but the Kennel Club Genetics Centre has recently started work with other breeds including the Siberian Husky, German Pinschers and Large Munsterlander. It is hoped that in time the research performed by AHT scientists within the Kennel Club Genetics Centre will lead to the development and launch of DNA tests to identify dogs of all these breeds that carry mutations associated with HC.

While there are no reliable statistics for crossbred dogs and some hereditary diseases are present in all dogs – those particular inherited diseases resulting from single gene mutations are more likely to occur in purebred dogs than in crossbreeds and can lead to welfare issues.

The Kennel Club Genetics Centre at the AHT will undertake research into approximately 25 inherited diseases over the next five years, facilitating the creation of further diagnostic tests which will improve the health and welfare of generations of dogs.

There are probably more than five million purebred dogs in the UK alone and the research at the Genetics Centre aims to ensure that the future of dogs is a healthy, happy one. DFS Crufts, the world's greatest dog show, will provide the perfect platform for showcasing healthy pedigree dogs, and recently announced a deal with TV channel More 4 to broadcast the event for the first time in 2010.

Mark Vaudin, Deputy Chief Executive and Head of Research at the AHT, said: "We're excited about the prospect of what we can achieve together in the next five years. With the support of breeders we hope, in time, that our work will help to eradicate many adverse inherited conditions making life better for generations of dogs."

Mike Townsend, Chairman of the Kennel Club Charitable Trust said: "The KC Genetic Centre at the AHT is a very important development – we are hopeful that it will produce concepts and tests which will help dog breeders improve the health and wellbeing of their beloved breeds."

**ENDS**

17<sup>th</sup> July 2009

#### Notes to editors:

- The Animal Health Trust is an independent charity, employing over 200 scientists, vets and support workers. It aims to improve the health and welfare of horses, dogs and cats through research. It also provides specialist referral services and continuous education to vets. Visit the website at [www.aht.org.uk](http://www.aht.org.uk)
- The Kennel Club Genetic Centre is led by Dr Cathryn Mellersh and Dr Sarah Blott, two of the AHT's genetics experts. Both have pioneered screening tests to identify a dog's genetic status and minimise the risk of producing affected puppies.
- The Kennel Club Charitable Trust has donated around £4m over the past 21 years to help fund research into dog diseases and to canine support and welfare charities. Money made by the Kennel Club, through events such as DFS Crufts, goes back into the Kennel Club Charitable Trust and into education and health initiatives to help all dogs.
- Through Kennel Club Charitable Trust funding the AHT is already investigating the genetics of a wide range of inherited conditions, including Hereditary Cataract and Progressive Retinal Atrophy in many breeds. These include Golden Retrievers, American Cocker Spaniels and Tibetan Spaniels, primary lens luxation in terriers and idiopathic epilepsy in Border Collies. The result of this will, hopefully, be DNA screening tests that breeders can use to control or even eliminate these debilitating diseases.
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# Sponsored Hair Cut

## Raising funds for Sheltie Rescue

Debbie Pearson (UK) is a very brave young lady. Those that know her know that she has the most beautiful waist length blond hair, and yet, she volunteered to have it all cut off for Sheltie Rescue!  
 The highest sponsor got the chance to cut the hair off at The Mid Western Shetland Sheepdog Club Open Show on August 8<sup>th</sup>, but as the highest sponsor was not attending the show, a quick phone call let the sponsor choose another person to do the dreaded deed! They chose one of the Judges - Anna Uthorn.  
 Debbie raised over £600 for Sheltie Rescue, and her hair is being donated to make wigs for cancer treatment patients.  
 Well Done Debbie!



## The Mid Western Shetland Sheepdog Club

### Open Show

Judges –Dogs: Mrs. F. Griffin (Melcette), Bitches: Miss A. Uthorn (Shelgate), Referee: Mrs J. Fitzsimons (Snabswood)

Best Dog. Mr D Rigby Lythwood Starlight Express  
 Reserve Best Dog Mrs V M Thompson. Glencharm Devil Moon  
 Best Puppy Dog Mrs M Bywater. Karmidale Monet with Tachnamadra

Best Bitch Mrs S Robinson. Milesend Goodtimes At Lavika  
 Reserve Best Bitch. Mrs J Moody. Janetstown Jamalade  
 Best Puppy Bitch. Mr D Rigby. Lythwood Summer Breeze  
 Best Veteran Bitch. Ch Rannerdale Angel O'The North JW

Best in Show Milesend Goodtimes at Lavika  
 Reserve Best in Show & Best Opposite Sex - Lythwood Starlight Express  
 Best Puppy in Show. Lythwood Summer Breeze  
 Best Veteran in Show.Ch. Rannerdale Angel O'The North JW

### Pictures

and results of all the classes can be found on the 'Show Results' page of the MWSSC web site

<http://www.mwssc.org/index.php>





# *A Chat with Sylvia Calderwood*

## **Kensil's Shelties**



Photo – Chris Lynch

Q. Hi Sylvia, Great to chat with you. So- did you grow up with dogs as a kid?

A. I used to bring home every stray dog or cat that I saw. But, I had no formal dog training as a child.

Q. When did you see a Sheltie for the very first time and was it love at first sight?

A. No, actually, I didn't want all the hair.

Q. Were you only attracted to Shelties, or was there any other breed you would have liked?

A. I decided that I wanted to raise dogs, so I got the AKC book (115 breeds at the time) and studied every breed, until I settled on the Sheltie as the best for my family situation.

Q. Have you ever owned or exhibited any other breed?

A. I've had a German Shepherd Dog, Miniature Poodles, and Miniature Schnauzers, but only the Shelties stayed. When David and I were handling for a living we showed many other breeds. But, I always said, if you could finish a Sheltie, you could finish most any breed.

Q. Who was your mentor?

A. We didn't call them mentors in those days, but I did get help from Dorothy Sweet, long since deceased.

Q. You have Champions in all the colours in Shelties, but do you have a favourite colour in the breed?

A. I like any color that can win and not give me health defects, but I will say that the sable pets are a lot easier to sell.

Q. When did you start handling/showing dogs?

A. I trained my pound dog Beagle when I was about twelve, showed my Mother's Boston Terrier when I was fifteen, and got really involved with dogs when I hit about nineteen.

Q. When did you register the Kensil's affix, and is there a special meaning behind the name?

A. I can't remember when I first registered the name, but I've been using it since about 1964. I was married to Ken Denk at the time and merged our names. The kennel name lasted longer than the marriage.

Q. I just know you will have some interesting or funny stories to tell about breeding, or your stud dogs. Will you share some with us?

A. We were handling dogs at the time and David was specializing Ch. Caitlin's Blaze 'N Chariots. They were just about to go into the Best in Show ring when I notice a breeding baggie in my pocket. I pulled it out to throw it away, but instead of going in the ring, Blazer pulled away from David and ran after me and dived for the baggie. He liked showing, but he "loved" the girls!.

Q. We all have a special dog that we have owned that pulls at our heartstrings forever, which was yours and why?

A. I've had several, but Ch. Kensil's Kings Lady was my first really good dog, and I gave her to my middle daughter for her 18th birthday. Ch. Kensil's Saddle Tramp was our first special. Ch. Kensil's Cracker Jax PT, OA, NAJ, VCX and Ch. Kensil's Here Comes The Sun PT, AX, OAJ, VCX were both herding and agility dogs and since we spent a lot of time together, they were pretty special.



Photo- Amanda Bateman

And, of course, Ch. Kensil's Carnival Capar who gave us 161 Bests of Breed and 15 Group 1's, an International BIS and a Canadian BIS.



Photo – Chris Lynch

If I had to name just one that still brings tears to my eyes, it would be Cracker Jax.

Q. You have bred some lovely dogs, which are you most proud of?

A. Our three bi color ROM's. Ch. Caledon Partly Cloudy (bred by B Aulbach) gave us six champions, her daughter Ch. Kensil's Patch of Ice gave us five champions, and her granddaughter Ch. Kensil's Send In The Clowns gave us six champions. Currently, Ch. Kensil's The Pipes Are Calling has sired seven champions with more on the way.

Q. What is the most memorable win that you have had?

A. Ch. Kensil's Will O'The Wisp winning the National Futurity in 1993. Ch. Kensil's Champagne On Ice Runner Up to Best in Futurity in 2000. Ch. Kensil's Cracker Jax winning an Award of Merit in 1999. Ch. Kensil's Carnival Capar winning his 100th Best of Breed in 1996, and an Award of Merit.

Q. When did you judge your very first show?

A. Since I only do futurities, matches and sweepstakes, I can't remember the first, but judging the ASSA National Futurity in 1997 certainly stands out as the most important show I've judged.

Q. Can you remember how you felt on that day?

A. Boy, do I. There was no crowd of people in my mind, there was nothing outside the ring ropes. I was concentrating so hard that the rest of the world was "gone". I remarked to David the next day, that they had turned on more lights and they must have opened up the room, because it was brighter and bigger. He told me that nothing had been changed. It was just me focusing so hard on my dogs, that nothing else existed.

Q. Have you judged anywhere outside of USA?

A. No

Q. There must be many a funny incident you could share with us from the past, and we are all very keen to hear all about them!

A. I'll tell you about the last funny incident. It was just this last weekend. We had our motorhome set up for a four day outdoor Sheltie specialty. We had 8 week old pups with us, and at 6 a.m., they decided they needed to go potie. I had on a tiny, flimsy little negligee, but since it was so early, I felt that it was safe to sneak outside in my almost all-together and drop the babies in their pen. When I bent over to put them down, I realized that there was a man, not eight inches away from me!!!! Fortunately he was sound asleep. He was on the ground, wrapped up in the puppy's tarp, trying to stay warm. I was startled, but quickly picked the puppies back up and took them back into the motorhome. I slammed the door hard, to wake the man, but he didn't wake up. So, I woke David and told him "Take care of this, my puppies have to pee!" David had to work at it, but he finally roused the man and sent him on his way. Turns out, this big strong strapping man, had just been released from prison, and was coming down from a meth trip!.

Q. What have you seen change the most in Shelties since you first owned one?

A. Temperaments, temperaments, temperaments. The first champion Sheltie I ever saw was hiding behind a couch. That was in 1964.

Q. What, if anything would you like to see improved in the breed?

A. I've yet to see what I would call a really good front on a Sheltie.

Q. Apart from your own dogs, if you could have owned any other dog, from any country, which would it be?

A. I've never been able to answer that question. I frequently see things in different dogs that I would like to have, but never had I seen the dog that had it all. I guess I've been pretty happy with the dogs that I have had.

Q. Tell us about your dreams for the future?

A. Well, I just turned 70 this year, and I would like for my body not to find out how old I really am. I would like to keep doing what I've been doing. My goal was to have bred or owned 100 champions. I fulfilled that this year, we're up to 103 now. The skies the limit.

