

# Sheltie Tales

of the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Southeast Florida

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## Top Ten Ways to Love Your Pet

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Wallet, cell phone, insurance cards, plastic toothpick, poop bag, leash and tennis balls the contents of a pet owner's purse.

It seems that pets are playing an ever more important role in the lives of people today, whether it be service dogs, farmhands, or simply family companions. There are many ways that one can pay tribute to the furry four-leggeds that invade our purses, our homes and our hearts. Here are ten ways that owners can help enrich the lives of their pets:

**Exercise.** Although it probably comes as no surprise, exercise is one of the most important things that we can give to our pets. Exercise has the same health and mental benefits for animals as it does for humans. It can help reduce the risk of arthritis, joint disease, and diabetes while also giving your pet an outlet for his excess energy.

**Discipline by positive reinforcement.** Dogs who are disciplined are better behaved and are allowed greater freedoms than those who are undisciplined. Well-behaving dogs are more easily brought out of the house, left out of crates, and generally cause less stress to their owners.

**Regular visits to the veterinarian.** Health is at the core of everything we and our pets do. If we don't feel well, it is difficult to be our best. Regular visits to the veterinarian will, at the very least, provide your dog with his yearly vaccinations. These vaccinations help make it safe for your pet to be around other pets as well as help prevent diseases that could otherwise be very serious to you or your pet's health. Regular physical exams can also help catch any health problems before they are out of control.

**Good nutrition.** Contrary to many humans' belief, pizza crusts and table scraps don't offer pets adequate nutrition. There are many commercial pet foods that offer options for well-balanced, moderate cost, high quality diets for our pets. Your local veterinarian can provide some guidelines in this area.

**Enrichment.** Many animals suffer from pure boredom. And while this may not seem like the biggest problem in the world it can manifest in problematic behaviors such as chewing, house destruction, and self-mutilation. Many animals lacking a mental challenge may seek out their own challenges, like destroying the garbage. For example, the Kong Company manufactures toys that provide this type of mental challenge. These products that allow owners to hide treats inside a toy and the dog or cat will spend hours trying to figure out how to get it out.

**Grooming.** Not only can regular grooming make for a more pleasant dog or cat, grooming can

help to prevent health problems. Matting of the hair can cause discomfort and provide a breeding ground for skin infections. Not to mention that all-extra hair makes for a very hot pet in the summer time. Regular grooming can also help owners detect problems before they get out of hand, such as ticks or fleas. Regular ear cleanings and clipping can help prevent ear infection.

Reassurance and positive reinforcement. It is easy to yell and scream when your pet gets into mischief, but it's equally as easy to overlook their positive behaviors. Like humans, our furry friends enjoy being – for doing the right thing, whether it's a moment of obedience or simply just being a good pet.

Socialization. By allowing your pet to be exposed to many different things you are creating a well-rounded pet that is able to relax and behave in most situations. Practicing simple things at home, such as touching his paws, opening the mouth, and touching the ears, will make routine events, such as nail clipping or medicine administration, easier on your pet and others around him. Regular exposure to other animals allows your pet to learn how to not only have good manners around people, but it teaches them to have good manners around people, but it teaches them to good manners with other dogs as well. Human beings greet each other in a specific way, and they are taught proper pet manners from being exposed to other pets. This socialization will allow you to bring your pet more places and allow him to enjoy himself in parks and other public places.

Time. Time is a valued commodity these days, but often ten minutes of brushing your pet can provide an excellent bonding routine. It helps take care of some grooming needs, helps socialize your pet, and allows you to spend one-on-one time with your animal. Another quick solution is a 5 – 10 minute game of catch with your dog or cat. Again, you are spending time with your pet and taking care of their needs for exercise as well.

Love. The most important thing that you can give your pet, and probably already do, is love. However it's important to remember that providing love does not always mean providing treats. Oftentimes, when one feels as if their pet is being neglected. It's easy to offer a treat to compensate for that, which is lacking. Like humans, the rate of obese animals is increasing ever quickly, and obese animal is neither good for the animal or the owner.

In general, there is no one good way to make a happy pet. Some pets need one thing more than another does, but if you stick to some general guidelines you can be sure that your pet will know how much you love them.

## ***Minutes of Our General Membership Meeting, Tuesday, May 23, 2006***

SHETLAND SHEPDOG CLUB  
OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA, INC.  
***Member of the American Shetland Sheepdog Association***

Meeting held at the Pompano Beach Elks Club opened by President Hector Hector at 7:35 p.m. Hector welcomed all members including Jana who had been absent for awhile. Brags were read, all braggers were asked to send e-mail to me for next newsletter.

Lorna took Roll Call

VP welcomed guest Mark Hussar. Jana read his application. This is a third time, so that vote can be taken. Ballot s was handed out for secret ballot.

