

SHELTIE TALES

January - April 2013

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

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2012 Officers and Board Members:

President: Frank Lannon
Vice-President: Lorna Staab
Secretary: Ellen Ragland
Treasurer: Colleen Kessler
Board of Directors: Charlyn Davis
Maryann Lannon
Anna Whiting

Committees:

Breeder Referral: Maryann Lannon
Newsletter Editor: Holly Potts
Show Chairman: Lisa Malanowski
Website: Dee Silverstein
Membership: Anna Whiting
Maryann Lannon
Charlyn Davis

Upcoming Club Events -----

Next General Membership Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 2012, at 7:30 p.m.

Location: Home of Frank and Maryann Lannon
8440 Palomino Drive
Lake Worth, FL 33467-1184
561-968-1322

Directions: Best route: Go north on Florida's Turnpike to exit 93/SR 802/Lake Worth exit. When you exit the turnpike, make a right turn onto Lake Worth Road going west. Stay in the right lane on Lake Worth Road until you get to Blanchette Trail (which is just after the New Beginnings Church). Make a right turn onto Blanchette Trail and then make a right turn on Palomino Drive. (You will go over two speed bumps before you get to Palomino Drive.) The Lannon's home is the second house on the right: 8440 Palomino Drive.

May General Membership Meeting: Tuesday, May 14, 2013, at 7:30 p.m.

Location: Home of: Lorna Staab
410 Southeast Second Avenue
Pompano Beach, Florida 33060-8074

June General Membership Meeting: Tuesday, June 11, 2013, at 7:30 p.m.

Location: Home of: Charlyn Davis
9805 West Tree Tops Court
Davie, Florida 33328
954-826-8559

Addition Information: Bring a chair.

Club Information-----

Annual Meeting: The club's annual meeting occurred at the March general membership meeting. The club's new officers and directors for the ensuing year are:

- President - Frank Lannon
- Vice President - Lorna Staab
- Treasurer - Colleen Kessler
- Secretary - Ellen Ragland
- Board of Directors – Charlyn Davis, Maryann Lannon, and Anna Whiting.

Annual Audit: The annual audit of the club finances has been completed and all finances and transactions were found to be satisfactory.

Board Meeting: The board is working on ideas to have more events and educational programs over the next year.

Back-to-Back Specialties: The club's 2013 Specialty Shows were well run and well attended. The club wishes to extend a special thank you to KV Vet for their donation of prizes. Now it is time to start planning for our 2014 Specialty Shows!

Membership: At the March general membership meeting, **Hector Hector's** lifetime membership nomination was voted on and the motion carried unanimously. **Hector Hector** is now a lifetime member of the club.

The first reading of membership applications submitted by **John Clark** and **Christy Clark** were read at the March general membership meeting. A second reading will occur at the April general membership meeting.

Obedience Practice: Kelly McDonough has indicated a desire to see if there is enough club interest to have a monthly obedience practice session. Therefore, if you have an interest, please contact Kelly and let her know. Her e-mail addresses are: kellmcd222@gmail.com and kellymcdonough222@gmail.com. The practice session is slated to last approximately one hour with the first being held on Saturday, March 23, 2013, at 10:30 a.m. in Okeeheelee Park, Forest Hill Boulevard, West Palm Beach, Florida.

Bark and Bowl: This year's Bark and Bowl is to be held on Friday, May 17, 2013, 7:00-10:00 p.m. at Palm Beach Strikezone, 6591 South Military Trail, Lake Worth, Florida 33463, 561-676-7600. Team information and donation page are located at: <http://barkandbowl.com>.

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

The membership is invited to let the newsletter editor know if you have a new litter of puppies.

Anna Whiting of Highfields Shelties is pleased to announce the arrival of five puppies, three boys and two girls, born on March 5, 2013. The litter consists of two tri girls, one tri boy, and two blue merle boys. The sire and dam are: Windmills I Am Legend ex Highfields Almost Winter.

Lorna Staab of Sta-A-Bit Shelties is proud to announce a litter of three puppies, one tri male and two females, one bi-black and one bi-blue, whelped on January 31, 2013. The sire and dam are: CH Belmark Lo and Behold, ROM, ROMC ex Sta-A-Bit Livin on Love (a CH Cameo Dreamchaser daughter).

Interesting Information -----

An interesting article entitled “Blood Test for Canine Cancer” can be found at <http://www.wearethecure.org/blood-test-for-canine-cancer>.

Some interesting articles such as:

- “Rabies vaccination exemption is available,”
- “All AKC puppies should be registered,”
- “Broward County passes tethering amendments,”
- “AKC issues podcast on vaccination protocols,” and
- Other dog legislation and ordinance alerts

can be found on the Florida Association of Kennel Clubs website at:

http://fakc.org/index.html#HB_1127/SB_1738_would_tax_property_to_fund_neutering_and_animal_overpopulation_crisis.

With Sorrow -----

It is with the greatest sorrow that club member, Anna Whiting, reports the passing of “Beacon,” Highfields Icebreaker CDX, her friend, companion, and heart dog of nearly 16 years, having been born on July 29, 1997. “Beacon” was sired by Vankrols Fashion by Calvin ex Highfields Summer Wine CDX.

“Beacon’s” tremendous will to live kept him going gamely while he fought the ravages of Geriatric Vestibular Syndrome for the past 18 months. On March 10, 2013, he surrendered to it. Anna



returned home from a dog show to find that “Beacon” had lost complete use of his rear legs. He spent his last night sleeping peacefully and then waking and panting frantically trying to drag himself around. He didn't seem to recognize Anna, but took comfort when she held him until he was calm. Even though expected, this is an unbearable loss for Anna. She mentions that she is glad that he's no longer in pain.

Club members, Frank and Maryann Lannon, announce the passing of “Opie,” Larrikin Just My Opinion, on August 20, 2012. “Opie” was almost five years old. “Opie” was born September 28, 2007, and was sired by CH Starphire Tell It Like It Is ex Kylene Larrikin Almost Angel.

Maryann reports that “Opie” was diagnosed with hemangiosarcoma, a very aggressive blood cancer, in early May after a tumor was discovered and removed from one of his toes. He was given 60 days if nothing was done and six months if he was put through four months of chemo. The choice was made to let him enjoy whatever time he had and he had 100 days of freedom and joy until the tumors returned. With the advice and help of Dr. Pam Hendrickson, the Lannon’s wonderful vet, they put “Opie” to rest. He was Maryann’s constant companion and he has left a big hole in their hearts.