<http://www.kensilshelties.com/>

**Sylvia - Thank You very much for agreeing to chat with me for 'Global Shelties Magazine'. I know that everyone will enjoy reading your comments. I think you had a lucky escape from that druggie outside your motorhome!. I wish I could have seen your face when you spotted him!**

**Congratulations to you on breeding/owning over 100 Champions. What a brilliant achievement.**

**Ed.**





# Am. Ch. Kensil's Winter Parka



Photo – Bill Kohler

(“Parka”)

By AvaJane Pickering, Ph.D.

I am AvaJane Pickering, Ph.D., and I own a small, pure for sable kennel in Salt Lake City, Utah (USA) that has produced mostly obedience dogs and companion dogs for people with disabilities.

The picture of Parka was taken one June in Blackfoot, Idaho (USA). This is the day that Parka left the Calderwood's Eugene, Oregon kennel, the Confirmation Ring and everything that he had known and loved to embark on a new, life-changing path. It was also the day that Parka became an American Champion and the last time that David Calderwood would be showing him. Parka loved the Confirmation Ring and adored showing for David and his wife, Sylvia.

From the moment that Parka first met me on that very life-changing day, we became very bonded. He would be my first American Champion. Before I got to take Parka home, I spent a lot of time with him at the Calderwood's setup.

With his head held high, Parka accepted the new transition to his home in Salt Lake City, Utah, and came with great courage and love to live with me and my other Shelties.

Parka arrived at my house to find a broken and distraught kennel devastated by the loss of its mistress, Dr. EvaJean Pickering, who had recently passed away in a very tragic automobile accident. He also had to deal with a new owner distraught from the loss of a twin sister, business partner and my best friend.

Even though Parka was no longer able to spend time with the Calderwoods, he truly put his own grief aside and laid on my bed for the next several months while I worked through Eva's loss.

Parka became intensely protective of me and either laid beside me or laid on my bedrail for hours and days until I got better, checking to make sure I was breathing and okay, just being there.

When both I, and my kennel recovered and started feeling better, Parka assumed some new roles as head of the kennel. First of all, he took every puppy that came through my kennel and taught them the rules, what to

do, how to hold their head, how to hold their ears, and everything else that Sylvia and David had taught him. He has mentored each puppy on puppy manners.

Parka loves to play fetch. At first he played fetch with a ball with David, and then when he came to my house, he got an alligator with which he loves to play fetch. He mentored all the puppies and taught them how to play fetch, be happy, and be there for me.

Eventually the tone in my home got to the place where we were able to part and Parka travelled back to Idaho to spend time with my handler, Shannalee Waller-Michalsky, to become Specialed. That was my gift to Parka and he has truly loved it. He has always loved the show circuit and especially the opportunity to see and be with the Calderwoods again. He loves Shannalee as well as the Calderwoods and myself.

Now that Parka is back in Salt Lake City with me, he can tell when I get anything from the Calderwoods in the mail. He stands there by the mail waiting patiently for me to open the letter or package. If I have been with the Calderwoods, he can tell and loves to lay on the clothes that I've worn when they have been around me.

Parka is remarkably good at reading other people's needs. Wherever we go, and whatever we do, he can always select the person who needs the attention and love the most. Of course, he loves to be with me, and I take him everywhere, even to my school. He has been around a large variety of people in a vast amount of different circumstances.

Last spring brought Parka and me to a veterinarian's office where we sat in the waiting room for some tests to be done. An unknown lady approached me and told me that her 14 year old Golden Retriever had experienced a very bad night and at that very moment was in neuro-surgery. She told me how the people from whom she had gotten her Golden also had Shelties in their home. Just as she was telling me this, I realized that Parka had crawled out of my arms and down into the lady's arms consoling her.

I have personally never, ever experienced a time when I was ill, hurt or sad, that Parka hasn't been right there with me doing all he could to console me.

These days Parka enjoys spending time lying on my designer sofa, his own sofa. While he waits for the right time to play, he lines up his 3-5 fetch toys in the order that he would like to play with them.

I am very, very grateful to the Calderwoods for letting me have such a beautiful Champion for my first. Who would have known that he would become a very important part of my grief recovery.

To this day, Parka is still the gorgeous boy that I purchased. He possesses an unusually deep understanding knowledge of other people and their needs.

Thank you for selecting him to be featured on the cover of 'Global Shelties Magazine'. Ch Kensil's Winter Parka is truly what a Sheltie should be, loyal, kind, happy and able to deal with any situation that arises.

AvaJane Pickering, Ph.D.USA

**Note from Ed.**

**Thanks to AvaJane for that amazingly touching story of Parka, a truly remarkable dog.**

**If any of our readers has a similar story about a special dog in their life - we would like to hear it.**

**Send your stories to your correspondent or to me at [editor@globalsheltiesmagazine.org](mailto:editor@globalsheltiesmagazine.org)**





# Shetland Sheepdog Club of North Wales

Open Show

August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Judges: Dogs: Mr D Russell (Tuffeigha). Bitches: Mr C Waugh (Colimar)

Link to Results and Pictures here  
<http://www.sscnw.co.uk/>



## Victorian Top Obedience Dog

2009



Picture submitted by Bethia Tennyson



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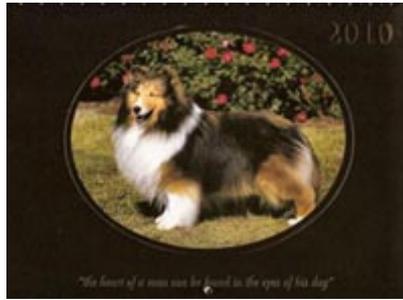
TCh Cryshaven After Midnite HT UD  
(left of picture) with  
Ch. HIT Bethalice Kriss Fringle.

TCh Cryshaven After Midnite HT UD with Judy Richardson

**Congratulations** to owner Judy Richardson



# 2010 Shetland Sheepdog Calendar



**The calendar contains 13 beautiful full color photos of your favorite Shelties.  
One new photo each month plus one on the cover.**

*The calendar also contains the following:*

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Description of the Sheltie  
Breeding, Whelping dates each month  
Nobel Growth Chart  
Five year planning calendar  
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# **NEWTOWNARDS & DIST. CANINE CLUB CH SHOW**

*The Newtownards & District Canine Club held their All Breed Championship Show (IKC), on March 29, 2009 at Kings Hall, Balmoral, Belfast. Judge for Shelties Peter Bailey (England)*

## *Puppy Dog 4 (1 abs)*

- 1) Kyle & Mann's..TACHNAMADRA THE TEMPEST*
- 2) Robinson's..EVAD WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT ALFIE*
- 3) Cushley's..RANNERDALE THE IRISH WIZARD*

## *Jun Dog 2 (1 abs)*

- 1) Farrell's..CAROLELEN CLEAN SWEEP FOR MOIFARA*

## *Intermediate Dog 2*

- 1) Hodson's..MOYHILL WOODY WOODPECKER*
- 2) Doyle's..DALYHAA SECRET WEAPON AT SEVENOAKS*

## *Open Dog 6 (3 abs)*

- 1) Dunne's..LONGRANGE LOTHARIO AT FEARNACH (Res. Green Star Dog)*
- 2) McPhillips/McGuinness..SHELACHAN BEST WISHES TO ELLENYORN*
- 3) O'Flaherty's..DRAIOCHTA LITTLE JASPER*

## *Champion Dog 1 entry*

- 1) Doyle's.. BLARNEY POCKET OF MISCHIEF AT SEVENOAKS (Green Star Dog & BOB)*

## *Puppy Bitch...3 entries*

- 1) Dunne's..LONGRANGE SCARLET OHARA (Res Green Star Bitch)*
- 2) Farrell's KARYSHANTY PURE DESTINY OF MOIFARA*
- 3) McDonagh's KARYSHANTY LOVES DESIRE*

## *Junior Bitch 3 (2 abs)*

- 1) Conaghey's..LARKSMOOR MICHAELMAS DAISY*

## *Intermediate Bitch 2 (2 abs)*

## *Open Bitch 14 (4 abs)*

- 1) Robinson's..EVAD IRISH MIST AT GREENAN (Green Star Bitch)*
- 2) Hall's..KARYSHANTY SPELLBOUND AT MARIZAN*
- 3) Cushley's..SEMITAR MYSTERIOUS*
- 4) Doyle's..SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION*

*Valerie Kyle, Ireland*



# Dermatomyositis

## Latest Information 2009

Treatment research at Texas A & M University **concluded** that Trental is still the treatment of choice for the majority of DM (FCD) affected dogs.

**Dr Leigh Ann Clark has now taken her DM (FCD) DNA research to**

**Clemson University in South Carolina**

For contact details - email Global Shelties Magazine Editor

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## Dermatomyositis

### What is Dermatomyositis?

It is known as FCD in UK, and DM in America.

It is an inflammation of the skin (derma) and muscle (myo). It is rare and mainly affects Collie breeds and their crosses. There is hair loss, sometimes with redness and scaling and crusting of the skin. It is not an itchy condition unless there is a secondary infection. Classic clinical signs are hair loss around the eyes, but it can affect any of the body extremities, nose, ears, feet, legs, and tip of tail. Strange twisted toe nails can also occur. Muscle wasting is seen in some cases causing difficulty in walking and a 'tragic' expression.

Megaesophagus, a swollen/inflamed food tube, sometimes occurs. This makes it difficult for the dog to eat and drink, and could result in aspiration pneumonia, when food passes down the wind pipe.

I have heard of a couple of cases of DM (FCD) where rashes have appeared on the tummy of the dog. Though this is **not** a clinical sign of DM (FCD), it may be a reaction to the medication for DM (FCD) or a tandem problem.

I would say most DM (FCD) cases are seen in young puppies, but late (Adult) onset is also seen.

Confirmation of Dermatomyositis has to be done by biopsy as other conditions such as Demodectic Mange and Lupus look very similar.

### What causes Dermatomyositis?

No one knows at this stage. It is possibly an autosomal recessive gene. (An autosomal recessive disorder means two copies of an abnormal gene must be present in order for the disease or trait to develop).

It is also possible that it is not a genetic disease as such, but that it occurs where there is a genetic predisposition or susceptibility. It is almost certain that the condition is triggered by environmental factors such as a virus, fluctuating hormones, stress etc. which over-challenge the immune system.

### How do we get a diagnosis?

Biopsy is the only sure way. A minimum of three deep tissue samples (skin and muscle) 6mm in size should be submitted to a specialist pathologist.

(In U.K, Ewan Ferguson, at the Royal Veterinary Collage would be the most direct source of diagnosis. Alternatively, a vet can send the correctly taken samples to Ewan Ferguson).

### Is there a cure?

No, but treatments to control the condition are steroids (Prednisone) and antioxidants like Vitamin E applied topically as well as systemically.