President-no report

VP-no report

Secretary-AKC letter from AKC regarding the Constitution, Crufts Invite

March and April minutes-Jana motioned to accept, Meta second, no additions or corrections,

March and April minutes are accepted

Treasurer-Colleen handed out the financial information. Lorna asked if the deposit from the park had been returned and it had been and will be included in next month report. There are two outstanding trophy checks from Nancy Frazier and Susan Russell. Meredith will ask them to reissue checks. All checks that were given as prizes were cashed. There are three outstanding bills that will be taken care of shortly. Flowers, AKC and postage. Colleen also reviewed outstanding checks that will be included in next month's report.

There was a motion made by Jana Thomas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Meta, no discussion, accepted.

Lorna asked about reviewing the books, Beth and Martha volunteered.

Hector suggested putting the "sunshine report" on the web site.

Maryann discussed breeder referral, there were over 25 emails, telephone. Jana asked how many calls came from our web site. It was unknown. Jana said she would be putting some kind of link from the website directly to MaryAnn. Maryann asked if people do refer puppies to her to make sure that they let her know when they are sold or placed.

Sunshine- flowers were sent to our past member Gina Grosso for her loss.

Newsletter-no one has talked to Paul. Holly Potts had done the newsletter in May and we will ask her to take care of June newsletter if Paul is unable.

2007 Show-Hector would like to know if we are going to do our back to back again or possibly do the show in March, or with an all breed club up in the Orlando area.

Lorna volunteered to do the show with Dione and Jana's help. Hector will check with Paul to see if he wishes to continue doing the shows for next year.

Okeehelie Park was suggested, what about set up and take down, Park said you would need security guard.

Discussions were held regarding the 3 possibilities, own show, Palm Beach Dog Fanciers or Kissemmes show.

Jana reminded that this year we need to have All Breed Obedience/Rally. MaryAnn wondered if we need add'l judges for all breed. It was explained probably not.

It seemed to be an agreement to do stand-alone back to back. Need judges selections ASAP. Next meeting everyone needs to bring judges and sweeps suggestions. Lorna recommended that if we have Junior Showmanship, we have a confirmation judge that does Junior Showmanship. We should also consider Obedience judges that do Rally.

Web site-Jana asked about sale or placement ads on the website. They should not be included in the web site. Sunshine- would be put on the web site. Anyone who would like a card or something out would send to MaryAnn.

Old Business-Hector discussed the fact that we had rec'd letter from AKC, corrections were minor. Discussion followed. Jana pointed out that changes do not even need to be done, that it is ok as accepted. The constitution is accepted and we clearly have one and if any changes are to be made has to go through the rules contained inside the new constitution.

A discussion followed each pointing their opinions.

Herding-there are not enough people to have herding, there are only 3. Herding is cancelled

Sheltie Olympics-Dee volunteered to host it but will need to have someone do the set up etc. Meredith, Mark and Dee will work on the committee.

Awards Dinner-Colleen-will have a combined meeting/awards banquet, Wed June 28.

Seminar-puppy picnic and seminar to be held at Elks, July 22 & 23.-Breeder's Perspective.

\$75.00 for non members, \$65.00 for members.

Colleen makes a motion to have seminar, MaryAnn seconded, all voted yes. Passed.

New business-

ASSA has donated \$40,000 to Texas A& M, do we want to donate to ASSA to replenish Maryann made a motion to add a \$5.00 fee to be used to replenish the ASSA for the Health Foundation. Colleen 2<sup>nd</sup>, vote was passed

Hector brought up new CD-ROM bought at Nationals. Frank & MaryAnn bought the CD and would review and get back to us.

Jana brought up idea of selling t-shirts with the specialty logo on it. Jana asked if Hector would ask Diane Troiese if she would do t-shirts with the logo on it to sell to club and public.

Frank motioned to adjourn at 9:50pm, Jana seconded all voted yes.



## **Brag**

Martha Hollingworth brags that Stellar's You're an Allstar (Brock) at the UKC show on April 15 in the second show took Best of Breed Group 1 and Reserve Best in Show. On April 16 at UKC show in the second show took best of breed group 1 and best in show for his UKC championship.

Also, Brock at the heartland dog club on April 22nd took Reserve Winners Dog

Finally, Brock at the International Shows in Orlando, on May 6th in Show One got Best of Breed and Group 3. In the second show that day; he also got Best of Breed and Group 3. On May 7th in first show he got Best of Breed and Group 3. In the final show on Sunday, Brock rec'd Best of Breed.

Dione Houchins-Lorains Street Performance-Tuffy finished his championship in January with a 4 point Major in Deland on the Florida Circuit.

Raymar Lone Wolf in three weekends of showing put together 7 points. Wolfie is being shown by Kathy Dziegel and Dione.

Colleen Kessler Brags that Simcos Perfect Storemrec'd his CD at the Miami Obedience Club on 5/27/06.

Simcos Micro-Chip.com rec'd his Rally Novice Title, RN at the Boca Shows in May.

