



E- Summit

Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club



Fort Borst Park BBQ July 12, 2014

By:
Mariel Kennison Robertson

The Cascade Swiss Club met last weekend for our annual BBQ in Centralia, WA, at the dog-friendly Fort Borst Park. Many Swissies and their humans came to socialize and good times, burgers, and butt sniffs were had by all. Well, maybe not *all!*

Jim and Julie Franklin, club members extraordinaire, helped organize the event and happily shared their agility equipment. Club Secretary Helen Kramlich brought some awesome Swissy merchandise, complete with our club's logo which has not been seen on our apparel for the last few years! Club members were excited to be able to buy some "Swissy stuff" for themselves and even for their canine counterparts.

A special appearance was made by the Martin's 8 week old litter of 9 adorable little Swiss babies; some older Swissies were intrigued by these tiny creatures, but most preferred to remain immobile on the cool concrete floor of the picnic shelter. It was a *hot* day in the Pacific Northwest, but it couldn't dampen the spirits of the club members who love to get together, eat some tasty barbecue and snacks, and just "talk Swissies"!

In between great conversation, the humans managed to get some club talk in too. Positions within the club were discussed, as well as upcoming events and ideas for new things to try, and members were encouraged to check out the Swissy merchandise (for one can never have too much Swissy stuff!) All in all, club members had a great day and are looking forward to the next Cascade Club get together.

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"Happiness is a
warm puppy."

— Charles M. Schulz

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President's Message: Lisa Simonsen

Greetings Members,

The new Board of Directors began their two year term on July 1st. I would like to thank the outgoing Officers Allison Allen and Tom Krusic for their many hours of volunteer service to the Cascade Club administration over the past years. Three members joining the Board for this first time this term are Debby Dodds, Secretary, Patrick Stanton, Director and Matthew Vanouse, Director. I am looking forward to hearing the new ideas and suggestions they will be bringing to the Board meetings.

We have already implemented a few changes, the first of which was moving our Club's Annual BBQ to July in hopes of better weather and attendance. And luckily the weather god smiled on our change and granted some beautiful sunny weather for the BBQ on July 12th. Unfortunately I was not able to attend, however from looking at the pictures and hearing some accounts it seems like the event was enjoyed by all!

We are also planning a change to the annual Swissy Ice Cream Social in August. For the past several years, the Ice Cream Social has been hosted by Stuart and Helen Kramlich at their home in Tacoma. This has always been a very popular well attended event. However, to give our southern membership a greater opportunity to attend a Club social event, the Ice Cream Social will be hosted this year by Don and Debby Dodds at their home in Portland on August 23rd. This will also be the location of our next Club meeting. It will be fun to have a Club social down in the Portland area, so hopefully many of our Oregon Cascade Club members will attend and I bet even a few from up north will make the trip. After all who can resist ice cream combined with Swissy fun!

As always we are looking for volunteers to help with future events and the general management of the Club. The Board is currently looking for volunteers for several Committee positions for the current term. Take a look at page 25 of this newsletter to see the open/vacant positions and please contact me or any member of the Board if you are willing to volunteer.

Hope to see you all at the Ice Cream Social in August. In the mean time enjoy the summer and keep those Swissys cool!

Swissys Forever,
Lisa



CGSMDC Web Site:

Take a look at the new website. We have pictures of all past activities and we will announce any upcoming events here. The website can be found at <http://www.cascadeswissyclub.com/>

CGSMDC Email Address:

Please use cascadeswissyclub@gmail.com, for any correspondence.

Introducing Your New Board of Directors

Officers:

Lisa Simonsen - President

Rebecca Martin- Vice President

Debby Dodds- Secretary

Don Rudee- Treasurer

Directors:

DaLena Christensen

Helen Kramlich

Matthew Vanouse

Patrick Stanton

A big "Thank you" to all of you that served on the board for the last term.

To those of you that are returning thanks so much for volunteering again and for those of you that are new to the Board we welcome you.

It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to keep a club running and we want to "Thank" all of our volunteers for helping to do this.