Trials with 'Trental' have had good results at Texas A&M University Trental is the brand name of the best pentoxifylline, having a slower release into the blood and causing fewer side affects. There are also new trials with Tacrolimus ointment protopic.

### Where do we go from here?

Dr. Chris Rees at Texas A&M University has worked with DM (FCD) dogs for a number of years\*. Early in 2004, an opportunity arose to make a start on DNA research when Dr. Keith Murphy, who runs the Canine Genomics Lab at Texas A&M University, collaborated with Dr. Rees providing his significant resources. He has provided access to primers that would normally cost a huge amount of money. Extra money was needed of course, and many Sheltie clubs rallied to rush money to the University. Dr. Murphy ran Sheltie DNA samples using a system called Linkage Disequilibrium analysis. Hopefully this information will provide the ability to know within which area of the genome to specifically look for DM (FCD). Data from that research is presently being analyzed. This was only a start though, and in 2006 the American Shetland Sheepdog Association agreed to donate \$40,000 to the Texas research team. The Collie Club of America also agreed to donate the same amount enabling research to try to locate the genetic marker to continue.

### What can Breeders/Owners do?

I recently had a discussion with an email friend in America, who suggested taking a step back, and actually looking and collating information on what 'might' have triggered the illness in our dogs. If we could get a clearer picture of events that led up to DM (FCD) triggering in our dog, we might be able to avoid some of the possible triggers in the future. It could be such an event as a vaccination, a viral infection, hormonal upset, or stress. By collating this information, we will be able to assemble a better and more complete picture for the researchers.

### On the positive side

This is a very **rare** condition, and I have heard of dogs with DM (FCD) that have had their condition controlled with medication such as Trental and continue to live happy and active lives. It is only when there is the even rarer muscle involvement that treatment is more difficult.

\*NEW (2009) Dr. Leigh Ann Clarke has taken over the FCD/DM DNA research and taken it to Clemson University in South Carolina.



# Gallery Of Sheepdogs On The Shetland Isles

**These Old Pictures are Amazing!**

**Follow the link below- sent to me by Lisa Porph (USA) for some fantastic old and thought provoking pictures of the original early dogs and every-day life on the Shetland Isles!**

[http://shetlopedia.com/A\\_Gallery\\_of\\_Shetland\\_Dogs](http://shetlopedia.com/A_Gallery_of_Shetland_Dogs)

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# STREET DOGS IN NEPAL NEED YOUR HELP



One of our rescues – facial wounds caused by a road accident or by fighting –infected with maggots.  
This dog is now well on the road to full recovery

My partner, Jim Pearson and I have been regular visitors to Nepal since we first went there as trekkers in 1998. It is a beguiling country, a mixture of extraordinary landscapes, subsistence agriculture, a multiplicity of ethnic groups, and a bewildering recent history which has included regicide and the democratic election to power of the Maoist insurgents who caused havoc to the already deficient infrastructure for several years. It is also one of the poorest countries in the world.

Given this situation, animal welfare is very low on the priority list.

Our friend, the journalist and author, Juliette Cunliffe was planning to move to Nepal permanently in Spring 2009. She is building a lodge overlooking the town of Pokhara, which is sited in the foothills of the Annapurna range of Himalayan mountains. The three of us decided that we would establish an animal welfare charity in Pokhara, Himalayan Animal Rescue Team, or HART.

Outside of Kathmandu, Nepal's capital, there are **no organisations at all** for the benefit of the street dogs, who starve, fight and breed in the towns, and who are poisoned by the local authorities when there are too many.

These hard, short and miserable lives can be hugely improved by vaccination, worming, anti tick and flea treatment, and a bit of basic veterinary attention, and this is what HART is providing. Our work is only in its fifth month but it is already having an impact in the town and we plan to extend beyond Pokhara when funding allows.

**For more information our website is at [www.hartnepal.org](http://www.hartnepal.org)**





# The Irish Circuit

Clonmel Championship Show

16/08/09

Shetland Sheepdogs

Judge: Mrs Gail Morrison

GSD: DALIYHAA SECRET WEAPON AT SEVENOAKS

RGSD: LONGRANGE LOTHARIO AT FEARNACH

GSB: SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION **BOB**

RGSB: SEVENOAKS ANGELS WHISPER

Junior Dog 1/0

1st Finnan's SNUGBOROUGH BLACK JACK

Open Dog 8/0

1st Doyle's DALIYHAAA SECRET WEAPON AT SEVENOAKS

2nd Dunne's LONGRANGE LOTHARIO AT FEARNACH

3rd Hodson's MOYHILL WOODY WOODPECKER (Jun. CH)

4th Curtin's BLARNEY BRAVEHEART

Champion Dog 1/0

1st Kendrick's ARDLYN KING BRIAN

Puppy Bitch 2/0

1st Butler's CASTLEMERLE MINNA

2nd Jackson's JAY'S CASSIE

Junior Bitch 3/2

1st Doyle's SEVENOAKS ANGELS WHISPER

Open Bitch 6/0

1st Doyle's SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION

2nd Doyle's SEVENOAKS BUE SUR MER

3rd Morris' KLASSYMAR SHINING STAR

4th McArdle's GLENAWIND SERENA BLUE FOR SLIEVEMAC.

Champion Bitch 1/1

Veteran Bitch 1/0

1st Savage's SHANNMIE NO DREAM IMPOSSIBLE FROM SAVARAURUS

# Killarney

18/8/09

Breed Judge: Mr. G. Jeavons

## Award Dog

Green Star Dog: CH MYTER THAT'S MY GOAL FOR KARYSHANTY JD, CJW'07 (Mrs S McDonagh)

Res Green Star Dog: DALIYHAA SECRET WEAPON AT SEVENOAKS (Joe & Brenda Doyle)

Green Star Bitch: MYTER PIE IN THE SKY JW (Mrs M & Miss S Thomas)

Res Green Star Bitch: KARYSHANTY LOVES DESIRE (Mrs S McDonagh)

Best Of Breed: MYTER PIE IN THE SKY JW (Mrs M & Miss S Thomas)

Reserve Best Of Breed: CH MYTER THAT'S MY GOAL FOR KARYSHANTY JD, CJW'07 (Mrs S McDonagh)

## Class Results

Class	Placing	Dog
Junior Dog	1	SNUGBOROUGH BLACK JACK (Mr. Mrs. A Finnan)
Junior Dog	2	SEVENOAKS GOLD EDITION (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Open Dog	1	DALIYHAA SECRET WEAPON AT SEVENOAKS (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Open Dog	2	MYTER LIMITED EDITION FOR BORDAMOUR (Mrs S A & Mr M A Poulton & Burch)
Open Dog	3	TRIXANDY ACE OF SPADES AT KARYSHANTY JD (Mrs S McDonagh)
Open Dog	4	SHELLTHORN STORM IN A TEACUP AT SAVATAURUS (Mr. Mrs. PJ & P Savage)
Champion Dog	1	CH MYTER THAT'S MY GOAL FOR KARYSHANTY JD, CJW'07 (Mrs S McDonagh)
Champion Dog	2	CH & INT CH BLARNEY POCKET OF MISCHIEF AT SEVENOAKS AN CH 08 (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Puppy Bitch	1	JAY'S CASSIE (Mrs R Jackson)
Junior Bitch	1	SEVENOAKS ANGELS WHISPER (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Intermediate Bitch 1		KARYSHANTY LOVES DESIRE (Mrs S McDonagh)
Open Bitch	1	MYTER PIE IN THE SKY JW (Mrs M & Miss S Thomas)
Open Bitch	2	KLASSYMAR SHINING STAR (Ms M Morris)
Open Bitch	3	SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Open Bitch	4	RANNERDALE MISS MILLY (Mr.Mrs.B Kenny)
Veteran Bitch	1	SHANNMIE NO DREAM IMPOSSIBLE FROM SAVATAURUS (Mr. Mrs. PJ & P Savage)

## Limerick

20/8/09

Breed Judge: Mr H. Tast

## Award Dog

Green Star Dog: CH. ARDLYN KING BRIAN (Mr & Mrs A Kendrick)

Res Green Star Dog: SNUGBOROUGH BLACK JACK (Mr. Mrs. A Finnan)

Green Star Bitch: CH KILCAREWOOD MYSTICK LADY CW'07 (Mrs S McDonagh)

Res Green Star Bitch: SEVENOAKS ANGELS WHISPER (Joe & Brenda Doyle)

Best Of Breed: CH KILCAREWOOD MYSTICK LADY CW'07 (Mrs S McDonagh)

Reserve Best Of Breed: CH. ARDLYN KING BRIAN (Mr & Mrs A Kendrick)

## Class Results

Class	Placing	Dog
Junior Dog	1	SNUGBOROUGH BLACK JACK (Mr. Mrs. A Finnan)
Intermediate Dog	1	CAROLELEN CLEAN SWEEP FOR MOIFARA JR.CH., CJW'09, EJW'09. (Maura Farrell)
Open Dog	1	BLARNEY BRAVEHEART (Patrick Curtin)
Open Dog	2	DALIYHAA SECRET WEAPON AT SEVENOAKS (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Champion Dog	1	CH. ARDLYN KING BRIAN (Mr & Mrs A Kendrick)
Champion Dog	2	CH MYTER THAT'S MY GOAL FOR KARYSHANTY JD, CJW'07 (Mrs S McDonagh)
Champion Dog	3	CH & INT CH BLARNEY POCKET OF MISCHIEF AT SEVENOAKS AN CH 08 (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Puppy Bitch	1	JAY'S CASSIE (Mrs R Jackson)
Junior Bitch	1	SEVENOAKS ANGELS WHISPER (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Junior Bitch	2	CEARTHALL CRYSTAL BALL (Mrs. E. Higgins)
Intermediate Bitch	1	KARYSHANTY LOVES DESIRE (Mrs S McDonagh)
Open Bitch	1	KLASSYMAR SHINING STAR (Ms M Morris)
Open Bitch	2	SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION (Joe & Brenda Doyle)

Open Bitch	3	SLIEVEMAC CHRISTMAS FEVER (Margaret McArdle)
Open Bitch	4	GLENAWIND SERENA BLUE FOR SLIEVEMAC (Margaret McArdle)
Champion Bitch	1	CH KILCAREWOOD MYSTICK LADY CW'07 (Mrs S McDonagh)
Champion Bitch	2	CH/IR CH MYTER REACH FOR THE MOON (Mrs M & Miss S Thomas)
Veteran Bitch	1	SHANNMIE NO DREAM IMPOSSIBLE FROM SAVATAURUS (Mr. Mrs. PJ & P Savage)

## Tralee

22/8/09

Breed Judge: Dr M. Woods

### Breed Results

#### Award Dog

Green Star Dog: SHELLTHORN STORM IN A TEACUP AT SAVATAURUS (Mr. Mrs. PJ & P Savage)

