



# E-Summit

**Cascade  
Greater Swiss  
Mountain Dog  
Club**

## BLOAT/IBD/SPLENIC TORSION/GASTROPEXY SEMINAR- By: Michele Slate

The seminar was held on January 29th at the Griffin Fire Department in Olympia, WA. and was very well attended by approximately 35 people. The speakers, Dr. Michelle Shoemaker and Dr. Ron Moltor, from Southbay Veterinary Hospital, also in Olympia, gave an excellent in-depth presentation of all the subjects, complete with a power point presentation that broke everything down into very understandable layman's terms, which everyone found very helpful and educational.



The Docs also brought some portable pieces of their laparoscopic equipment, along with "Clifford, the Red Dog" (who's been slightly altered to accept surgical instruments into his body), to show how laparoscopic surgeries are performed.

All in all, it was a very worthwhile 3 hours, with a lot of audience participation and many excellent questions being asked and answered.

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*The great pleasure of a dog is that you may make a fool of yourself with him and not only will he not scold you, but he will make a fool of himself too.*

*Samuel Butler,  
Notebooks, 1912*

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### BLOAT/IBD/SPLENIC TORSION/ GASTROPEXY SEMINAR-

The Club sponsors functions like this every year in a continuing effort to educate the public about the many different problems that our canine friends face during their lifetimes. These functions are not necessarily limited to medical problems, but can include environmental issues, temperament issues, feeding issues (raw vs kibble), holistic vs traditional healing, vaccination protocols, the benefits of acupuncture, or any number of other issues. We are also interested in whether any club members are interested in any outdoor activities, such as Draft and/or Herding Clinics, beach campouts, etc. Please contact Bonnie Huett, or any of the board members, with any ideas that you might have for a Seminar or outdoor activity.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Slate



*CGSMDC would like to send  
HUGE THANK YOU'S  
to:  
Michele Slate & Allison Allen  
  
for doing such a fabulous job  
taking pictures, getting  
refreshments, organizing  
and advertising this important  
and  
informative event.*



## CGSMDC President's Message:

Greetings Cascade Club Members,

**Spring is finally just around the corner and I'm sure that you all are as ready as I am for some sunshine and warmer weather! It has been a very long winter.**

I would like to thank Michele Slate and Allison Allen for an outstanding job of organizing the Bloat seminar presented by Dr. Molitor and Dr. Shoemaker from South Bay Veterinary Hospital. The seminar was very well attended and it received excellent reviews from those who attended.

I would also like to thank Jim and Julie Franklin for organizing the Breed Booths at both the Rose City Classic and the Seattle Kennel Club shows this year. Thanks as well to everyone who took turns working in the booths. Public Education is so very important and we are doing a great job thanks to you volunteers!



Unfortunately, I have some unpleasant news to report. Due to discrepancies that were discovered in the treasury account and the accompanying bank account statement at the end of December, it was requested that our Treasurer, Regina Reese resign her position immediately, which she did. Also, at the request of the Board of Directors, an investigation into this discrepancy is currently underway and the results of that investigation will be forthcoming to all club members as soon as possible. At that time, the Board will determine if legal avenues should be pursued and whether other sanctions, if needed, should be brought forth to the Membership for consideration. Suffice it to say, the Executive Officers and the Board are working very hard to bring this matter to a just and satisfactory conclusion. Lisa Simonsen agreed to fill the Treasurer position for the remainder of this term and was voted in by the Board at an emergency meeting in January.

Due to the amount of time being spent on the issue with our Treasury, it has been decided that the Cascade Club will not be holding our Annual Specialty this year. It is unfortunate however we have a very small number of volunteers and those who always work to put on the Annual Specialty do not have enough time to do it this year.

Please plan to attend our Annual Club meeting and BBQ on June 18<sup>th</sup> at Fort Borst Park in Centralia. Jim and Julie Franklin have once again volunteered to organize this annual event. Thanks Jim and Julie!

Best Regards,

Bonnie

*Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club  
Balance Sheet & Cash Flow Statement  
January 1, 2011 - March 31, 2011*

Balance Sheet

	Balance <u>1/1/2011</u>	Balance <u>3/31/2011</u>
Cash		
PayPal Account Balance	\$ 283.64	\$ 283.64
Bank of America	269.25	269.25
Bank of America Cashier's Check	6,500.00	
Community Credit Union	-	7,058.81
Petty Cash	103.00	103.00
	<hr/> \$ 7,155.89	<hr/> \$ 7,714.70

Cash Flow Statement 1/1/2011 - 1/31/2011

Beginning Cash - 1/1/2011	\$ 7,155.89
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Receipts:

Membership	100.00
Ways & Means	75.00
Newsletter Advertising	49.00
Bloat Seminar	525.00
Interest	0.59

Total Receipts	<hr/> 749.59
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Disbursements:

Seminar Expenses	121.43
Board Expenses	53.95
Supplies	15.40

Total Disbursements	<hr/> 190.78
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Ending Cash - 3/31/2011	<hr/> \$ 7,714.70
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**The Treasurer's report** presented here represents activity only from January 1 - March 31, 2011 and the verified beginning cash balances in the Bank, PayPal and held in cash/checks on January 1, 2011. Unfortunately towards the end of December 2010 it was discovered that the previous Treasurer had been embezzling Club funds for her own personal use over the majority of her term in office, which began January 1, 2002.

