



# E-Summit

Cascade  
Greater Swiss  
Mountain Dog  
Club



## Have a Safe and Happy 4th of July !

Humans usually enjoy the Fourth of July celebration with fireworks and loud noise but your dog may not be so thrilled by them. The loud noises, flashes and bangs can scare your dog. They may start to whimper, tremble or pant. They can also act more needy and some have even ran into glass doors & windows in an effort to escape.

Keep your pet's fear of fireworks in mind this year and try to keep him calm by doing some of the following.

Take your dog outside to go potty before the fireworks fun begins. Keep him inside on the Fourth of July. Do not take him outside during a fireworks display or into the yard or driveway when firecrackers of any sort are being used.

Close the doors, drapes and blinds to your home so that your dog will not see or hear the fireworks.

Put on soothing music or nature sounds or a TV or radio station, to distract your dog. The music may help to muffle the sounds of the fireworks and will help to put him at ease.

Play with your dog. Distract him with a favorite game that he enjoys playing, such as with a favorite ball or toy, or introduce a new chew toy to him to divert his attention and keep him occupied.

If your dog has noise phobias throughout the year, or his phobia of fireworks is extreme, speak to your veterinarian. Ask for advice on possible medications or natural sedatives that your vet can prescribe to help your dog relax and feel more comfortable. Submitted by: Helen Kramlich

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*A man may smile  
and bid you hail  
Yet wish you to the devil;  
But when a good dog  
wags his tail,  
You know he's on the  
level.  
~Author Unknown*

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## Cascade Annual BBQ Held June 18th, 2011

The weather decided not to cooperate again this year but that did not slow down the fun.

Many people showed up to visit with old friends, meet new friends and enjoy the club's annual BBQ in Centralia, WA at Fort Borst Park Saturday, June 18th, 2011.

As always it was great to see everyone and of course to meet the newest additions. There were quite a few new visitors that came this year to enjoy our swissy community.

Jim & Julie Franklin brought their agility equipment and everyone enjoyed trying it out.

There were many swissys there, ranging in age from 12 weeks to 12 years. The gang walked to the play area and had a blast running and playing together as the owners all watched and visited.

As always the food & company was great and it was topped off with a birthday cake for the oldest swissy in attendance. Bari turned 12 years old this year and we celebrated with her by sharing a swissy cake that was made by one of her special humans, Talia Rudee.



Above Talia Rudee holds the swissy cake she made.



## CGSMDC Annual BBQ....continued.



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**It's that time of year again...**

**July is time to renew your  
membership to CGSMDC.**

**Don't put it off for another day or fall  
asleep on the job.**

**Get R Done!**

**Renew now!**

**Then kick back, take a nap and relax!**

For membership information contact

Lisa Simonsen at [gsmrd@paintedswissys.com](mailto:gsmrd@paintedswissys.com)

Membership renewal forms are located at the end of this  
newsletter or

Visit our club website! [Www.cascadeswissyclub.com](http://www.cascadeswissyclub.com)



### Frozen Swissy Treats

Mix together:

1 cup yogurt  
1 ripe banana  
1/2 cup peanut butter

Smooth into ice cube trays

Place a biscuit or kibble in each tray

Freeze and Serve!

## CGSMDC President's Message:

Greetings Cascade Club Members,

Summer is finally upon us and it is time to have some outdoor fun with our Swissys. Summer fun can pose some dangers for our dogs so here are a few safety tips:

Swissys tend to overheat easily due to their large body mass and black coat so be sure to go on walks in the early mornings or late evenings. Carry water and offer your dog a drink often. Know and watch for signs of dehydration and hyperthermia.



Be prepared for travel in hot weather. Be sure to carry water and a bucket along and be aware that your dog can easily overheat in his crate, especially if your vehicle is not equipped with rear air conditioning. A small crate fan and a cool pad or frozen bottles of water in his crate will help to keep him cool.

Walking your dog on hot sidewalks can be very painful and can also burn your dog's paws.

Fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides commonly used on lawns can be dangerous and sometimes deadly to dogs. Consider using organic lawn care products and keep your grass a safe place for your dog to play.

Bee stings are very common and can be extremely dangerous for our dogs. When hiking, especially in August and September when there are nests in the ground, be sure to carry Benadryl in your pack and know the proper dosage to administer if your dog gets stung.

Ticks can be another problem in some areas. If you choose not to use chemical tick prevention products on your dog, take a brush along to use just before loading up to go home, check your dog over again after using the brush to find any ticks that may have been missed.

Summertime is a great opportunity for exploring new hiking trails. Some parks and forest trails allow dogs to be off leash however most areas have leash rules so be sure to follow them and keep your dog on leash. Remember, not everyone loves dogs like we do so be considerate of other hikers and keep your dog under control. Again, be sure to avoid the hottest part of the day, carry plenty of water and a small first aid kit.