Volunteers don't get paid, not because they are worthless
but because they are priceless.

~ Sherry



PUPSICLES

- 3-6 oz containers of plain low fat yogurt
- 1/2 cup of peanut butter
- 1- 4 oz jar of baby food
- 1 tablespoon of honey

Directions:

In a medium bowl combine all ingredients. Blend well. Pour mixture into small Dixie cups. Place bone in center of each cup. Freeze overnight. Once frozen, peel away cup and serve . Your pup will love it!



A Human's Prayer To Their Swissy!

1. Thank you for your bark & baroo.
2. Thank you for welcoming me home with a smile and bog wagging tail!
3. Thank you for giving me your kisses and your paws without my asking.
4. Thank you for your silly swissy antics.
5. Thank you for cuddling next to me.
6. Thank you for your big wet nose.
7. Thank you for accepting me and loving me.
8. Thank you for adopting me as your very own.
9. Thank you for all your patience.
10. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your life.

Love FOREVER, Your Human

Annual Ice Cream Social & General Membership Meeting.

One of the largest club events of the year!
You and your family are invited to come out
and be a part of all the fun!

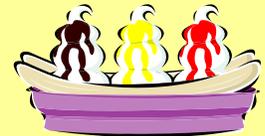


Due to the unpredictability of group dynamics when there is a large gathering of dogs of both sexes and various ages. We are requesting that in-season female Swissys be left at home, intact male Swissys be kept on leash, and all attendees be prepared to leash their Swissy as necessary to keep the rowdiness down to a reasonable level. Attendees with young puppies under the age of 6 months are cautioned to keep a careful eye on their babies, as young puppy antics and running can bring out the "chase drive" in older bigger Swissys, which can easily lead to injury of the young ones.



This years events will
be hosted by
Don & Debby Dodds.

RSVP to
debby@northpacificresearch.com
With the number of people and
pups that will be
attending.



DATE:

August 23rd

TIME:

11:00 PM —2:00 PM

WHERE:

9676 SE Chula Vista Ct.
Portland, OR 97086

The annual Fort Borst Park BBQ was another big success. Thanks to all who braved the heat and came out. With all the shade and the fabulous breeze it was nice and comfortable for all. We were in shelter #2 this year, which is right next to the dog play field which all the swissy's loved! To view more pictures from our day please be sure and visit the club web site where you can see pictures of all our past events. <http://www.cascadeswissyclub.com/>





Everyday Obedience: Competition Fun

By Professor Sierra

My name is Sierra and I'm a trained Swissy. As some of you know, I've competed in dog sports for a number of years. Like any athlete, I spend hundreds of hours training for an event that may last seven minutes. Over time the training and competing takes its toll on the body. I'm no exception to the rule. The time has come for me to retire from competition. While the body is weak, the mind is strong so I will continue to share my training experiences in this column. For this particular column I wanted to share one of my favorite dog sports experience.

While I have had many great experiences competing including winning a High in Trial, finishing my Utility Dog title, and qualifying and competing for the title of best Rally Obedience dog in the country, my favorite moment happened during a sunny September weekend in Wenatchee at the Wenatchee Kennel Club Rally Trial. Back then at this trial every first place dog won an apple trophy. I wanted an apple Trophy.

I was working on my Rally Advanced Excellent title during this sunny weekend so I was entered in both Rally Excellent and Rally Advanced. There were about 15 other dogs entered in both classes. On Saturday morning the first class to show was Excellent and our ring time was at 8:00. The morning dew was still on the grass. I was the 8th dog to run. When it was our turn I entered the ring and I felt good. I paid attention to my person and we did a great job on all the stations. We crossed the finish and waited for our score to be posted. We scored 99 out of 100. Not to brag but the dogs that went before us could not keep us with us. The closest score was a 93. It looked like the apple trophy was all mine.

