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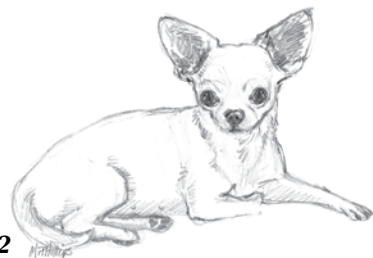
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From The President

I had not been to Detroit since we held the spring rotating specialty there in 1995, so it was a real pleasure to be part of the Chihuahua Club of Michigan's recent specialty show. I saw some wonderful dogs, and met a lot of lovely people. The most impressive thing about the experience was observing how well club members worked together to keep everything running smoothly. The camaraderie and hospitality that was evident is exactly what is needed for a club to do a spring rotating specialty. Since the one coming up in Detroit will be our first four day affair, I am happy that this group is taking on the task. I have every confidence in them.

Our election chair, Kathy Bornemann, has done an excellent job in putting together the ballot and statements from all the candidates for office and judges. Those will be in your hands shortly.

Thanks to Pat Witter, our treasurer, we now have PayPal available for trophy

donations. PayPal will be available for other functions in the near future such as membership dues and handbook sales.

The handbook has been proofread and put to bed. I have seen a great deal of the content, and I can assure you that our handbook committee has done a wonderful job. The book will be available in Chicago for purchase and pickup for those who preordered.

Please read the regional reports and minutes, so that you can stay current on all the area clubs and CCA activities and plans for the future. The website is fast becoming an invaluable tool for communication and public education, and provides more and more content as time goes on. Other committees have been hard at work, and since it can never be said enough, a big thank you to everyone who gives of their time and efforts to club work. There is so much that all our folks are doing, and they need to know that it is appreciated.

In closing, I would like to welcome

our new *Chi-Chatter* editor, Beverly LaFleur. Thank you for taking on the task; we all wish you the best.

**See you in Chicago,
Bruce Shirky**



“On the Cover”

Ch Hilcrofts Legacy In Red

Best of Variety 2009 CCA Rotating Specialty

Judge: Mrs. Charlotte Patterson

Owners: Carol Campbell & Shirley Furtado



From The Editor

This is my first issue as the new editor of the Chi Chatter, therefore I would like to introduce myself to all of you. My name is Beverly LaFleur and I have been part of the Chihuahua family for over fifteen years. My start was in 1989 when I bought my first Chihuahua from Shirley Banderet. Previous to that we showed Arabian horses and GSD's and all the dogs, mostly mixed breeds our daughter could rescue

I want to say thank you to the previous editor and all the past editors of the Chi Chatter for their service to the club and helping make this a wonderful publication. This is my first venture doing a newsletter as large and detailed as the Chi Chatter. So if there are mistakes made please be patient and feel free to let me know where I went wrong. I will endeavor to correct the error and not make the same mistake a second time.

Also please send pictures of your Chihuahua's doing all those cute things

we all love to share and see. Remember no competition pictures.

It has been fun putting this issue together and I am looking forward to bringing you future issues with Specialty results and all the Chihuahua news.

Happy showing and many good wins.

**Chihuahua hugs,
Beverly LaFleur
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Next ChiChatter

Deadline is November 15, 2009

CCA Plaque Information

The Chihuahua Club of America offers the following plaques to member local Chihuahua Clubs for their specialties:

1. **Best of Breed** - for clubs holding independent specialties.
2. **Best of Variety** - for clubs holding specialties in conjunction with an all-breed show when Best of Breed cannot be offered, and
3. **High in Trial** - for clubs offering obedience at their independent specialties.

The local club's Secretary, Show

Chair, and/or Trophy Chair may not be members of the CCA and may be unaware of CCA's requirements for obtaining the plaque. CCA MEMBERS, please make sure that they ALL KNOW the following information:

To receive CCA plaque:

1. Your club's request (Letter and Premium List) for a plaque(s) MUST reach CCA's Secretary At Least Four (4) Weeks Prior to your event. (Some clubs include CCA's Secretary on their mailing lists to insure that the premium list is received by CCA's deadline.)
2. Each CCA trophy MUST be Published in the actual Premium List, even though a club may use a Condensed premium list for other trophies. The premium list MUST state "Best of Breed" or "Best of Variety" ("Long Coat" and "Smooth Coat") and "High in Trial" - plaque offered by the Chihuahua Club

of America, Inc.

3. **Deadline:** At Least 4 Weeks Prior to your event, mail or Fax CCA's Secretary the request for the plaque for your specialty. Include the DATE of the event and the Name & Address of the person to whom the plaque(s) should be mailed. Your letter may be sent early, however, until CCA's Secretary receives the premium list, no plaque(s) can be mailed.

4. Due to the cost, plaques will not be sent overnight or by express.

??Questions about the plaques??

Please contact Patricia Larrissey, CCA's Secretary



Mission Statement

- **TO** encourage and promote quality in breeding of pure-bred Chihuahuas and if at all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.
- **TO** encourage the organization of independent local Chihuahua Specialty clubs in those localities where there are sufficient fanciers of the breed to meet the requirements of the American Kennel Club.
- **TO** urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Chihuahuas shall be judged.
- **TO** do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsman-like competition at dog shows and obedience trials.
- **TO** conduct Sanctioned Matches, Specialty Shows, and Obedience Trials under the—rules of the American Kennel Club.
- **TO** promote the qualities of The Chihuahua breed to the members and general public through publications, educational seminars, library data banks, etc.

Guidelines for Submitting Show Results & Photos

- Please submit show results for publication using the approved template/form designed for that purpose; if you don't have the form, just e-mail me at lafleurs.chis@gmail.com and I will send it to you.
- Photos that can be published are as follows: BOV & BOB in both coats, and Best Junior Handler
- Photos submitted must be official show photos from the Specialty being reported, and may not be cropped or digitally altered.
- The member club secretary shall obtain permission from those individuals whose photo will be published before sending the photos.
- Photos can either be e-mailed to lafleurs.chis@gmail.com, or sent regular mail to:
Beverly LaFleur
17225 West Cheryl Drive
Waddell, AZ 85355



Best In Show

Ch. Arywen Star Kissed Delight

Holland Kennel Club, BIS.

Judge: Kent H. Delaney

Group Judge: Dr. Steve Keating

Breed Judge: Dr. Steve Keating

Breeder/Owner/Handler: Gloria & Art Johnson



Treasurer's Report

CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA- ASSETS - 5-18-09 - 8-18-09 — CASH BASIS

ASSETS

Checking/Savings

CCA Regular Checking Account	11,386.38
CCA Rescue	2,180.53
CCA Ways and Means	3,752.23
Chihuahua Health Related Fund	20,221.34
Deped Item returned	40.00
Purina Funds	2,643.32
Returned check fee	10.00
Trophies	515.00
Total Checking/Savings	40,748.80
Other Current Assets	
Ameriprise Financial	51,379.54
Total Other Current Assets	51,379.54
TOTAL ASSETS	92,128.34

INCOME & EXPENSE Detail — May 18 through August 18, 2009

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Paid Amount
ORDINARY INCOME/EXPENSE					
Income					
2009 HANDBOOK PRESALE					
Dep	06/08/2009	dep	2009 Handbook Presale	2009 Handbook Presale	969.76
Dep	07/15/2009	dep	2009 Handbook Presale	Chavez for Patsy McDevitt	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Donald C. Coughlin	Check #4885	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Michael Tang	Check #1323	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Lynne George	Check # 2399	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Debra Gray	Check # 1687	106.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Kristi Wheeler	Check # 2188	640.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Sylvia Farkas	Check 11888	120.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Gina M. Schag	Check 3966	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Pam MacClintock	Check 5913	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Gail P. Vargo	Chehck 9920	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Annette Waldkoetter	Check 1141	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Cherry Parker	Check 7268	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Rebecca Kelker	Check 4187	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Max E. Hurd	Check 3298	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Hazel Bellerjeau	Check 5039	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Lynne Llewellyn-MacLellan	Check 32846629	96.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Fidelma Doherty Dixie	Check 2387	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Justin Ward	Check 1097	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Allynid M. Bunten	Check 1151	120.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Kathryn R. Greer	Check 5305	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Joie Chandler	Check 7555	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Joan Bernes	Check 5055	98.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Linda T. Herr	Check 4903	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Patrick V. Mattie	Check 6141	95.92
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Bobbie Von Hoff	Check 1022	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Linda A. Throgmorton	Check 2965	47.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Barbara Briedenback	Check 586	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Jill A. Hopper	Check 2942	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Sandra G. Cook	Check 120	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Michele Giroux	Check 1273	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Grace Settee	Check 1273	160.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Cindy Allen	Check 1001	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	H. Craig Leslie	Check 8375	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Connie Williams	Check 2685	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Connie Williams	Check 2689	32.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Laura Blankenship	Check 1113	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Sallie Buckman	Check 3864	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Eva Peng	Check 1180	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Nancy Shonbeck	Check 6976	120.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	B.M. Dillard	Check 3875	48.00

Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Patricia Shew	Check 3814	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Gannon Carr O'Reily	Check 675	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Sharon A. Hatcher	Check 1444	47.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Stephen Young	Check 63968	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Nancy Bourgeois	Check 1328	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Don A. Vandevender	Check 3221	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Dail P. Corl	Check 1413	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Cindy Luke	Check 1694	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Joan Antonetto	Check 8514	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Dan & Carol Greenwald	Check 8897	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Cynthia E. Edlao	Check 6238	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Rio Lara Bellon	Check 7046	120.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Leslie A. Riley	Check 568	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Thomas S. Weaver	Check 3230	40.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Elizabeth Moore	Check 1024	80.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Lynne A. Powell	Check 1964	48.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Karen Hamling	Check 4464	40.00
TOTAL 2009 HANDBOOK PRESALE					5,035.68
CHI-CHATTER					
Advertising					
Dep	05/27/2009	dep	Chi Chatter Income	Betty C. Gordon Full-page	60.00
Dep	05/27/2009	dep	Chi Chatter Income	Ponchatrain Chihuahua Fanciers	45.00
Dep	07/15/2009	dep	Chi Chatter Income	Grace M. Settee Full-page	60.00
Total Advertising					165.00
TOTAL CHI-CHATTER					165.00
DIRECT PUBLIC SUPPORT					
Corporate Contributions					
Dep	05/27/2009	dep	Purina funds	Purina Funds	5,000.00
Total Corporate Contributions					5,000.00
Individ, Business Contributions					
Dep	05/27/2009	dep	Texas Chihuahua Club	Fall Ways & Means	50.00
Dep	06/15/2009	dep	Land of Lincoln Chi Club	Dep	200.00
Dep	06/15/2009	dep	Texas Chihuahua Club	Dep	100.00
Dep	07/15/2009	dp	Dallas Chihuahua Club	Dep	50.00
Total Individ, Business Contributions					400.00
TOTAL DIRECT PUBLIC SUPPORT					5,400.00
FALL ROTATING NATIONAL					
Advertising					
Dep	08/07/2009	dep	Advertising Income	Catalogue Advertising	237.00
Total Advertising					237.00
Trophies					
Dep	06/08/2009	dep	Lynne Hurd	Trophy Donation	100.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep1	Shirley A. Banderet	Check 2570	50.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep1	Carla Soto	Check 7386	20.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep1	Donna Jensen	Check 1082	25.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep1	Jose R. Diez	Check 882	100.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep1	Victoria I. Roemer	Check 5550	100.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep	Sandra & David Cooke	Check 123	20.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep	Katherine K. Bolin & Dennis Bolin	Check 5651	25.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep	Paula McSwain	Check 1359	25.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep	Sandra St. John	Check 4236	50.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep	Reinaldo & Viola Burgos	Check 7885	50.00
Dep	08/07/2009	dep	Rosemary Soehn	Check 05915643	50.00
Total Trophies					615.00
TOTAL FALL ROTATING NATIONAL					852.00
HANDBOOK SALES					
2005 Handbook					
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Lisa Gesser	Check 2034	42.96
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Susan D. McMillan	Check 2288	42.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Toronto Dominion Bank	Check 6319562	42.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Jean Pettit	Check 5087	43.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Michael E. Philip	Check 2145	43.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Roxanne T. Ippolito	Check 2252	42.96
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Mark L. Hayes	Check 4428	43.00
Dep	08/18/2009	dep	Stephan Young	Check 063961	42.00
Total 2005 Handbook					340.92
TOTAL HANDBOOK SALES					340.92

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MEMBERSHIPS						
Membership Dues						
New Membership Fee						
	Dep	05/27/2009	dep	Membership Dues	Dep	420.00
	Dep	07/15/2009	dep	New Membership Dues	New Membership Dues	70.00
Total New Membership Fee						490.00
Total Membership Dues						490.00
TOTAL MEMBERSHIPS						490.00
SPRING ROTATING NATIONAL						
Advertising						
	Dep	05/27/2009	dep	Spring Advertising	Catalogue Advertising	177.00
Total Advertising						177.00
Unpaid check refund						
	Dep	07/08/2009	dep	Onofrio Dog Shows	check from Onofrio Dog Shows	50.00
Total Unpaid check refund						50.00
TOTAL SPRING ROTATING NATIONAL						227.00
TOTAL INCOME						12,510.60
EXPENSE						
ADVERTISING						
	Check	07/15/2009	1062	AKC	September Gazette	425.00
	Check	07/15/2009	1064	AKC	Balance of Gazette Ad	50.00
TOTAL ADVERTISING						475.00
AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS						
Certificates						
	Check	07/07/2009	Online	Patricia A. Larrisey	Mailing Cost	42.46
Total Certificates						42.46
Shipping						
	Check	07/07/2009	Online	Patricia A. Larrisey	Mailing plaques	26.43
	Check	07/07/2009	Online	Patricia A. Larrisey	Register of Merit	8.46
Total Shipping						34.89
TOTAL AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS						77.35
BANK CHARGES						
	Check	07/21/2009	bank	Check Order	Checking supplies	29.00
TOTAL BANK CHARGES						29.00
CHI-CHATTER						
Printing & Mailing						
	Check	05/26/2009	Online	Bear & Associates	Chi-Chatter Roster	1,513.64
	Check	06/08/2009	Online	Bear & Associates	Chi-Chatter Summer	3,023.58
Total Printing & Mailing						4,537.22
TOTAL CHI-CHATTER						4,537.22
ELECTION						
Mailing Labels						
	Check	08/12/2009	Online	Bear & Associates	2 sets of mailing labels	54.95
Total Mailing Labels						54.95
Teller						
	Check	08/10/2009	Online	Barbara Shayeste	Advance on Election Mailing	825.00
Total Teller						825.00
TOTAL ELECTION						879.95
FUNDS TO MEMBER CLUBS						
	Check	06/08/2009	Online	Chihuahua Club of GP	from Purina Funds	1,000.00
TOTAL FUNDS TO MEMBER CLUBS						1,000.00
HANDBOOK						
Postage - Prior Years						
	Check	05/26/2009	Online	The Mail Center		9.25
	Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Roxanne Ippolito - 2005 Handbook	5.30
	Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Mark Hayes - 2005 Handbook	5.30
	Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Michael Philip - 2005 Handbook	5.30
	Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Packing Materials	5.30
	Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Stephen Young, Malta - 2005 Handbook	28.17
Total Postage - Prior Years						58.62
TOTAL HANDBOOK						58.62
INSURANCE						
	Check	08/03/2009	1061	Equisure	CCA Insurance 12 months	600.00
TOTAL INSURANCE						600.00

MEMBERSHIP						
Ink/Printing						
Check	05/26/2009	Online	Patricia A. Larrissey	New Membership Printing		69.14
Total Ink/Printing						69.14
Postage						
Check	07/07/2009	Online	Patricia A. Larrissey	Postage		12.50
Total Postage						12.50
Refund of Membership						
Check	07/23/2009	1066	Carey D. Ivey	Membership refund		25.00
Check	08/18/2009	1068	Patricia Levan	Returned Membership Dues		25.00
Total Refund of Membership						50.00
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP						131.64
OPERATIONS						
Postage, Mailing Service						
Check	05/26/2009	Online	Patricia A. Larrissey			36.11
Check	05/26/2009	Online	Patricia A. Larrissey	Marked Catalogues, Postage		26.67
Check	07/07/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Books, plaques		114.12
Check	07/09/2009	1063	Postmaster			4.95
Dep	07/15/2009	dep	June Kaiser	Postage for Phoenix catalogue		-7.00
Total Postage, Mailing Service						174.85
TOTAL OPERATIONS						174.85
PLAQUES						
Check	06/22/2009	1060	Personalize It			1,787.35
Check	07/21/2009	1067	AKC	Medallions for Eukanuba		245.00
TOTAL PLAQUES						2,032.35
RESCUE						
Dep	05/18/2009	dep	Purina funds	Dep		-1,500.00
TOTAL RESCUE						-1,500.00
SHOW COMMITTEE						
Postage - BOB Plaques						
Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Connie Williams - 2 BOB Plaques		9.25
Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Kim Gramlisch - 2 BOB Plaques		9.25
Check	06/08/2009	Online	The Mail Center	Lauren Payne - 1 BOB Plaque		7.91
Total Postage - BOB Plaques						26.41
Spring Trophies						
Check	05/18/2009	Online	B.K. Smith			58.35
Total Spring Trophies						58.35
Supplies						
Check	06/17/2009	Online	Jim Hanke	Plastic for floor		92.46
Total Supplies						92.46
Sweepstakes Judge Accommodation						
Check	06/08/2009	Online	John E. Cippolina	1 night lodging		137.38
Total Sweepstakes Judge Accommodation						137.38
TOTAL SHOW COMMITTEE						314.60
SUNSHINE						
Check	06/17/2009	1059	Hazel Bellerjeau	Carlos Woliver-Flowers		100.00
TOTAL SUNSHINE						100.00
TAKE THE LEAD						
Check	07/21/2009	1065	Take The Lead	Donation in memory of Dorothy Nickles		100.00
TOTAL TAKE THE LEAD						100.00
WAYS & MEANS						
Junior Travel Assistance						
Check	08/10/2009	Cashiers	Payment for Juniors Assistance			300.00
Total Junior Travel Assistance						300.00
Ways & Means - Other						
Check	06/18/2009	Online	Bob Peters	Purchase of Prior Year Handbooks		375.00
Total Ways & Means - Other						375.00
TOTAL WAYS & MEANS						675.00
TOTAL EXPENSE						9,685.58

Submitted by Patricia W. Witter, CCA Treasurer



Thank You!