I hope that you and your Swissys have a great summer!

Kind Regards,  
Bonnie

## Medication Warning!!

### “Gentizol”

By Helen Kramlich

**Please be aware that this medication can cause hearing loss.**

Our swissy Ben is a 7.5 yr old male, he has always had ear infections caused from allergies.

In April of this year we visited the local veterinarians for another ear infection and Ben was prescribed Gentizol, to be applied into his ear for this infection. Gentizol (gentamicin-betamethasone-clotrimazole) is an antibacterial, anti-inflammatory, and antifungal ointment that is used for the treatment of canine acute and chronic ear infections.

Within a couple of days we noticed Ben was ignoring us when we called him and he was no longer running to us when one of the other dogs were getting a snack. Ben is a trained service dog and he always came running when he was called. We realized this medication was causing him to lose his hearing. We immediately stopped the Gentizol and took him back to the vet. They immediately flushed his ears and sent us home with a saline solution with instructions to continue to flush his ears to remove any residual medication. It is now over two months since this happened and Ben still has hearing loss.

We have revisited the doctors and seen 4 different vets, none of them acknowledge that this medication could have caused Ben's hearing loss. They tell us it is the best product to use for clearing up ear infections. Three out of these four vets say they had never heard that this medication will damage hearing however I found the following statement on the Drugs.com website.

**"The use of gentamicin-betamethasone-clotrimazole ointment has been associated with deafness or partial hearing loss in a small number of sensitive dogs (e.g., geriatric). The hearing deficit is usually temporary. If hearing or vestibular dysfunction is noted during the course of treatment, discontinue use of gentamicin-betamethasone-clotrimazole ointment immediately and flush the ear canal thoroughly with a non-ototoxic solution"**

We are still hoping that with time Ben's hearing will return. He can hear high voices and hand claps now. The hearing loss has made him jumpy and we now have to carefully approach him in the front so we don't startle him. We need to keep a collar on him at all times in the house as well as out of the home so we can lead him around safely. He will never be allowed to be off lead outside because we are concerned for his safety.

I am not trying to blame the vets for this, I blame myself for becoming complacent and trusting and not doing any research into the product before using it. Had I known there was a chance of hearing loss I would have opted to try a different medication.

Please be aware that medications, while they serve a purpose and can help our pets in many ways can also do them harm.

I tell everyone that they have to be an advocate for their animals and yet I was not this time and my poor Ben is paying the price.

### Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Rescue Organizations

Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Rescue Foundation.  
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# Get to know your board members

## Meet Your CGSMDC Secretary Stuart Kramlich



Stuart lives in the Tacoma area with his wife and family. They share their home with 5 swissys. Besides working and spending time with their dogs, Stuart likes to ride his bike in event rides for charities. As busy as he is he always finds time to get involved with the CGSMDC and lends a hand at any event that he is available for.

1. Where were you born? Bellevue, WA
2. When did you move to the NW or are you a native? Have lived in this part of the country all my life
3. Where did you go to school/college. Kent schools, Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
4. What were some of your early jobs? Shakeys Pizza, Familiar NW & Tramco
5. What do you do now? Contract Performance Manager for General Electric and Realtor for John L Scott.
6. Any family, children? My wife, Helen & kids, Natasha & Seth.
7. When did you get your first Swissy? November 2003
8. What were the circumstances? We had just put our rott to sleep when she was 14 yrs due to her health and decided we wanted another dog. We were going to adopt one from a shelter but my daughter was getting interested in showing /handling dogs so we decided to get one that was registered with AKC .
9. What made you decide on this breed? We researched different breeds and decided on a swissy because we thought they had good personalities, they are beautiful dogs, they are working dogs and we also liked the short coat.
10. What are some other breeds you have had? Rottweilers, Shepards, cocker spaniel and lots of lovable mutts.
11. Are you a breeder or an enthusiast? Breeder & Enthusiast
12. Do you have other animals? Yes, one feral kitty and a nine year old rabbit named "Bubba"
13. What activity do you enjoy doing with your swissy? I enjoy showing them in conformation, carting, rally, taking walks and just spending time with them.
- 14.What is unusual or unique about you, something that no one knows? I am an avid bicyclist. And was a speed skater in my teens and twenties.

## Meet the Breed Booth - Seattle

By: Jim & Julie Franklin

The club supported a Meet the Breed Booth at the Seattle Kennel Club show in March. We had many great volunteers greeting the public. We had a nice range of swissies for the public to see. We had puppies, we had boys and girls, we had older swissies, we had confirmation swissies, we had performance swissies, and we had pet swissies.

