

SHELTIE TALES

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Newsletter of the Shetland Sheepdog Club of Southeast Florida, Inc.

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Upcoming Club Events -----

Next Board Meeting:

Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 7:00 p.m.

Next General Membership Meeting:

Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.

Location:

Home of:
Hector and Meredith Hector
1100 SW 128 Drive
Davie, FL 33325
954-472-7945

Directions:

Take Flamingo Road to Southwest Tenth Court. Go west on Southwest Tenth Court (which becomes Southwest Ninth Place) to Southwest 128th Drive. Go south on Southwest 128th Drive to 1100 Southwest 128th Drive.

Back-to-Back Specialties:

Friday, March 7, 2008

Entries Close:

Wednesday, February 20, 2008

Location:

South Florida Fairgrounds
9067 Southern Boulevard
West Palm Beach, Florida 33411

Club Information-----

2008 Back-to-Back Specialties: Our specialties will be held Friday, March 7, 2008, at the South Florida Fair Grounds, 9067 Southern Boulevard, West Palm Beach, Florida 33411. Sweeps judge will be Colleen Andrus. Breed judges will be Robert Piccirillo and Stanley Saltzman.

The premium list may be downloaded from the club's website at:

<http://www.sscsefl.com/2008%20Specialty/SSCSEF%20March%207,%202008.pdf>

Entries close February 20, 2008.

Winslow Way: Many club members enjoyed the very informative *Winslow Way Handling Seminar* given by Rose Chandless and hosted by our club in August 2007. At that time, Rose mentioned that she would be releasing a DVD of her handling techniques in the near future. Well, that time has arrived. At this time, Rose is releasing *Winslow Way I – Tools of the Trade*. It is planned that *Winslow Way II – Prepare to Win* will be available in the spring of 2008 and that *Winslow Way III – Prime Time* will be released in the fall of 2008. If you are interested in ordering a DVD, please visit her website at www.winslowway.com.

Membership Dues: Membership dues were due January 1, 2007. As a reminder, a membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid by March 1, 2007. If you have not paid your dues, please contact Meredith Hector at 954-472-7945 and give her any updated address, E-mail address, or other contact information on yourself and make arrangements for *immediate* payment.

Nominating Committee: The nominating committee has nominated the following members for club positions:

- ✓ President: Dione Houchins
- ✓ Vice President: Meredith Hector
- ✓ Treasurer: Lorna Staab
- ✓ Secretary: Karen Salvage
- ✓ Board: Hector Hector, Maryann Lannon, and Bonnie Thatcher.

The annual meeting and elections occur at the March meeting.

Members with New Litters on the Ground -----

Dione Houchins of Raymar Shelties is pleased to announce the arrival of three sable and white puppies, two boys and one girl, born on January 29, 2008. The sire and

dam are: CH Lorain's Street Performance ex Primo Raymar Red Rocket. This is a repeat breeding as Dione was very pleased with what resulted from the first litter. (See "Member Brags" below.) And, by the way, these puppies were born on Dione and Bill's anniversary, so hopefully this will be a very special litter in many ways.

Who Has What Available for Placement -----

Karen Salvage of Sunspun Shelties (<http://www.sunspunshelties.com/home.cfm>) has available for placement in a show home a sable and while female puppy born on November 22, 2007. The sire and dam are: CH Heartsong's Renaissance Man ex Sunspun Street Dancer.

Interesting Information -----

Build a Canine Library

In the January 2008 issue of *Dog World*, there was an article entitled "Build a Canine Library." That article listed several classic books, videos, and DVDs. I was delighted that I had already heard about and read a good number of the books. I have also watched some of the videos and DVDs. In fact, there are several of these in the club's personal library which any club member may borrow. As we all know, a breeder's education never ends, so I thought I would list these educational gems for those who might be interested in expanding their knowledge. So, here is the list broken down by categories:

Breeding, Structure, and Genetics

- ✓ *The Joy of Breeding Your Own Show Dog*, by Ann Seranne, Howell/Wiley, 2004, hardback.
- ✓ *Puppy Puzzle* (DVD), by Pat Hastings, Dogfolk Enterprises, 2006. Original feature 55 mins; bonus feature 50 mins. (If you order this, be sure and get the version with the "bonus features.")
- ✓ *Dogsteps: A New Look*, by Rachel Page Elliott, Doral Publishing, 2001, paperback.
- ✓ *Dogsteps* (DVD), by Rachel Page Elliott, Dogwise Publishing, 2005, 65 minutes.
- ✓ *Born to Win, Breed to Succeed*, by Patricia Craige, Doral Publishing, 1997 (a new edition to be released later this year).
- ✓ *An Eye for a Dog: Illustrated Guide to Judging Purebred Dogs*, by Robert Cole, Dogwise, 2004, paperback.