Res Green Star Dog: CH & INT CH BLARNEY POCKET OF MISCHIEF AT SEVENOAKS AN CH 08 (Joe & Brenda Doyle)

Green Star Bitch: SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION (Joe & Brenda Doyle)

Res Green Star Bitch: LASSYMAR SHINING STAR (Ms M Morris)

Best Of Breed: SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION (Joe & Brenda Doyle)

Reserve Best Of Breed: SHELLTHORN STORM IN A TEACUP AT SAVATAURUS (Mr. Mrs. PJ & P Savage)

### Class Results

Class	Placing	Dog
Junior Dog	1	SNUGBOROUGH BLACK JACK (Mr. Mrs. A Finnan)
Open Dog	1	SHELLTHORN STORM IN A TEACUP AT SAVATAURUS (Mr. Mrs. PJ & P Savage)
Open Dog	2	BLARNEY BRAVEHEART (Patrick Curtin)
Open Dog	3	DALIYHAA SECRET WEAPON AT SEVENOAKS (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Open Dog	4	MOYHILL WOODY WOODPECKER JUNIOR CHAMPION (Mr L Hodson)
Champion Dog	1	CH & INT CH BLARNEY POCKET OF MISCHIEF AT SEVENOAKS AN CH 08 (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Puppy Bitch	1	JAY'S CASSIE (Mrs R Jackson)
Junior Bitch	1	SEVENOAKS ANGELS WHISPER (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Open Bitch	1	SEVENOAKS RED ILLUSION (Joe & Brenda Doyle)
Open Bitch	2	KLASSYMAR SHINING STAR (Ms M Morris)
Veteran Bitch	1	SHANNMIE NO DREAM IMPOSSIBLE FROM SAVATAURUS (Mr. Mrs. PJ & P Savage)



*This is my sheltie Obay Truly Lucky (pet name lucky) who does agility with his handler Catherine Harvey. We have just come back from the KC International and Dogs In Need week where they did very well. They gained Two 3rd places, four 2nd places and one 1st place and they were in the final, I am very proud of both of them. I am unable to do agility myself for health reasons.  
Sonia Constable.*





# Eastern Counties Shetland Sheepdog Club Show

August 30th

*Judges: Dogs: Mrs C Smedley. Bitches: Mrs D Rowan*

*Best Dog RBIS & RBOS : Weller's Evad Summer Surprize JW  
Res Best Dog : Saunders Glaistig Lionhearts Gold at Fernfrey JW  
Best Veteran Dog : French's Lindfern Dancing Shadows JW  
Best Puppy Dog : Bywater's Karmidale Monet with Tachnamadra*

*Best Bitch & BIS : Stock Shemist Summer Sunset  
Res Best Bitch : Ambler Chalmoor Star Mist  
Best Veteran Bitch & BVIS : Trueman's Chasin Rainbows at Carolelen*

*Best Puppy Bitch & BPIS Atkins Jontygray Fantastic Story  
Best Minor Puppy in Show : Mottram's Francehill Easy Money*

## Obedience Winners

*All classes judged by Peter Lubbi*

### *Pre-Beginners*

*1st Mrs C Little Chandling Chattanoogaogoo  
2nd Miss S Towe Foxstones Modern Milly*

### *Beginners*

*1st Mrs J L Belsten Kewella Strider  
2nd Mrs L S French Lindfern Debonair Dancer ShCM*

### *Novice*

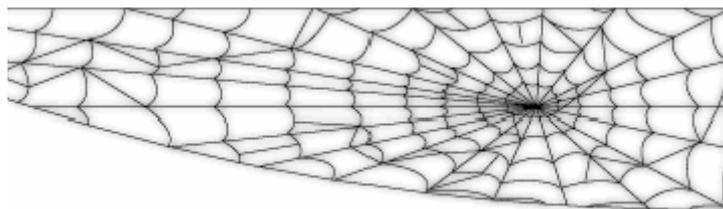
*1st Mrs C Powell Rainelor Rhapsody In Blue  
2nd Mrs L Fagg Dukeson It's Calvin Klein JW ShCM  
3rd Mrs H E Fisher Chalmoor Black Prince  
4th Mrs J L Belsten Kewella Strider  
5th Mrs J Williams Peerieglen Phoenix At Gleniewoods  
6th Miss R Kennedy Rosias Tiger Lily At Donbeley*

### *Test 'A'*

*1st Mrs C Powell Rainelor Rhapsody In Blue  
2nd Mrs K Marek Ayrpark Harrys Star  
3rd Miss R Kennedy Rosias Tiger Lily At Donbeley*

### *Test 'B'*

*1st Mrs H E Fisher Seavall Torin*





# My trip to Sweden in August 2009

By Clare Stafford (UK)

The Swedish Shetland Sheepdog Club held a Championship Show on Saturday 22 August 2009. The venue was Vilsta sports hotel in Eskilstuna. This is a lovely venue and the rings were set up by the lake with the promise of the owners of CC winners being thrown in after the show! Many of the exhibitors stay in the cabins at the complex and the dogs enjoy relaxing with their owners who have a 'good old knees-up' the nights before and after the shows. There had been torrential rain the night before the show so it was very soggy in the morning with the puppies and juniors dodging the puddles. In the afternoon the sun came out and Best In Show was judged in glorious sunshine.

The judges for the day were Ann Hutchinson - Bitch puppies, Dogs and Best Puppy In Show, Gwen Beaden - Dog puppies, Bitches, Best In Show, Breeders and Progeny class. Gwen was stepping in for her sister Irene who had to withdraw from judging due to illness.

The winners (which you can see photos of on the Swedish sheltie site [www.sssk.org](http://www.sssk.org)) were...

**Reserve Best In Show, Best Dog and CERT was Lundecock's Run For Fun**, owned by Monica Matfolk who couldn't make it to the show so he was handled by Johnny Andersson.

2<sup>nd</sup> Best Dog- **SUCH Poppy Slope's I Wish You Would**

3<sup>rd</sup> Best Dog- **Sheldon Smart Design**

4<sup>th</sup> Best Dog- **Brilyn Teddy Bear**

5<sup>th</sup> Best Dog- **FIV-05 INTUCH NORDUCH Brimalou's Secret Fantasy**

**Best In Show and Best Bitch- NORDJV-07 NORDV-07 SUCH SV-08 Lundecock's Hoity-Toity**

2<sup>nd</sup> Best Bitch- **FIUCH NUCH SUCH Lundecock's Ready To Dance**

3<sup>rd</sup> Best Bitch and **CERT was NUCH Joyland's Magic Connection** who gained her Swedish title on the day for a very happy Kristin Pedersen.

4<sup>th</sup> Best Bitch- **Wincrest On The Move**

5<sup>th</sup> Best Bitch- **Sunny-Hill's Pretty Blue**

**Best Puppy in Show- Lundecock's Time To Party**

**Reserve Best Puppy In Show- Sheldon Biscuit Boy**

**Breeders Group- Shellrick's**

**Progeny Class- EECH FIUCH INTUCH NORDUCH Sheldon Space Joker**

On Sunday it was the turn of the Stockholm Kennel Club General Championship Show in Vallentuna... Stockholm. It was a beautiful sunny day and all the exhibitors had set off from Eskilstuna early so their tents were set up in good time ready for another day of showing. Mr Leif Herman-Wilberg from Norway was our judge. He is an all-rounder who obviously enjoyed judging our

lovely breed and spent time talking to the exhibitors and posing for photos after judging shelties before he moved on to judge Best In Show later that day .

He found his **Best Dog** and **Best of Breed** in **SUCH Shellrick's Lion King** who was 1<sup>st</sup> in the Champions Class.

1<sup>st</sup> in the Open class, 2<sup>nd</sup> Best Dog and the **CERT** was **Rannerdale Oliver Twist** owned by Marita Bertilsson and Pirkko Karlsson and handled by a very excited breeder- me!

3<sup>rd</sup> Best Dog- **SUCH NUCH GBCH SV-09 Edglonian The Real McCoy**

4<sup>th</sup> Best Dog- **SUCH Luncecock's Brig O Doon**

5<sup>th</sup> Best Dog- **Shellrick's Goldsmith**



Photo taken at Vallentuna Championship Show

Pirkko Karlsson with SUCH Rannerdale Lady Marmalade, Judge Mr Leif Herman-Wilberg, Clare Stafford with Rannerdale Oliver Twist

On to the bitches and **Best Bitch**, **CERT** and gaining her **Swedish Champion** title was **Rannerdale Lady Marmalade** who I also handled and nearly collapsed when the judge shook my hand, I think the screaming from her owner Pirkko brought me round!

2<sup>nd</sup> Best Bitch was **Ch Japaro Satin and Lace** for a very happy Margo and Ian Nixon.

3<sup>rd</sup> Best Bitch- **Sunny-Hill's Pretty Blue**

4<sup>th</sup> Best Bitch- **NORDJV-07 NORDV-07 SUCH SV-08 Lundcock's Hoity-Toity**

5<sup>th</sup> Best Bitch- **Hartmere Hint Of A Dream At Japaro**

**Breeders Group- Shellrick's**

**Progeny Class- Rannerdale Oliver Twist**

The puppies were judged by another judge, Zorica Salijevic, who chose **Westlover Mio Mon Mio** as Best Puppy and **PM Quality's Touch Of Whitehaven** for Best Opposite Sex Puppy (these were both sired by Rannerdale Oliver Twist.)

I had a lovely weekend with the Swedish exhibitors who were all very welcoming and such good fun. I look forward to my next visit in October and also next year- same time, same place everyone!

Clare Stafford. Rannerdale Shetland Sheepdogs. UK





# National Show

Steinkjer Dog Club. **NORWAY** September 5th

Judge: Helge Lie

## DOGS

BOB Puppy: Microgårdens SmartMove (Degallo The LikelyLad exMicrogården,s GotSome Style) Owner/Breeder Ann-Cathrin Johannessen

BOS Puppy: Microgården.s Super Trouper (Degallo The Likely Lad ex Microgården,s Got Some Style) Owner Sissel Tangnes, Breeder Ann-Cathrin Johannessen

BOB 1 BD CC Mellsjøhgda,s Copper Zurprize (N SLO LUX UCH Mellsjøhgda,s Zuper Zurprize ex Microgden's Babe Is Back).Owner/Breeder . Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen

2 BD CK Mellsjøhgda's Zuper Zurprize Nuch Japaro D'Joker of Sommerville ex Mellsjøhgda,s Noteworthy)  
Owner/Breeder Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen

3 BD CK N FIN Uch Sommerville Scottish Boy (GB Ch Degallo The Hustler ex GB Ch Sommerville seed Pearl)  
Owner Grete Olavessen & Paul Rilatt, Breeder Michael Ewing

4 BD CK Microgården's Maharaja (Jefsfire Ace Of Clubs ex Rivergate's Lady Of The Moonlight)  
Owner/Breeder Ann-Cathrin Johannessen

CK Lyngvetun?s Good Fun (N FIN Uch Sommerville Scottish Boy ex Nord Uch NordV-02 Imajan?s Joyful Ferrari)  
Owner Grete Olavessen & Paul Rilatt, Breeder Ingrid & Jan Johansen

## BITCHES

1 BB BOS CC: - Microgården?s Make a Wish (Jefsfire Ace Of Clubs ex Rivergate's Lady Of The Moonlight)  
Owner/Breeder Ann-Cathrin Johannessen

2 BB CK Rajos Titti (Multi champ.Lundecoks fideler on The Roof ex Rajos raja)  
Owner Anne Berit & Egil mathisen. Breede .John Laksforsmo &Ragnhild Jensen.