The Board has requested that, to the extent possible, previous years' financial records be investigated to determine the amount and scope of the fraudulent activities. Upon the completion of this investigation the Club's financial statements will be updated to reflect transactions occurring prior to January 1, 2011.

## Membership Report by Lisa Simonsen

As of March 31, 2010 the Club has:

15 Family Memberships  
19 Individual Memberships  
4 Associate Memberships

Please welcome the following new members this quarter:

Amy Nichols, Portland OR, Swissy - Painted Trout Juvenile Jury "Opus"  
Tyler & Heidi Otten, Layton UT, Swissy - Painted Mtn Boris Chudesnoi Sobaki "Boris"  
Julie Kott, Gig Harbor WA, Swissy – Ch. Painted Mountain Overjoyed "Phoebe"

Membership renewal time is fast approaching with our Club's year end June 30, 2011. Watch your e-mail boxes for the renewal notice that will be sent out in May or if you would like to get a jump on it, feel free to send in your renewal fee (\$30 Family, \$20 Individual, \$15 Associate) and updated contact information to: Lisa Simonsen, CGSMDC Membership Chair, PO Box 1488, Allyn WA 98524. If you have any questions about membership please contact me at [gsmd@paintedswissys.com](mailto:gsmd@paintedswissys.com) or 360-432-8971. Thanks!

## General Membership Meetings

Please note the dates and times of the next two CGSMDC General Membership meetings

April 16, 2011

General Membership meeting at 11:00 with a Board meeting to follow at 11:30 on Saturday April 16th at:

Judy's Country Kitchen  
3210 Galvin Road  
Centralia, WA 98531-9061

Restaurant is shown as B on the map provided here.

June 18, 2011

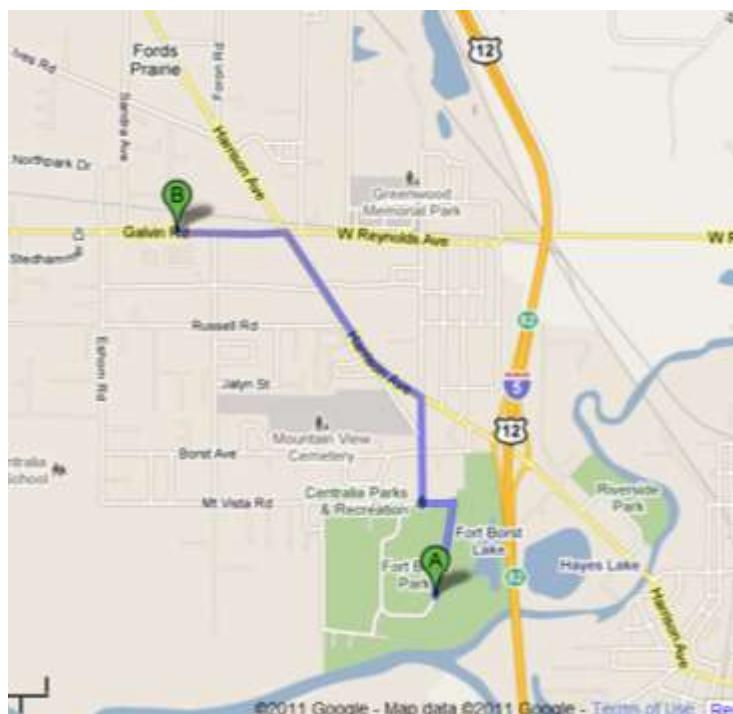
Annual Club BBQ & General Meeting

On June 18th—BBQ will start at approx. 11:00 with a General and Board meeting following.

Fort Borst Park  
Centralia, WA

For more info about the BBQ see pg 12 in this newsletter

Fort Borst Park is shown as A on the map provided here.



## Secretary Report-

We have had a tremendous amount of meeting minutes lately and I am currently in the process of consolidating and assembling them for club review. A summary report will be sent out shortly.

Thank you, Stuart Kramlich

*CGSMDC Wishes You All A Very Happy Easter!*



Photos courtesy of Doreen Pesce



**Did you say  
swissy treats?**

### Frozen Dog Treats

Combine 1/2 cup plain yogurt with 1/4 cup

shredded carrots or chopped apples.

Chop 4 ounces cooked liver,

and add it to the yogurt mixture.