## **SSCSEF Committees**

Webmaster – Jana  
Assistant Webmaster – Holly  
Breeder referral – Maryann

Membership – Hector  
Newsletter Editor – Paul  
Show Chair - Paul

***Upcoming events***

The Fort Lauderdale Dog Club presents its  
Annual CERF and Micro-chip Clinic

**Saturday, June 10, 2006**

**1:00 – 4:00 P.M.**

(Microchip on a first-come, first-served basis)

**Animal Hospital of Fort Lauderdale  
1630 E. Oakland Park Boulevard  
Fort Lauderdale, FL**

CERF Clinic: \$25.00

Microchip and microchip registration: \$25.00

Note: Be sure to bring the dog's AKC Registration Papers

***Annual Awards Banquet and General Meeting***

**Wednesday, June 28, 2006**

**7:00 P.M.**

**Olive Garden  
5550 North Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, FL  
Tel: 954-776-3341**

Dinner selection will be from the

**DINNER SUPREME MENU** with four choices:

Tour of Italy, Chicken Parmigiana, Chicken Alfredo or Seafood Alfredo.

All entrees include: freshly baked breadsticks, garden-fresh salad,  
soft drink, milk, coffee, tea or juices (complimentary refills), cake.

All for only \$22 includes tax and gratuity.

Each member will pay his or her own. Please bring the correct change.

**There will be a brief meeting.**

**Please respond to Colleen Kessler by June 12, with the form included on the flyer below.**

**SHETLAND SHEEPDOG CLUB OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA, INC.  
ANNUAL "AKC" TITLE PLAQUES**

**June 28 Meeting/Awards Banquet  
7:00 P.M.**

Each year the Club recognizes its members' dogs that have earned "AKC" titles during the year. A motion was made at our last meeting on April 11, 2006 that there will be plaques ONLY for Official AKC titles. Motion was seconded and passed. This means there will be no certificates, no plaques for 1st points, etc. These plaques will be a little larger than before. They will have the dog's name and below it will be the official title and year earned. Each year as this dog earns another title; you will turn that plaque in to the Awards Banquet Chairman to add the new title.

Please submit the following information to Colleen Kessler in writing as soon as possible, but no later than June 12th. NOTE: Submissions via e-mail will not be accepted. Out of town members MUST include return packaging AND postage for return of their plaque(s) if they will not be attending the June Meeting/Awards Banquet combination.

USE THIS FORM – IT WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR EWVERYONE INVOLVED. (Check one below)

\_\_\_ NEW PLAQUE    \_\_\_ OLD PLAQUE WITH NEW TITLE (Starting next year)

FULL NAME OF DOG: \_\_\_\_\_

NEW AKC TITLE(s) (In 2005) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

OWNER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER'S PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER'S E-MAIL:  
\_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO:

Colleen Kessler, 991 SW 31 Street, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33315

954-463-4710

This will be held (as before) at the Olive Garden, 5550 North Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, FL Tel: 954-776-3341. 7:00 P.M.

We will be ordering from the DINNER SUPREME MENU with four choices: Tour of Italy, Chicken Parmigiana, Chicken Alfredo or Seafood Alfredo. All entrees include: Freshly baked breadsticks, garden-fresh salad, soft drink, milk, coffee, tea or juices (complimentary refills), cake. All for only \$22 includes tax and gratuity. Each member will pay their own. Please bring the correct change.

Please sign here if you are coming. \_\_\_\_\_

Guests are also welcome. Names. \_\_\_\_\_

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Club Members Please Note:

Our Seminar Speaker/Match Judge is arriving in South Florida on Thursday evening, July 20<sup>th</sup> and departing Monday morning, July 24<sup>th</sup>. If you have a guestroom or spare room available and would like to host this gracious lady, please call Hector Hector at 954-472-7945.

**Don't miss  
this  
extraordinary  
opportunity!**

Foundation for health research. The seminar includes a 100 page take-home seminar book containing speaker notes, charts, graphs, and illustrations.



## **SEMINAR, FUN MATCH, & PUPPY PICNIC**

***A Breeder's Perspective — Mary H. Wells, Blossom Hill Collies***

sponsored by the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Southeast Florida, Inc.

Complimentary coffee and donuts will be available both days beginning at 8:00 a.m.; lunch, snacks, & beverage will also be available for purchase

Contact: Hector Hector  
1100 SW 128 Dr.  
Davie, FL 33325  
Ph: 954-472-7945



### **SEMINAR**

Saturday 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.

*Tools and strategies in establishing, & breeding a line of dogs*

#### **Key Topics:**

**Establishing a Line - The Fundamentals.** A discussion of the tools and thinking used in developing a clear mental image of the ideal dog.

**Establishing a Line - The Strategies.** Discusses the basics of linebreeding, inbreeding, and outcrossing breeding strategies and how to apply them. Examples taken from a study of some dominant and recessive traits.

**Perfecting Timing and Methods of Breeding.** Current thinking on the options available to the breeder to maximize success. Covers Progesterone testing and the application to natural breeding, vaginal AI, transcervical insemination and intrauterine surgical implant.

**Whelping a Litter - Maternal care, Norms and Complications.** The mechanics of whelping with guidelines and examples in managing this important aspect.