2009 CCA Fall Trophies

Shirley Banderet

Vicky Bisard

Bill & Liz Bliss

Katherine & Dennis Bolin

Kathy Borneman

BuddysRus Kennels, Brian Eckenstein

Lynnie Bunten

Rey and Viola Burgos

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Linda Herr

Tammy Holden

Michael and Patricia Holzkopf

Jill Hopper

Lynn and Jeff Hurd

Paul Jamtgaard

Carole Jeffery

Donna Jensen

Shawn Christine Jones

June Kaiser

Jane Kay

Sun Glo Kennels

Bayard Kennels

Lisa Knop

Patricia Larrissey

Jim Lehman

Sylvia Mattson

Paula McSwain

Richard Miller

Misueno Chihuahuas, Crystal &

Kimberly Montez

Dena Muenzler

Dina Planche

Tracy, Kyle & Kirsten Potts

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Jacqueline Smith

Rosemary Sohn

Carla Soto

Kenneth & Sandra St. John

Paul Starjack

Gary & Vicki Stiles

Gil & Edith Sykes

Linda & William Throgmorton

Katsushi Tokugawa

Don Vandevender

Vicky Whipple

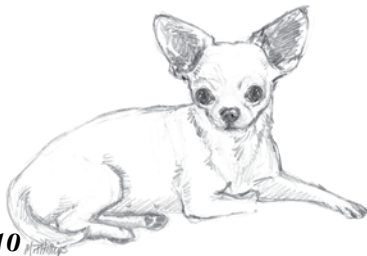
Mack & Connie Williams

Patricia Witter

Chihuahua Club of Gr. Milwaukee

Ponchartrain Chihuahua Fanciers

Texas Chihuahua Club



Obedience

This year we have the very popular Fred Buroff judging Obedience and Rally at the National.

In looking over the stats for 2009, I see very few Chihuahuas competing in

Obedience or Rally this year. I hope you are tuning up your dog's skills and making out your entries for Chicago.

The CCA Board voted to make the Obedience trophies the same quality as Conformation trophies, and they are promised to be extra special this year.

Please send your monetary donations to Kyle Potts or Patricia Holzkopf.

Below are the titles earned by CCA members in 2008.

Patricia Larrissey, Obedience Chair

Performance Titles Earned By CCA Members 2008

Dog's name	Title	Date earned	Owner
Poco CD	Companion Dog	5/3/08	Moriah Guy (Junior member)
Ch Kandiland Luv U This Much CD RA	Companion Dog	8/15/08	Helene Benson
Blackhawks Preciousgollum CD RE	Companion Dog	11/1/08	Bonita Rodgers
Chaparral Cholla Del Stack CD RA OA OAJ NF	Companion Dog	11/9/08	Shelly S Hennessy
Mi Rosita Del Stack CD RN NA	Rally Novice	1/6/08	Terry & Randy Stackhouse
Temple's The Lion King RN	Rally Novice	1/27/08	Donna Brittain
Sterns Bewitching Endora RN	Rally Novice	3/1/08	Lisa Duntley
Ktg-B-Z-B's Pride of Texas RN	Rally Novice	4/27/08	Dusty Berthold (Junior member) & Shirley Banderet
Ch Toltec Dach Light My Fire S RN	Rally Novice	7/5/08	David Thomas & Susan Payne & Susan Pease
Mar-Andl Rita RN	Rally Novice	10/16/08	Henrietta Maria Garcia
Ater's Cherry Garcia RN	Rally Novice	11/21/08	Cindy Eaton & Sharon Eklund
Ch Kandiland Legend's Sugar Babe CD RA	Rally Advanced	1/12/08	Helene Benson
Sterns Magical Mystique L CD RA	Rally Advanced	4/5/08	Carol Rowe
Ch Kandiland Luv U This Much RA	Rally Advanced	04 06 08	Helene Benson
Chaparral Cholla Del Stack RA OA OAJ NF	Rally Advanced	4/19/08	Shelly S Hennessy
Temple's The Lion King RA	Rally Advanced	7/20/08	Donna Brittain
Ch Snowcrest's I Emma Ghost RA	Rally Advanced	10/5/08	Helene Benson & Barbara Anderson
Tytte Baer's Maybelline CD RA NAP NJP	Rally Advanced	10/4/08	Helene Benson
Ch Toltec Dach Light My Fire S RA	Rally Advanced	11/22/08	David Thomas & Susan Payne & Susan Pease
Blackhawks Preciousgollum RE	Rally Excellent	10/3/08	Bonita Rodgers
Ch Kandiland's Legend's Sugar Babe CD RE	Rally Excellent	10/5/08	Helene Benson
Kiamichi Champagne Toast CD RAE OA OAJ AXP AJP NFP	Rally Advanced Excellent	4/13/08	Barbara & Betty Jeleski
Ch Toltec Holy Cow S NAP	Novice Agility Preferred	11/21/08	Susan F Payne & Louise Cacchio
Mi Rosita Del Stack CD RN NA NAJ	Novice Agility Jumper	10/12/08	Terry & Randy Stackhouse
Ch Snowcrest's I Emma Ghost RA NJP	Novice Agility Jumper Preferred	12/28/08	Helene Benson & Barbara Anderson
Ch Hijos Alaskan Micro Chip NA OAJ NF	Open Agility Jumper	7/6/08	Joelle Hughes
Maytoys Kiss Rainey For Luck RN OA AXJ	Excellent Agility Jumper	3/14/08	Gail Holmen
Dulcito's Famous Destiny OA AXJ	Excellent Agility Jumper	6/14/08	Sharon Hatcher
Kiamichi Champagne Toast CD RAE OA OAJ AXP MJP NFP	Excellent Agility Jumper	12/7/08	Barbara & Betty Jeleski
Ch Ater's Amulette RN AXJ AJP	Excellent Agility Jumper Preferred	7/19/08	Carol Rowe
Kiamichi Champagne Toast CD RAE OA OAJ AXP MJP NFP	Master Excellent Jumper Preferred	9/28/08	Barbara & Betty Jeleski
Kiamichi Champagne Toast CD RAE OA OAJ AXP AJP NFP	Master Agility Excellent Preferred	11/7/08	Barbara & Betty Jeleski
Maytoys Kiss Rainey For Luck RN OA AXJ NF	Agility Fast Novice	3/28/08	Gail Holmen



Board Meeting Friday, May 1st 2009, Holiday Inn, Mesa AZ

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm MST by President, Bruce Shirky

Present were: Bruce Shirky; Craig Leslie; Patricia Witter; Shirley Banderet; Kyle Potts; Jill Hopper; Dick Dickerson; Ken Saenz; and Patricia Larrissey

Absent was: Hazel Bellerjeau, Peggy Wilson and James Lehman

Dick Dickerson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2009 Board meeting, Kenny Saenz seconded. Motion carried.

President's Report: Bruce Shirky read the letter from the Purina Partnership Program, and a letter from the AKC Canine Health Foundation, regarding a 3 day seminar National Parent Club Health Conference on October 23-25, 2009.

Craig Leslie made a motion that Justin Ward be given the opportunity to attend the seminar, that the club pay for his transportation up to \$200 and that he make a report to the Board on the seminar. Dick Dickerson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

We have a great entry, we must let Purina know how much we appreciate their support.

Secretary: No report

Treasurer report: Total deposits are \$90,759.66. Pat Witter will give a full report at the General Meeting.

Committee Reports:

The Board agreed to deviate from the agenda.

Election: Chair, Kathy Bornemann will conduct a drawing at the General

Meeting, for which Regional Vice-Presidents will be running for 1 and 2 year terms. After the Election, the newly elected Board members will draw to see if they will serve for 1 or 2 years.

Dale Van Camp gave a presentation for the Southern California Chihuahua Club to host the 2011 Rotating Specialty at the Ontario Airport Marriott.

Dick Dickerson made a motion to accept the Southern California's proposal. Shirley seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Rescue: Lynnne Bunten submitted a report on things to consider before starting a rescue group, she asked that the Board review the report and that it be added to the CCA website. She also gave a report on the Arizona rescue of 100+ Chihuahuas in 2008, the type of rescues she gets calls about, and stipulated what happens to members dogs if they are injured or die. Lynnne would like to add links to the website to legitimate rescue groups.

Kenny Saenz would like to form a exploratory committee to review our rescue policies and procedures. Dick Dickerson made a motion that Ken Saenz & Lynnne Bunten get together and make recommendations of members for this committee. Pat Witter seconded. Motion passed.

Jill Hopper made a motion to have a 50/50 raffle for the Arizona Rescue this weekend. Kenny Saenz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Information/Education: Katie Greer showed us the final flyer that will be included with every AKC registration.