Spoon the yogurt treats into an ice

cube tray, and freeze.

# Get to know your board members

## Meet Your CGSMDC Vice President Allison Allen



Allison and her husband Blake both work outside their home but they still find time to volunteer for club events. Whether the events are club seminars or BBQ's you can always rely on this family to be there. Most times they bring their swissy Gypsy with them. Allison is currently serving as the CGSMDC Vice President. We asked Allison to answer questions about herself and here's what she said.

1. Where were you born? Nuremberg, Germany
2. When did you move to the NW or are you a native? August 2008
3. Where did you go to school/college. Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, AZ
4. What were some of your early jobs? Penny Saver delivery girl, College bookstore, Media Buyer
5. What do you do now? Insurance Agent
6. Any family, children? My husband Blake, we've been married for 7 years. 2 fur-children; Ella Fitzgerald (9 yr old kitty) & Gypsy Boots ( 2 yr old swissy).
7. When did you get your first Swissy? March 2009
8. What were the circumstances? We tried to find our Swissy in the NW, but were unsuccessful finding available puppies in our area. Bonnie Huett put us in contact with Janelle Kaiser in Indiana who was able to place the best puppy in the world with us! Gypsy's mom, Kayak, is from Lisa Simonsen so I guess in sense she is kind of from the NW.
9. What made you decide on this breed? It was the only breed my husband and I could agree upon.
10. What are some other breeds you have had? Chow Chow, Rodigan Ridgeback
11. Are you a breeder or an enthusiast? Enthusiast
12. Do you have other animals? Yes, one kitty who rules our home. She is Gypsy's favorite for sure!
13. What activity do you enjoy doing with your swissy? We try to take Gypsy with us everywhere possible. We enjoy taking her on our road trips to the beach, gardens around town, berry picking, hiking, seeing our other swissy friends and pretty much anything else we can do with her.

## Meet the Breeds Booth - Portland

By: Jim & Julie Franklin



Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club Meet the Breed booth at the Rose City Classic. We had seven swissys: Monty, Lily, Opus, Trinity, Quinn, Sierra, and Zoey. We had seven people manning the booth: Rebecca and Greg, Amy, Dalena, Michelle, and Jim and Julie. We all had a great time and got to share our dogs with many people. We had swissies from 5 months up to 8 years old. Visitors saw the whole spectrum of swissies. Huge Thanks to all our volunteers! Jim & Julie Franklin



## Dog Friendly Landscaping

Author: Jennifer Roland Cadiente

Dogs and gardens. Two things that don't always co-exist well. Dogs like to dig and eat plants, and it seems that even an ounce of mud in the yard multiplies when it gets tracked in all over your floors and furniture.

But a little planning and design touches can give you a great-looking yard that is safe and fun for you and your dog.

First, assess what you have. Take a walk around your yard, jotting down any plants that are toxic and any areas that are being misused—you know, the areas that have stripped branches or cavernous holes.



The most common toxic plants, according to Dr. Jill Richardson, DVM, and the ASPCA, are listed below. You can also find comprehensive lists <http://www.cybercanine.com/toxicplants.htm> and [http://www.thepetcenter.com/wai/poi\\_LG.html](http://www.thepetcenter.com/wai/poi_LG.html).

### Ten Most Dangerous Plants

1. Azaleas and Rhododendrons (*Rhododendron* spp.)
2. Oleander (*Nerium oleander*)
3. Lily-of-the-valley (*Convallaria majalis*)
4. Foxglove (*Digitalis purpurea*)
5. Castor Beans (*Ricinus communis*)
6. Cycad Palms (*Cycas, Zamia*)
7. Lilies: Easter lilies (*Lilium longiflorum*), tiger lilies (*Lilium tigrinum*), rubrum or Japanese showy lilies (*Lilium speciosum* and *Lilium lancifolium*), and various day lilies (*Hemerocallis* species)
8. Ferns: Asparagus Fern (*Asparagus densiflorus* cv *sprengerii*), Bracken Fern (*Pteridium aquilinum*)
9. Elephant Ear (*Caladium* spp.)
10. Aloe Vera

Safety is the most important thing, so if you find any toxic plants, you should remove them as soon as possible. Then you can look at the list of safe plants here (again courtesy of Richardson and the ASPCA) or some more comprehensive lists at <http://www.sniksnak.com/plants.html> or <http://www.aspca.org/pet-care/poison-control/plants/>.

