



E-Summit

Cascade
Greater Swiss
Mountain Dog
Club

CGSMDC Annual Ice Cream Social



August 18th was the perfect day for an ice cream social. Mother Nature shined down on us very nicely this year. The weather was great for swissys and humans alike!

Many people came and enjoyed an old fashioned ice cream social. Banana splits, parfaits, cones, sundaes, makings for whatever ice cream concoction you wanted was available.

There were swissys everywhere and they made sure to get their share of the ice cream and to run and play and just have a good time.

Jim & Julie Franklin brought their agility equipment and offered advice and guidance on how to use it. There were a lot of puppies and their owners enjoying the equipment. We sure have a lot of beginning agility pros in the making.

Dr Rebecca Martin spoke about the importance of canine oral care. Dr. Martin handed out a flyer with pertinent information as well as canine toothpaste & brushes.

Thank you so much Dr Martin!!!!

We hope you can join us next year.
Its always a good time.

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President's Message:



Greetings Members,

Since my last message to you a few months ago, I have attended several Swissy events hosted by regional clubs around the United States.

The first of which was our own Cascade GSMDC Ice Cream Social in August hosted by Stuart and Helen Kramlich at their home in Tacoma. A very good time was had by all at this casual function highlighted by sweet treats and lots of Swissy play.

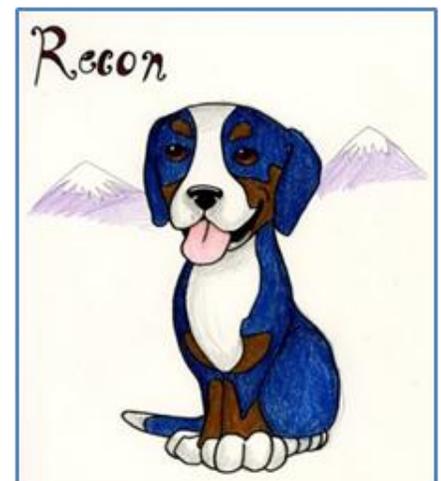
About a month later I made the long trip to Loveland Colorado to participate in the GSMDC National Specialty which was planned and hosted by members of the GSMDC of the Rockies. This week long event with over 100 Swissys participating encompassed many different activities: conformation, obedience, herding, weight pull, packing, drafting, fun matches, health and handling seminars, etc. There was even a budding young cartoonist who was available to immortalize your Swissy. I of course had to have my Swissy kids done!

Finally over the last weekend in September I headed back east to Millwood Virginia, to attend the three day local GSMDC Specialty hosted by the Chesapeake & Potomac GSMDC. This Specialty had over 80 Swissys entered and was the largest local Specialty that I have ever seen. Once again there were many forums in which the participants could show off their Swissy's skills, including herding, weight pull, rally, conformation and obedience.

Each of these events had their own local flavor and types of activities, however the one common factor among them all, were these events were made possible by the hard work of Club volunteers. Our Cascade Club unfortunately has been in a downward trend for several years on the number of events we are sponsoring as our volunteer base has been shrinking. Luckily our treasury is currently in a healthy position so it is not lack of funds that hold us back it is definitely the lack of volunteer hours. So if you are interested in seeing additional offerings of local Swissy activities, please consider stepping up and volunteering to help make it happen. Contact any member of the Board with your ideas and let us see if we can make it happen!

Hoping to see you all at the upcoming Swissy Holiday Party on December 2nd!

Swissys Forever,
Lisa



May I please have a Pumpkin Biscuit?



Pumpkin Dog Biscuits

Here is a Pumpkin Recipe that is healthy for your dog :)

Ingredients:

- 2 tablespoons dry milk
- 1/4 teaspoon sea salt
- 2 1/2 cups brown rice flour *
- 1/2 cup canned pumpkin
- 1 teaspoon dried parsley (opt.)
- 2 eggs

Preheat oven to 350.

In large bowl, whisk together eggs and pumpkin to smooth. Stir in dry milk, sea salt, and dried parsley (if using, optional). Add brown rice flour gradually, combining with spatula or hands to form a stiff, dry dough. Turn out onto lightly floured surface (can use the brown rice flour) and if dough is still rough, briefly knead and press to combine.

Roll dough between 1/4 – 1/2" – depending on your dog’s chew preferences, – and use biscuit or other shape cutter to punch shapes, gathering and re-rolling scraps as you go. Place shapes on cookie sheet, no greasing or paper necessary. If desired, press fork pattern on biscuits before baking, a quick up-and-down movement with fork, lightly pressing down halfway through dough. Bake 20 minutes. Remove from oven and carefully turn biscuits over, then bake additional 20 minutes. Allow to cool completely on rack before feeding to dog.