Website: Katie brought forward some problems with the website. The Website Committee will have a meeting on these matters and report to the Board.

Carole Jeffrey submitted a list of reference materials currently in print that can be sent to inquiries, and requested that they be added to the website.

Lynnne Bunten and Carole Jeffrey will

work on a label that can be put on crates, indicating who to contact in case of accident or death.

Top Notch Toys was kind enough send us some magazines for hand-outs. Because of the economy, they can no longer afford to do this, but made an exception for us.

Health Committee: Justin Ward has a commitment from 20 members to have CERF testing at the National. Craig made a motion to fund a CERF clinic at the National from the Purina Partnership Program funds. Jill Hopper seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Ways & Means/Juniors: Dena Muenzler presented a sample of a quilt that will be raffled off to benefit Juniors.

Show Committee: Craig Leslie & Suzanne Stephens are putting together a letter to Onofrio Dog Shows, listing the deficiencies that have occurred in the handling of this year's Rotating. We will send labels to the Superintendent in the future, for the mailing of premium lists to the membership.

Purina will continue to support our specialties, but at a somewhat reduced rate.

Unfinished Business:

***Craig made a motion to eliminate the words "not to exceed \$1,000" from Standing Rule #2 under Specialty Activities. The SR will now read "The CCA Board will approve the speaker and the budget for the Member' Education Seminar". Dick Dickerson seconded. Motion passed.

Purina Partnership Program: Funds previously allocated are: \$200 for AKC Health Foundation Seminar; \$200 for transportation to the Seminar; \$1,000 to Ways and Means/Juniors; \$1,200 for the CHIC testing at the National. Patricia Larrissey made a motion to put \$1,500.00 in our Rescue Fund to replenish the fund. Shirley Banderet seconded. Motion passed unanimously.



Dick Dickerson made a motion that we adopt the guidelines and applications for Juniors submitted by Kyle Potts. Craig Leslie seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Kyle Potts made a motion to accept the guidelines for travel assistance to the Nationals for Juniors, and that any application for assistance be sent to Randi Berthold. Kenny Saenz seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

***The wording in Standing Rule #11 under Web Site will be corrected to agree with the minutes of the October 28, 2006 meeting.

New Business:

Kenny Saenz made a motion that the Board have a Meet the Membership consisting of a receiving line and a lottery seating for the Board at the Banquet, at all specialties. Pat Witter seconded. Motion carried

Kenny would like to see the Junior

members giving a minimum of volunteer hours to their Community, their local clubs and the National.

Kenny made a motion that we adopt a concept where each Board member acts as a liaison to several committees. Kyle Potts seconded. Motion passed.

Craig made a motion to go into executive session at 8:08 pm. Dick Dickerson seconded.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:44 pm MST

The following New Members were accepted into the club: Dorothy A Allen; Jose Armas; Amanda Barabas; Laura Blankenship; Lana Thorpe/Bowes; Helen Brinn; Lisa Christman; Kathleen Coulter; Leigh Coulter; Emma Frakes; Wendy Lynne Frevert; Brent Harger; Lesley Harger; Pamela Hayes; Tammy Holden; Shawn Christine Jones; June Kaiser; Dru Katz; Mark Katz; Rebecca E Kelker; Theresa Lotito; Gail Massey; Kaitlyn Merkle; Sharon Proffit; Sherie

Salas; Anita L Sanders; Rosemary Soehn; Lovell Stallard; Sandra St. John; Rose Upper; Don A VanDevender; and Kazuyuki Yama.

***Shirley Banderet made a motion to rescind Standing Rule #9 that states "Candidates for membership will only be voted on by the Board at the Fall and Spring meetings." and replace it with "Candidates for membership will be voted on by the Board four times per year. New members names will be announced at the General Meetings." Craig Leslie seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM MST

**Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Larrissey, Secretary**

***** correction or change to Standing Rule.**

CERF Clinic

Chihuahua Club of America Health Related Issues Committee

**4-6 p.m. Saturday, October 3, 2009,
with Dr. Terri Baldwin DVM, DACVO**

\$30.00 per dog.

**Micro chipping will be available if necessary:
\$30 to insert
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The Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF), registers dogs that are certified free of heritable eye diseases. CERF also collects data on all dogs examined which is useful in research of eye diseases in all dogs.

Any dog can participate in this CERF Clinic. In order to register your results with CERF, dogs must be over 1 year of age and permanently identified with a microchip or tattoo.

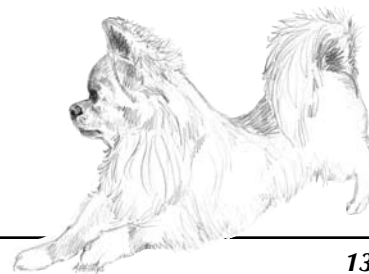
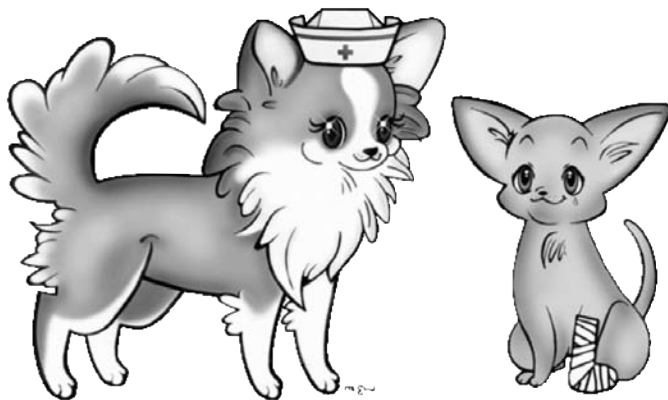
You must arrive 15 minutes before your appointment time in order to add dilation drops to your dog's eyes. (drops last from 2-6 hours on average)

Pre registration is suggested. Walk ins will be taken as time allows at the clinic.

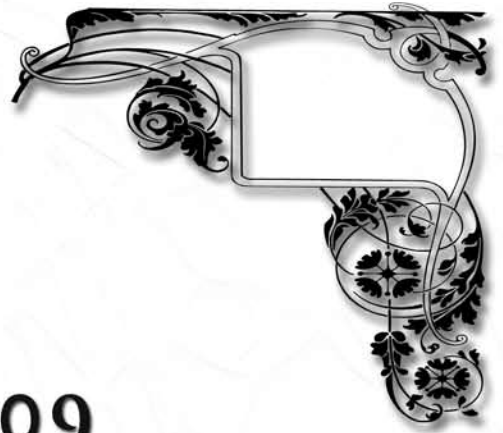
(Smooths show on Saturday, longs on Sunday)

To pre register contact Gail Hendry: ceegee@satx.rr.com

Please specify your name, number of dogs and dog's names.



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October 1, 2009

10.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.

1.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.

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Based on Pat Hastings' acclaimed video, "Puppy Puzzle:
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This presentation has information to benefit everyone working with dogs and every puppy out of a conscientious breeding program. The single most important decision we can make for our puppies is to determine whether each puppy is structurally sound enough to do what we will ask of it in its lifetime. Whether the hope is for the show ring and whelping box or obedience, agility, field trials or flyball, we owe it to our dogs to know in which lifestyle each may best flourish.

Presented by
Pat Hastings



R.S.V.P.
Peggy O'N Wilson
djwilson@bellsouth.net
803-754-4880

No charge for CCA members.
(\$50 for non-members) For seating purposes, reservations are preferred; please let Peggy Wilson know if you plan to attend. (djwilson@bellsouth.net or 803-754-4880). We're looking forward to seeing you there!





CCA WAYS & MEANS



The Ways and Means fundraiser, which benefits the juniors with scholarships and assistance in traveling to the national specialties will hold a raffle in Chicago this year. Tickets will be sold to anyone wishing to win some GREAT PRIZES. You need not be present to win. Raffle tickets will be sent to individuals wanting to buy them as well as to the Specialty Clubs. The price will be

6 TICKETS FOR \$15.00 OR \$3.00 PER TICKET.

We are asking for your help in making this raffle a success for our Juniors. We would like the Specialty Clubs to commit to a donation to help CCA buy more items for the 2009 Juniors Ways & Means Raffle. Please send you check to

Dena Muenzler (Chairperson for Ways and Means)
8230 Boling Drive,
Austin, Texas 78736

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CCA.

THE TEXAS CHIHUAHUA AND DALLAS CHIHUAHUA CLUBS HAVE BOTH ALREADY DONATED \$50.00.

ITEMS WE HAVE COLLECTED:

Chihuahua Quilt (made by Cherry Parker),
Etched Vase with Longcoat & Smoothcoat Chihuahua
SeaBreeze Petite Pen
2 Wire crates with pads
Metal stacker with grooming table made by Jarrett Banderet
Dannyquest Head Studies,
CCA yearbooks (1996 and 2000)
\$100.00 credit voucher toward purchase of ProDogCrates
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Custom Chihuahua Throw

We hope to make this a very successful raffle and are counting on your support.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE



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The Chihuahua Club of Northern
California invites you to our
50th Fall Specialty Show

to be held

Friday October 23, 2009
at the Dixon Mae Fairgrounds,
Dixon, California!