- ✓ *Successful Dog Breeding*, by Chris Walkowicz and Bonnie Wilson, DVM, Howell Book House, 1994, hardback.
- ✓ *Canine Terminology*, by Harold R. Spira, Dogwise Publishing, 2001, hardback.

Showing

- ✓ *The Winning Edge: Show Ring Secrets*, by George G. Alston with Connie Vanacore, Howell Book House, 1992, hardback.
- ✓ *Tricks of the Trade: From Best Intentions to Best in Show*, by Pat Hastings with Erin Ann Rouse, Dogfolk Enterprises, 2005, paperback.
- ✓ *Show Me! A Dog Showing Primer*, by D. Carolyn Coile, Ph.D., Barrons, 1997, paperback.
- ✓ *The Absolute Beginner's Guide to Showing Your Dog*, by Cheryl S. Smith, Prima Publishing, 2001, paperback.

Training

- ✓ *Success with One Jump* (2-DVD set), by Susan Garrett, Clean Run Productions, 2006, 120+ min.
- ✓ *Don't Shoot the Dog! The New Art of Teaching and Training*, by Karen Pryor, Bantam Books, 1999, paperback.
- ✓ *Culture Clash*, by Jean Donaldson, James & Keith, 2005, paperback.
- ✓ *Sirius Puppy Training* (DVD), by Ian Dunbar, James & Kenneth, 2006, 90 mins.
- ✓ *Ring Ready: An Obedience Workbook*, by Marie Sawford, Dogsport Media, 2003.
- ✓ *Excelling at Dog Agility: Book 1, Book 2, and Book 3*, by Jane Simmons-Moake, Flashpaws Productions, hardback.
- ✓ *Building Blocks for Performance*, by Bobbie Anderson, Alpine Publishing, 2002, paperback.
- ✓ *Clicker Magic* (DVD), by Karen Pryor, Sunshine Books, 2007, 56 mins.

Advanced Material

- ✓ *Canine Cineradiography: A Study of Bone and Joint Motion as Seen Through Moving X-rays* (DVD), by Rachel Page Elliott, Dogwise Publishing, 2005, 45 mins.
- ✓ *Reaching for the Stars*, by Mary Roslin Williams, Coral Publishing, 2000, hardback.

- ✓ *Solving the Mysteries of Breed Type*, by Richard Beauchamp, Kennel Club Books, 2008 (revised edition), hardback.

You do not have to order these books in order to read them. As mentioned above, some are in the club's library for anyone interested. In addition, what I have personally done in the past is to request the books through Broward County's Interlibrary Loan Department. This arrangement has worked out well for me. One advantage is that when you get the book you have a set number of days in which to read it. That eliminates the risk of just ordering the book and letting it sit on the shelf and never getting around to reading it. There have been several that were definitely worth reading. And now, I look forward to reading a few more that I had not heard of in the past.

Member Brags -----

Stephanie and Sean Riley announce that Jack Donovan Riley was born on Friday, February 1, 2008, at 9:27 a.m. He was 8 lbs. 2 oz. and 19" long. Mom, dad, and baby are doing great. Stephanie mentions that Jack is a great eater, sleeper, and not a fussy baby—unless there is a dirty diaper that needs to be changed! Stephanie is recovering slowly but surely from the c-section.



Lorna Staab is very pleased to announce the arrival of six puppies born on January 26, 2008, at SpruceHollow Shelties (<http://sprucehollowshelties.com>). Puppies are sired by BPISS/BISS AKC/UKC/CKC CH Cameo Dreamchaser, "Chase," ex Cassbar's Scene At Amberlyn, "Secret."

Dione Houchins is proud to report that on February 2, 2008, her seven-month-old puppy Raymar Skyrocket, "Skylar," took Best in Sweeps at the Mid-Florida Shetland Sheepdog Club Specialty under sweeps judge Toni Mapes. This was "Skylar's" very first show. "Skylar's" sire and dam are: CH Lorain's Street Performance ex Primo Raymar Red Rocket.

General Membership Meeting Minutes -----

Since the February general membership meeting was cancelled, there are no minutes to publish.