* Brown rice flour gives the biscuits crunch and promotes better dog digestion. Many dogs have touchy stomachs or allergies, and do not, like many people I know, tolerate wheat.

Makes up to 75 small (1") biscuits or 50 medium biscuits

**Greater Swiss Mountain Dog
Rescue Organizations**

Greater Swiss Mountain Dog
Rescue Foundation.
www.gsmdrescue.org

**Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain
Dog Club Rescue**

Allison Allen - allikat81@gmail.com
Bonnie Huett - troutcreek@hughes.net

**ASPCA
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Center America
24 Hrs. a day
1-888-426-4435**

(A consultation fee may be charged)

**For a poison emergency
in the U.S. call AAPCC
American Association of
Poison Control Centers**

1-800-222-1212

Here are a few of the pictures that were taken at the Ice Cream Social which was held on August 18th, 2012.
To see more pictures of the day [click here](#)



Meet the Breed Booths 2013

By: Jim & Julie Franklin

Club Volunteer Opportunities for 2013:

Hard to believe another year is almost over and 2013 is right around the corner. The first opportunity to volunteer will be Saturday January 19th at the Rose City Classic Dog show in Portland Oregon. The Rose City show is one of the largest dog shows in the Country featuring thousands of conformation, obedience, rally, and agility dogs. More specialty vendors than you could ever imagine. Besides all that excitement, you get to bring your swissy and talk about what a great dog they are. As the pictures below show, the volunteers, swissies, and the visitors all have a great time at the meet the breed booth.



All we need is an hour of you and your swissies time. If you would like to volunteer contact Jim and Julie Franklin at oreolu@aol.com .

Don't fret, if Portland is too far away or you already have that weekend scheduled, you can also help out at the Seattle Kennel Club show on Saturday March 9th and Sunday March 10th. We need many volunteers for the Seattle show as we have the booth for two full days. If you only have an hour to give, that's OK. We have volunteers coming and going all day both days for this show. Like Portland you can see it all at the Seattle show: conformation, obedience, rally, and agility. Lots of exciting vendors to visit too. Last year's volunteers had a blast.



Everyday Obedience: Reliable Recalls

By: Professor Sierra

My name is Sierra and I'm a trained Swissy. I thought it would be a good idea to share the secret of reliable recalls with my fellow Swissies. The great thing about learning reliable recalls is it involves lots of treats *munch* munch* and lots of praise.

There are three things you need to learn about reliable recalls: you need to know your Swissy name, lots of yummy treats, and owners who are more animated and exiting than a squirrel darting across the yard. The last requirement is the most difficult. Are you ready to learn?

We begin with a fun game called "Come and Get it." The game is simple. Your owner gets a handful of yummy treats (small enough so you can eat and run, but large enough that you can see them on the ground) and shows them to you so you get excited. They may say things in a playful excited voice like "Want to get a treat?!" The person throws a treat a foot or two in front of them and says "Get it." I run to the treat and start eating it. Before I can finish the person excitedly tells me to "Come." Just before I get to the person they turn 180 degrees and throw another treat in the opposite direction about a foot or two in front of them and excitedly tells me to "Get it." I run right by them to the treat and start to eat it. Like before, just before I finish the treat they tell me to "Come!" again. This time they hold the treat in their right hand down by their right knee. I come to their knee and start to nibble on the treat. While I nibble on the treat my owner slowly reaches for my collar with their left hand and gently strokes my chest. Then my people became all excited and joyfully shout, "Good Come!" Then I get released with an "OK." Then we may play the game again.

The mechanics of this simple game are very important. The "Get It" command says its ok for me to run and get the food. The "Come" command means that I stop whatever I'm doing and come to my owner. Coming to my owner is fun because sometimes they will throw a treat and tell me to get it. Sometimes, they let me eat the treat from their hand. I always get lots of praise and snacks when I play. Come is good. Its very important for your owners to say "Get It" as they throw the treat and "Come" when you start to eat it.

Grabbing the collar is important too because sometimes they may truly need to get a hold of me and because I'm used to them reaching down to grab my collar I don't back away when I see their hand coming at me.