### **FUN MATCH & PUPPY PICNIC**

Sunday 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

**Registration:** 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. **Cost:** \$3 per dog with seminar attendance & \$8 per dog without seminar attendance

**Classes:** Will be divided by sex : 2-4, 4-6, 6-9, 9-12, & adult; classes for smooth collies, rough collies, & shelties only.  
*\*No dogs with major points or taped ears. Professional handlers may only show dogs they own.\**

**Judging order:** Judging will begin with smooth collies at 10:00 a.m. sharp to be followed by rough collies, then shelties. Prizes offered for class winners in each breed or variety, Best of Breed or Variety and Best in Match.

**Picnic:** After judging, enjoy lunch with your friends; socialize your puppies and hear Mary's review of her class winners!

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Seminar registration form. Please complete and return with payment to SSCSEF, Inc. c/o Hector Hector no later than **JULY 5th**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

## Judges Selection for our Specialty

It's time to select judges again! Thanks to Meredith Hector, a list of judges is provided in this newsletter. Please review the list and forward any suggestions you may have to Lorna Staab or Meredith Hector by e-mail or bring them to our June Meeting/Awards Banquet on June 28<sup>th</sup>. Selections from this list or names, which are not included, are welcome.

### ASSA MEMBER JUDGES

last name	first name	city state zip	region	kennel	Judge
ANDERSON	CHERYL D	SCAPPOOSE OR 97056-2713	5	Cherden	breed & jr
BASS	JOY L.	DUNCANVILLE TX 75116-3009	6	Synergy	breed
BIANCHI	AL	CHESAPEAKE VA 23322-4367	3	Chelsea	breed & jr
BIASI	BERNADETTE	LAFAYETTE HILL PA 19444-1202	2	Bembrite	breed & jr
BICKFORD	DON	SCAPPOOSE OR 97056-2215	5	Roydon	breed & jr
BITTNER	MARCIA	RAMONA CA 92065-3628	7	Tradewynd	breed & jr
BRUNNER	LARRY	CHARLTON MA 01507	1	Prinhill	breed & jr
BURGESS	SALLY	SAINT LOUIS MO 63144-2230	6	Seabrook	obedience & rally
CALDERWOOD	DAVID	EUGENE OR 97405-9704	5	Kensil	breed & jr
CARPENTER	ROBERT	WILLIAMSVILLE NY 14221 MAY-OCT	1	Woodbridge	breed
CHARACTER	M M	ALEXANDRIA AL 36250	3	Wildoak	breed & jr
CHRISTIANSEN	DOROTHY K.	HOMER GLEN IL 60491	4	Lynnlea	breed & jr
CHURCHILL	LINDA	VALLEY SPRINGS CA 95252-9668	7	Sandalwood	breed & jr
CLARKSON	ELAINE J	BRANDON VT 05733-9759	1	Rockledge	obedience
CLEVELAND	BRIAN	ROCKFORD IL 61114	4	Voyager	breed
CLODWICK	JEAN	VERMILION OH 44089-9378	2	Trinity	herding
COEN	NIOMA	GREAT BARRINGTON MA 01230-8907	1	Macdega	breed
COEN	THOMAS	GREAT BARRINGTON MA 01230-8907	1	Macdega	breed
COMBEE	DON K	CUMMING GA 30041	3	Chisterling	breed
CRAIG	NANCY	RIVERSIDE CA 92504-5736	7	Forelyn	obedience & rally
CRONIN	GLORIA	LAS CRUCES NM 88005	6	Catomco	breed & jr
CURRY	BARBARA	MUKWONAGO WI 53149-9237	4	Beltane	breed & jr
DANFORTH	GEORGE F	OAK GROVE MO 640758915	6	Romayne	breed & jr
DAVIS	NANCY	WAYNESVILLE NC 28786	3	Canzada	agility & rally
DEFEE-RUBENSTEIN	SHARLENE	NEW ORLEANS LA 70131-1947	6	ShuLaLe	breed & jr
DURHOLZ	MARION	MARRIOTTSVILLE MD 21104-1037	2	Jancada	breed
EADS	BRANDOL	SAN BERNARDINO CA 92404	7	BranGay	breed & jr
EADS	GAYLE	SAN BERNARDINO CA 92404	7	BranGay	breed & jr
ERICKSEN	LOUELLA	SUCCASUNNA NJ 07876-1039	2	Sandmere	breed & jr
FINK	JANET	REDLANDS CA 92373-6500	7	Aletian	breed & jr
FLEITAS	DR DANIEL	CHARLOTTE NC 28270-0848	3	Jodan	breed & jr
FOILES	LINDA C	BOSTON VA 22713-4353	3	Flolin	breed
FOREMAN	ANNE	HARTSELLE AL 35640-8638	3	Saranac	breed & jr
GAMMILL	EDNA KAY	LERNA IL 62440-9740	4	Indian Creek	breed
GARTEN-KISER	DONNA J	GOSHEN OH 45122	2	Michelty	breed & jr