3 BB CK Lyngvetuns Just A Ferrari (GB Nord UCH Japaro By The Sign ex Lyngvetuns Famous Ferrari )  
Owner.Grete Olavesen & Edel Gorwitz,oppdr. Breeder Grete Olavessen & Paul Rilatt

4 BB CK Nordic Winner, Nuch Lyngvetuns Fame and Fortune (N FIN Uch Sommerville Scottish Boy ex Nord Uch NordV-02 Imajan's Joyful Ferrari)  
Owner Toril Johannesen & Grete Olavesen.Breeder Grete Olavesen & Paul Rilatt.

Cl Mellsjøhgdas Kind of Magic ( Jefire Story Teller ex Mellsjøhgdas Electra)  
Owner/Breeder Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen.

Mellsjøhgdas Just Irresistible (Blackside The Moon De maierling ex Mellsjøhgdas Gotta blue)  
Owner Micro Breeder Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen.

Mellsjøhgdas Flirt In A Skirt( Orreknuppens My Name Is Bond ex Mellsjøhgdas dash O`Zurprize)  
Owner Elisabeth Wæhre Breeder Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen.

Updale`s Queen Bee Sahara( Jefire Dean Martin ex Updale`s lady Embla.)  
Owner.Wigdis & Sunniva Tøndel Aune Breeder .Wigdis Tøndel Aune

Mellsjøhgdas Xclusive ( Mellsjøhgdas In Command ex Mellsjøhgdas Ginny Blue Zone)  
Owner Ann Kristin StordalBreeder .Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen.

N S Uch Mellsjøhgdas New Nugget ( Ingramay Orion ex Nuch Ingramay Sunsin)  
Owner/Breeder Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen.

CK-BOB veteran Mellsjøhgdas Very Spesial ( int.Nord Uch Marnham Montanner ex Mellsjøhgdas Noteworthy)  
Owner/Breeder Sissel Tangnes & Johs Olsen



# Sydney Kennel Club

31<sup>st</sup>. July

Judge: Mr.L.Pichard (Switzerland)

## BABY DOG\*\*

1-Tolltoonie Dressed For Success – Tolley

## MINOR DOG

1-Peerielee Midnyte Oasis - Scott & Dryburgh

2-Daydream Designer Genes - Bolwell

3-Peerielee Midnyte Delight - Long & Dryburgh

## JUNIOR DOG\*\*

1-Lyndream Lord Of The Ring – Grant

## INTER DOG

1-Newmills Alex – Brown

## AUST BRED DOG

1-Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Night Watch - Docksey & Royston

## OPEN DOG\*\*

1-Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Zulu Prince - Fox

2-Gr.Ch.Brashelle Whos Talkn Now – Belak

## **DCC & BOB: Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Zulu Prince**

## **Res DCC & RUBOB:Gr.Ch.Brashelle Whos Talkn Now**

## MINOR BITCH\*\*

1-Peerielee Frost So Soft - Long & Dryburgh

A-Hillacre Heir Of Elegance

## PUPPY BITCH\*\*

1-Scotsdream Careless Whispers - Scott & Kelly

2-Newmills Secret Seduction – Knight

## INTER BITCH\*\*

1-Ch.Beauideal Girlish Charm - Docksey & Royston

2-Brashelle Pillow Talk – Belak

## AUST BRED BITCH\*\*

1-Ch.Daydream Cloudy Patches – Bolwell

## OPEN BITCH

1-Gr.Ch.Beauideal Rock My World - Docksey & Royston

## **BCC: Gr.Ch.Beauideal Rock My World**

## **Res BCC: Ch.Daydream Cloudy Patches**

Minor In Group: Peerielee Frost So Soft

Puppy In Group: Scotsdream Careless Whispers

# Sydney Kennel Club

1<sup>st</sup>. August

Judge: Mr.R.Oliveira (Portugal)

## BABY DOG\*\*

1-Tolltoonie Dressed For Success – Tolley

## MINOR DOG\*\*

1-Daydream Designer Genes - Bolwell

2-Peerielee Midnyte Oasis - Scott & Dryburgh

3-Peerielee Midnyte Delight - Long & Dryburgh

## JUNIOR DOG\*\*

1-Lyndream Lord Of The Ring – Grant

## INTER DOG

1-Newmills Alex – Brown

## AUST BRED DOG\*\*

1-Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Night Watch - Docksey & Royston

## OPEN DOG

1-Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Zulu Prince - Fox

## **DCC & RUBOB: Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Night Watch**

## **Res DCC: Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Zulu Prince**

## MINOR BITCH

1-Peerielee Frost So Soft - Long & Dryburgh

2-Beauideal Roses R Red - Lewis

A-Hillacre Heir Of Elegance

## PUPPY BITCH\*\*

1-Scotsdream Careless Whispers - Scott & Kelly

2-Newmills Secret Seduction – Knight

INTER BITCH\*\*

1-Ch.Beauideal Girlish Charm - Docksey & Royston

OPEN BITCH\*\*

1-Gr.Ch.Beauideal Rock My World - Docksey & Royston

2-Ch.Daydream Cloudy Patches - Bolwell

**BCC & BOB: Gr.Ch.Beauideal Rock My World**

**Res BCC: Ch.Daydream Cloudy Patches**

BIG & RU in Show: Gr.Ch.Beauideal Rock My World

Minor In Group: Daydream Designer Genes

Aust Bred In Show:Gr.Ch.Shelmanna Night Watch

# Adelaide Royal Show

September 2009

Judge Guy Jeavons (Grandgables) Canada



Challenge Dog: **Ch Nigma Cadfael**  
(Making him a Grand Champion at 33 months old)

Reserve Challenge Dog: **Ch Shelsian Star Spangled**

Owned By Ian & Cheryl Spangler  
Shelsian Kennels - Shetland Sheepdogs. Adelaide. South Australia

**BOB:** Challenge Bitch: Best Exhibit In Group: **Ch Hillacre Head Over Heels**. Owned by Glenyse Acreman (**Sorry - no photo**, but progression pictures of CH Hillacre Head Over Heels can be found on the Hillacre Website - <http://www.geocities.com/hillacreshelties/> )



**Runner-up to BOB:** Reserve Challenge Bitch: **Shaireign Jump For Joy** Owned By Chris Sydenham

## Full Results

<http://www.theshow.com.au/showground/royal-adelaide-show/show-entries-results/results/dog-results.jsp>

A correction to this- Charmhill Casino Royale placed 2nd in Inter dog



# PIP - MY FRIEND

By Mary Robinson

*The shining in that little eye  
the glistening of her nose.  
The friendship in that funny tail  
the incense in her toes.*

*Looks of anguish and happiness  
on that simple face.  
Make me realize just how much  
I have in this place*

*Complications do not arise  
her world is good and free.  
If only I can give to her  
what she has given to me.*

*It does not matter when I come home  
she is always there.  
With a cry of joy, a look of love  
And I tell her how much I care.*

*The nearness of her body  
when solace I do seek,  
The courage of her little heart  
so strong and yet so meek*

*Every word I think she understands  
and yet if only I could see  
inside that tiny head of fur  
of what she thinks of me.*

*Her demands are none, her requests are few  
All she asks of me  
Is love and companionship  
and continue to be free*

*I know if there's a doggie heaven  
Up somewhere in the sky  
She'll go to rest her little soul  
and then the tears I'll cry.*

*God made her for a purpose  
whatever that may be  
Of all the things He had in mind  
She is a friend to me.*

*I'm thankful I have known her  
her qualities are not few  
and as I look into her eyes  
I say "Pip, I love you."*

*(Pip was picked up off the streets of New York in the 1980's when she was about three months old and taken to a doggie sanctuary, which is where Mary Robinson first met her and fell in love with her.*

*While living in America, Mary wrote this poem about her little dog.*

*They moved back to Northern Ireland and little Pip and another which they acquired, came with them although at that time, they had to do 6 months quarantine, before joining them).*

# V RANKING SHELTYE ' 2008

## (Poland)

Ranking organised by Portal Sheltie „Little Star” [www.little-star.pl](http://www.little-star.pl)

Prepared: Marzena Woźniak & Ewa and Monika Kubrak



Int.CH., ChPL., 3xW.Club.PL., W.EUR. SR-WSCH.07', W.EUR.O8, PL W'07, J.CH.PL., JW.PL., JW.Club PL  
**BEAUTIFUL MARVELLOUS MAN Asketila FCI - " Magik"**