The Seattle show is the largest public event that the club does. We greet literally hundreds of people and talk to them about the breed. We let them know about the swissy temperament, exercise requirements, food requirements, activities, health issues, difference between the swissy and the bernese, how the swissy is with children, and on and on. We hand out many brochures so people can read more later if they are interested in getting a swissy. We always have fun things for the kids who visit the booth too.

Without the volunteers, we couldn't do the booth. We want to extend a special thank you to all the volunteers and their great swissy ambassadors:

Robin and Jeff with their swissy Millie

Meagan and her mom with Otto

Mike with Mirrhi

Kim and Loren with Triton

Tom and Zoe with Nandi

We are looking forward to doing this again next year. Come and Join us!



## Who's in charge here, anyway? Why don't we get any respect?

Author: Vicki DeGruy

*Q: Help! Our one year old dog doesn't seem to have any respect for us. He's been to obedience class but he seldom obeys our commands. He's always grabbing our hands or head butting us when he wants something. He's become very demanding. He never seems to get enough attention even though we give him attention all the time. He even body slams us out of the way at the door so he can get outside first. He's a very loving dog but we need to get him under control. He's too big to be telling us what to do!*

A: You're absolutely right! It sounds like your dog has a dominance problem and is on his way toward becoming the leader of your family – his pack. He has also reached the age of adolescence where, similar to a teenaged child, he's testing your limits. Now is an ideal time to nip these problems in the bud.

A dog's social system has a pecking order. The leader of the pack is the "alpha." He (or she) gets the best of everything – the best food, the best place to sleep, the best toy, etc. The alpha also gets to be first in everything – he gets to eat first, to leave first and to get attention first. All the other dogs in the pack respect the alpha dog's wishes. An alpha dog doesn't ask for what he wants, he demands it. He lets you know in no uncertain terms that he wants his dinner, that he wants to go out, that he wants to play or be petted and that he wants these things right now.

Your family is your dog's pack. Most dogs fit easily into the lower levels of their human pack's pecking order and don't make trouble. They do what they're told and don't challenge authority. Other dogs don't fit in quite as well. Some are natural leaders, others are social climbers always looking for ways to get a little closer to the top of the family ladder. These dogs can become problems to an unsuspecting family that's not aware of their natural pack instincts. Some families unknowingly encourage their dogs to take over the pack. They treat their dogs as equals, not as subordinates. They give them special privileges like being allowed to sleep on the bed or couch. They let them get away with disobeying commands. In a real dog pack, only the alpha dog would get this kind of treatment.

Dogs need – and want – leaders. They have an instinctive need to fit into a pack. They want the security of knowing their place and what's expected of them. Most of them don't want to be alpha – they want someone else to give orders and make decisions. But if his humans don't provide that leadership, the dog will take over the role himself. To reclaim your family's rightful place as leaders of the pack, your dog needs to learn how to be a subordinate, not an equal. He knew this once, as a baby puppy, because his mother taught him. She showed him very early in life that she was alpha and that he had to respect her. It's time to refresh his memory!

Before you can remove your dog from his alpha position, you must become alpha and earn his respect. Alpha is an attitude. It involves confidence, dignity, intelligence, an air of authority. A dog can sense this attitude almost immediately – it's how his mother acted toward him. Watch a good trainer or obedience instructor. They stand tall and use their voices and eyes to project the idea that they're capable of getting what they want. They're gentle but firm, loving but tough, all at the same time. Most dogs are immediately submissive towards this type of personality because they recognize and respect alpha when they see it.

Stand up straight with your shoulders back. Walk tall. Practice using a new tone of voice, one that's deep and firm. Don't ask your dog to do something – tell him. There's a difference and he knows it! As alpha, you're entitled to make the rules and give the orders. Your dog understands that instinctively.

Your dog already knows the command SIT. Now, every time your dog wants something – his dinner, a trip outside, a walk, some attention, anything – tell him (remember don't ask him, tell him) to sit first. When he does, praise him with a "Good Boy!" then tell him OKAY and give him whatever it is he wants as a reward. If he refuses to sit, walk away and ignore him. No sit, no reward. If you don't think he understands the command, work on his training some more. If he just doesn't want to obey, ignore him – don't give him what he wants or reward him in any fashion.

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Make him sit before giving him his dinner, make him sit at the door before going outside, make him sit in front of you to be petted, make him sit before giving him his toy. If you normally leave food out for him all the time, stop. Go to a twice daily feeding and you decide what time of day he'll be fed. Make him sit for his dinner. If he won't obey the command – no dinner. Walk away and ignore him. Bring the food out later and tell him again to sit. If he understands the command, don't tell him more than once. He heard you the first time. Give commands from a standing position and use a deep, firm tone of voice. To keep him from body-slammaing you at the doorway, put a leash on him. Make him sit and wait while you open the door and give him permission – OKAY! – to go out.