This show will be held in conjunction with the two
Sacramento Valley Dog Fanciers all breed shows.

3 Chances for Majors, in One Location !!!

\$50 Cash Prize for BISS!!!

We will also be having a HUGE raffle and a
Chihuahua costume contest,
as well as a party and buffet to celebrate our 50th!

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Sweeps judge: Ms. Roz Coloma-Guerrero

Class judge: Mrs Jean Fournier

Showchairman: Sharon Hermosillo
209-631-9050 sfhermosillo@att.net

Show secretary: Bonnie Prato
510-653-8883 hanashihtzu@yahoo.com

Entries close October 7, 2009.



Announcing New Champion!

Champion Dazzles 'Dallas'

Heartbreaker of Sette



Thank you Donna, for sharing a little bit of Texas with us through our beautiful Heart-Breaker girl, 'DALLAS' Thanks to all the fine Judges including Alfred Ferruggiaro and Kent Delaney for her majors!

*Donna Jensen - Breeder
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Show: Land of Lincoln Chi Club of Illinois – Corrected Results

Saturday, March 28, 2009

Sweepstakes Judge- Pat Witter

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Wynjyn One Man Parade	Charles Thompson & Virginia Hauber
Best Opposite Sex	Show Me's Nora of Vanderpool	Rita Harshbarger
Best Smooth	Whispers Max Payne	Jennifer Lynn Smolarz
Best Opposite Sex	Pink Ole's Jazy Princess Sunshine	Michelle Nickolay
Best In Sweeps	Wynlyn One Man Parade	Charles Thompson & Virginia Hauber
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Show Me's Nora of Vanderpool	Rita Harshbarger

Variety Judge-Penny Urban

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Vanderpool's Harry Potter	Veta Vanderpool
Winners Bitch	Timeless Abbcadabra	Kirsten Potts & Patricia Holzkopf
Best Of Winners	Vanderpool's Harry Potter	Veda Vanderpool
BOS to Variety	Ch Dartan Flash Dancer	Jill Hopper, Ken White & John Ramirez
Best of Variety	Ch Ouachitah Think Of Me	Linda George

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Bramver's Fort	Darwin Delaney & Chizura Kadowaki
Winners Bitch	Shorepointe's Blonde Ambition	Justin Ward & William McCollister
Best Of Winners	Bramver's Fort	Darwin Delaney & Chizura Kadowaki
BOS to Variety	Ch Galways Dark Eyes	Mina Anderson & Susan Hanke
Best of Variety	Morgans All American Girl	Richard Miller
BOS to Breed	Ch Galways Dark Eyes	Mina Anderson & Susan Hanke
Best of Breed	Morgans All American Girl	Richard Miller



*Show: Land of Lincoln Chi Club of Illinois – Corrected Results
Sunday, March 29, 2009*

Sweepstakes Judge- Pat Putnam

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Wynjyn One Man Parade	Charles Thompson & Virginia Hauber
Best Opposite Sex	Wynjyn Pageantry By Design	Penny Lynn Christensen
Best Smooth	Mar-El-To's Parker	Danny & Kim Gramlisch
Best Opposite Sex	Pink Ole's Jazy Princess Sunshine	Michelle Nikolay
Best In Sweeps	Wynjyn One Man Parade	Charles Thompson & Virginia Hauber
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Wynjyn Pageantry By Design	Penny Lynn Christensen

Variety Judge- Ken Falconi

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Shorepointe's Red Alert	Justin Ward & William McCollister
Winners Bitch	Dazzles She's A Lulu	Donna Jensen
Best Of Winners	Shorepointe's Red Alert	Justin Ward & William McCollister
BOS to Variety	Timeless Abbycadabra	Kirsten Potts & Patricia Holzkopf
Best of Variety	Ch Dartan Flash Dancer	Jill Hopper, Ken White & John Ramirez

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	PSA & Temple's The Quiet Man	Holly Sciscoe
Winners Bitch	O'Pag's Porsche GT3	Marcy Blank
Best Of Winners	O'Pag's Porsche GT3	Marcy Blank
BOS to Variety	Morgans All American Girl	Richard Miller
Best of Variety	Ch Galways Dark Eyes	Mina Anderson & Susan Hanke
BOS to Breed	Morgans All American Girl	Richard Miller
Best of Breed	Ch Galways Dark Eyes	Mina Anderson & Susan Hanke



Show: Nashville Chihuahua Club, Saturday July 25, 2009

Sweepstakes Judge- Patricia Witter

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Mina's Yes It's Stu Little	Mina Anderson
Best Opposite Sex	Hack's Pack Chloe	Kim & Danny Gramlich
Best Smooth	Yococo's Little Bitty Pretty One	Joe & Margaret Eoff
Best Opposite Sex	Wincoo No Fly Zone of Dartan	Gannon O'Reilly & Darwin Delaney
Best In Sweeps	Mina's Yes It's Stu Little	Mina Anderson
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Yococo's Little Bitty Pretty One	Joe & Margaret Eoff

Variety Judge- Fidelma Doherty Dixie

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Whitecloud's Little Bear Bear	Cherry Parker
Winners Bitch	Mina's Coco Chanel	Cindy Totten
Best Of Winners	Mina's Coco Chanel	Cindy Totten
BOS to Variety	Mina's Coco Chanel	Cindy Totten
Best of Variety	Ch Dartan Flashback	Darwin Delaney
AOM	Ch Wynjyn Iceman	Virginia Hauber

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Dartan Naughty by Nature	Tanya & Darwin Delaney
Winners Bitch	Bliss Rosy JP's Mary Rose	Rieko Hagiwara
Best Of Winners	Bliss Rosy JP's Mary Rose	Rieko Hagiwara
BOS to Variety	Ch Galway's Dark Eyes	Mina Anderson & Susan Hanke
Best of Variety	Ch Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight	Gloria & Art Johnson
BOS to Breed	Ch. Dartan Flashback	Darwin Delaney
Best of Breed	Ch. Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight	Gloria & Art Johnson
AOM	Ch Dartan's Precious Heart Sophia	Louise Bonskey



Best of Variety Saturday – Ch Dartan Flashback



Best of Variety Sunday – Wynjyn Friendly Persuasion

Show: Nashville Chihuahua Club, Sunday July 26, 2009

	Name	Owner
<i>Variety Judge- W. L. "Wick" Carter</i>		
Long Coat Variety		
Winners Dog	Wynjyn Friendly Persuasion	Virginia Hauber
Winners Bitch	Jem's Simply Sophia	Jessica Simon
Best Of Winners	Wynjyn Friendly Persuasion	Virginia Hauber
BOS to Variety	Jem's Simply Sophia	Jessica Simon
Best of Variety	Wynjyn Friendly Persuasion	Virginia Hauber
AOM	Ch. Wynjyn Iceman	Virginia Hauber
Smooth Coat Variety		
Winners Dog	Dartan Naughty By Nature	Tanya & Darwin Delaney
Winners Bitch	Bliss Rosey JP's Royal Queen Mother	Rieko Hagiwara
Best Of Winners	Bliss Rosey JP's Royal Queen Mother	Rieko Hagiwara
BOS to Variety	Ch Galway's Dark Eyes	Mina Anderson & Susan Hanke
Best of Variety	Ch. Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight	Gloria & Art Johnson
BOS to Best of Breed	Wynjyn Friendly Persuasion	Virginia Hauber
Best of Breed	Ch. Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight	Gloria & Art Johnson
AOM	Ch Dartan's Precious Heart Sophia	Louise Bonskey



*Best of Breed at both Nashville Specialties, pictured with Fidelma Dixie
Ch. Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight*





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Show: Chihuahua Club of Atlanta

Sweepstakes Judge-*Ms. Linda Rowell*

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Joy-Jac's Turbo Charger	Tammy Holden
Best Opposite Sex	Rambling Starz Kiss & Tail	Betty Stallard
Best Smooth	4 Paws To Heaven's Dream Skyliner	Adam Foskey
Best Opposite Sex	Ramblin Starz Peggy Sue O'Hale	Charles & Myrle Hale
Best In Sweeps	4 Paws to Heaven's Dream Skyliner	Adam Foskey
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Rambling Starz Kiss & Tail	Betty Stallard
Best Veteran Sweeps	Not Offered	

Variety Judge-*Mr. Houston Clark*

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Krispin Super Deal	Udomasak Rittichaikul
Winners Bitch	Sandi-Lee's Peachy Keen	Sandra G. Cook
Best Of Winners	Sandi-Lee's Peachy Keen	Sandra G. Cook
BOS to Variety	Black Fire of Little Hope	Michie Takeuchi
Best of Variety	Ch. Dazzles Florida By Storm Proux	Michele Giroux & Nancy Pruyne

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Mina's Garbanzo	Mina Anderson
Winners Bitch	Perkys Tiger Lilly Proux	Michele Giroux & Nancy Pruyne
Best Of Winners	Perkys Tiger Lilly Proux	Michele Giroux & Nancy Pruyne
BOS to Variety	Ch. Belle Shoals Louisville Slugger	Jan & Buddy Dulin
Best of Variety	Ch. Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight	Gloria & Arthur Johnson
BOS to Breed	Ch. Belle Shoals Louisville Slugger	Jan & Buddy Dulin
Best of Breed	Ch. Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight	Gloria & Arthur Johnson



Junior Spotlight

By Randi Berthold

Name: Amanda Barabas.