### Ten Safe Plants

1. Carnations (*Dianthus Caryophyllus*)
2. Roses (*Rosa* spp.)
3. Daisies (*Chrysanthemum leucanthemum*)
4. Chrysanthemums (*Chrysanthemum morifolium*)
5. Violets (*Viola*)
6. Orchids (*Oncidium sphacelatum*)
7. Begonia (*Begonia semperflorens*, *Begonia tuberhybridacultorum*)
8. Jasmine (*Jasminum multiflorum*)
9. Ferns: Boston Fern (*Nephrolepis exalta* *Bostonians*), Giant Holly Fern (*Polystichum munitum*)
10. Camellia (*Camellia japonica*)

Grassy areas can be hard to keep looking nice, with the thunder of dog feet and urine spots. David Leon, landscaper and canine carpenter on Animal Planet's *Underdog* to *Wonderdog*, recommended using hardy grasses. Kentucky 31 and perennial ryegrass are two of his favorites. He advises steering clear of Kentucky bluegrass and Bermuda grass. Author Cheryl S. Smith (*Dog-Friendly Gardens, Garden-Friendly Dogs*) suggests calling your local parks department and asking what grass they use on their playing fields—if it can stand up to multiple soccer games, it should be a good choice for your yard. If you have a shady area where grass won't grow very well, you might try low-growing herbs such as wooly thyme. Thyme is safe, and it will keep their feet smelling nice.

Urine spots are easy to prevent. You can water them down if you see your Swissy peeing on the lawn. Or, as Leon suggests, create a special potty area and train your guy or gal to use it. It helps you with clean-up, too, because you'll have only one area in which to do poop patrol.

If you have durable grass and good plantings, you'll have less chance of dirt being tracked in, but we all know it still happens. Those furry feet trap a lot of dirt just waiting to get all over your floors and furniture. Smith has a fun suggestion to keep the dirt outside where it belongs: "We have large welcome mats outside the front and back doors, and we can ask the dogs to spin (jump around in a tight circle) on the mat, and it helps get off a lot of stuff from the feet."

Once you have finished dealing with your plants, it's time to look at what you put on them. Because dogs put their feet and mouths on everything they come into contact with, it is very important to use only safe and natural materials. Dog owner and research librarian Pat Tackett suggests using corn gluten meal for weed control and alfalfa pellets for fertilizer. Both are all-natural and completely safe. Another good fertilizer is fish emulsion. Leslie May, president of Raise a Green Dog (<http://blog.raiseagreendog.com/>), a blog that explores natural products and methods of dog care, chronicled the results after using a fish emulsion product that hooks to the hose for easy application. "Not only is it safe for the dogs and cats in our family," she said, "it works great and you can put it down anytime of the year." May also recommends horticultural vinegar grass killer, which is available in several commercial products.

Another important component of your landscape is mulch. In our family, mulched areas are the best places to dig—the soil is soft and the area is clear of plants to get in the way of a good hole. You might have luck with pecan mulch, which looks nice and doesn't feel very good to dig in because of the sharp edges on the shells. Richardson confirmed that pecan mulch is safe. The mulch to avoid is cocoa mulch, she said. "It is possible that a dog could eat enough to get chocolate poisoning."

What about bugs? There are safe ways to control unwanted insects. First, make sure you have no standing water for mosquitoes to breed in. Besides causing the itchies for the dogs and humans in the household, mosquitoes can spread heartworm. Then look at bringing in some predatory insects. Ladybugs, lacewings, and nematodes are available for purchase at your local garden store and will take care of bugs above and below ground. If none of these tips work, mix a little dish soap with water in a spray bottle and spray this solution on your plants. Richardson encourages all pet owners to avoid harsh chemicals, especially "rat and mouse poison, mole or gopher bait, snail bait, fly bait, and systemic insecticides."

There are other hazards you might not ever think of in your yard. If you have a compost pile, make sure it is in a closed container and keep your dog away from it until it is completely ready to use. The molds that grow on compost and other items can cause tremors and seizures, Richardson said. Also be careful if you have fruit trees. Groundfall fruit can mold, and most pits contain poisonous compounds.



Just because you have a dog, doesn't mean your lawn has to look like this. Proper plant selection and landscaping can make your yard an attractive haven for you and your dogs.

If your dog ever exhibits strange behavior that makes you suspect poisoning, contact a veterinarian or the ASPCA Poison Control Center hotline (888-426-4435) immediately. (There is a fee for the hotline.) Keep a list of important phone numbers on your fridge or a bulletin board by your phone so that you have them handy if you ever need them. And try to bring a specimen of the item ingested, especially if it is a mushrooms. Toxic and non-toxic mushrooms look very similar and must be identified by an expert.

The next step is to focus on the design features that can make your yard more than just a safe place—make it a fun place that gives the mental and physical stimulation your Swissy needs. Richardson suggests making sure your fence is secure and also microchipping and registering your dog, just in case.

We all know that digging is a huge problem, but there are ways to stop the behavior. Andrew Ledford, dog trainer and author of *Dog Training: Best Friends Learning Together*, has some great tips. If you are putting in a new landscape, he said, "a layer of chicken wire can help prevent digging." Keep an eye when you first let your dog out to see if he keeps digging. There is the possibility that a determined digger will ignore the wire and cut their paws, but, Ledford continued, it "is a great deterrent for most dogs." If chicken wire isn't a good choice for you, try a layer of cobblestones.