Alpha dogs are used to being fussed over. In a real dog pack, subordinate dogs are forever touching, licking and grooming the alpha dog. It's a show of respect and submission. Until your dog's attitude has improved, cut down on the amount of cuddling he gets. When he wants attention, make him sit first, give him a few kind words and pats, then stop. Go back to whatever you were doing and ignore him. If he pesters you, tell him NO! in a firm voice and ignore him some more. Pet him when you want to, not just because he wants you to. Also, don't get down on the floor or on your knees to pet your dog. That, too, is a show of submission. Give praise, petting and rewards from a position that's higher than the dog.

Don't allow wrestling or rough-housing with your dog. These games encourage dogs to dominate people physically. In a dog pack or in a litter, these games are more than just playing – they help to establish pack order based on physical strength. Your dog is already stronger and quicker than you are. Rough, physical games prove that to him.

Where does your dog sleep? Not in your bedroom and especially not on your bed! Your bedroom is a special place – it's your den. An alpha dog thinks he has a right to sleep in your den because he considers himself your equal. Until your dog's alpha problems are fully under control, the bedroom should be off-limits. The same goes for sleeping on furniture. If you can't keep him off the couch without a fight, deny him access to the room.

If your alpha program is successful, your dog should start looking to you for directions and permission. He'll show an eagerness to please. Watch how your dog approaches and greets you. Does he come to you "standing tall," with his head and ears held high and erect? It may look impressive and proud but it means he's still alpha and you still have problems! A dog that accepts humans as superiors will approach you with his head slightly lowered and his ears back or off to the sides. He'll "shrink" his whole body a little in a show of submission. Watch how he greets all the members of the family. If he displays this submissive posture to some of them, but not others, those are the ones who need to work harder on their own alpha techniques.

Once your dog has begun to accept this new way of life and his new position in the family, you should take him through another obedience course with a qualified trainer. Obedience training is a lifelong process. Obedience commands need to be practiced and incorporated into your daily life. In a dog pack, the alpha animal uses occasional reminders to reinforce his authority. Certain commands, like DOWN/STAY, are especially effective reminders of a dog's place in the family pack order and who's really in charge here. A well-trained dog that's secure in his place within the family pack is comfortable and confident. He knows what's expected of him. He knows his limits and who his leaders are. He's free to be your loving companion and not your boss!

Vicki DeGruy

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- Winner of an award of excellence from the Dog Writer's Association of America.

Former rescue section leader for Compuserve's Pets Forum Group.

**Join in the fun!  
Join the Cascade Greater Swiss  
Mountain Dog Club?**

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Membership forms are located at the end of this newsletter or  
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**Join the Yahoo Group for on-line discussion with CGSMDC Members!**

Visit  
[groups.yahoo.com/group/CascadeSwissyClub/](http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CascadeSwissyClub/)



**Volunteers Needed**

All appointed positions are currently full. However as you all know a club is only as good as its volunteers. So with this in mind please contact a board member to volunteer to help out at any planned event.

**Our sincere Thanks goes out to ALL of our current Volunteers!**

Kim Presley is your new Ways & Means chair person.  
**Thank you Kim!**

**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)



# Swissy V. I. P. s

(Very Important Pup)

In Honor of Our Seniors And Their Many “Tails”

**“ZIPPEN”**

**Ch. Lone Star's PtdMtn Zippy Ai Ay, TT, ROM, LOM**



**Happy Birthday Zippen!**

Zippen turns 13 on July 27th!

Date of Birth: July 27, 1998

Owned and Loved by:  
Glen & Lisa Simonsen

Breeder:  
Lisa Mayo

Zippen is coming up on birthday number 13! She has a bit more difficulty getting around, however she still loves playing with her great great grandkids, going to Jack in the Box with her favorite guy Glen every weekend and of course eating every meal with gusto!

We attribute Zippen's long life to her no stress optimistic attitude, she is always happy to share her love with everyone that she meets, especially children.

Glen and I feel very blessed to have had her as part of our Swissy family for the last 13 years. We like to tell her that she is setting a record everyday as the oldest dog that we have ever had, and we hope she continues to extend her record far into the future.



## Swissy V. I. P. s

(Very Important Pup)

In Honor of Our Seniors And Their Many “Tails”

### Happy Birthday Kayla!

Kayla turned 10 yrs old on  
June 6, 2011.