Position	Dog's name	Number of points / number of shows	In it points for: national shows + foreign shows
<b>Category: PUPPY</b> 31 puppies classified (13 male & 21 female)			
1	<b>Vanilla Hills NO STRINGS ATTACHED LOVESOME</b>	114 / 6	94 / 5 + 20 / 1
2	BEAUTIFUL BLACK VENA VENTORA Asketila	92 / 8	
3	MAM NADZIEJE Casidi	91 / 4	66 / 3 + 25 / 1
4	GOLDEN PHOENIX Vesca Montana	78 / 5	
5	BEAUTIFUL BLUE STAR Asketila	52 / 7	
6	NANCY XANTINA Iskierka Szetlandow	40 / 1	
7	RENNY Ventora	36 / 4	
8	PALOMARES DEL RIO Excellens Vivarium	30 / 2	
9	Archso Canis YUCCA VEL COGIE	28 / 3	
10	JASMINE BLUE QUINTESENCE Alkantara	26 / 2	
<b>Category: JUNIOR DOG</b> 21 dogs from junior class classified			
1	<b>Vanilla Hills NO STRINGS ATTACHED LOVESOME</b>	311 / 9	115/4 + 196/5
2	HASSAN Straznica Kaszebstwa	222 / 9	
3	ORIN Ventora	198 / 4	
4	BLACK DIAMOND Vesca Montana FCI	163 / 5	
5	BLACK STONE Vesca Montana FCI	162 / 10	
6	ANKUS Figa Ruminy FCI	142 / 5	
7	NOBEL z Puli Szczescia	128 / 6	
8	Marvithall SPLENDID	75 / 2	
9	DALI Magiczny Ogród	55 / 1	
10	Archos Canis XTREME LOVER BOY SNICKERS	38 / 9	
<b>Category: JUNIOR FEMALE</b> 51 females from junior class classified			
1	<b>BEST GOLDEN LOVE Vesca Montana FCI</b>	456 / 10	
2	PARIS Ventora	215 / 7	127/5 + 8/2
3	ARRA MINI Vangeldis	151 / 10	
4	JASMINE BLUE QUINTESENCE Alkantara	141 / 6	
5	ORIYANTI Ventora	132 / 5	
6	AYKA GOLD STAR Raj Dla Zwierzat	115 / 5	
7	SMILE OF HEAVEN Bialkan	112 / 9	
8	AZRA z Magicznego Wzgorza	112 / 14	
9	ACCA LARENTIA Figa Ruminy	111 / 8	
9	PALOMARES DEL RIO Excellens Vivarium	76 / 8	
10	SORAYA SHILOH NOUVEL from Beardedkowo z Szetlandu	74 / 9	
<b>Category: ADULT DOG</b> 54 males from open, intermediate and champion class classified			
1	<b>BEAUTIFUL MARVELLOUS MAN Asketila</b>	987 / 18	713/15 +274/3
2	Moorwood CARIBBEAN NIGHT TROPHY	890 / 19	562/15 +328/4
3	PIKSEL Wspólny Dom	726 / 14	32/2 +694/12
4	Vanilla Hills MINI STROM AHEAD	582 / 19	327/12 +255/7
5	PLATERO z Kojca Coli	515 / 18	116/9 +399/9
6	Moorwood HOT NEWS	410 / 10	178/7 +232/3
7	KOSTEK z Puli Szczescia	277 / 12	220/9 + 57/3
8	GHANDI Surdykowska FCI	199 / 12	
9	DALI Magiczny Ogród	191 / 9	
10	Overtop OSCAR	178 / 4	91/2 +87/2

**Category: ADULT FEMALE** 92 females from open, intermediate and champion class classified

1	<b>ROXA Asketila</b>	<b>670 / 16</b>	510/13+160/3
2	NIE TRAC NADZIEI Casidi	<b>664 / 10</b>	262/ 5 + 402/5
3	BEST GOLDEN LOVE Vesca Montana FCI	<b>560 / 12</b>	215/ 6 + 345/6
4	CARMEN Polcolland	<b>337 / 23</b>	
5	PARIS Ventora	<b>288 / 8</b>	83/ 5 + 205/3
	ORİYANTI Ventora	<b>288 /12</b>	108/ 6 + 180/6
6	BRIGHT AND BREZZY Vesca Montana	<b>284 / 4</b>	
7	PRIMA GLORIA z Kojca Coli	<b>283 / 6</b>	44/ 2 + 239/4
8	KENIA Raj dla Zwierzat	<b>211 / 4</b>	
9	BAJA Wspolny Dom	<b>191 / 5</b>	
10	Archos Canis VESNA LENA	<b>185 / 11</b>	

**Category: VETERAN** 14 males and females from veteran class classified (4 male i 10 female)

1	<b>ALCIRA Rahandia</b>	<b>372 / 15</b>	
2	GOLDEN GIRL Vesca Montana	<b>152 / 10</b>	
3	IVET Asketila	<b>138 / 12</b>	
4	KLIWIA Asketila	<b>108 / 5</b>	
	Cataway's RISING SUN	<b>108 / 8</b>	
5	SHIRLEY GOLDEN GIRL Bialkan	<b>102 / 8</b>	
6	NICOLA NOKIA Asketila	<b>82 / 5</b>	
7	SHARON Kropelka Oceanu	<b>76 / 2</b>	
8	GOLDEN STAR Vesca Motana	<b>26 / 2</b>	
9	MEGAN BIS Casidi	<b>20 / 2</b>	
	HERO Tedor z Kleni CS	<b>10 / 1</b>	
10	JANTAR Polly z M-3	<b>10 / 1</b>	
	ROXA Asketila	<b>10 / 1</b>	

**Breeding competition - 3 category:**

Position	Dog's name	Number of points / number of shows	In it points for: national shows + foreign shows
<b>Category: BREEDING</b> 64 breedings classified			
1	<b>Asketila</b>	<b>2449 / 15</b>	2015 + 434
2	Vesca Montana	<b>2054 / 10</b>	1709 + 345
3	Ventora	<b>1265 / 7</b>	792 + 473
4	Wspolny Dom	<b>1159 / 7</b>	465 + 694
5	z Kojca Coli	<b>1015 / 5</b>	377 + 638
6	Vanilla Hills	<b>1007 / 3</b>	536 + 471
7	Polcolland	<b>804 / 8</b>	
8	Casidi	<b>795 / 4</b>	348 + 447
9	z Puli Szczescia	<b>784 / 9</b>	680 + 104
10	Archos Canis	<b>623 / 8</b>	463 + 106

**Category: FATHER DOG** 50 dogs classified

1	<b>Moorwood CARIBBEAN NIGHT TROPHY</b>	<b>3623 / 29</b>	2589 + 1034
2	HIGHLAND ROGUE ze Shetlandu	<b>3430 / 12</b>	2358 + 1072
3	Cataway's RISING SUN	<b>1266 / 21</b>	1266 + 1096
4	Valerina Ross DANISH BREEZE	<b>1293 / 15</b>	1236 + 57
5	Overtop OSCAR	<b>1211 / 10</b>	984 + 227
6	BEAUTIFUL MARVELLOUS MAN Asketila	<b>700 / 9</b>	
7	SHOW ON Casidi	<b>677 / 7</b>	366 + 311
8	Dawnville ZETOS FOR LOVESOME	<b>521 / 3</b>	293 + 228
9	Landover BLACK ASH	<b>506 / 4</b>	387 + 119
10	Moorwood HOT NEWS	<b>357 / 3</b>	254 + 106

**Category: MOTHER FEMALE** 104 females classified

1	<b>IVET Asketila</b>	<b>1651 / 3</b>	1308 + 434
2	GOLDEN MOONLIGHT Vesca Montana	<b>1523 / 6</b>	1178 + 345
3	OCTAVIA LILAC WHISPER Moda na Sukces	<b>1025 / 3</b>	554 + 471
4	QUANTI OLIVE Asketila	<b>1015 / 5</b>	377 + 638
5	GOLDEN EYE Ventora	<b>748 / 5</b>	568 + 180
6	CYGA Wspolny Dom	<b>726 / 1</b>	32 + 694
7	EMI z Puli Szczescia	<b>726 / 6</b>	622 + 104
8	FOXY LADY Casidi	<b>664 / 1</b>	262 + 402
9	EMMANUELLE BLUE Kulczyka Chatka	<b>453 / 5</b>	347 + 106
10	POPKINS MARRY Polcolland	<b>512 / 7</b>	



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*Report from Arnhild Carlsen*

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*Laila Lauritzen, St. Kilda Kennel in Norway had the dream of holding such a seminar for a long time. She contacted Tom Coen during her visit to the USA in Spring 2009, and the planning started after talking to him.*

*Laila, worked together with her partner in the kennel Ingrid Gullvik, Arnhild Carlsen & Charles Feijen, of kennel Croft, and things started to fall into place.*

*During the summer, the plans were almost finished. A date was selected and the program took form. It was exciting, to see the interest expressed by Sheltie-breeders from all over Europe. The weekend of the 5th and 6th of September 2009 was the date available for all involved.*

*The seminar provided a unique opportunity to learn more about the breed and its history, discover new facts, and refresh what we already knew.*

*In Norway there are many new breeders, and the invitation was also sent to both new and more experienced breeders, all over the world. Our goals were that this weekend would provide greater understanding and knowledge of our breed,*

*it's common history, common lines, standards and type. Finally, we hoped to provide inspiration for the future and appreciation for the past.*

*8 countries were represented, and 29 persons in total met for the session. Participants were from Iceland, Germany, England, Finland, Sweden, Denmark, Norway and the United States.*

*The seminar took place at Nordkisa Stadium, a lovely place, very close to Oslo Gardermoen Airport. The people stayed in caravans and hotels nearby.*

*Laila did a wonderful job, putting all the arrangements together, and finally the weekend arrived.*

*We looked forward so much to meeting old friends again, breeders from other countries, Malcolm, and finally, especially for Charles and me, to meet Tom and Nioma for the first time.*

*On Friday evening people arrived on the scene, and most met for pizza at our hotel, to say hello, and to plan the next day. All were very excited.*

*On Saturday at 9.00am sharp, the Seminar began after a short presentation by Laila to introduce the delegates and the speakers.*



*Malcolm Hart held a lovely lecture about the early history of the breed. A lot of early pictures were shown, and new and familiar names showed up at the screen.*

*Tom Coen took over after a couple of hours. He showed us much of the same history, as it is our common heritage. It was very interesting to see the exchange of dogs in the early times between the UK and the USA, and how breed development has continued in the different countries through wars, difficult times, and under severe restrictions and limitations. These were trying times for breeders when compared to how small and convenient the world has become today.*

*This history lecture gave us all a great deal of inspiration through seeing how lines and families carried on during almost 100 years. Tom divided up the time, before and after 2000 in the USA, and Nioma told us a lot about the differences in Shelties from East and West of the huge American continent.*

*They also told how exhibitors at US shows create and trim the Shelties, and prepare and sculpture them for the more extreme presentation we see in pictures. This type of grooming was also confirmed by Malcolm, as he has judged there. We also got a strict warning about not only looking at the internet and pictures. The real world is very often quite different.....*

*Malcolm also reminded us that the reason we met this weekend is because Shelties are our common joy and pleasure. He also said the most important thought to carry away from our meeting is that all breeders need the freedom to make their own choices and to do what they feel is correct for the breed. We have one common breed, the Shetland Sheepdog, and cooperation is absolutely the best way to reach our future goals. Another interesting note from Malcolm: probably more than 900 Shelties were exported from UK to USA between 1911 until 1971.*

*We all agreed that the history of the breed seems very much wrapped in mist and mystery, as we do not know exactly how it all started. For sure, there are some things we know, but there are a lot of things we do not know.*

*If we want to hold on to the dreams and myths, we may. Probably, however, the start was a bit different than the lovely picture we have printed in our minds of the idyllic Shetland Islands of a long time ago, where we can imagine a tricolour, sable and a blue merle Sheltie looking out over green fields, blue water and the grazing Shetland sheep.....*

*I will not in this article repeat the history, which can be found in many documents and books.....*

*Tom Coen stated one of the most important sentences during the weekend:  
"You need to know the picture of your standard!"*

*Nioma continued Saturday sharing a wonderful DVD, of a presentation that is shown to the ASSA, American Shetland Sheepdog Association, judges. It contains very good information about the standard, showing and judging, classes, how to earn championship points, and more as practiced in the ASSA system. The DVD was put together by the judging committee of the organisation.*