In the beginning we played this game every day for about five minutes. We played in a very controlled environment so I wouldn't be distracted. My owners always mixed up how many times they threw a treat before they had me come to their knee. Sometimes they would throw it four times, sometimes two, and sometimes six times. It was random so I couldn't predict the actual come to the knee part. Its not good to get patterned trained. So keep me guessing, its more fun that way.

Once I knew the game well in a controlled environment, my owners took me to new places to play the game. They gradually increased the distance that they threw the treat. Just to be safe, my owners put a leash on me when we played the game. If I did get distracted when I ran to get the treat, my owners would tug on the leash and then I would remember I was playing a game and I would run back to them. OK, sometimes the distraction was too much for me and even a tug on the leash couldn't get my attention, so my owners used the leash to reel me back in. When I got back to them, they gleefully shouted "Good Come!" Come is always good and I always get rewards or praise.

This brings up a couple important training tips. All dogs struggle when learning and sometimes forget what they know. When training a good owner is always aware of the distractions in the environment and in control of the situation. If I do not do the command, do not repeat the command over and over because all I hear is "nag nag nag" and I tune you out. Just come and get me and start again. If I'm still struggling move me further away from whatever is distracting me, try doing something easier to see if you can get my attention, or call it a day. Don't get mad at me, I'm just a dog. Dogs have off days too.

A couple more pointers on how to train the "Come" command. Never give the "Come" command and then punish me. If I've done something wrong just come and get me. It's important that I don't confuse "Come" with punishment. "Come" should always be good. If I'm in the backyard and you don't think I'll respond to the "Come" command, then don't tell me to come. Either go out and get me or say my name, clap your hands, whistle, or anything to get my attention. Just don't tell me to "Come" so I start to think sometimes I can blow off the "Come" command. If you are at a park and my prey instinct kicks in and I'm not on a leash, don't repeatedly yell "Come." If I do not react to the first "Come", just say my name, whistle, or whatever to break my train of thought on the distraction.

Understand a reliable recall takes commitment and practice on the part of your owners. I'm five years old and I have earned advanced titles in obedience, rally, and agility, but my owners still practice the "Come and Get it" game with me several times a week. We go out on walks and I'll wander ahead of my owners. Before I know it, they'll call "Sierra, Come." 95 times out of 100 I'll come; it's fun and I get treats. Yes, even after five years, I still get rewarded with treats for coming. If I don't come, my owners have a 40 foot leash on me and the next thing I know I'm getting pulled to them. Once I feel the pull I turn and run to them. I don't get treats, but they do say, "Good Come." Reliable recalls come with lots of repetition in many situations. I suspect this is a game I'll play for the rest of my life. One day it may save my life.

Now go out and play "Come and Get it" with your owners. In the next letter I'll share my secrets on how to greet visitors at the door.

About the Author:

Professor Sierra has attended some of the finest K-9 academies in the country and has earned post graduate degrees in Obedience, Rally, and Agility.



2012 Merry Swissmas Party

Holiday Party And General Membership Meeting



Date: December 2, 2012

Time: 11:00 to 3:00

Location: Windstar Bed & Biscuit

3602 112th Street East

Tacoma, WA 98446

Directions to Windstar facility:

<http://www.winstarbedandbiscuit.com/iframe/index.html>



Lunch will be served around 12:30

Lunch price: \$7.00 per person

Lunch Includes: home made puffed pastry type pizza rolls, meatballs with dipping sauce, salads, deviled eggs, veggie tray, desserts and beverages.

Pay at door or online at
www.cascadeswissyclub.com

Guest Speaker:

Jim Franklin & his amazing dogs
Sierra & Zoey!

Jim will give a presentation on
"Rally"

Please bring your families & your swissies and join us
for an afternoon of holiday cheer.

Games, music, food & fun!!!

Photo scene will be available.

Pictures will be taken and sent to your email - no charge

We sure hope to see you there!

RSVP to Zoe Malley at:

zmalley@gmail.com or

call 253-380-7571



with the number of people and dogs so she can plan accordingly.

Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America Health Survey



This survey elicits health information about Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs who were living at any time during the years of 2008 to 2012.

It is important that a broad representation of the breed be included in the study--including dogs that are healthy as well as those that have various health conditions.

Dogs deceased before January 1st of 2008 and dogs born on or after January 1, 2013 are NOT eligible for inclusion in this study.

The findings published in past studies have guided the research funds which the Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America commit to scientific studies. Only by surveying the current state of health in our breed are we able to determine which health issues are of most significance today.

This survey will be analyzed and recorded for The Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club of America by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA). All information submitted is confidential and numbers are used only in aggregate.