last name	first name	city state zip	date joined	kennel	e-mail
BARBER	JANET	OCALA FL 34481-1460	Apr-03	Jandale	Judgejanet@aol.com
BIGGS	WANDA EPPS	FT LAUDERDALE FL 33305	Mar-87	Fiego	capnbarry@earthlink.net
BOYD	NOLA D	ORLANDO FL 32825-8049	Sep-94	Nowilla	nowilla@cfl.rr.com
BRESEMANN	BARBARA	GAINESVILLE FL 32608-4110	Jan-73	Bobbs	b.bresemann@worldnet.att.net
CARPENTER	GAIL	FT MYERS BEACH FL 33931	Jan-74	Woodbridge	recmgb@msn.com
CAVALLARO	VIRGINIA	TALLAHASSEE FL 32309	Jan-68	Lakehill	ginny1940@earthlink.net
CLARK	CHRISTY R	BOYNTON BEACH FL 33437	Mar-00	GLYNLYLE	cclark9265@aol.com
CRAM	REBECCA	OCALA FL 34482	Feb-79	Sunnybrook	chasreb@academicplanet.com
DAVINO	MARIE	PALM BAY FL 32909	Mar-00	Mikamar	mikamar@luno.com
DUFFEY	DARLA	JACKSONVILLE FL 32258	Apr-90	Fayr Wynds	Dduffey@aol.com
DUFFEY	ERNEST N	JACKSONVILLE FL 32258-2207	Apr-90	Fayr Wynds	ENDuffey@aol.com
DZIEGIEL	KATHLEEN	CHIEFLAND FL 32644-1158	Sep-91	Kylene	kyleneone@msn.com
GUY	DR MARY ELLEN	TALLAHASSEE FL 32312-3736	Apr-86	Lemark	mguy@mailier.fsu.edu
KORN	DICK	MALABAR FL 32950-3724	Sep-97	Lucky Acres	dick@rumbopet.com
KORN	JOANNE M	MALABAR FL 32950-3724	Apr-86	Lucky Acres	joanne@lucky-acres.com
MARCIANO	JOYCE L	ST AUGUSTINE FL 32084	Sep-92	Haven House	havenhouse2201@aol.com
MCALISTER	PHYLLIS	NICEVILLE FL 32578-3013	Jan-72	Merrimac	woodman13@earthlink.com
MYERS	LINDA	BRADENTON FL 34212	May-95	Outback	outbackshl@aol.com
NICKERSON	JODI	YOUNGSTOWN FL 32466	Apr-04	Shadowcreek	
PAVEZA	GREGORY J.	TAMPA FL 33620-3040	Jan-91	Sonata	paveza@lkhd.usf.edu
REED	LORRIE	PINELLAS PARK FL 33781-5824	May-97	Summerlove	LorrieReed@TampaBay.rr.com
SIMMS	NEAL	CHIPLEY FL 32428-4924	Apr-98	Simrell	simrell@direcway.com
SWOPE	MICHELLE A.	ORLANDO FL 32825-3811	Sep-96	Michon	mswope@cfl.rr.com
SYBELNIK	TAMMIE	CALLAHAN FL 32011	Sep-03	Foremost	
TINDLE	RUTHANN	PANAMA CITY FL 32404-5435	Apr-93	Sequoia	rtindle828@aol.com
TINDLE	WILLIAM H	PANAMA CITY FL 32404-5435	Apr-93	Sequoia	rtindle828@aol.com
WEAVER	DEBRA K	JACKSONVILLE FL 32256-7435	May-95	Confetti	dwshehies@aol.com
WILLIAMS	GEORGE	HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS FL 34737	Feb-79	Lochanora	persimonln@aol.comsheltiejudge@aol.com
WILSON	WYNELLE	LAMONT FL 32336-8729	Sep-90	Celtic	ww1701@nettally.com
WURZ	JANE	PORT SALERNO FL 34992-0071			
WURZ	SHIRLEY	PORT SALERNO FL 34992-0071			