*Because of her many years showing, judging and breeding, it was very special for us to hear Nioma talking warmly and seriously about creativity and how important it is to always keep the inspiration in her work. How grateful and humble Tom and Nioma still were to the dogs and to their work with the breed.*

*Tom later showed a slide show from the work in their kennel and breeding program from the beginning in the early 60's until today. Tom and Nioma have worked hard, and bred a great number of Best In Show, Best of Breed and many Champions. It was very interesting to learn about all these, familiar names that we see showing up in pedigrees today, and how some very special animals influenced the Sheltie and contributed hugely to the development of the modern breed.*

*It was very comforting to learn that they have struggled as much as we have to set the type. They illustrated the great influence of some individual dogs on future offspring and the individual differences within a litter and between litters.*

*Tom and Nioma reinforced what we have always thought, the key to success is a good, stable bitch line.*

*It was great to see so many lovely dogs, their development, and the beautiful winners and breeding-animals through all those years. It was especially exciting to see how they made their choices of matings and combinations, and the good outcomes. One special dog glued itself to my mind, CH Macdega's Grand Prix.*

*They also said that we always need to keep in mind how inbred our common pedigrees are from the time before the work with the breed started in earnest.*

*I personally recognized a big change in the Shetland Sheepdog in America during the seventies in several books. The Coens confirmed that, especially in the American West. The Eastern breeders have kept more to the moderate type. Malcolm filled in with a lot of comments, filling in and comparing to the history of the UK as well.*



*Tom ended the day by giving us some very important rules for breeding:*

*On Saturday evening Laila ordered a long table at Nordlandia Hotel, and we all met for a very nice and social dinner. During the dinner Laila had a very nice surprise for Nioma, Tom and Malcolm. They were invited by her on Monday to take a flight up north of Norway to Lofoten/Vesterålen, stay in a house there for two days, with a lot of nice events. Return with a flight back to Oslo on Wednesday, before going home to UK and USA. This was an unexpected and surprising gift for them all.*

*Sunday morning started dead to the schedule. Everybody knows that when Sheltie-breeders meet, it can be a little bit of floating and chatting, especially if women are in majority.....*

*Malcolm, Tom and Nioma kept us on track, in a very professional and structured way.*

*This day is running up as one of the most interesting in my 23 years of breeding...*

*For me personally, some years ago I finally learned completely how a good construction is supposed to be according to the standard, also the angulations, balance and movement.*

*What was really useful to me and others during the seminar was the judging of heads....*

*For years and years I have had discussions going with both new and experienced breeders, how a head should be and how do we actually breed them according to the standard.....*

*The confusion has sometimes made me crazy...as what I have most often seen did not fit the picture of the standard. For a long time, heads did not actually fit my interpretation, but more closely fit others interpretation. Some time ago, I had a discussion going with some close breeder-friends during a whole tiring winter. We never really found out what was wrong, but we agreed that almost no heads at that time fit the FCI-standard picture. For some years, heads were too wide and short, then too deep. The stop was not correct, nor the ears or ear set...Too big eyes very often, then suddenly a lot with too small eyes....My impressions, from my start up in the middle of the 80's, was that heads more often followed breeders'/judges' personal tastes, types and different interpretations.....We breeding-friends together, did a test...cutting out pictures and fitting them into the standard picture minus coat....I think we found one or two heads that did fit completely.....After the seminar this weekend, I finally understood what was the problem.*

*We started up Sunday by putting up 3 tables, then standing in a circle. Malcolm, Nioma and Susan Walker took their stand at each table. Later also Birgitta Svarstad helped with the judging. Tom was the teacher, and advised us how to present the dogs at the table. Almost all the entered breeders brought some of their dogs to the seminar, so we had a lot to pick from in all ages.*

*In detail we went through a lot of heads that morning, and really came to understand what a good head is, according to the standard.*

*Charles read aloud from the FCI standard and from the USA standard. We compared and commented on the differences in interpretation and the actual differences. This exercise was repeated again and again as the judges showed us what to look for with both our hands and eyes.*

*As the day went on, we worked ourselves through each part of the complete standards in the same way. This trained us how to read the words of the standard and how it was supposed to look in the flesh. Malcolm showed and told his way of judging and how he had been taught by the Riverhill-ladies to judge heads from the UK/FCI standard.*

*We all agreed, in the end, that the standards do not differ very much from each other. A few wordings are different, and most agreed that the US-standard is more fully written and clearer than the UK/FCI. Where the UK/FCI is one page, the other is two pages and contains more details.*

*Going through both entire standards, point by point, shown in reality with all the dogs, inside and outside on the fields, we were impressed by how much we learned to see and to see in a professional way. Malcolm, Tom, Nioma, Birgitta and Susan judged and commented on everything in an easy way to understand. We really learned in a positive way to see the DIFFERENCES in the good and the not so good...Even if it was a judging of virtues.....*

*The judges also picked the Winner and Runner Up in all categories, and thoroughly explained why. It was very surprising to see how all the judges/speakers picked the same dogs almost every time on the same quality.*

*We concluded that we need to focus more on strong lips and complete dentition. The American standard prefers a straight chin-bone, while the UK/FCI is more rounded. We also stated that in the Sheltie, more than in any other breed, the whole dog counts for more toward balance and beauty. The total and complete dog creates the beauty and grace. The importance of balance, angulations and good pasterns improve a perfect mover.*

*In the session of questions after this part of the seminar, a question was brought up of how to pick the star of the litter. It was amusing to hear that Tom and Nioma pick them just the same way and from the same qualities as we do. They look for good angulation, standing with balance and strength on four legs. They look for neither too little nor too much in the heads. They are concerned with size and measure very carefully.*

*As we always have done, they also watch them running around from a distance to judge, not holding them up looking close to their face. They have noticed that their puppies were developing a bit different than from the modern UK lines.*

*Their experience was that US puppies were more developed at 7 weeks in weight and build than in other parts of the world. They are very similar all over the world in the first few weeks, but then they change a bit in development.*

*Everything came to an end...unfortunately for this weekend. We would have liked to have at least 2 more days for more history from Malcolm, and even more learning and "going-into-details" from Tom and Nioma.*

*Tom ended the seminar by asking each delegate why we entered and what we found the most interesting part.*

*The answers from the audience included exciting history, judging virtues, more learning, social events, commonalities and curiosity.*

*Tom summarized that we need to trust each other much more than we do. All breeders all over the world need to cooperate, talk together, to be professional and most of all be positive. We all need each other for a successful future for our lovely breed, the Shetland Sheepdog. The biggest hope for the future is for good and close cooperation and the sharing of a common goal. We also need to remember that everyone is responsible for everything we are doing...all the time, nobody else. Malcolm also agreed with that. Hear, see, learn and read. Learn your standard to perfection and also the lines, pedigrees and individuals. Determine what each has contributed, only then can you do a correct judging based upon facts.*

*Live and let live. Do not fight, together we are strong.*

*We all said goodbye for now, and carry home with us a good feeling of community, friendship, and inspired future visions.*



*I know they had a wonderful trip up North with 2 days of calm and wonderful weather. Sightseeing around the area by car, out with a boat, recently caught fish served as a lovely dinner at Ingrid and Fred Gullvik's new house in Sigerfjord. Laila followed them all the way up, and I know that she and her husband returned down to Tynset on Wednesday by car, in full storm. They were 15 hours on the road. But what do you not do for good friends and for our Shelties? Charles and I had to hurry home for an expected new litter....3 lovely newborn sable males born shortly after, will maybe contribute to something good in the future.*

*From what I have heard, it has also been raining by telephones and e-mails from happy people who attended the seminar.*

*Thank you all for a wonderful weekend. Laila and we have already started planning the following up.....*

*Arnhild Carlsen*

*Pictures: Laila Lauritzen, Charles Feijen, Bente Rekdal.*

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### ***Report from Tom Coen***

*When Nioma and I began our long journey to Oslo we were not without concerns that jet lag and language barriers could possibly pose a problem in presenting "Quest for Quality Norway 2009." Meeting the thirty or so participants from eight different counties allayed these concerns immediately. It was apparent that everyone was ready and eager to learn and that a fun, productive weekend was in store. I am told that the seminar is being covered by several attendees but I do have a few thoughts of my own that I'd like to share.*

*Our invitation was to educate and we were in Norway to do exactly that. We made it clear from the beginning that we had no interest whatsoever in converting anyone to be a proponent of American Shelties. We do, however, feel that it is imperative for anyone using American lines to have a solid understanding of them. America is a huge country with*

*many breeders and many different types of Shelties. Not all American dogs are the same or equal and it is necessary to remember this when considering including them in your pedigrees.*

*There is an implicit responsibility for education and study for any serious breeder. It was our goal to start the participants on this educational journey. Hopefully, no attendee who completed the weekend will ever forget the terms "lightness of head," "elegant balance," "curvaceous outline," "good legs and feet," and "foot timing"!"*

*Sunday was the Virtue Match, a format that I developed twenty plus years ago as a method of teaching the standard. This day was unique in that both standards were included. It was fascinating to listen to longtime breeders, Malcolm Hart and Nioma Coen, discuss the standards virtue by virtue. They were both so clear, concise and passionate in their speaking – a truly unique and valuable dialogue that unfortunately wasn't taped. Huge thanks to you both for sharing your knowledge. After listening to them it didn't seem remarkable at all that their winners were the same in almost every class. These winners were from a variety of backgrounds, disproving the idea that any one gene pool has the exclusive on quality. Kudos as well to our very competent "guest judges": Susan Walker (England), Birgitta Svarstad (Sweden), and Laila Lauritzen (Norway) for their valuable contributions.*

*We will always remember our trip to Norway with fond memories of new friends and the incredible beauty of the country. To Laila and everyone who helped make this such a special time we thank you for your warm hospitality and a job well done.*

**Tom Coen**  
**Macdega. USA**

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### **Report From Malcolm Hart**

*Around thirty delegates from eight different countries attended a two day seminar held in a sports centre near Oslo Airport with Tom and Nioma Coen ( Macdega Shelties) and myself as the principal speakers, although the open format encouraged participation by the delegates also.*

*I was honoured to open the conference with a presentation of the history and development of the breed in which I highlighted the paucity of hard evidence as opposed to the plethora of myth and folklore surrounding the dogs and their function on the Shetland Islands before they came to the notice of mainland UK dwellers.*

*I continued the theme during the very early development in UK including the known and admitted Collie crosses and some of the other suspected but not confirmed crosses which our pioneer breeders in UK had used to transform what was described by leading canine authorities of the time as 'small mongrels'.*

*Significant dates including – Breed Club recognitions and recognition as a breed including the controversy and eventual acceptance of our name - rather than the hoped for by some - Shetland Collie by the Kennel Club were featured before I highlighted the part played by some of our UK early kennels in creating a rather more stable – if slightly different from the earliest specimens - acceptable 'working' dog.*