Please use a separate survey form for each Greater Swiss Mountain Dog you have owned, living or deceased. Co-owners should work together to ensure that each dog is entered only once. As you complete a survey for each dog, simply restart a new one for the next dog you are reporting. Whenever possible, please use a veterinarian diagnosis.

[Answer Swissy Survey Here.](#)



We are looking for....YOU???

Are you a creative person?

Do you like to write and take pictures?

We need you. Please consider giving a hand to the creation of this newsletter.

The more help & idea's we get the better it will become.

Join CGSMDC members for two upcoming hikes!!!

Oct 13th & 14th

For information on these hikes or others contact:

Allison Allen - allikat81@gmail.com,
Bonnie Huett - troutcreek@hughes.net



BANKS-VERNONIA HIKE INFORMATION

The Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club is hosting a back-to-back pack hike on October 13th & 14th, 2012. The hikes are GSMDCA-Approved, and the back-to-back hikes allows teams to complete two legs toward a GSMDCA Pack Dog title. Both days must be hiked for credit to be awarded; no partial credit will be given for one day of hiking. The back-to-back hike consists of 8 miles hiked each day for a total of 16 miles.

When: October 13th & 14th; 9AM at Trailhead

Where: Banks-Vernonia Trail , OR

Trailhead starting location is located directly off of Highway 26/Sunset Highway heading west from the Portland, OR Metro Area. Follow Highway 26 towards Banks to approximately 47650 NW Sunset Highway, Banks, OR . Follow signs to Banks-Vernonia State Trail making a right crossing the railroad track and parking area will be immediately after turn.

Entry Fee per event: \$15 per dog for CGSMDC Members / \$20 per dog for Non-Members

Monies will be used to provide lunch for participating teams at the end of the pack hike on Saturday. Any remaining monies will be handed to the Treasurer for the Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club.

Details: We will be doing a two day, 16 mile hike on the Banks-Vernonia Trail in Banks, OR.

The trail follows an abandoned railroad bed that stretches 21 miles between the cities of Banks and Vernonia. Most of the route consists of an eight-foot wide hiking and bicycle trail paralleled by a four-foot wide hors trail. The gentle grade in all but one area allows hikers, bicyclists, equestrian and people of all abilities to enjoy the scenic mountains, fields and forest of Washington and Columbia counties. We will start our hike at Banning parking area at mile marker 3 and hike to mile marker 8 (restroom stop located at mile marker 7), this will be an in and out hike so we will turn around at mile marker 8. The trail parallels Nehalem Highway 47 so there are in an out access points all along the trail in the event of an emergency.

Procedures Related to Titles

Dogs are required to be weighed by the handlers' veterinarian office staff within 7 days of the hike date. The handler must provide, on veterinarian office stationary, the dog's name, weight, date and staff signature prior to the start of the hike.

A team competing to earn a title is one handler per dog for the entire 16 miles. Dogs are required to be on leash for the entire hike.

Note that if this is the first leg you will be attempting towards a title, you must complete a required prerequisite mile training hike with full pack weight.

**Remember, you don't have to be working towards a packing title.
You can join the members for a nice hike with your dog.**

Has Your Dog Ever Been Sprayed by a Skunk?

Here's How To Get That Smell Out!



Skunks, skunks, skunks! I just heard about a couple of swissies that were recently sprayed by a skunk. It usually happen late at night, when the dog goes out for their last potty of the night before bedtime . . . and suddenly the whole family is wide awake and facing a very smelly emergency. What to do? I found this recipe and passed it on and I hear it worked very well.

First, and most important: **DO NOT BATHE THE DOG!** Or pour tomato juice on him, or any of the other home remedies you've heard about. But **DO** check your cupboards for a quart of hydrogen peroxide (it's usually found in most medicine cabinets in a pint size. If you have two pints, or one pint and a small dog, you're in luck.).

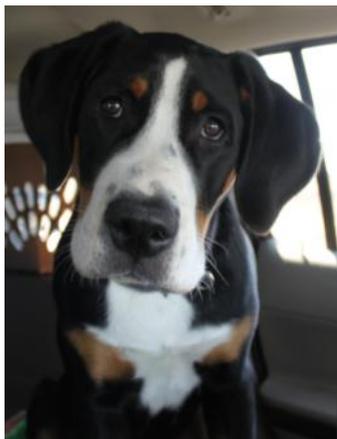
You'll want to do this as quickly as possible – both because it works best on the fresh, unoxidized compounds in the skunk “spray” and because you'll be suffering in the meantime. If the dog has been bathed, or even just rinsed with water, it's not quite as effective as it would have been with fresh skunk spray. If the spray is fresh, it's like magic, but it's actually just good science.