ASSA MEMBER JUDGES

GOMEZ	ALANE L	PIPE CREEK TX 78063	6	Classic	breed & obedience & jr
GORMAN	CATHI	MCKINNEY TX 75071	6	Springmist	breed & jr
GRASER	LISA	MARSHALL WI 53559-9748	4	Blue Heaven	breed & jr
GRASER	LLOYD	MARSHALL WI 53559-9748	4	Blue Heaven	breed & jr
GREENDALE-PAVEZA	SULIE	MARENGO IL 60152-8000	4	Sonata	breed & jr
HENDERSON	DON	LITTLE ROCK AR 72223	6	Cee Dee's	breed & jr
HENSON	GLENDA	LONGMONT CO 80503-8540	5	Glenarry	breed & jr
HOWARD	JANE	CHICAGO IL 60622-5620	4	Citation	breed & jr
ING	CAROLYN	CARLISLE MA 01741-1557	1	Foxglove	breed & jr
JACOBSON	SHIRLEE	INDIANOLA IA 50125-8360	5	Jakeland	obedience & rally
JEAVONS	GUY	MOFFAT ONTARIO CA L0P 1J0		Grandgables	breed
KELLY	BOB	POTOMAC MD 20854-3173	3	Glenesk	breed & jr
KELSEY	JUDITH C	INVERNESS FL 34452	3	Dury Voe	breed & jr
KENEALY	BARBARA	MOOSUP CT 06354	1	Rockwood	breed & jr
LACKEY	RON K	BIRMINGHAM AL 35205	3	Cahaba	breed
LEONARD	JANICE	DENVER CO 80231-3081	5	Leclair	breed & jr
LINDEN	BARBARA	CLAREMORE OK 74017-4864	6	September	breed
MACINTOSH FERET	SANDRA	GUILDERLAND NY 12084-9529	1	Heatherland	breed
MALMBORG	BEVERLY	GARDEN GROVE CA 92840-3507	7	Verlyns	breed
MASTERS	HOLLY	WESTFIELD IN 46074	4	By-Golly	breed & jr
MASTERS	JOHN	WESTFIELD IN 46074	4	By-Golly	breed & jr
MCCAMBRIDGE	SANDRA	ST HELENS OR 97051	5	Cambridge	breed & jr
MCGOWAN	CHARLOTTE CLEM	NEWTON MA 02458-2319	1	Rorralore	breed & jr
MCINTYRE	ELAINE	CIBOLO TX 78108-4148	6	Rebmel	breed & jr
MCMILLAN	MARK	MOFFAT ONTARIO CA L0P 1J0		Grandgables	breed
METZGER	MAUREEN	TUCSON AZ 85730-2919	6	Maramet	breed & jr
MOLLOY	JOSEPH	POWHATAN VA 23139-4112	3	Northwood	breed & jr
MONKS	SHEILA	BALLSTON SPA NY 12020-2024	1	Shield Crest	jr show
MORE	LINDA C	CARY NC 27511	3	Severn	breed & jr
MOUNT	WENDY	COATESVILLE PA 19320-1421	2	Sunebank	breed
NAHIKIAN	JANET TURNAGE	COLOMA MI 49038-9441	4	Starfall	breed & jr
PETTER	ROSEMARY	KENT WA 98032-7223	5	Rosewood	breed & jr
POIRIER FOREMAN	ANNE	HARTSELLE AL 35640-8638	3	Saranac	breed & jr
POWER	ANNE PEPPER	CHEYENNE WY 82009	5	Windhover	breed
PRICE	SHELBY	LAKELAND FL 33813-4024	3	Keynote	breed
RAY	DR HALLIE A	KING GEORGE VA 22485	3	Draco	obedience

ASSA MEMBER JUDGES

ROBINSON	DORIS	FALLBROOK CA 92028-4647	7	Robinaire	breed & jr
SALTZMAN	LYNETTE	WESTPORT CT 06880-1319	1	Catamount	breed
SALTZMAN	STANLEY	WESTPORT CT 06880-1319	1	Catamount	breed
SAMUELS	ELAINE	METAIRIE LA 70003	6	Karelane	breed & jr
SCHIVE	KIM	CARLISLE MA 01741-1557	1	Foxglove	breed & jr
SEARLE	HERBERT S.	WATERFORD CT 06385-1919	1	Valdawn	breed & jr
SHEETS	RANDALL K.	COLLEYVILLE TX 76034	6	Krentel	breed & jr
SIMMONS	MONA	FORTUNA CA 95540	7	Simmore	breed & jr
SMITH	HARRIET	HEFLIN AL 36264-4366	3	Waldenwood	breed & jr
SMITH	BONNIE J	RIVERSIDE CA 92504-5645	7	Tara Hill	breed & jr
STAFFAN	SANDRA	SAN ANTONIO TX 78217-1206	6	Fanfare	breed
STILL	LORRAINE	CRESWELL OR 97426-9464	5	Robrovin	breed & jr
STONER	CHRISTINA	ROEBUCK SC 29376-9778	3	Stonerhaven	obedience & rally
TESSMANN	DEBRA E	HAMBURG NY 14075	1	Fantasia	breed, jr, obed
THOMPSON	BARBARA	RALEIGH NC 27606	3	Barwood	breed
THOMPSON	RODERICK	CASEYVILLE IL 62232	6	Chaminade	breed
TOMLIN	ROSE	CHARLESTON SC 29401-2509	3	Rosmoor	breed & jr
TUFF	MARJORIE	FREEHOLD NJ 07728-7933	2	Seawood	breed & jr
TULL	CHARLOTTE	ORLAND PARK IL 60462	4	Tull-E-Ho	breed & jr
VAN KIRK	JOYCE	GLENDALE AZ 85302	6	Mijoy	breed & jr
WAGEMAN	MARGARET L.	GRAHAM, WA 98338	5	Mar-Dons	breed & jr
WHEATCROFT	DANIEL	ACTON CA 93510-1863	7	Marshland	breed & jr
WILKINS	KATHY L	MONTICELLO GA 31064	3	Lochlyn	breed
WILLIAMS	MELANIE	HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS FL 34737	3	Lochanora	breed & jr
WITHERS	NANCY	WERNERSVILLE PA 19565-9702	2	Galenwood	obedience
WORTHINGTON	ELLEN	WILSONVILLE AL 35186	3	Aynsworth	breed & jr
WRIGHT	BARBARA B	BOERNE TX 78006-5542	6	Chosen	breed & jr