Birth date: December 18, 1991.



1. How old were you when you started showing dogs?

I exhibited in my first show in August of 2002 when I was 10, but I didn't become serious about showing until the summer of 2003.

2. Junior Dog/Dogs and past Junior Dogs?

Currently, I am showing two Chihuahuas in Jrs; my first Chihuahua, Ch. Gnal IBE Inspiration "Elliot" and my newest addition, Ch. Aurora's Prince Of Peace "Prince" whose owner, Maria Sulecki, is letting me co-own for the remainder of my time in Jrs. Before the Chihuahuas, I showed several of my mom's Beagles in Jrs.

3. What other areas of Dog Shows do you enter besides Junior's?

I also compete in Conformation in AKC and UKC.

4. Other breeds you show now or in the past?

I show Beagles and English Foxhounds regularly and have experience with several breeds from every group.

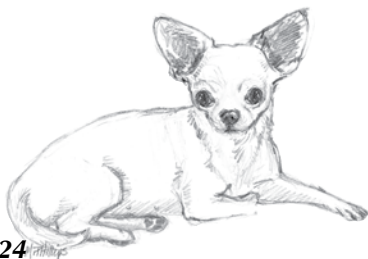


5. Most memorable win?

My most memorable win was at the Cleveland, Ohio shows in 2006. It was my second time showing Elliot in Jrs in a large class of 17. I hadn't had too much success in Jrs in general up to that point and was considering quitting. To my surprise, we won the class and it gave me the confidence to continue showing Elliot in Jrs.

6. Most embarrassing moment in the ring?

Nothing embarrassing has happened to me with a Chihuahua, only with the Beagles. One time I was showing my bitch, Uno, in Jrs and just as the judge walked down the line to look at her expression, Uno lunged forward and



Junior Spotlight (Continued from previous page)

stole the bait out of the armband of the girl in front of me. She swallowed it before I even had the chance to try and take it from her.

7. **Toughest win?**

My toughest win wasn't a specific show, but the commulation of shows that led to my ranking of Top Junior Handler with a Chihuahua in 2007. Getting wins and placements are tough enough, but doing it consistently for a year takes a lot of work, especially with a breed like the Chihuahua that isn't as popular in Jrs. It takes extra effort to even be noticed in the Jrs ring.

8. **Favorite Dog Show?**

My favorite show is the Steel Valley Cluster in Canfield, Ohio. My mom and I camp there from Wednesday night until Sunday afternoon and it's the closest version of a vacation we have.

9. **Favorite hobbies other than Dog Shows?**

I'm on a bowling league with several of my friends, paint scenery for my school's plays, sing in my school's choir, and love watching and going to baseball games.

10. **Future Dog related plans?**

I hope to continue showing, possibly breed if I have time, and am considering working with canine genetics.

11. **Who is your Mentor?**

There are many people that have helped me with the dogs, so I don't have an exact mentor. I'd like to thank Sheena Lang for letting me have Elliot, Maria Sulecki for letting me have Prince, the large amount of people that have helped me with my handling abilities, and my mother for letting me have the dogs, taking me to shows, and her overall support.

12. **Why do you like showing Chihuahuas and why did you pick that breed?**

Since I was 8 years old, I've wanted a Chihuahua. I saw an adorable chocolate colored male at a show and became obsessed. It took a while to convince my mom to let me have a Chihuahua, but I also like Irish Wolfhounds and told her I either wanted a Chihuahua or a Wolfhound. The Chihuahua won.

Chihuahuas are fun to show because they have a saucy attitude and the ones I've shown seem to enjoy it.



Show: Texas Chihuahua Club May 29, 2009

Sweepstakes Judge – Mr. H Craig Leslie

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Flo-Davi Fireworks and Bottlerockets	Florence & David Davis
Best Opposite Sex Long	Saxon's Lizzy Is Stylin' Hot	Vickie Saxon
Best Smooth	Mataje's Gatecrasher	Diane Gutzwiler
Best Opposite Sex Smooth	Saxon's Ima Smilin' Too	Vickie Saxon
Best In Sweeps	Flo-Davi Fireworks and Bottlerockets	Florence & David Davis
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Saxon's Lizzy Is Stylin' Hot	Vickie Saxon
Best Veteran Sweeps	CH His N Herr Mighty Goodlookin	Linda T Herr

Junior Showmanship Judge – Ms Paullet DeLong

Best Junior Handler – Kimberly Montez

Variety Judge - Ms Paullet DeLong

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Raymajean's Lone Star Bronco Buster	Raymajean Oliver
Winners Bitch	Stonehill Rebound Buttons	Randall Carr
Best of Winners	Stonehill Rebound Buttons	Randall Carr
BOS to Variety	CH His n Herr Marrinabar Mighty Grand	Linda T Herr & Willo Barfield
Best of Variety	CH Durbin's Ice Vision of Cam's	Connie & Mack Williams

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Rankin's Blaz N Glory Of Misueno	Crystal Montez
Winners Bitch	CeeGee's Time Served	Gail & Ed Hendry
Best of Winners	CeeGee's Time Served	Gail & Ed Hendry
BOS to Variety	CH Timeless Simpatico Rolex	Katushi Tokugawa & Naomi Fujino
Best of Variety	CeeGee's Time Served	Gail & Ed Hendry
BOS to Breed	CH His n Herr Marrinabar Mighty Grand	Linda T Herr & Willo Barfield
Best of Breed	CH Durbin's Ice Vision of Cam's	Connie & Mack Williams





*Best of Breed -
Ch Durbin's Ice Vision of Cam's*

*Best of Variety -
CeeGee's Time Served*



*Best Junior Handler -
Kimberly Montez*



THE CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA

MEMBER CLUB RENEWAL

January 1, 2010

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BOARD

MEMBERS: _____

RESCUE CONTACT:

MEMBERSHIP LIST: Please attach a copy of your membership list.

Payment of dues must accompany this renewal. Payment will only be accepted on a Club check made payable to the Chihuahua Club of America. Unless funds along with the above information are received prior to the deadline, membership will not be renewed.

Annual dues are \$35 per Club payable January 1 each year. Please send to CCA

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CCA CLUB USE ONLY: Dues Paid: \$ _____ Check No _____ Date: _____



The Chihuahua Club of America Membership Renewal January 1, 2010

I (WE) am renewing our membership in the CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA and agree that I (We) will abide by the Club's Objectives, Code of Ethics and by the Rules of the American Kennel Club. Please sign and date the Code of Ethics and include with membership renewal form. In order for your email & web address to be listed on the CCA Site, we must have a SIGNED CODE OF ETHICS ON FILE for the current year. Your email and website address is not automatically added and you need to request that the Webmasters add your information to the website.

Renewal Date: _____

I am enclosing a check for my dues	\$25.00
I would like to make an additional payment of \$ _____ that would go to the following fund:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rescue <input type="checkbox"/> Chihuahua Health Related Issues Fund <input type="checkbox"/> Juniors Ways & Means <input type="checkbox"/> Trophy	_____
Total	\$

Name(s): _____

Kennel Name _____ (optional)

Address: _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

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Members Signature: _____

My (our) main interests are: (Check any that apply)

___ Obedience ___ Conformation ___ Agility ___ Breeding ___ Rescue

I am interested in serving on the following Committees *(Please specify your areas of interest or expertise)* _____

This completed form must accompany payment of membership dues. Please make check or money order payable to the CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA. Please do not include any other payment with your dues check, other than what is listed above. Any check submitted to CCA that is returned must be replaced with a money order or cashiers check for that amount, plus a \$25 returned check fee. Unless funds are received prior to the deadline, membership will not be renewed.

Annual dues are \$25 per person, payable January 1 each year. PER THE CONSTITUTION CHANGE AS OF FEBRUARY 4, 2009, CCA DUES GRACE PERIOD OF 60 DAYS EXPIRES ON MARCH 1, 2010. Please send to:

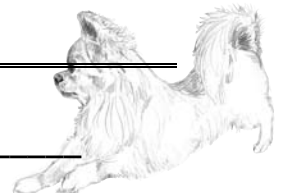
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The Chihuahua Club of America

CODE OF ETHICS

As a member of The Chihuahua Club of America, I pledge to uphold the goals of the Club as set forth in the club's Constitution and By-Laws, to encourage good sportsmanship in the sport of dogs, and to set an example of honorable kennel business practices when dealing with any person.