Mix your quart of regular 3% hydrogen peroxide in a bowl or bucket with 1/4 cup of baking soda. This will start fizzing and bubbling (which is why one can't pre-make the formula and store it in a bottle). Add about a teaspoon of liquid soap or dishwashing liquid; it helps distribute the stuff around the dog's hair. Wet the dog thoroughly with the mixture, sponging carefully around the face. Most dogs' faces will be badly skunked, so you really want to wet the face, but don't get it in their eyes or nose, because it stings.

You'll notice an immediate cessation of the skunk smell. Skunk spray contains a substance known as a “thiol” – an organosulfur compound that contains a sulfur-hydrogen bond. Many thiols have a repulsive and potent odor (at least to humans); thiols are said to be detectable by the human nose at concentrations of only 10 parts per billion. But the compounds can be immediately altered into odor-free neutral substances by making oxygen molecules (provided by the fresh hydrogen peroxide/baking soda mix) bond with and chemically alter the thiols.

After the dog is thoroughly wetted with the mixture, and every trace of the scent is gone, then rinse the dog with water, or bathe him with water and shampoo, to rinse off the mixture (which can irritate and dry his skin if left on).

CJ's Big Adventure!

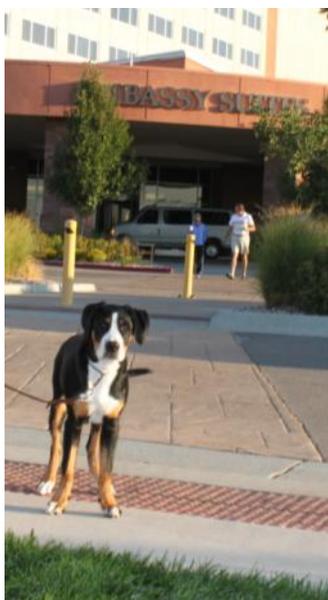


Hi. My name is CJ; I am a 6 month old swissy. I want to tell you about a big adventure that I just went on with my Mom & Dad.

I had no clue what fun times were in store for me. All I can say is that I was really nervous when I saw them packing up a suitcase and they took my food and my crate and put it in the car. What was going on?

Then they had me climb into my crate while it was in the car, what was happening! I have ridden in the car before but something told me this time was different.

Once I was in my crate I was fine. I was comfortable in my own bed, I didn't even care that we were driving for a long time. But then the car stopped and I got really scared, they wanted me to get out... I didn't know this new place. I was really comfy in my crate so I decided not to get out of the crate or the car! Mom & Dad told me I would have fun if I would come out because I could play with other dogs that were with us but I wasn't so sure about that.

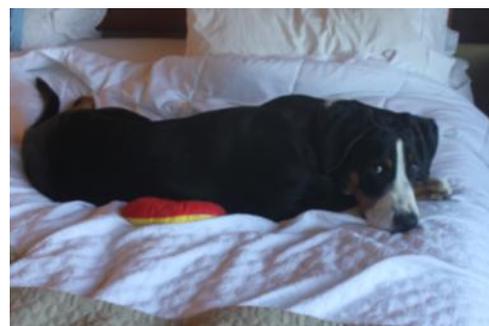


Finally, Dad made me get out. After a while I got used to going in and out of the car and they were right I did have fun! We stopped a lot of times and then stayed in a strange place they called Montana. I didn't care where we were, it was great there because there were all kinds of new and exciting smells and the best part is I got to sleep on the big bed....all night! That never happens at home.

After what seemed like a really, really long time driving we came to a place Mom & Dad called Colorado. There was something called the "Swissy Nationals" that we were attending. There were dogs everywhere, and they all looked like me, only a lot bigger! I got so excited when I saw them I tried to play with everyone. Not all the big ones liked me jumping around trying to play, I thought they were a bit grumpy but Mom & Dad said I needed to work on my introduction skills. When I saw some puppies that were my age I was really happy, I wasn't the only young pup here. I barked at them and they barked back....we were all soooo excited and just wanted to play!

We stayed at a place called "Embassy Suites", I heard all the humans say that it was a really nice place. We stayed in a big room that had a huge bed! I still got to sleep on the bed sometimes....I sure hope this continues when we get home.

I began to think I was going to have a great time if all this cool stuff happens! WOW!



CJ's Big Adventure!