We watched the rest of the dogs run. Some of the other dogs had nice runs, but nobody came close to us. The last dog, a good looking border collie, was getting ready to enter the ring. Uh oh, a border collie could spell trouble for us. There was no denying it; the border collie was having an awesome run. He could easily be working a perfect score. He finishes and they post his score. He gets a 99 too. The tie breaker in rally is the time to complete the course. Who was faster, me or the border collie? We wouldn't find out until the ribbons were given out. The tension built as the judge announced the 4th place and then third place dogs. Were we faster or not? The judge announces, "We have a tie. Coming in second with a time of 1:32 is...dog number R32." My person checks his arm band and steps forward to take the second place ribbon. Darn, no apple trophy for me, but maybe I'll win the Advanced class.

It's time for the Advanced class to start and I see the border collie's number on the board again. Maybe I can beat him this time. It's our turn to go. I'm working it hard, looking good, and doing my thing. Unfortunately, I have to run the course with my human. Let's face it, my human doesn't know his right from his left and sometimes messes up. Today was one of those days as he did a finish right when he should have done a finish left. Next thing I know he's calling me back to repeat the station because he did it wrong. I did it right, but he didn't. We repeat the station which is an automatic three point deduction. We finish and our score is a 97 out of 100. My human cost me three points.



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Now it's time for the border collie to do his advance run. He is having a great run. This doesn't look good for us. I can only hope his human makes a mistake. There run is almost flawless and they score a 99. I take second place to the border collie. Maybe tomorrow I'll get the apple trophy.

We arrive at the show grounds on Sunday and who do we see, the border collie. Looking around, it's the same group of dogs that competed the day before. It's on between me and the border collie. The first class is Excellent and I'm the 8th dog in again. Our run is beautiful just like Saturday. They post our score and we score 99 out of 100. Will it be enough to win this time?

We wait for the border collie to run and they are the last dog this day too. As they enter the ring the border collie glances at me and gives me the stare. I give my stink eye. I watch the border collie run. He does a nearly flawless run. It was beautiful. He earns a 99. So it will come down to time again and this guy is just quicker than me. Sure enough when the judge gets ready to pass out the second place ribbon she announces a tie. She calls our number for second place. The Apple trophy goes to the border collie.

We wait for the Advanced class. This is my last chance to win an Apple trophy this weekend. It's our turn again. We start and we are working like a well-oiled machine. My person is doing his job. They post our score after we finish and its 99. I've done the best I can. We'll have to wait and see if the border collie can handle the pressure.

It's the border collie's turn for the final run of the day. The border collie gives me that look again as he passes me. So I give him the stink eye. We are staring at each other. It's so on. The border collie starts out and he is doing a great job. It's not looking good for me because he's a fast little guy. I'm built for endurance not speed. I'm watching him and he makes the last turn on the course and he is headed down the home stretch. Two more stations to go until he is done.

The penultimate station is a halt, call front, finish left. The border collie is in perfect heel position as they approach the sign. They stop and the border collie sits quickly and perfectly straight. His lady person gives him the command to come front. The border collie sits there and doesn't move after the command. He looks confused. I smile. The lady person has no choice but to repeat the station and take the three point deduction. They back up, reset, and approach the station for the second time. The second time was a charm for them as this time the border collie came front when his lady person gave the command. I win.

It felt so good when the judge called the border collie's number for the second place ribbon and then to hear her say, "...and in first place with a score of 99 is dog number R32." This time my person didn't need to look at the number on his armband. He knew I was dog R32. He stepped forward and took the blue ribbon and the apple trophy I wanted so bad.

This was the day I fell in love with dog sports. I found the drama of the competition exhilarating. If you haven't tried it, you should because it's a lot of fun. I'll miss competing. My person has a new protégé that I get to mentor through the process. I will enjoy competing vicariously while sipping margaritas under the shade canopy.

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.

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WAYS & MEANS

The CGSMDC Ways & Means is pleased to announce & show you some of the newest products available for purchase through your GSMDC ways & means committee. Quantities are limited so get your today



This pretty little girl is “Blixie” she is sporting the newest “Cascade Swissy” collar. “Cascade Swissy” is embroidered on each collar along with the swiss cross. Don’t worry boys there are colors for you as well.

Available in red, yellow, green & blue
Supplies are limited and they are going fast.