Specifically, I further pledge:

- **To uphold the American Kennel Club rules applying to Dog Shows and Registration, particularly as regards to the maintenance of complete and accurate breeding records.**
- **To accept and uphold the Standard of the Chihuahua as developed by The Chihuahua Club of America and approved by the American Kennel Club.**
- **To breed only A.K.C. registered Chihuahuas (does not apply to foreign members) with the aim of maintaining or improving the qualities of the breed as set forth in the Standard, and not for personal gain. I will not participate in the buying or selling of dogs at auctions and I will never knowingly sell puppies to wholesalers, laboratories or to pet stores, and will encourage any puppy buyer to behave similarly. To serve as an example of good sportsmanship in every aspect of the sport of dogs, and to assist and befriend newcomers and novices to the best of my ability.**
- **To keep myself informed in the areas of dog health and genetics and to carefully screen all breeding stock for hereditary faults or disqualifying defects, removing any questionable animals from my breeding program. This includes cardiac, patella and eye testing as recommended by the Canine Health Foundation's CHIC program.**
- **To conduct all my kennel practices in a clear, honorable and open fashion, and to use written agreements or contracts whenever possible.**

SIGNATURE

DATE



Regional News

Eastern Region

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Chihuahua Club of Atlanta

It was a beautiful Easter Sunday morning, April 12th, when the Chihuahua Club of Atlanta Specialty held its show. Judge

Linda Rowell made her selection for Best Puppy in Sweeps while Judge Houston Clark selected his class winners and finally the BOV winners and BOB. Results are printed on the Specialty Results page. More pictures of the show can be found at our website: <http://chihuahuacclubofatlanta.homestead.com>. All members of the club would like to thank everyone who participated in making this show a success.

Sandra Cook, Secretary

Hudson Valley Chihuahua Club

Our July specialty is now behind us. Thank you to all that came out to support us. Judging, food and weather were all great. And, of course, the company of our members and guests. October 18th we are hosting a health clinic at Suffield Veterinary Hospital. This is just 10 miles from an all breed show. We are offering eye and heart examines, microchips, PRA testing and patella checks. Join us for all treats and no treats on Halloween when we join Heart of New England Chihuahua Club for two specialties, one day!

Susan Payne, President

East Central Region

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Chihuahua Club of Michigan

The Chihuahua Club of Michigan held its back-to-back specialties on August 8th and 9th at the Wayne County Fairgrounds in Belleville, Michigan. Attendance for the two-day event exceeded expectations and sported Chihuahuas from some of the country's top breeders, as well as newcomers to the ring. The club was excited to welcome William Cunningham and Bruce Shirky as class judges for the show.

Although the weather was challenging, the CCM hosts offered attendees a welcoming atmosphere, even providing a Saturday evening cookout—a chance for some leisure time during the high-energy pace of the show. Many attendees from other areas of the country spoke positively regarding the club's hospitality.

The Chihuahua Club of Michigan will host the National Rotating Specialty June 3rd through June 6th, 2010, in Romulus, Michigan. We hope to see you all there!

On August 15, 2010, we will have a one day specialty at a new air-conditioned site.

**Submitted by Jackie Raulerson,
CCM Recording Secretary**

Land Of Lincoln Chihuahua Club

Dear Friends:

The summer has passed by so quickly! It is now time for fall -- can hardly wait for all the fall shows, cook outs and most of all football.

The Land Of Lincoln Chihuahua Club

of Illinois wishes to send get well wishes to our member, Ben Dulaski, II. He has recently been hospitalized and is now at home recovering! Hope to see you at a show soon!

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending the LLCCI Specialty in Lincoln, Illinois on April 3 and 4th, 2010. More details to follow.

Hope to see you soon at a show!

J. Hahn, Secretary LLCCI

Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee

Members of the Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee enjoyed back-to-back specialty shows this year at the Waukesha Expo Center in Waukesha, Wisconsin. The weather was beautiful and the hospitality exceptional.

Congratulations to our winners:

AM show: Judges: Mrs. Marcia Feld (Sweepstakes); Mr. Raymond D. Bay

Sweeps – SC BVP: Temple's Guys & Dolls, owned by Karen Temple; LC BSP: Ayrwen Sabrina owned by Art and Gloria Johnson

SC BOV: Ch. Donavins Go Go Gomez, owned by Donna Erickson and Sande Weigand

BISS: LC BOV: Ch. Jocal Dancing With the Stars owned by Paula Murray & Yama K & Miyata H & S Ichi Kawa

PM show: Judge: Mrs. Jerelyn Atwell-Paul

SC BOV: Ch. Donavins Go Go Gomez, owned by Donna Erickson and Sande Weigand

BISS: LC BOV: Ch. Ouachitah Forever owned by Linda George

Thanks to Mary Hahn and Colleen

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Regional Reports (Continued from page 31)

Hines for some very nice trophies.

Officers of the Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee for 2009-2010 are:

President Michael Holzkopf

Vice President John Hines

Secretary Linda Molloy

Treasurer Pat Holzkopf

Director Linda George

Director Mary Hahn

Director H. Craig Leslie

We're very excited that we will again host back-to-back specialties in 2010. Showchair will be Evelyn Behrens, Trophies, Michelle Nikolay and Colleen Hines, and Hospitality, Margaret George. Judges for next year have not been finalized. Club members should watch for more information and ballots in the mail. We hope you'll add this fun event to your 2010 calendar.

Linda Molloy, Secretary, Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee

Nashville Chihuahua Club Report

On behalf of the Nashville Chihuahua Club we would like to thank all the people who supported our show. We had an outstanding turnout in spite of a major change in the date from fall to summer. Due to the heavy sports season in the fall most hotels are booked and we had to move our date to July.

We did return to the Days Inn Hotel near the Titans Football Complex. This is a familiar location to long time Chihuahua fanciers. There have been specialty shows held at this hotel over the years.

There was one sweepstakes and two specialty shows during the weekend. The members really pitched in and put on another first class weekend event. It was sort of like a big family reunion.

The trophies were very nice and the catalog had some very nice ads. Danny

Gramlisch, club president, and his hard working wife Kim, club secretary, submitted their resignations. Kim indicated that this was due to the great success of their new construction business back in their home state. There was a short business meeting and several vacant club positions were filled.

The club auction was a great success and helped turn the show into a profitable event. There were lots of beautiful dogs, beautiful trophies, beautiful decorations and beautiful women. I completely enjoyed the show!

Plans are to hold the 2010 show at the same site and again in July. We may change from the current company that does our premium and catalog and do the job ourselves.

More next time on our new officers and future show.

Submitted by Dick Dickerson

Western Region

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Howdy! Well here in Phoenix it has been super hot 108-119 degrees in the days since the Rotating Specialty. I wish to congratulate all who attended for the wonderful job each of you did. Once again I acted as Hotel police. I checked with management several times each day. I am so happy to report; not even one complaint the entire show weekend. I for one had a wonderful time seeing all you fine people and your fabulous dogs. I wish to also thank all the Phoenix club members for a super specialty. I know it is lots of hard work and you all did an excellent job. Now I am looking forward to our Specialty in Chicago. Until next time,

Shirley, August 5, 2009

Southern California Chihuahua Club

Hi to everyone in chihuahua land. In Southern California the Southern California Chihuahua Club has been very busy preparing for our 2010 Specialty. Friday, January 29, 2010 is the date of our Specialty. It will be followed on Saturday and Sunday, January 30-31 with the Orange Empire All Breed Shows. Norm Patton will be the conformation judge at our Specialty and Joe Waterman will be the sweeps judge. You are all invited. We would love to have you participate and enjoy our Southern California weather.

In anticipation and preparation for this Specialty we have been very busy doing a number of activities to fulfill our Statement of Compliance with the AKC. Kathy Smith presented 2 educational programs. At our February 11 meeting, Kathy gave a wonderful educational program on the chihuahua breed standard. And, at our March 11 meeting she presented a program on record keeping. Also in February we held a Meet the Breed Event at the Silver Bay All Breed Dog Show. Kristen Roe is in charge of Meet the Breed Events and does a really wonderful job.

In May our club held a fun match. It was well received. Everyone enjoyed themselves. And, then, on June 6 the SCCC held a Canine Good Citizenship Fundraiser at Saddleback Animal Hospital. This event was organized by Linda Randall. She did an amazing job. It turned out to be a very busy, busy day.

In August, we look forward to an educational program on vaccination protocol and parasite control presented by Dr. Mike Kavanagh of Saddleback Animal Hospital. And, finally, we have members who continually collect items like blankets and towels to donate to local animal shelters. As you can see we are an active club full of members always willing to get involved and participate. Hope to see you at our Specialty on January 29, 2010!

Dale Van Camp, Corresponding Secretary dalevancamp@mac.com

Chi-Chatter



West Central Region

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By the time you receive this issue, the October Nationals will be just a few weeks away. Many people have been hard at work for months preparing for the weekend. We have a wonderful Breeder Education Seminar planned. The hotel staff is ready to welcome you and make sure that you are comfortable. The RV parking reservations are full to the top. The trophies are ready and hopefully, you are too! This issue of the Chi Chatter is packed with information that you will need before you get there.

I look forward to seeing you in Chicago.

Kyle Potts, West Central Vice President

Pontchartrain Chihuahua Fanciers

When you come to New Orleans you KNOW you're going to have a good time! Our Specialty held in conjunction with Metairie Kennel Club on August 1st was a fantastic success. Our entry was adequate, considering this was a new show site. We had NO absentees which sometimes can be disconcerting. There were tons of vendors and though they were not strategically arranged, plans are to place them in a different location next year which will give exhibitors lots more grooming space. Our raffle basket which included authentic New Orleans items, gift cards to various restaurants plus a \$50 cash card and lots more. Thanks to member Sandra Reid for her work and creativity which helped us add \$298.00 to our coffers. There were some very nice dogs exhibited and BISweeps (LC) went to Mollnar-Phareview Ramblin' Rose. BOV (LC) was Ch. Hack's Pack Small Craft Warning. (Appropriate I think since we're in Hurricane season!) BISweeps (SC) was Encore's Too Hot To Handle Odulittle. BOV (SC) was Ch.