We would occasionally go to this really big room. There were white fences everywhere. They called it a ring. We saw dogs showing off how pretty they were....and boy were they big and pretty. I hope I can do that when I get bigger. They looked pretty serious and they looked important the way they moved around.



I wanted to run back and forth with them and play but I was told by my Mom & Dad that I had to watch, I had to lay down and be quiet. Me, be quiet? A room full of dogs and no one barks! That's a joke right? This didn't seem natural but I was impressed and so I kept quiet & just watched.



While we were outside I met a puppy that was my size. After we played together for a short time I found out it was my brother Bruno! We played, wrestled and ran and had tons of fun. It was sure great to see him. We both also got to meet our doggy Dad. We got family photos taken. My brother Bruno stayed a couple of days and so did my Dad, we got to hang out and have fun.

My brother and I were both outside playing when we were taken with a group of other pups to line up like the big dogs did. No more playing now. I saw how the big dogs had done this and I was sure I could do it to. We got to run back and forth like the big pretty dogs did. I had a blast. I couldn't help but wag my tail the whole time!



After we all took turns we all got a really neat squeaky toy and I got a big ribbon. They told me I got the "Best Puppy" award. I don't care, I just had fun and I love my new toy! Brother Bruno and all the other pups got one too.

We stayed in this new home for what seemed like a long, long time but I heard it was only a week. Then I had to say good bye to all my new friends & family. It was another few days of being in our car and stopping at strange places to eat & sleep. We finally got home and I was so happy to see my whole family again! I actually think they were happy to see me too! I had fun on my big adventure and I hope I can go again. Next time I don't think I will be so scared.



I sure hope I get to see my Dad and brother again. Maybe we can run in the ring with the big dogs next year!



Membership Report for Q3 2012 by Tom Krusic

By the numbers:

129 past and present members of the Club
 66 memberships for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 2012
 51 current Memberships of the CGSMDC for 2013
 4 new Memberships this past quarter:
 Melanie Farmer with Swissy "Zeus"
 Cassandra & Jim Cooper with Swissy "Jager"
 Peter & Hope Lizotte with Swissy "Fergus"
 Kelsey & Christine Havens with Swissy "Collins"



Welcome to the group!

Thanks to all who have renewed their membership for the current year and if you know anyone how has yet to renew, please reach out to them because they will not be getting this fabulous newsletter and are missing out on all the great swissy activities that get promoted in this forum.

New Membership Chair, Tom Krusic, will be taking of membership renewals moving forward. If people have yet to renew, send the renewal fee (\$30 Family, \$20 Individual, \$15 Associate) and updated contact information to:

Tom A. Krusic, CGSMDC Membership Chair, 3634 SE Engledow Lane, WA 98367.

You can find the membership renewal application within this newsletter or you can renew on-line via PayPal using the Club's e-mail address cascade-swissy@cascadeswissyclub.com.



Renewal fees are on or before July 1, 2013 for 2014, 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 Tom at tomkrusic@gmail.com or 253-495-5719. Thanks!

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

Ways & Means Report by Kim Presley

Hello all.

I am writing this article to introduce myself and also let everyone know that I have some great Swissy products for sale and hope to get some new things in soon.

My name is Kim Presley and I live w/ 2 Swissy's in Tacoma. I have a 6 yr old rescue swissy mix named Jeager and a 4 yr old Swissy, Painted Mtn's No Fear (Triton). This is our 2nd and 3rd Swiss Mtn Dog and we love the breed.

I am very excited to take over the Ways & Means position for the Club. I hope to get some new Swissy paraphernalia soon. If anyone has any ideas about products for the Club give me a shout out at bikechick10@yahoo.com.

In stock items:

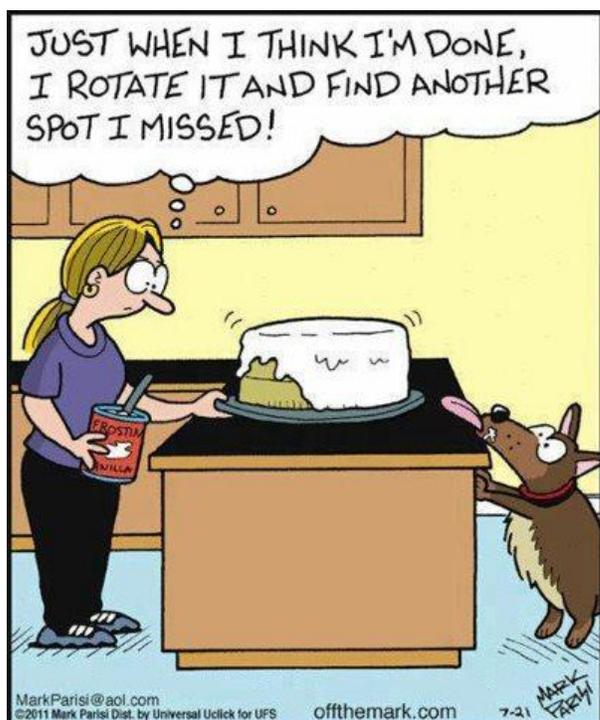
Several different styles of t-shirts and sweatshirts.