## Shetland Sheepdog Breed Standard

### General Appearance

*Preamble*-- The Shetland Sheepdog, like the Collie, traces to the Border Collie of Scotland, which, transported to the Shetland Islands and crossed with small, intelligent, longhaired breeds, was reduced to miniature proportions. Subsequently crosses were made from time to time with Collies. This breed now bears the same relationship in size and general appearance to the Rough Collie as the Shetland Pony does to some of the larger breeds of horses. Although the resemblance between the Shetland Sheepdog and the Rough Collie is marked, there are differences, which may be noted. The Shetland Sheepdog is a small, alert, rough-coated, longhaired working dog. He must be sound, agile and sturdy. The outline should be so symmetrical that no part appears out of proportion to the whole. Dogs should appear masculine; bitches feminine.



### Size, Proportion, Substance

The Shetland Sheepdog should stand between 13 and 16 inches at the shoulder. Note: Height is determined by a line perpendicular to the ground from the top of the shoulder blades, the dog standing naturally, with forelegs parallel to line of measurement.

*Disqualifications*-- Heights below or above the desired size range are to be disqualified from the show ring. In overall appearance, the body should appear moderately long as measured from shoulder joint to ischium (rearmost extremity of the pelvic bone), but much of this length is actually due to the proper angulation and breadth of the shoulder and hindquarter, as the back itself should be comparatively short.

### Head

The *head* should be refined and its shape, when viewed from top or side, should be a long, blunt wedge tapering slightly from ears to nose.

*Expression*-- Contours and chiseling of the head, the shape, set and use of ears, the placement, shape and color of the eyes combine to produce expression. Normally the expression should be alert, gentle, intelligent and questioning. Toward strangers the eyes should show watchfulness and reserve, but no fear.

*Eyes* medium size with dark, almond-shaped rims, set somewhat obliquely in skull. Color must be dark, with blue or merle eyes permissible in blue merles only. *Faults*-- Light, round, large or too small. Prominent haws. *Ears* small and flexible, placed high, carried three-fourths erect, with tips breaking forward. When in repose the ears fold lengthwise and are thrown back into the frill. *Faults*-- Set too low. Hound, prick, bat, twisted ears. Leather too thick or too thin.

*Skull and Muzzle* Top of skull should be flat, showing no prominence at nuchal crest (the top of the occiput). Cheeks should be flat and should merge smoothly into a well-rounded muzzle. Skull and muzzle should be of equal length, balance point being inner corner of eye. In profile the top line of skull should parallel the top line of muzzle, but on a higher plane due to the presence of a slight but definite stop. Jaws clean and powerful. The deep, well-developed underjaw, rounded at chin, should extend to base of nostril. *Nose* must be black. *Lips* tight. Upper and lower lips must meet and fit smoothly together all the way around. Teeth level and evenly spaced. Scissors *bite*. *Faults*-- Two-angled head. Too prominent stop, or no stop. Overfill below, between, or above eyes. Prominent nuchal crest. Domed skull. Prominent cheekbones. Snipy muzzle. Short, receding, or shallow underjaw, lacking breadth and depth. Overshot or undershot, missing or crooked teeth. Teeth visible when mouth is closed.

### Neck, Topline, Body

*Neck* should be muscular, arched, and of sufficient length to carry the head proudly. *Faults*-- Too short and thick. *Back* should be level and strongly muscled. **Chest** should be deep, the brisket reaching to point of elbow. The ribs should be well sprung, but flattened at their lower half to allow free play of the foreleg and shoulder. *Abdomen* moderately tucked up. *Faults*-- Back too

long, too short, swayed or roached. Barrel ribs. Slab-side. Chest narrow and/or too shallow. There should be a slight arch at the loins, and the croup should slope gradually to the rear. The hipbone (pelvis) should be set at a 30-degree angle to the spine. *Faults*-- Croup higher than withers. Croup too straight or too steep.

The *tail* should be sufficiently long so that when it is laid along the back edge of the hind legs the last vertebra will reach the hock joint. Carriage of tail at rest is straight down or in a slight upward curve. When the dog is alert the tail is normally lifted, but it should not be curved forward over the back.

*Faults*-- Too short. Twisted at end.