Ledford also suggests looking at the behavioral issues involved in digging. Is your dog bored? Looking for a cool place to lay in the summer heat? Just in love with digging? If your dog is bored or just loves to dig, Leon suggests creating a special digging area. You can fill it with sand and bury toys for the dog to unearth. If you make it fun and discourage digging in other areas, you could have the best of both worlds.

If your Swissy needs a cool place to lay, look for more ways to incorporate shade into your landscape. A nice shady spot in the grass will go a long way toward keeping your furry beast comfortable when it's hot out.

You can also create other special dog areas to help combat boredom and give your dog more exercise. These types of landscape additions are what really gets Leon excited. He looks at the breed characteristics and the dog's personality and then designs fun activities into the landscape. Swissies are good at drafting and agility, so those are good activities to highlight if your yard is large enough to handle the additions. You could build a smooth, winding path that your dog could pull a cart around. If carting isn't right for your yard, why not add some fun agility-type activities. Leon has built underground tunnels and mounds with paths for dogs to run up and down. The key in his designs is to make these features blend into the landscape. That is why he goes for underground tunnels rather than movable tunnels—"you don't necessarily want your yard to look like an obstacle course."



A good selection of toys in the yard make it a fun place for your Swissy and serves as a distraction from undesirable behaviors, such as digging and excessive barking.

Now it's time to put these tips to good use. The end of winter is a good time to make your assessment and prepare for the planting and home improvement season.

Happy landscaping!

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## Annual Club BBQ and General meeting June 18th!!! Come join in the fun.



Everyone is invited to join us for a day filled with fun, food, & festivities for you and your entire swissy family.

Event will be held at the  
Fort Borst Park, Centralia, WA  
Start Time: 11:00 AM

Club supplies hamburgers, hotdogs, buns, condiments, and drinks.  
Members will supply side dishes, deserts, chips, and other goodies.

RSVP with number of people and dish you will be bringing.  
RSVP to Jim and Julie Franklin at oreolu@aol.com

Dogs are welcomed even non-swissies, all must be on a leash (Park rules).  
There is an off-leash area for the dogs to play.  
We'll bring some agility equipment for the dogs to play on and try out.

*Mark your Calendars!!! Hope To See You All There!!!*

## Fun Photos





**CHAMPION OF HEALTH**  
AWARD NOMINATION

The GSMDCA, as a CHIC participating parent club, will be applying for the OFA sponsored “Champion of Health” award this year. *The “Champion of Health” award celebrates dogs that have achieved significant accomplishments, whether in the conformation ring, performance events, as working dogs, or as producers, AND that have the full complement of appropriate health screening.* The award will consist of an engraved silver medallion, and a \$100 donation to the AKC Canine Health Foundation in the name of the honored dog. The award will be announced and given at the GSMDCA’s annual awards banquet at the National Specialty.

Any GSMD member’s Greater Swiss Mountain Dog (GSMD) can be nominated by their owner or an interested party provided that the GSMD is at least two years old (and still living) at the time of nomination and has achieved a normal ratings on the CHIC required health screenings for hips, elbows and eyes. (Additional health screenings beyond these are not required for nomination but will enhance the overall nominee’s qualifications for award.) Please provide proof of significant accomplishments of the nominee, such as conformation titles and significant wins, obedience and working titles, and production achievements (such as Register of Merit, Top Producer, etc). In addition please include a brief narrative on why you believe your nominee should be selected as the Champion of Health for 2011.

Award Nominations must be submitted to the GSMDCA Health Committee, via e-mail: GSMDCA.healthcommittee@gmail.com or USPS to GSMDCA Health Committee, Attention: Ms. Allison Allen, 7079 NE Ronler Way #924, Hillsboro, OR 97124, to be sent no later than July 8, 2011. The top ten nominated GSMDs will be submitted to an internet vote by the Membership. The top three nominated GSMDs as determined by the membership vote will be submitted to OFA for the final selection of the overall “Champion of Health”<sup>1</sup>.

Complete the following information (below and on the next page) for each nominee and enclose proof of health clearances and achievements. Please only one dog per form.

Registered Name of GSMD: \_\_\_\_\_

Call Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's e-mail & phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Name & Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

<sup>1</sup> OFA reserves the right to withhold the award if they do not consider any of the nominees to be suitable.