*I closed with a short list of some of the most influential of our dogs which had been bought and imported into America by a few very discerning and highly motivated lovers of our breed – before handing over to Tom whose encyclopaedic knowledge of the early imports and the part they played in the formation of the breed in America was illustrated by slides.*

*After a break for a delicious lunch, Tom then continued with the illustrated story of the progression of the breed in America from post World War II to more modern times aided and abetted by his wife Nioma who also showed a presentation of their lovely home and some past and present dogs including puppies.*

*A very relaxed dinner was held on Saturday evening for the attending delegates- and celebrations apparently continued for some after many of us had retired for the night!*

*Tom had arranged a 'Virtue Match' for Sunday and this concept - new to most of us proved most worthwhile and valuable.*

*Three dogs at a time were judged by Nioma, Sue Walker from UK and myself with running commentary supplied by Tom after the salient sections.*

*Breed standards both UK and USA had been read out by Charles Feijen.*

*The first section covered back skull and refinement of head only and from an entry of 12 dogs the unanimous selection of the award for best – went to..... A 10.5 years bitch from total UK breeding.*

*Classes for muzzle and foreface followed and then for overall expression-and the winner of the best headed dog again unanimously went to...the 10.5 year totally UK bitch again.*

*Sue retired from the panel at this point to be replaced by Birgetta Svastad from Sweden and emphasis shifted to outline and balance, and a very close decision found a charming young Bi black (black and white) bitch of mostly I think North American breeding from Denmark being handed the top award.*

*We adjourned outside after lunch to assess the best overall mover of the day and the wide open space allowed delegates and judges alike to form opinions.*

*After a final run off of three very good movers the award was handed to a young sable dog of, I think mostly UK lines who had apparently only recently annexed two BIS all breed awards and one res. BIS All Breeds award.*

*The seminar closed with a lively question and answer section - Tom and Nioma reinforcing the message they had repeatedly given out that the purpose of their participation was not to promote North American dogs but to foster better understanding.*

*The weekend was an undoubted success both in achieving the aim of the seminar and bringing many people together in a convivial atmosphere- where old friendships were renewed and new friendships formed.*

*On behalf of all attendees a big thank you must go to Laila Lauritzen for taking so much time and trouble over this informative, friendly and very informative event.*

**Malcolm Hart**

**Hartmere .UK**

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## A New (Ad)Venture

Hi everyone

Introducing myself, I'm eighteen months old and enjoy life to the full. I like playing, meeting new folk, playing, parties, playing, eating...did I mention playing?



Anyway, I loved the shows as a youngster, but am still maturing & sans coat so Mum though maybe I'd enjoy something new...

### New Skills

Well it started as all good adventures should, with a journey. The car stopped at green fields, the door opened, and lead went on (*a lead, in fields? Strange...*). New smells and some strange shapes in this one!

I see my food pouch, water and my family. So far, so good.

I hear dogs barking, people talking, cars stopping lots of leg and wait for it, oh joy the sound of water running, (mud, stones, and fun)...did I mention I love playing?

I met this cheese-sausage smelling human, very nice; this plan is OK so far.

I sit and wait, and wait two seconds too long. I want up. I wriggle my rear end, is this what you want? But, NO CHEESE. *Try again.* Wave a paw? Nope, not right either. Cute head tilt? No joy. Hmmmmm, just stay here then...

OK, sitting again on the grass (tickly and wet) ready, steady, go or what! CHEESE for waiting, Mum is running away again she must be in a hurry, she's vanished, and oh, she's back. Blimey... that was quick two bits of cheese this time. Away again, three bits of cheese, great game so far. I'm beside my new friends, told I am 'clever', hugged and fed - *Bliss.*

We go over to some of the shapes. Mum jumps over a pole, she must think she needs the exercise! OK, looking at me. So, chicken square on the far side...do I go over, round, under this obstacle? Copy Mum. I jump over the pole with her - not too hard - twice more three jumps in all.



Is this a party? Everyone is saying well done, good dog, hugs and food. I could get used to this *and* I feel a 'sheltie' smile coming on.

There is a long tunnel next to the poles, very like our cat's one at home...only wider. Mum throws my tuggy through it and shouts THROUGH I wait to see what will happens next. Then my cheese goes after it to the sound of THROUGH again. HEY that's not fair as I very quickly run up the outside of the tunnel to the end to find and eat one small piece of cheese. Maybe we're running out of titbits. All is quiet. I wait and wait. Long faces are not allowed. Mum goes to the other end of the tunnel, looks through, calls my name and shouts through, she must want to play too. I run through this bright tunnel and out the other side to be - wait for it - to be given chicken and of course, hugs and well done. Yep, I like this game.



We are on the move again, lead on, it's a very busy place this. We come upon a long piece of wood, a funny place to leave one lying around don't you think? Oh well Mum asks me to walk along the top once and then to come to a stop at the end (*wee buns this*), and cheese. Happy days. But then, I have to walk along it again, coming to a stop with two paws on the board and two paws on the grass. I will try just for Mum. Up we go, aw no, one paw has slipped off. Try again, two on two off, or...as I am thinking, it's like dancing this. Here we go again, they seem too think I can do it, will I, won't I, the end is coming closer. And, as I had that thought two paws stay on the board and two are on the grass, cheese, chicken and cheers in that order and while the words 'clever girl' are ringing in my ears I do it again. OK, so now run along wood uphill, straight up high, and downhill, stopping with two paws on, two paws off. Oh yes, I've got the hang of this now.

We go over to the jumps once more. There are a lot of new smells and noises too. Mum is on the outside of the pole with food and a happy smile, she shouts OVER, I jump, this way, that way (*twist and spin* at home!), through the tunnel. Cheese, hugs and to make us both super-happy I leap into Mum's arms and it is all over for today.

Lastly, I jump again, into the car with a happy heart, a happy friend...and both of us tired out.

Home beckons. This agility lark is GREAT maybe we will go back. Meanwhile, I will just close my eyes for a while. Goodnight all. Until we do this again. Berry and Mum signing off.

### **Further Berry's Adventures...**

We are both all of a twitter. We are trying something new today my Mum and I. It is 'Agility for Charity'.

I was given an invitation to take part along with my new friends. Sooty came too. Mum and I make a good team in the show ring but this is a different adventure. We've only been to three classes so don't quite know what to expect, except fun.

### **Needed are IMPORTANT things for me (Berry):**

- Collar and lead
- Cheese and chicken
- Water and ice
- Blanket for Mum and I
- Oh yes, and Mum insists on Chamois to clean muddy paws and feet.

All set, here we go, it's a nice drive. The field is set up, with brightly coloured obstacles and lots of cheerful people walking about. Crowds were sitting having picnics, children running around outside the arena, an atmosphere of fun with barking, chatting, laughing, and excitement. Young and old alike here for the first time or waiting to show newbies like us how it should be done. We were welcomed, along with new people with their pets. We were given doggy bags when Mum paid our entry fee.

First, basic manners, sit wait *etc.* OK, no problems there. And then we walked around a half size course, as it was called. Ten obstacles. Well, you learn something new everyday. We began; I watched all the action with Mum. 'The Team', lining up. More than 30 dogs together and all very sociable. A word of advice at this point 'take a seat', you will laugh so hard you will wear yourself out. I was waiting, waiting, as others took their turn to play with the toys (i.e. run the course). Mum threw a yellow ball for me, and, naturally, I charged after it. One happy healthy dog and don't we make a good pair?

Some owner's jumped with their dog's on a lead, over... over... all going well...until some dogs ran under, some ran to the gate, owners ran the course while lazy dogs sat and waited! And then there was the tunnel. It was funny, people

half way through, toys up the inside, but dogs on the outside. Two people, one at either end. One dog running the course on

the outside of the jumps while her owner was inside jumping away until the end. They had another go with their lead together, cheers and laughter from the backers; Mum, me and all the folk.

Dogs lost their way, some lost their lead, one little owner fell asleep.

'I took part' certificates were awarded to all. Lots of clapping as we went to collect our 4<sup>th</sup> prize.



Bones, chews, lovely tuggys and colourful balls, lucky dip for newbies like me!

We all helped other animals tonight. A win win win for all.

Lastly, AGILITY IS FUN. So now I've got the whole family involved! Dad searched the internet while everyone (*I helped*) spent a few weekends with bits of wood, screwdrivers and paint...now we've got our own stuff to enjoy.

Signing off once again

Berry ( and 'Mom' Cindy McKnight) N.Ireland



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# FUN POLL

## Which is your favourite Sheltie of the Past?

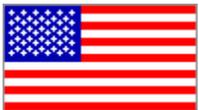
We have all got one! A favourite Sheltie we have either admired in the show ring in days gone by, or have seen in a Sheltie book.

Let the editor know which one is your favourite, and the results will be printed in the next issue of 'Global Shelties Magazine'  
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### Results of June's 'Fun Poll'

Most Handsome Judge - Tamas Jakkel (Hungary)

<http://www.sharpis.com/Fotos%20Resultados%20Vicky/estocolmo.jpg>



## Paw Note

### More Interesting History

Something you may find interesting. In my tracking of pedigrees I have found that approx. 600 dogs were exported from the UK to Japan during the 60's. Even more interesting is the fact they were **all** females! During that same time frame several top males were purchased from the USA and were exported there as well. I cannot totally track the Japanese dogs, they have had more than one registry, and I have no contact there. Present day Shelties in Japan have to go back to those lines. (Information on the UK exports taken from KCSB Breed Records).

Pat Ferrell  
ASSA Historian

# ***N Duch Croft's Brown Sugar***

*( Eastflash Walk On Top x Sheltibo's Hot Feelings)*

*Bred By Arnhild Carlsen & Charles Feijen, Norway*



*Troy gained his Danish Championtitle 20.th.of September 2009  
in Brønby København. He also got his 2nd. CACIB for the International title.  
Handlers/owners Janne Andersen & Kjell Torgersen Kennel Croft*

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## **ERRATA JUNE ISSUE**



### ***Shetland Sheepdog Club of Northern Ireland***

**Correction to the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Northern Ireland Results -  
Graduate bitch class - The first and second placings are the wrong way round.  
Hagan's JAYMUR TOUCH OF CLASS should be first and Cushley's JAYMUR HIGH SOCIETY second.**

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# **! NEW !**

**For December- why not send Christmas Greetings  
around the Globe?!**

**We will print Free Two Liners in the December issue!**

**Example**



Jayne and Bryce Davies of the 'WELSHELTII' Kennels UK wish exhibitors around the globe a  
Very Merry Christmas Season and successful show year in 2010





Photo- Jeanine Bishop NZ

### **“A Teddy To Cuddle”**



The Correspondents and Editors hope you have enjoyed this edition of  
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We want you to feel that this magazine is open to you all for your stories/comments/  
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