### **Forequarters**

From the withers, the shoulder blades should slope at a 45-degree angle forward and downward to the shoulder joints. At the withers they are separated only by the vertebra, but they must slope outward sufficiently to accommodate the desired spring of rib. The upper arm should join the shoulder blade at as nearly as possible a right angle. Elbow joint should be equidistant from the ground and from the withers. Forelegs straight viewed from all angles, muscular and clean, and of strong bone. Pasterns very strong, sinewy and flexible. Dewclaws may be removed. **Faults** Insufficient angulation between shoulder and upper arm. Upper arm too short. Lack of outward slope of shoulders. Loose shoulders. Turning in or out of elbows. Crooked legs. Light bone. *Feet* should be oval and compact with the toes well arched and fitting tightly together. Pads deep and tough, nails hard and strong. *Faults* Feet turning in or out. Splay feet. Hare feet. Cat feet.

### **Hindquarters**

The thigh should be broad and muscular. The thighbone should be set into the pelvis at a right angle corresponding to the angle of the shoulder blade and upper arm. Stifle bones join the thighbone and should be distinctly angled at the stifle joint. The overall length of the stifle should at least equal the length of the thighbone, and preferably should slightly exceed it. Hock joint should be clean-cut, angular, sinewy, with good bone and strong ligamentation. The hock (metatarsus) should be short and straight viewed from all angles. Dewclaws should be removed. *Faults*-- Narrow thighs. Cow-hocks. Hocks turning out. Poorly defined hock joint.

*Feet* as in forequarters.

### **Coat**

The coat should be double, the outer coat consisting of long, straight, harsh hair; the undercoat short, furry, and so dense as to give the entire coat its "standoff" quality. The hair on face, tips of ears and feet should be smooth. Mane and frill should be abundant, and particularly impressive in males. The forelegs well feathered, the hind legs heavily so, but smooth below the hock joint. Hair on tail profuse. *Note*: Excess-hair on ears, feet, and on hocks may be trimmed for the show ring. *Faults*-- Coat short or flat, in whole or in part; wavy, curly, soft or silky. Lack of undercoat. Smooth-coated specimens.

### **Color**

Black, blue merle, and sable (ranging from golden through mahogany); marked with varying amounts of white and/or tan. *Faults*-- Rustiness in a black or a blue coat. Washed-out or degenerate colors, such as pale sable and faded blue. Self-color in the case of blue merle, that is, without any merling or mottling and generally appearing as a faded or dilute tri-color. Conspicuous white body spots. Specimens with more than 50 percent white shall be so severely penalized as to effectively eliminate them from competition. *Disqualification* Brindle.

## Gait

The trotting gait of the Shetland Sheepdog should denote effortless speed and smoothness. There should be no jerkiness, nor stiff, stilted, up-and-down movement. The drive should be from the rear, true and straight, dependent upon correct angulation, musculation, and ligamentation of the entire hindquarter, thus allowing the dog to reach well under his body with his hind foot and propel himself forward. Reach of stride of the foreleg is dependent upon correct angulation, musculation and ligamentation of the forequarters, together with correct width of chest and construction of rib cage. The foot should be lifted only enough to clear the ground as the leg swings forward. Viewed from the front, both forelegs and hindlegs should move forward almost perpendicular to ground at the walk, slanting a little inward at a slow trot, until at a swift trot the feet are brought so far inward toward center line of body that the tracks left show two parallel lines of footprints actually touching a center line at their inner edges. *There should be no crossing of the feet nor throwing of the weight from side to side.* *Faults--* Stiff, short steps, with a choppy, jerky movement. Mincing steps, with a hopping up and down, or a balancing of weight from side to side (often erroneously admired as a "dancing gait" but permissible in young puppies). Lifting of front feet in hackney-like action, resulting in loss of speed and energy. Pacing gait.

## Temperament

The Shetland Sheepdog is intensely loyal, affectionate, and responsive to his owner. However, he may be reserved toward strangers but not to the point of showing fear or cringing in the ring. *Faults--* Shyness, timidity, or nervousness. Stubbornness, snappiness, or ill temper.

## DISQUALIFICATIONS

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*13-16 inches*

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- Small Animal Clinical Nutrition III by Lon D. Lewis
- AKC: the Complete Dog Book - 17th edition
- American Sheepdog Association Handbook (8 books – 8 years)
- 1985- 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992 and 1993
- The New Shetland Sheepdog by Maxwell Riddle
- Keep Your Pet Healthy the Natural Way by Pat Lazarus
- The Shetland Sheepdog a Pictorial Standard
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- Shetland Sheepdog Standard by Jean Daniels Simmonds
- The Shetland Sheepdog
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- Successful Dog Show Exhibiting by Anna Katherine Nicholas
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- The Joys of Breeding Your Own Show Dog
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- Tracking Dogs
- Utility Dog Training
- Koehler Method of Open Obedience
- American Kennel Club: Dog Care and Training
- The Book of the Shetland Sheepdog
- Sheltie Talk
- The Shetland Sheepdog in America

## **Video Cassette Tapes**

- Golden Oldies - Shelties 1991 by A. Pepper Powers
- Dogsteps: the Study of Canine Structure
- AKC - Beginners Guide to Dog Showing
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