Health Clearance Information:

CHIC Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Hips – OFA Score & Number \_\_\_\_\_  
and/or PennHip Distraction Indexes & Laxity Profile Ranking<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Elbows - OFA Number \_\_\_\_\_ Eyes – CERF Number \_\_\_\_\_

Other Health Clearances – Type of Clearance and Number -

Titles<sup>3</sup> & Accomplishments:

Conformation-

Obedience-

Working-

Production Titles<sup>3</sup> & Accomplishments:

**Brief description of why this GSMD should be awarded the “Champion of Health” for 2011:**

2 Include a copy of PennHip evaluation form.

3 Include copy of title certificates.

# Ways & Means

Available now through your Cascade Club Ways & Means.



The Ways and Means Department  
has limited supplies of these two  
very stylish indoor/outdoor signs.

“Welcome Friends” sign is 12”x18”  
\$16.00

“Swissy at Play” sign is 12”x12”  
\$15.00

Supplies limited. Shipping costs are extra.



For more information on Ways & Means contact: HelenKramlich@gmail.com



## Volunteers Needed

**Pick me...Pick me  
I want to help!  
How about you?**

Your club has an open position and we  
need your talents to fill it.

We are currently looking for someone that would like to help with our Media Relations Department.

If you are interested in learning more about this position or you want to get more involved in the club please contact your club president .

Bonnie Huett at troutcreek@hughes.net  
or any of your CGSMDC board members.

Would you like to join the Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club?

For membership information contact Lisa Simonsen at [gsmd@paintedswissys.com](mailto:gsmd@paintedswissys.com)

Membership forms are located at the end of this newsletter or  
Visit our club website! [Www.cascadeswissyclub.com](http://www.cascadeswissyclub.com)

Join the Yahoo Group for on-line discussion with CGSMDC Members!  
Visit [groups.yahoo.com/group/CascadeSwissyClub/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CascadeSwissyClub/)

## Looking for VIP's (very important Pup's)

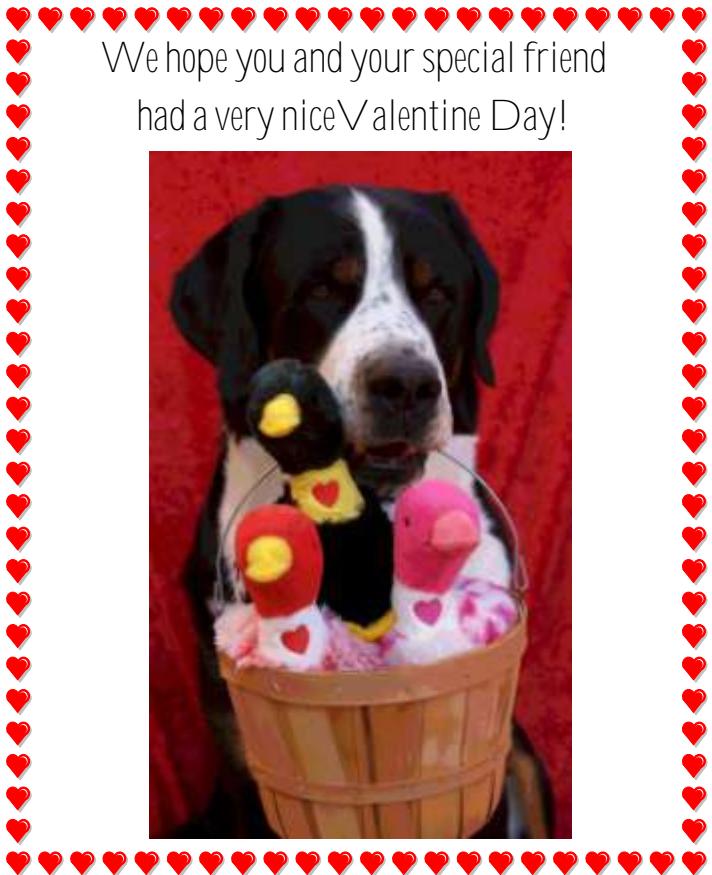
Do you have a Swissy that is at least 10 years old?

We would love to feature your special swissy friend and it's life story in our next newsletter.

They deserve our recognition.

All 10 + yr old veteran feature ads are complimentary.

Send photo and a little info about your Veteran to:  
[HelenKramlich@gmail.com](mailto:HelenKramlich@gmail.com)



We hope you and your special friend had a very nice Valentine Day!

ASPCA Animal  
Poison Control Center  
24 hours a day  
1- 888-426-4435

For a poison emergency  
in the U.S.  
call the AAPCC  
1-800-222-1212  
American Association of  
Poison Control Centers

## ★ Big BAROOO's Go To! ★

Trout Creek's Kiska CD, RAE, NAJ

“Sierra”



Congratulations, Sierra,  
on earning your  
Novice Agility Jumpers  
title.

You are an awesome Swissy

and a jumping fool!!!!

We love you girl!!!!



Loved and owned by Jim and Julie Franklin

Bred by: Bonnie Huett– Trout Creek Swiss Mountain Dogs

## ★ Big BAROOO's Go To! ★

Northwood's Bright Azalea RA

“Zoey”



Congratulations, Zoey,  
on earning your Rally Advanced Title!!