Owned and Loved by:  
Bob & Debbie Erickson

Breeders:  
Norm & DaLena Christensen



Kayla spends her days on ten acres where she has always thought it was her job to keep the deer off the land. In her younger days she did a lot of patrolling for the deer but now she does a lot of sleeping and lets her sister Ch. Snowy Mountain's Wild Willow "Willow" do the watching.

Her favorite thing is going for a ride in the John Deere Gator, she squeaks and squeals the whole time she is riding in it. We have had a lot of dogs through the years but Kayla has been the easiest, from puppy hood through her adult life she is just a sweet girl. Although she is currently dealing with a tumor on her elbow she is a very happy and a very special girl.



## Preventing Another Tragedy

March 17, 2011 by Leandra Little, AKC Gazette Breed Columnist  
Categories: Breed Columns

Beetle Kelly, 10 months old, was, according to his owner, Elizabeth, “the most magical puppy imaginable.” And now he is a memory, an achingly sad place in his family’s heart. It all happened in a moment.

“We’d been out walking and had just returned when I turned around and saw him with the pack of gum. I took 1/2 a piece out of his mouth but didn’t know how much he’d actually swallowed. Beetle looked guilty and something rang in my brain that what he’d eaten, sugarless gum, was toxic.”

Elizabeth immediately called the vet, packed up her four-year-old son and arrived at the clinic within 25 minutes. But it took another whole hour somehow for the emetic to work. That time lapse proved to be the final coda in the young Norwich’s life. A few hours later, Beetle succumbed to xylitol poisoning.

Xylitol is a common sugar substitute (also known as sugar alcohol) used in a wide variety of items these days. It seems to be everywhere: in sugarless gum, toothpaste, pharmaceuticals, vitamins, candy, baked goods, mints and even puddings. While harmless to humans it can be lethal to dogs. Once ingested there is a window of just 15 to 30 minutes before it reaches the blood stream. As little as one and a half pieces of sugarless gum can be fatal to a small dog like a Norwich Terrier.

According to Eric K. Dunayer VMD, Senior Toxicologist at the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center, the toxin works by causing a rapid release of insulin causing a dangerous drop in blood sugar. The resulting hypoglycemia causes weakness, lethargy, loss of coordination, collapse and seizures. There is a strong link with xylitol and liver failure as well. Dr. Dunayer states that “cases are going up each year. In 2002 the Poison Control Center received two calls. In 2009 there were 2600 calls. And this no doubt represents a fraction of the incidents.”

If you strongly suspect or know your dog has ingested xylitol, time is of the essence. Call your vet or call the ASPCA Poison Control Center: 1 888 426-4435. They may advise you to induce vomiting. Regardless, the blood glucose levels must be monitored and stabilized. Dr. Dunayer adds that “most who die are not treated right away.” What you can do: read labels. Keep xylitol out of reach and better yet, out of your house, purse, car etc. Help get the word out. Many vets and their staffs are not aware of this burgeoning threat. Clip this column, download information and send to your puppy owners, breed clubs, training centers and other places dog owners congregate. Thanks to Elizabeth Kelly for her kind permission to use this story. If Beetle’s death can be used to prevent another such terrible loss, he will not have died in vain.

Leandra Little  
Weehawken,, NJ

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

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



## 3rd Annual Old Fashion Ice Cream Social August 20, 2011

Everyone is invited to come join in the fun and enjoy  
Some old fashion ice cream.

Dogs, of course, are welcome even non-swissies.  
Dog pools and extra canopies will be there to beat the heat.

**Event will be held at  
Stuart & Helen Kramlich's  
3516 84th St E  
Tacoma, WA  
Start Time: 11:00 AM  
RSVP to Helen @ helenkramlich@gmail.com**



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

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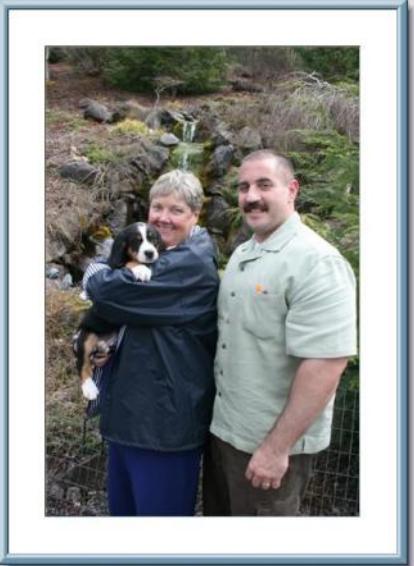
*Swissy Ears!*