Hats

yard signs

Great leather collars

Coffee cups



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Join in the fun!

Join the Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club?

For membership information contact
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Membership forms are located at the end of this
newsletter or

Visit our club website!

www.cascadeswissyclub.com

**Join the Yahoo Group for on-line
discussion with CGSMDC Members!**

Visit groups.yahoo.com/group/CascadeSwissyClub/

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Cascade Greater Swiss Mt Dog Club



The Swissy Stork



RamsGate

Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs

is proud and pleased to present the
"Gambling" Litter.



Whelped 7/26/2012

4 Boys & 6 Girls

GCH Painted Trout Grand Jury - "Jury" Top Producer 2011

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CH Shadetree's Green Eggs And Ham - "Seuss"

Bred and Loved By: Michele Slate/RamsGate Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs
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The Swissy Stork



We are happy to present our
Top 10 Winners and their Lucky Families!



Kelsey & Christine Havens
RamsGate Ante Up "Collins"
Sidney, BC, Canada



Lou & Cathy Thompson
RamsGate's Full House "Nox"
Calgary, AB, Canada



Travis & Rachel Stratford
RamsGate's Turning For Home "
Isabella" Liberty Lake, WA



Jason Hershman & Morgan Bethke
RamsGate's Roll The Dice "Nala"
Edwards, CO



Russ & Mylene Caplan
RamsGate's Deuces Wild "Rosie"
San Mateo, CA



Derek Remski & Ann Belden
RamsGate's Needs New Shoes
"Philo" San Francisco, CA



Steve & Dianna Kraus
RamsGate's By A Nose "Chief"
San Francisco, CA



Wendy & Melinda Soo Hoo
RamsGate's Winning Ticket "Darby"
Pasadena, CA



Peter & Hope Lizotte
RamsGate's Poker Face
"Fergus" Portland, OR

Bred and Loved By:

Michele Slate/RamsGate Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs
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Gary & Melinda Buchanan
RamsGate's Big Money "Eva"
Healdsburg, CA



The Swissy Stork



Whispering Pine

Is proud to present their "Country Music" litter.
Debuted: July 28, 2012
Lined up and ready to start "dancing" in a few great homes near you.

Sire: Ch. Big Hunk of Whispering Pine aka "Riley"
Owned by: Toni Killpatrick/Michele Slate/Woutje Swets

Dam: Ch. Treensea's Sure Better for Alki "Reba"
Owned by Toni Killpatrick/ Maria Jensen



Whispering Pine "ALL OF ME"
"Jagger"
Owner: Vicki Wood, Napa, CA
With Dad "Riley"



Whispering Pine
"HOW DO YOU LIKE ME NOW"
"Bodie Maximus"
Owners: The Sahn's., Reno Nv.
With Mom & Dad



Whispering Pine
"RED SOLO CUP"
"Cooper"
Owner: Linda Wood,
Rolling Hills Estate, Ca
with Riley and Reba



Whispering Pine
"CHEROKEE WOMAN"
"Mae"
Owners:
Maria Jensen/Toni Killpatrick
with Riley and Reba



Where is the Papparazzi when you need them?
These pups are ready for their close-ups!
Call names: NOT in ORDER:
Mae, Pinkie, Dazzle, Jagger, Cooper, Bodie

Swissy V. I. P.
 (Very Important Pup)
 In Honor of our Seniors and Their Many "Tails".

Painted Mtn Island Girl, HCT - "Tiki"



Born October 13, 2002

Bred, Owned and Loved by:
 Lisa & Glen Simonsen

Painted Mountain Ranch
www.paintedswissys.com



**Happy Birthday
 Tiki!**

It is unbelievable that our beautiful girl Tiki will be turning ten years old this month! It seems just yesterday that she was a new born puppy in our very first Swissy litter whelped at our home on Harstene Island, thereby coming by the registered name of "Island Girl".