You are a super working Swissy!!!!  
We love you girl!!!!!

Owned and Adored by Jim and Julie Franklin

Bred by: Dr Rebecca Martin and Dr Gregory Martin—Northwoods Kennels



## Swissy V. I. P.s

(Very Important Pup)

In Honor of Our Seniors And Their Many “Tails”



### “BARI”

Howling Hills Bari

Owned & Adored By:  
Don, Gail, Alex & Talia Rudee

Breeder: Stacey Reynolds

Bari will be 12 on May 14, 2011 and is very happy as an "urban dog" in West Seattle. She is aging gracefully and thankfully has only minor health issues.

Bari is the same sweet girl she has always been!

She still loves to go on her walks. She takes them a bit slower these days and they have gone from a couple of miles in the hills to just a few blocks around the house, but she still loves to get outside every chance she gets so she can remind all those squirrels that she is here and still in charge:-)

Bari's favorite things are her human brother and sister that she has grown up with. She is not very happy that they are both away in College this year and she is in heaven when they return for Holidays and her family is back together again.

Bari and her owners attend and volunteer at many club functions. Bari tries to attend the “Meet the Breed Booth” in Seattle every year.

She is an excellent example of how gracefully swissies can mature and a good roll model for all the young pups that meet her.



The following article was written by Don Rudee. He wrote it many years ago about his beautiful little swissy Howling Hills Bari, or more affectionately known as “Bar-bar”.

The story is true and as every year passes Bari continuously proves that she is indeed a very special girl and indeed a “Miracle Swissy”.

## Bari, Our Miracle Swissy

Author: Don Rudee



You might not think our “Bar-bar” is the “ideal” Swissy. She’s exempt from Conformation, she “almost” got her CGC, she took one tug at the weight pull cart and decided it better to flee and go play with her friends, and she never gives slobbery kisses. But compared to most Swissies I know, I feel there has to be a greater purpose to her existence.

You see, Stacey calls Bari “her miracle baby” and it’s easy to see why. The “B” litter was: two pups DOA, 9 healthy pups and Bari, who was born with a massive Hernia. Despite the commotion of dealing with 9 puppies and 2 deaths, Dr. Olsen had to decide what to do about the littlest one, who had most of her intestinal tract on the outside of her body. There was no time to do an elaborate surgery on such a little life, so he decided to gently try and put everything back where it should be and just suture her up.

Four weeks later, when we first visited proud mama Breeze and her pups we noticed the little one with the red collar that was holding her own against all the other’s including the big bruisers. Stacey explained that she had to fight to come into this world, and she has kept fighting, so to speak to maintain her position among the rest of the pups. Yet she seemed to have such a sweet personality in spite of her feisty nature! Somehow Stacey could see that she was right for our family and we all agreed. So after 8 weeks she was riding home in our crate in the back seat of our car with two adoring kids vying for her attention.

Well, due to the circumstances of her birth a few months later we had her spayed. Dr. Canfield actually called me in the middle of the operation to explain to me that her intestines which should be twisted back and forth freely, like a snake, were one big “glued mass”. The Tummy-tack I requested was out of the question, and he was worried even about doing the spay. But she was in good hands and everything else went fine. When he came out of the operating room all he said was “We did complete the spay...just love her every day you have with her.” Here it is 3 years later and except for an unusually sensitive stomach, she has been “healthy as a horse.” And thanks to Breeze, Stacey and a couple of fabulous Vets we DO love her every day and never take her time with us for granted.



# The Swissy Stork



Painted Mtn Boris Chudesnoi  
"Boris"

Owners: Tyler & Heidi Otten  
Layton UT



Painted Mountain Ranch

Introduces Their  
**"Russian" Themed litter**

Whelped: November 4, 2010 2 males



Painted Mtn Maksim Zhukor  
"Buster"

Owners: Laine Family  
Sammamish, WA

Sire: Ch. Korona Rossii Yaroslav - "Yuri"  
Dam: Painted Mtn Gonna Tell - "Tattle"  
Breeder: Lisa Simonsen



# April 2011

3 Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 April Fools	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 gen/brd meeting
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Easter	25	26	27	28	29	30

# May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Mother's Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Flag Day	15	16	17	18 BBQ & Gen Meeting
19 Father's Day	20	21	22 Deadline for Summit Material	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

## Schedule of Events

April 1– April Fools Day

April 16– General Club Meeting-11:00AM  
Judy's Country Kitchen  
3210 Galvin Rd Centralia, WA

April 24– Easter

May 8 – Mother's Day

June 14 – Flag Day

June 18 - Annual BBQ & Meetings  
Annual Club BBQ & General Meeting  
Starts: 11:00AM  
Fort Borst Park, Centralia, WA  
RSVP to: Jim & Julie Franklin at  
Oreolu@aol.com

June 19 – Father's Day

June 22 -Deadline for E-Summit

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The Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club (CGSMDC) is a group of Swissy loving folks who enjoy working with, playing with, and just plain spoiling their Swissy!