# The Swissy Stork



RamsGate  
is proud to present  
The Eagles Litter  
Born 2/12/11

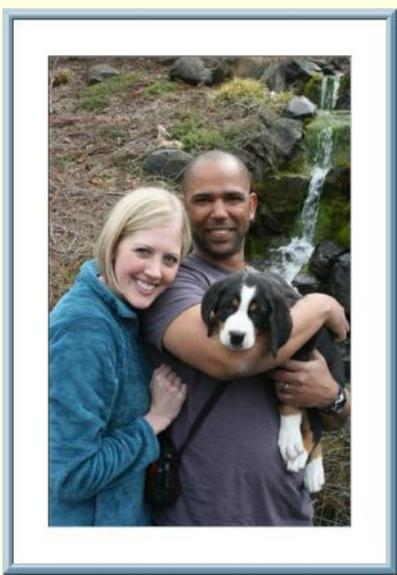


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"Cooper"

Andi & Mark Velez  
RamsGate Desperado  
"Chance"



Lee-Ann & Matthew Smith-Freeman  
RamsGate's Life In The Fast Lane  
"Kuma"



Heather & Carlos Hessler  
RamsGate Teuila Sunrise  
"Hawser"



Rob Sprinkle, Jessica Wagner  
& Caden Keyston  
RamsGate's Witchy Women  
"Akeila"

**CH Korona Rossii Yaroslav - "Yuri" X CH Painted Trout Grand Jury - "Jury"**

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# The Swissy Stork



**Summit Farms is proud to announce  
our latest arrival.**

**Born March 16th, 2011**

**“Summit Farms Benn There Done That”**

**“Bennett”**



Bennett is living in Montana with his  
new family,  
Aaron & Devon  
and his sister Adira.  
Looks like they are  
having a grand time!

Sire:

Ch. Painted Trout Crimes of the Heart

“Felon”

Dam:

Ch. Painted Mountain Shanti Paramita TT CGC

“Shanti”

Owner: Aaron Aldrich

Breeders/Co-Owners:

Helen & Stuart Kramlich

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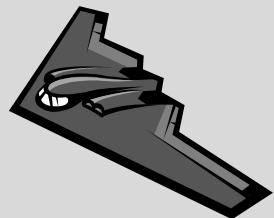
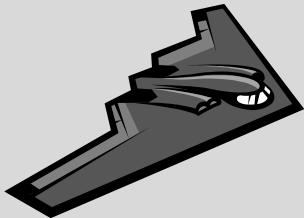




# The Swissy Stork



## Announcing Painted Trout's "Stealth" Litter.



Born: March 30, 2011

3 Boys



Painted Trout Tactical Camouflage  
"Ghillie"

Owners: Phillip & Bridget Bush

Sire:

Ch. Korona Rossii Yaroslav  
"Yuri"

Dam:

Ch. Painted Trout Disorderly Conduct  
"Rogue"

Breeders:

Lisa Simonsen & Bonnie Huett



Painted Trout Under the Radar  
"Enzo"

Owners: Bill & Joani Willis



Painted Trout Reconnaissance  
"Recon"

Owners: Lisa Simonsen & Bonnie Huett

### Membership Report by Lisa Simonsen

As of June 30, 2011 the Club has:

15 Family Memberships  
19 Individual Memberships  
8 Associate Memberships

Please welcome the following new members this quarter:

Carol Baker, Puyallup WA  
Swissy: Seneca's Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds "Lucy"

Dennis Johnson/Jeanine Wagner, Livermore CA  
Swissy: RamsGate's Take It To The Limit "Cooper"

Mark & Andi Velez, Torrance CA  
Swissy: RamsGate's Desperado "Chance"

Phillip & Bridget Bush, Renton WA  
Swissy: Painted Trout Tactical Camouflage "Ghillie"

Aaron Aldrich, Columbia Falls MT  
Swissys: Summit Farms Adira Shawnee "Adira" &  
Summit Farms Benn There Done That "Bennett"

It is time to renew your Cascade Club Membership! 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. You can find the membership renewal application within this newsletter or you can renew on-line via PayPal through the Club's web site ([www.cascadeswissyclub.com](http://www.cascadeswissyclub.com)). Renewal fees are due on July 1, if payment is not received within 60 days of the due date your membership will lapse. If you have any questions about membership please contact me at [gsmrd@paintedswissys.com](mailto:gsmrd@paintedswissys.com) or 360-432-8971. Thanks!