Price: \$20.00 ea

All dogs, including our model “CJ” love their PVC framed dog beds. These are waterproof, easy to clean, extremely durable, flea free and may help to relieve joint pain from aging or arthritis.

Great for indoor or outside use.

Asst colors

Price: \$65.00



Light blue, men & womans short sleeve Polo shirts.

Price \$22.00

We have a variety of styles of clothing, all sporting our club logo as seen below. There are men & women’s polo shirts and denim shirts. We also have assorted styles of sweatshirts and T-shirts along with some other fun swissy related products.

Support your club and visit the Ways & Means table at the next event to see what they may have for you or contact Helen at HelenKramlich@gmail.com. to place an order



Long sleeve denim, both men & womans sizes.

Price: \$25.00

All proceeds go to support the CGSMDC. These prices do not include shipping.



Membership renewals were due on July 1st!!!

You can renew now online here.

<http://www.cascadeswissyclub.com/membership-renewal.html>

Or contact one of your Board of Directors for assistance

Are you looking for a place to vacation?

Don't know what places are pet friendly?

For a list of restaurants, hotels etc that welcome dogs, check out this web site.

<http://www.bringfido.com/>



Traveling With Your Dog:

How to have a safe and fun trip.



If you are planning a trip, have you considered whether or not your dog gets to come along? Do you know how to travel with your dog? Traveling with your dog can be loads of fun if you make all the right arrangements. However, poor planning can really ruin the vacation for everyone. If you think it would be best for your dog to stay behind, then look for a pet sitter or find a kennel where you can board your dog. If you have decided that your furry companion should be part of your trip, let the planning begin. Start by keeping a collar with current identification on your dog at all times. A microchip may also be beneficial for extra security. Before you travel, your dog should have basic training so he will be well-behaved during the trip. Then, plan the transportation, accommodations and daily activities. Learning how to travel with your dog can make the experience less stressful and a lot of fun!

By Air

Air travel for dogs is not always a great idea. Though canines are not cargo to us pet parents, they are usually considered such by the airlines. The cargo hold does not make for a pleasant travel experience, even for relaxed dogs. This is not to say that flying is not an option, just that it is not ideal. Small dog owners are in luck, though. Some airlines will allow you to bring your pet in a carrier if it can fit under the seat in front of you. Learn the finer details of air travel with dogs so you can be fully informed before you book a flight.

Pet-loving entrepreneurs have been developing pet-friendly airlines that may actually be affordable. One such company is Pet Airways, a pet-only (no human passengers) airline that allows pets to fly in the main cabin rather than cargo. However, these flights are only available in a limited number of cities. Until these types of airlines are more accessible, many of us will have to make do with the rules or scrape up the dough to charter a plane.

By Automobile

The automobile is usually the best way to travel with dogs. If you own a vehicle, chances are your dog has ridden in it for trips to the vets, the park and so on. If not, now is the time to start. Some dogs have anxiety over riding in cars. The more positive your dog's automobile experiences are, the more likely he will enjoy the rides. If your dog only rides in the car for vet visits, and he dislikes the vet, his anxiety is understandable. Try taking him for short, frequent car rides that end up at the park, dog supply store (where he will get a toy or treat), or another pleasant place. If your dog does not adjust to the car, then a road trip is not a good option. If you *must* bring your dog for a long car ride, ask your vet about possible anti-anxiety medications that can make the trip a bit easier on everyone. Otherwise, you should seek out other options. Remember, medications should be used sparingly.

If you've decided that Rover can handle the trip, make sure you make all the proper arrangements.

Plan Ahead

Plot rest stops along the way while traveling with your dog, and plan to stop every 3-5 hours to allow your dog to relieve himself, drink water and stretch his legs (more or less depending on your dog's needs). Make a list of several veterinary hospitals that are easily accessible from your route, preferably within one hour's drive from any given point. Check that they will be open during your travel.