The CGSMD was formed on January 17, 1998, with nine founding members. During the first meeting held in Portland Oregon, seven of the nine members were immediately drafted into Officer/Director positions! Within a few months, membership increased to 27 members. Today the club continues to grow.

The main objectives of the club are :

- To encourage and promote quality breeding of the purebred GSMD, and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.
- To urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the AKC as the only standard of excellence by which the GSMD shall be judged.
- To do all in its power to protect and advance the interest of the breed. To encourage sportsmanlike conduct at dog events and encourage goodwill, support and cooperation among GSMD owners and fanciers.
- To conduct sanctioned matches and specialty shows and other AKC events for which the club is eligible under the Rules and Regulations of The American Kennel Club.
- To provide a source of information to GSMD owners and the interested public.

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## Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club Membership Application

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Tell us about your dogs. Breed( s), registered name (s), call name (s), titles, etc.

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\_\_\_\_\_

Any information you wish to share (other club affiliations, interests, etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Level** (*While membership is unrestricted as to residence, the Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog strongly encourages members outside of the Greater Seattle area to apply for Associate Membership*)

Applicants for all levels must be at least 18 years of age. Ownership of a GSMD is required for all voting levels. All New Individual and Family Membership applications must be supported by two sponsors who are currently voting members in good standing of the CGSMDC. All memberships receive our quarterly newsletter and an invitation to join the club listserv!

Family (2 Votes) - \$30 [ ]

Individual (1 Vote) - \$20 [ ]

Associate (non-voting) - \$15 [ ]

Out of Country (non-voting)- \$25 [ ]

Sponsors (New Voting Memberships – renewals need not provide):

(1) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (1) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (2) \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

I (we) agree to abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the CGSMDC and the Rules of The American Kennel Club. Additionally, I(we) have read, signed, and agree to abide by the CGSMDC Member Guidelines located on the second page of this form.

Signature/ Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature/ Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please contact:** Lisa Simonsen—Membership Chair  
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## Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club Member Guidelines

1. Members shall be aware at all times that the Club exists to protect the breed and that these aims are to be reflected in all activities involving the breed.
2. At home and while away from home at shows, lodging establishments, and public places, members will display good sportsmanship and conduct themselves in such a manner as to reflect favorably upon the CGSMDC and the breed.  
Members shall:
  - a. Be diligent in the handling of their properly restrained GSMD/s to minimize the risk of trauma, danger, or nuisance to any human being or another animal.
  - b. Recognize their responsibility to protect the name and reputation of the breed.
  - c. Be respectful of all members and be sure that shared assessments of a member's GSMD are constructive.
  - d. Refrain from destructive criticism of another's dog and from personal attacks upon fellow members.
3. GSMD owners and their breeders are encouraged to remain in contact for advice and to update each other on the progress of parents and offspring.
4. Members are encouraged to seek the advice and assistance of experienced owners and to willingly educate and cooperate with each other.
5. Members agree to educate the public and to honestly represent the breed at all times. This includes making sure interested persons are aware of all general and genetic health problems. Members asked about the current/future availability of puppies should refer the public to the Club's Corresponding Secretary or the CGSMDC web site.
6. Members shall not sell or give away any GSMD/s for raffle prize purposes, or to any dog wholesalers, pet shops, other retailers, or laboratories (other than veterinary research facilities for the betterment of the breed).
7. If a member becomes aware of the maltreatment, misuse or need for relocation of any GSMD, they will notify any or all of the following for resolution of the problem: the breeder (if known), a Club member actively involved in GSMD rescue, a member of the Board of Directors, or the correct authorities in their area.
8. Members shall not use Club resources for personal or private gain, nor engage in conduct anti ethical to the Club's purpose and/or integrity.
9. All GSMDs owned or in the care of members shall be given a healthy environment, good nutrition, and veterinary care as well as proper training that includes regular contact with people and exposure to the outside world.
  - a. No member's GSMD may be treated in an inhumane manner, abused, or subjected to any conditions likely to endanger the animal's life.
  - b. No member should have more GSMDs than their facilities can adequately hold.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Optional Information:

#### **Areas of Interest, please check all that apply:**

- |                   |                     |                         |
|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Obedience [ ]     | Conformation [ ]    | Agility [ ]             |
| Breeding Info [ ] | Breed Education [ ] | Newsletter Articles [ ] |
| Weight Pull [ ]   | Fun Activities [ ]  | Herding [ ]             |
| Rescue [ ]        | Health Issues [ ]   | Draft Work [ ]          |
| Pack Dog [ ]      |                     |                         |