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## **Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club**

### **Balance Sheet & Cash Flow Statement**

**January 1, 2011 - June 30, 2011**

#### **Balance Sheet**

	Balance	Balance	Balance
	<u>1/1/2011</u>	<u>3/31/2011</u>	<u>6/30/2011</u>
<b>Cash</b>			
PayPal Account Balance	\$ 283.64	\$ 283.64	\$ 283.64
Bank of America	269.25	269.25	269.25
Bank of America Cashier's Check	6,500.00		
Community Credit Union	-	7,058.81	7,072.26
Petty Cash	103.00	103.00	103.00
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	\$ 7,155.89	\$ 7,714.70	\$ 7,728.15
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#### **Cash Flow Statement - 1/1/2011 - 6/30/2011**

<b>Beginning Cash - 1/1/2011</b>	<b>\$ 7,155.89</b>
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##### **Receipts:**

Membership	190.00
Ways & Means	75.00
Newsletter Advertising	63.00
Bloat Seminar	525.00
Interest	5.04
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Total Receipts	858.04
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##### **Disbursements:**

Club Events	20.00
Breed Education	75.00
Seminar Expenses	121.43
Board Expenses	53.95
Supplies	15.40
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<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>285.78</b>
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<b>Ending Cash - 6/30/2011</b>	<b>\$ 7,728.15</b>
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Treasury Report Submitted by: Lisa Simonsen

**Secretary Minutes:** Submitted by Stuart Kramlich**Board Meeting  
January 2, 2011**

Board Members Present:

Allison Allen, Stuart Kramlich, Lisa Simonsen, Andy Potter, Don Rudee, DaLena Christensen

The meeting was called to order by Allison .

Allison brought up the Specialty: It was discussed in detail to decide if we should try to continue with this year's Specialty or hold a supported entry. Items to find out include: where we would hold the specialty, who would be the new chair person.

Questions asked were:

Can we pass this year and do a bi-annual specialty or is it a requirement to have them yearly?

Should we have a sweeps if we have a supported entry only?

Should we hold a working weekend with the specialty, supported entry or have it on another weekend?

It was decided to find out more information and discuss this subject at the next board meeting.

Lisa gave a membership report:

The fact is that the membership has been declining. Lisa plans on sending complimentary E-Summit newsletter issues to past members and ask past members to join. After discussion it is decided to ask the breeders to ask all their puppy buyers to join and ask past members to come back. In talking to some past members that have let their membership lapse it is because they just forgot to renew. Lisa will send out reminders to all members.

Allison made a motion to get approval from all members to use their emails as a form of contact. Andy seconded, after a brief discussion the motion was passed.

Allison made a motion to get approval from all board members to use telephone/video for club meetings. Andy seconded. It was decided to get original signatures collected at the next board meeting. The motion passed.

It was discussed that the club needs to put together a corporate book. This book will be discussed in more detail as it is decided what will need to be in the book.

Allison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stuart seconded. Meeting was adjourned.

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**General Membership Meetings****January 15, 2011 Puyallup, WA**

Members in attendance: Lisa Simonsen, Helen Kramlich, Stuart Kramlich, Kim Presley, Loren Guzzone, Tom Krusic, Zoe Malley

The meeting was called to order by Stuart Kramlich.

The Secretary's Report:

The secretary read the minutes from the last meeting. It was also stated that the most recent minutes were also in the latest E-Summit newsletter and to make sure everyone reads them and to let the board members know if there was a question regarding them.

The Treasurer's Report:

Lisa Simonsen reported to everyone that due to discrepancies in the CGSMDC bank accounts, Regina Reese had been asked to resign as treasurer by the board of directors. Lisa Simonsen has been appointed temporary treasurer and is also doing a review of the club's bank account for the past few years. More details will be presented to the club members once the review is finished.

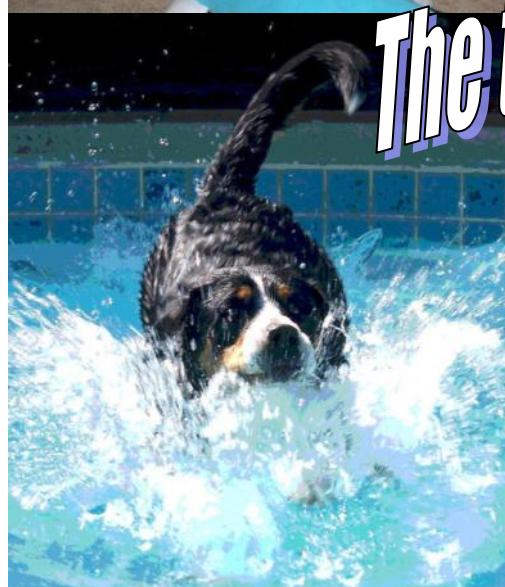
The E-Summit Editor Report:

Helen Kramlich thanked everyone for sending in pictures and articles for the E- Summit and asked that everyone continue to do the same.

Kim Presley mentioned the font on the newsletter is a little mixed up when she gets it. Helen stated that she only uses a few fonts and it was decided that the problem is probably the presets on everyone's computers. Not sure how this can be fixed.