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Bring the following for the car ride:

Lists of rest stops and veterinary hospitals	Leash,
Dog seat belt or crate / kennel	Water and Bowls
Treats	One or two toys
Blanket and/or dog bed	Bags to pick up waste
Medications, if applicable	Your dog's medical records

ENJOYING YOUR STAY

Hotels and Dogs

If you will be staying at a hotel while traveling with your dog, cover all your bases in advance. A pet-friendly hotel is more than just one that *allows* pets – it is one that welcomes them. Some hotels offer special dog beds, turndown service (down to the treat on the pillow), dog spa services and doggie day care. Ask what amenities are available for your dog, but remember to find out what cost is involved. Many hotels charge a non-refundable pet deposit upon arrival, then a daily pet fee. Some even tack on a special cleaning fee. Bottom line, before you choose, do your research about pet-friendly hotels .

Bed and Breakfast / Inns for Dogs

Inns and B&Bs are typically not equipped for dogs. However, they do exist. It is essential that you know how to prepare for the trip *prior* to finalizing your plans. Learn about bringing your dog to a B&B , then look for a dog-friendly location.

Camping with Dogs

Camping with your dog can be the perfect way to spend time together while communing with nature. However, camping with dogs is not always a wise choice. Before you decide to bring your dog, make sure the campground you are considering actually allows dogs. Many state and national parks do not allow dogs. Above all, learn how to have fun *and* stay safe while camping.

Be Prepared

Emergencies do not only happen close to home, they can also happen while traveling with your dog. Advance planning can make these emergencies less stressful. Before the trip, make a list of veterinary hospitals in the area where you will be staying, along with a map. If your dog shows sudden signs of illness , that list can help save your dog's life. Before you leave for your trip, make sure you have not forgotten anything. Use this list as a guide while you are packing. Add your own personal touch as needed.

Lists of rest stops and veterinary hospitals along your trip (if driving)

List of veterinary hospitals near the location where you are staying

- Crate / kennel
- Leash
- Water and Bowls
- Dog Food
- Treats
- One or two toys
- Blankets and/or dog bed
- Bags to pick up waste
- First Aid Kit
- Grooming supplies, if necessary
- Medications, if applicable
- Your dog's medical records (including vaccine history)
- Health Certificate (obtain from your vet)

Now you're all set – be safe and enjoy your trip



If I had a dollar
for every time
my dog made
me smile,
I would be a
millionaire

Join in the fun!

Visit our club website for a list of upcoming events and for the latest pictures from all our adventures!

www.cascadeswissclub.com

For membership information on how to join the Cascade Greater Swiss Mountain Dog Club contact us at cascadeswissclub@gmail.com

Membership forms are located at the end of this newsletter or on the website.

You can also follow us on Facebook!

Cascade Greater Swiss Mt Dog Club

or

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

Visit groups.yahoo.com/group/CascadeSwissyClub/

Heat Stroke and Dehydration in Dogs

Heat stroke is an emergency and requires immediate treatment. Because dogs do not sweat (except to a minor degree through their foot pads), they do not tolerate high environmental temperatures as well as humans do. Dogs depend upon panting to exchange warm air for cool air. But when air temperature is close to body temperature, cooling by panting is not an efficient process.

- Common situations that can set the stage for heat stroke in dogs include:
 - Being left in a car in hot weather
 - Exercising strenuously in hot, humid weather
 - Being a brachycephalic breed, especially a Bulldog, Pug, or Pekingese
 - Suffering from a heart or lung disease that interferes with efficient breathing
 - Being muzzled while put under a hair dryer
 - Suffering from a high fever or seizures
- Being confined on concrete or asphalt surfaces
- Being confined without shade and fresh water in hot weather
- Having a history of heat stroke

Heat stroke begins with heavy panting and difficulty breathing. The tongue and mucous membranes appear bright red. The saliva is thick and tenacious, and the dog often vomits. The rectal temperature rises to 104° to 110°F (40° to 43.3°C). The dog becomes progressively unsteady and passes bloody diarrhea. As shock sets in, the lips and mucous membranes turn gray. Collapse, seizures, coma, and death rapidly ensue.