In her early years we attempted to show Tiki in the conformation show ring however it became apparent rather quickly that she hated the life of a "show dog". Tiki loves being a "ranch" dog and has no interest in pursuits that would take her away from home.

So in accordance with her wishes, she is a key component of managing the daily activities here at Painted Mountain Ranch. She thoroughly scouts the territory every morning, running off stray feral cats, raccoons or those pesky deer, cleans up downed apples, pears and ripe black berries, and trains the younger generation of Swissy pups in the importance of loudly announcing the arrival of the school bus, UPS truck and all visitors. In general overseeing the daily operations in a diligent manner with the application of a loud Swissy Baroo when necessary.

Tiki has not slowed down one bit in her senior years and we hope that she will continue her duties for many years yet. We love our Tiki girl!



Swissy Smiles!

Don't you just love a good joke!

Secretary's Report: Helen Kramlich

General Meeting- June 30, 2012

Members in Attendance:

Tom Krusic, Zoe Malley, Dawn & Rio Capper, Rebecca Martin, Meghen & Joseph Brassey, Kim Presley, Loren Guzzone, Debbie & Don Dodds, Troy & Jessi Rice, Don & Gail Rudee, Mary & Neil Wehmeyer, Lisa Simonsen, Allison Allen, Todd & Shari Davis, Jim & Julie Franklin, Jill Folkstad, Andrew Conrad, Lance Sappington, Rich Voslow, Tony Bove, Rachel Hall, Stuart & Helen Kramlich, Bonnie Huett

Bonnie Huett opened the meeting. She thanked everyone for coming to the BBQ. Bonnie explained it was an election year and introduced the new board for the 2012-2014 term.

Bonnie brought up the fact that there is still an open position on the board and asked anyone that wanted to volunteer for it get ahold of the new board.

The topic of having a herding clinic for the CGSMDC was discussed. The facilities to hold a clinic has to be found. Lisa S. said she would contact Barbara about her facilities and Bonnie will check Portland area.

A draft clinic would be fun to have as well but it takes a lot of work and judges. It was suggested that we have it with another club, maybe the Berner Club.

The meeting was closed by Bonnie H. and Allison A. seconded the motion.

Board Meeting- June 30, 2012

Board Members in Attendance: Tom Krusic, Lisa Simonsen, Allison Allen, Helen Kramlich, Don Rudee, Rebecca Martin

Meeting was called to order by Lisa Simonsen.

It was the first board meeting of the new officers and directors for the 2012-2014 years term.

Lisa asked what everyone thought about having meetings online.

There was a small discussion about different ways to achieve this.

Lisa will check into it further and it will be discussed at a later date.

We are trying to get members more involved in the club and Lisa suggested we contact the members and get individuals to host meetings. These could be at their house, restaurant, parks etc. We will have a further discussion next meeting after we talk to some members and decide how to move forward with this.

Lisa S. made a motion to close the meeting, Helen K. seconded

Schedule of Upcoming Events

October

- Hike, October 13th & 14th; Vernonia Trail ; OR
9AM at Trailhead Banks
 - 31st. Happy Halloween

November

- Don't Forget to Vote! Nov. 6
- Have a Happy Thanksgiving Nov 22

December

- Merry Swissmas Holiday Party & Club Meeting Dec. 2, 2012
Time: 11:00 to 3:00
Location: Windstar Bed & Biscuit
3602 112th Street East
Tacoma, WA 98446
- 31st-Deadline for material in E-Summit 2013 Issue 1

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Tom Krusic, CGSMDC Treasurer
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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 CGSMDC 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: Lisa Simonsen – gsmc@paintedswissys.com

Vice President: Allison Allen– allikat81@gmail.com

Secretary: Helen Kramlich- HelenKramlich@gmail.com

Treasurer: Tom Krusic- TomKrusic@gmail.com

Board of Directors

DaLena Christensen– snowymtn588@cs.com

Don Rudee– gsmc_bari@yahoo.com

Rebecca Martin– Rebecca.Martin@vcahospitals.com

Director Position- Vacant

Appointed Positions

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

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

Membership Chair: Tom Krusic- tomkrusic@gmail.com

Website Admin: Jim Franklin – Oreolu@aol.com

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

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

Statistician: Don Rudee – gsmc_bari@yahoo.com

Working Chairs: Bonnie Huett - troutcreek@hughes.net

Allison Allen - allikat81@gmail.com,

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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.

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 []

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****

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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: _____