Stuart mentioned that the club is still in need of a Ways & Means chair person. Kim Presley mentioned that after May of this year she may be able to help with the position.

Motion was made by Stuart to adjourn the meeting, Lisa seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.



## July 2011

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

## August 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 Club General meeting
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Ice Cream Social
21	22	23	24	25	26 National Dog Day	27
28	29	30	31			

## September 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5 Labor Day	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 E-Summit Deadline	22	23	24 GHKC Supported Entry
25	26	27	28	29	30	

## Schedule of Events

**July 4-** Independence Day

**August 13-** Gen. Club Meeting Time TBD  
Skyhawks Park 425 Marvin Road SE  
Lacey WA

**August 20-** Ice Cream Social- 11:00AM  
Stuart & Helen Kramlich  
3516 84th St E  
Tacoma, WA 98446

**August 26-** National Dog Day

**September 5 -** Labor Day

**September 21** -Deadline for E-Summit

**September 24-** Gig Harbor Kennel Club  
CGSMDC Supported Entry  
751 West Fairgrounds Rd. Shelton, WA

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Articles of interest to its members are encouraged as are letters, photos, recipes, cartoons or sharing advertisements. All will be subject to editing for length and/or content and may be anonymous if so requested. Send all correspondence by email to: helenkramlich@gmail.com

Preferred method of receiving pictures is in jpeg form and articles in word.

Price of any Advertisements are:

Half page: \$5.00

Full page: \$7.00

Advertisements are not for monetary gain or to sale but to share you and your dogs accomplishments.

Swissy Stork and Veterans 10 + yrs are complimentary.

Send payment to:

Lisa Simonsen-Treasurer

PO Box 1488  
Allyn, WA 98524-1488  
gsmd@paintedswissys.com  
(360) 432-8971

Questions, comments or ideas?

Contact: HelenKramlich@gmail.com or any CGSMDC board member.

**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.

### **Club Officers**

President: Bonnie Huett– troutcreek@hughes.net

Vice President: Allison Allen– allikat81@gmail.com

Secretary: Stuart Kramlich– stuartk@johnlscott.com

Treasurer: Lisa Simonsen – gsmd@paintedswissys.com

### **Board of Directors**

DaLena Christensen– snowymtn588@cs.com

Don Rudee– gsmd\_bari@yahoo.com

Michele Slate– wolfpack1313@msn.com

Andy Potter– jet.kiefer@gmail.com

### **Appointed Positions**

Public Education: Jim & Julie Franklin – OreoLu@aol.com

Breeder Resources & BIC list: Lisa Simonsen – gsmd@paintedswissys.com

Membership Chair: Lisa Simonsen – gsmd@paintedswissys.com

Website Admin: Andy Potter – jet.kiefer@gmail.com

E-Newsletter: Helen Kramlich – helenkramlich@gmail.com

Media Relation: Jennifer Cadiente - jencadiente@msn.com

Ways & Means: Kim Presley - bikechick10@yahoo.com

Statistician: Don Rudee – gsmd\_bari@yahoo.com

Working Chairs: Laura Machado de Wright – mmwldw@comcast.net,

                  Bonnie Huett - troutcreek@hughes.net

                  Andy Potter - jet.kiefer@gmail.com,

Rescue Chairs: Kathy Deyo - kdeyo@clearwater.net,

                  Allison Allen - allikat81@gmail.com,

                  Bonnie Huett - troutcreek@hughes.net





## Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club Membership Application

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

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Address: Street, City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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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.) \_\_\_\_\_  
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**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 [ ]

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

Individual (1 Vote) - \$20 [ ]

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

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

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

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

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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. I (we) give specific consent for the CGSMDC to use electronic communication for notices, newsletters and other general membership information. I(we) understand that it is my(our) sole responsibility to maintain a current functioning e-mail address on file with the Membership Chair.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail form with your check to:**

**\*\*make checks payable to CGSMDC \*\***

Lisa Simonsen, CGSMDC 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 antithetical 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:

Obedience	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conformation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Agility	<input type="checkbox"/>
Breeding Info	<input type="checkbox"/>	Breed Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pack Dog	<input type="checkbox"/>
Weight Pull	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fun Activities	<input type="checkbox"/>	Herding	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rescue	<input type="checkbox"/>	Health Issues	<input type="checkbox"/>	Draft Work	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Will Volunteer to Assist With:

Rescue	<input type="checkbox"/>	Working Events	<input type="checkbox"/>	Specialty/Supported Entries	<input type="checkbox"/>
Annual BBQ	<input type="checkbox"/>	Holiday Party	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social Events	<input type="checkbox"/>
Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/>	Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>	Club Management	<input type="checkbox"/>
Breed Booths	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ways & Means	<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Education	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other: \_\_\_\_\_