Treatment: Emergency measures to cool the dog must begin at once. Move the dog out of the source of heat, preferably into an air-conditioned building. Take his rectal temperature every 10 minutes. Mild cases may be resolved by moving the dog into a cool environment.

If the rectal temperature is above 104°F, begin rapid cooling by spraying the dog with a garden hose or immersing him in a tub of cool water (not ice water) for up to two minutes. Alternatively, place the wet dog in front of an electric fan. Cool packs applied to the groin area may be helpful, as well as wiping his paws off with cool water. Monitor his rectal temperature and continue the cooling process until the rectal temperature falls below 103°F (39°C). At this point, stop the cooling process and dry the dog. Further cooling may induce hypothermia and shock.

Following an episode of heat stroke, take your dog to a veterinarian as soon as possible. Heat stroke can be associated with laryngeal edema. This seriously worsens the breathing problem and may require an emergency tracheostomy. An injection of cortisone before the onset of respiratory distress may prevent this problem.

Other consequences of hyperthermia include kidney failure, spontaneous bleeding, irregular heart-beat, and seizures. These complications can occur hours or days later.

Dehydration

Dehydration occurs when a dog loses body fluids faster than he can replace them. Dehydration usually involves the loss of both water and electrolytes. In dogs, the most common causes of dehydration are severe vomiting and diarrhea. Dehydration can also be caused by inadequate fluid intake, often associated with fever and severe illness. A rapid loss of fluids also occurs with heat stroke.

A prominent sign of dehydration is loss of skin elasticity. When the skin along the back is pulled up, it should spring back into place. In a dehydrated animal, the skin stays up in a ridge. Another sign of dehydration is dryness of the mouth. The gums, which should be wet and glistening, become dry and tacky. The saliva is thick and tenacious. In an advanced case, the eyes are sunken and the dog exhibits signs of shock, including collapse.

Treatment: A dog who is visibly dehydrated should receive immediate veterinary attention, including intravenous fluids, to replace fluids and prevent further loss.

For mild dehydration, if the dog is not vomiting you can give him an electrolyte solution by bottle or syringe into the cheek pouch. Balanced electrolyte solutions for treating dehydration in children, such as Ringer's lactate with 5 percent dextrose in water or Pedialyte solution, are available at drug-stores and are also suitable for dogs. Gatorade is another short-term substitute to help replace fluids. Administer the solution at a rate of 2 to 4 ml per pound (1 to 2 ml per kilo) of body weight per hour, depending on the severity of the dehydration (or as directed by your veterinarian).

ASPCA

Animal Poison Control Center

24 Hrs. a day

1-888- 426- 4435

(a consultation fee is charged)

For a poison emergency

in the US call AAPCC

American Association of Poison Control Centers

1-800-222-1212

RamsGate

Is very pleased to present
our
"Just" Litter!

Born 4/4/14

5 boys & 2 girls

To Proud Parents:

GCH RamsGate's Diamond In The Rough - "Quinn"

&

CH Big Hunk of Whispering Pine "Riley"

Bred by Michele Slate & Antoinette Killpatrick



Eric Nyman, Karen Kramer,
Max & Sawyer
RamsGate's Just My Type "Odin"
Danville, CA



David and Shannon Dodrill
RamsGate's Just B'Cause "Charlie"
Whitefish, MT



Anthony & Amy Davis
RamsGate's Poetic Justice "Poet"
Fort Bragg, CA



Monika McNamara & Gabrielle Cohen
RamsGate's Just What The Dr. Ordered
"Mattie"
Lincoln, CA



Julie Smith
RamsGate's Just a Scoundrel "Solo"
Minneapolis, MN



Annie Nesbit & Ingo Schmoltd
RamsGate's Just Right "Bruno"
Oakland, CA



Jennifer Radcliffe
RamsGate's Sweet Justice "Koda"
Cottage Grove, OR

Michele Slate RamsGate Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs Sherwood, OR

www.ramsgateswissys.com wolfpack1313@msn.com

We are proud to Introduce our little girl
Cherished Ddoc Twice A Hero

Better known as

“SHAY”

Born 4/13/2014

Bred by: Kim Woollard –Cherished Swissies

Sire: CH Andas Cherished Kalnu Legenda CGC BN RN WWDX DD NRPD

Dam: CH Cherished Nobody Does't Like JHD MXP MPP NFP WWDS

Loved, owned, trained and shown by: Jim & Julie Franklin

Look for Shay in the working ring soon. She has already started her education and plans on getting working titles like her parents.



New Grand Champion

GCH CH Fire Dance Sudden Impact
“Dirty Harry”



Select Dog on 7/12, Del Monte KC, Camel, CA ~ BOB on 7/13!

Whelped Feb. 3, 2013

Sire: CH Painted Mtn's Reconnaissance “Recon”

Dam: Int'l CH.Am GCH Calypso Roy's Geneva V Maxamillion “Geneva”

Owned & Loved by Donna Zetterquist/ Co-Owned by Antoinette Killpatrick

Bred by Donna Zetterquist, Terry & Bev Brown & Antoinette Killpatrick

Donna Zetterquist Fire Dance GSMD www.firedancegsmd.com

Congratulations To Our Newest Grand Champion!



"LUNA"

GCH RAMSGATE'S FULL MOON RISING

WE'RE VERY PROUD OF OUR BEAUTIFUL YOUNG GIRL!

Born: 3/26/13

GCH RamGate's Diamond In The Tough "Quinn" & GCH Big Hunk Of Whispering Pine "Riley"

BRED BY MICHELE SLATE & ANTOINETTE KILLPATRICK

RamsGate Greater Swiss Mountain Dogs/Michele Slate

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Golden Gate GSMD Club 2014 Regional Specialty



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Spaghetti Western Roundup

Saturday October 18, 2014

3 Day Del Valle KC Show, Alameda Co Fairgrounds, Pleasanton, CA

Join us for a rip-snortin' good time in the Amador Pavilion

Chuck wagon, photo booth, saloon, dancing girls, raffle

Information: Donna Zetterquist dzetter@gmail.com 831-429-9716





Swissy Summer!

CGSMDC Board of Directors Forum Minutes

By outgoing Secretary Helen Kramlich

The minutes are the topics of discussion from the Board of Directors on-line Forum for the office term of July 1, 2013 -June 30, 2014

Insurance Due

The Club's Insurance with Sportmen's is up for renewal on October 22, 2013. The insurance premium has had a substantial increase to \$550 up from \$411 last year! From Lisa's discussion with the Insurance company this is a result of the requirements of the State of Washington Insurance commission, setting a minimum premium rate of \$500. After discussion it was determined that included in the premium total of \$551, we would designate two additional insured endorsements (2014 BBQ at Fort Borst Park and Ice Cream Social at Kramlich's home) and one training class of up to 25 people. Lisa made a motion to renew with Sportsmen's Insurance for the total amount of \$551. Allison seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Certification of Deposit

The Club received a Certificate Maturity Notice from OCCU that our one year CD which was at 0.50% is maturing on Jan. 30, 2014, total balance \$7,029.31. We discussed what would be the best thing to do with this money. After some discussion we decided to let it roll over for another year at the current offered interest rate of 0.40%.

Financial Condition of the club

There is a disturbing downward trend in our revenues and upward trend of expenses in the past few years. For the Club year ending 6/30/13, we were in a loss position of \$237 and for the first six months of the current year we are again operating at a loss of \$375. We need to discuss what we might do and the best plan for proceeding into the future. Discussion is still ongoing.

2014 National Specialty

Allison presented a request from the 2014 GSMDCA National Specialty Committee looking for monetary support of this upcoming event. The proposed sponsorship amount for the Cascade Club was \$225. After some discussion it was decided that we should concentrate on getting our local club finances healthy before any further donations are made to the GSMDCA.

SKC Breed Education Booth Part 1

The Seattle Kennel Show (SKC) is having a meet the breed opportunity. SKC wants to give the public access to meet conformation dogs "up close and personal" after the ring time. One half hour of time, no cost to the club. We have not done this in the past as usually there is no one showing at SKC, so basically no conformation dogs available. After discussion and voting we decided not to participate in this portion of the SKC meet the breeds.

SKC Breed Education Booth Part 2

Seattle Kennel Club has once again invited our Club to host a breed education booth at the SKC show on March 8 and 9th. This Breed booth is a weekend long event for which the SKC charges \$75 per booth w/o electricity or \$130 per booth with electricity. Due to the size of our dogs and exhibits Jim Franklin has requested that the Club rent two booth spaces for the weekend. A motion was put forward to rent two booth spaces w/o electricity for a total budget of \$150. Motion passed with 6 yes votes and one absent.

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Supported Entry MRWDC

The Mount Rainer Working Dog Club invited our Club to support the Swissy entry at their Working Dog Club show on July 10-11 in Centralia WA. Various packages of support are available starting at a minimum of \$45 for one or both days of the show. After discussion, Lisa made a motion that the Club support the Friday of the event for a total of \$75. Don seconded. Motion failed with 2 yes votes, 2 no votes, and three absent.

Ways & Means Items

Considering that the Club needs to increase our revenues, a suggestion was made to purchase some club logo items for resale to our members through Ways & Means. Helen made a motion to establish a budget of \$600 to purchase some new Ways & Means items. Tom seconded the motion. Motion passed with 6 yes votes and 1 absent.

Swissy Valentine Party

The BoD started discussing about having a Valentine's Day party for the Club. Since it is always difficult to get in a meeting during the first part of the year and we were thinking that this might be a fun way to do it. After a lot of discussion on dates and places Lisa made a motion to hold a February Valentine's Day theme member party to be held at Winstar in Tacoma, with a budget of \$200. During the voting process it was decided that the date was fast approaching and Lisa modified her motion to be a party on Saturday March 15th at Winstar in Tacoma. A St. Patrick Day's theme & dog toy gift exchange. Helen seconded. Motion passed with 5 yes votes and 2 absent.

Nominating Committee

After a request for volunteers at our March Club meeting and subsequent email communications with various Club members, at the beginning of April the Board established a Nominating Committee of three volunteers, Stuart Kramlich, Debby Dodds and Don Rudee. Lisa Simonsen will serve as an alternate if necessary.

May Club Meeting

One of the requirements of nominating club officers, per our Bylaws, is that we have a May meeting in order to allow individuals to nominate members for office in addition to those previously selected by the Nominating Committee. After some discussion it was decided to have the meeting in Elma, WA on May 3rd, 2014.

June Annual Meeting

Our Bylaws require the Club's Annual meeting to be in June each year. In the past we have always held it in conjunction with our Club's BBQ at Fort Borst Park in Centralia. However, a discussion was held on having our annual meeting in Tumwater at a restaurant in June and moving the annual BBQ to July in hopes of better weather for this outdoor event. Lisa made a motion to approve the Cascade Club's annual meeting for June 14th, noon, at the Falls Terrace Restaurant at Tumwater Falls Park in Olympia. Helen seconded the motion. Motion was passed unanimously. (Note – Meeting was cancelled on June 10 due to lack of planned attendance.)

BBQ at Fort Borst

At the March 15th Club meeting Jim & Julie Franklin volunteered to once again organize the Club's annual BBQ at Fort Borst Park in Centralia. After some discussion of the past weather conditions, it was put forth to move the party into July in hopes for warmer, dryer weather. After some discussion on dates, time and budget Lisa made a motion to approve July 12th at Fort Borst park for our Club's BBQ with a budget amount not to exceed \$250. Helen seconded the motion. Unanimous approval, motion passed.

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 with new members .

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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Membership Chair: vacant

Website Admin. Committee: Allison Allen- Helen Kramlich- Don Rudee

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Working Chairs: vacant

Rescue Chairs: vacant



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 ****make checks payable to CGSMDC**** and mail form with your check to:
email CascadeSwissyClub@gmail.com for current mailing address

Pay or renew online at: <http://www.cascadeswissyclub.com/membership-renewal.html>

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: _____