Phareview Mystic Regent. Best Bred By Exhibitor (LC) went to Saxon's Maverick Ice Spirit. Best Bred By Exhibitor (SC) was Yococo's And Mina's Doodad. Thanks to everyone that supported our entry. All in all it was a great day and I hope this report will encourage more of you to come next year.

Marlene Moor, President

Houston Chihuahua Club

Happy Hot Summer to Everyone from the Houston Chihuahua Club, in Texas.

By the time of the printing and distribution of this Chi Chatter the Houston Chihuahua Club, back-to-back, first independent Specialties, August 21st, 2009, will be just a memory. We are proud to announce that our entry is phenomenal! We have 5 point majors in everything!!! We would like to extend a huge TEXAS THANK YOU to all the Exhibitors, our Judges, club members and friends. Your support of our Club and Specialties with your entries, trophy donations and hard work is greatly appreciated. We will have pictures and results in the next Chi Chatter.

Till next Chi Chatter ... here's hoping everyone has a wonderful and safe summer.

Connie Williams, Secretary **ccw1015@prodigy.net**

Dallas Chihuahua Club Inc.

It has been a long hot summer in Dallas and slow in the activities of the Dallas Chihuahua Club....I know we are all looking forward to the fall.

We send our very best wishes for a GREAT show in Chicago this year; I know several of our members will be there.

Shows for the DCC will be the first weekend in April, plan on joining us for a fun time, great location, friendly people and Dallas is a wonderful place to visit!

Peggy Hackelton, Secretary

Texas Chihuahua Club

Will you be the first to catch "Jungle Fever"?

It's hot down here and the natives are restless. You don't have to go to Africa for a Jungle Safari this year. Just come on down and you'll get to see elephants, tigers, giraffes, monkeys and more, as they roam free on the desert plains of Austin.

We are honored to have Ms Barbara Dempsey Alderman as our Judge for Regular & Non-Regular Classes and Junior Showmanship Classes and Mr. Robert Stein (of New Braunfels) for our Sweepstakes Judge.

You sure don't want to miss our fall "Jungle Fever" Specialty, Friday, October 23rd in Austin, before the Saturday and Sunday Travis County Kennel Club's All-Breed Shows. All shows are superintended by Onofrio Dog Shows. Show Chairman - Linnie Bunten
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Be careful now

You just might catch a little "Jungle Fever" if you dare and come on down to Texas in October!

Plans are already in the works for our "Colorful" Spring Specialty, Wednesday March 10, 2010 in San Antonio, before four All-Breed Shows. So come on down in October and March for some great Texas FUN!

Linda Herr, Secretary



Committee Reports

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In compliance with the Chihuahua Club of America Constitution and By-Laws, each completed application for membership will be reviewed and voted upon by the Membership Committee and the Board of Directors. Additionally, the pending candidates will be printed in the Chi-Chatter for membership consideration prior to the committee vote. If a member has a concern about a candidate's possible membership in the Chihuahua Club of America, please notify the Membership Committee Chairperson in written form, within 45 days of publication in the Chi-Chatter. Candidates will receive a copy of any correspondence and will have an opportunity to respond. Candidates will become members with a 2/3 affirmative vote of the Membership Committee and Board. This process will take time but it is important that our membership be informed and the Constitution, as it presently exists, be followed.

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Correction to listing in Chi-Chatter Summer issue:**Debra Ann Youmans Summer**

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Barbara Solinsky Breidenbeck*



Rescue Report

As some of you know, Chihuahua Club of America supports rescue in many ways.

We have many members who participate in rescue efforts, several clubs have rescue efforts. In the future, we can expect CCA to develop a way to really support rescue in new ways. Some of our board members are researching ways to establish a parallel organization for rescue, which would be separate from CCA. This would be consistent with the way many other parent clubs deal with rescue. Look for more on this

in the future.

In the meantime, there have been more large commercial breeders shut down by local authorities and the dogs confiscated. In most cases, many of the dogs are Chihuahuas and other small breeds. When the numbers are large as in a recent 400-500 dog raid, local rescue groups are overwhelmed. The Chihuahua Rescue and Transport group near Dallas, TX is expecting to take in about 20 mothers with litters from that one. Since the case is pending at this deadline, nothing is definite. They will be likely to need some donations to help defray expenses on these dogs.

Arizona Chihuahua Rescue, which was featured at the Spring Rotating Specialty in Phoenix has been called upon to take in several large groups of Chihuahuas recently.

I'd love to hear from some of the rescue people at our various local clubs. Please write me at lynnie@texaskachina.com to let me know what your club is doing with rescue. I'd love to share your stories. If you aren't into email, you can mail information to me at: Lynnne Bunten, 11489 S Foster Rd, San Antonio, TX 78223.

Changes and Corrections To Be Made To The Roster

Below are changes and corrections to be listed in the *Chi-Chatter*

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New Address for Danny Lewitzke, 1912 Monument RD NW; Canton, Ohio 44709

Address correction for Robin Andrea Saar SS 16 Site 1 Comp. 15;Lethbridge, Alberta Canada T1J-4R9

Change of Address for E. Ruth Terry; East Village Place; 50 Benton Drive; East Longmeadow, MA 01028

Change the Chihuahua Club of Michigan, Corresponding Secretary, Patricia Larrissey; 11430 Clifton Blvd. Apt 207; Cleveland OH 44102; 216-631-0008; larcey@att.net

Change the Chihuahua Club of Mid-Jersey Secretary to: Adria K Kelley; 2 Essex Court; Marlton NJ 08053;856-396-0263; midjerseyclub@yahoo.com

Please send member address, phone and e-mail changes or changes in local club Secretaries to the CCA Secretary, Patricia Larrissey, at larcey@att.net



Committee Reports

The Chihuahua Club of America would like to thank the following people for their support of the Chihuahua Health Fund: Lehigh Valley Kennel Club – In memory of Robert Bohner, Frank & Sylvia Farkas – In memory of Mary Willard, sister of Dolores Masley, Texas Chihuahua Club, Randy & Terry Stackhouse

Sunshine Committee Report

Since being asked to do the Sunshine Committee at the Board Meeting in Chicago 2008, I unfortunately have been busy. There have been 7 Get Well cards sent to: Susan Hanke, Melissa Spranger, Bruce

Shirky, Paula Mc Swain, Dick Dickerson, Paula Murray, Tom Weaver; 2 Thinking of You Cards: Liz Bliss, Peggy Hackelton. I hope everyone is doing better at this time and that we see you in Chicago'09.

Several members have passed on: Lyle Hartke, Carlos Woliver, Dorothy

Nichels, Diane Hermort. Several members have lost loved ones: Al Skousen, Danny Lewitzke, Jennifer Smolarz, Pat Witter, Sandy Whittle.

**Hazel Bellerjeau
Sunshine Committee**

Patellas: Genetics, heritability and interviews with the experts

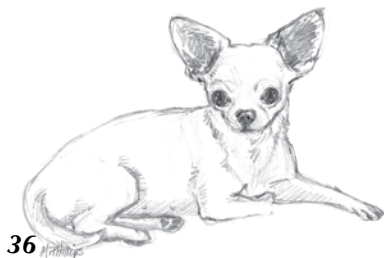
Submitted by the Health Related Issues Committee

74% of breeders and owners who returned their recent CCA health surveys had one or more dogs affected with luxating patellas.

There was an average of almost 3 dogs affected for every one survey returned. In a recent study of small breed dogs in Austria, 76.9% of chihuahuas examined had some degree of luxation. Luxating patellas are an important health issue that needs to be addressed in our breed. It is imperative that breeders strive to breed sound patellas and the only way

to do that is to know the facts and to make responsible choices in breeding programs. Luxating patellas are genetic in origin 1, 2, 3. It is easy to rationalize that they are brought on by injury or exercise, but this is very rarely the case. According to Gert Breur, DVM, PhD, DACVS Purdue University and Dr. Rory Todhunter, Cornell University Clinical Sciences professor, If an injury precipitates luxation of the patellas, it is highly likely there was a genetic predisposition to begin with (See full interviews below). As responsible breeders we should not make excuses for breeding dogs with luxating patellas at the expense of the health of our breed's gene pool. They are not easily "bred out" because of their genetic nature. Luxating patellas are polygenic threshold traits. A polygenic trait is one

that is produced by multiple genes. In the case of luxating patellas, the polygenes control the shallowness of the groove in the femur, the development of the guiding bony ridges and the strength or attachment of the ligaments governing movement of the patella. All of these factors are determined polygenically and contribute towards the onset of the defect. Several genes also influence a threshold trait, but the trait will not be expressed unless a critical number of those genes is present. This means that a totally normal dog may be carrying a very high number of undesirable genes for a trait, but not quite the critical number needed for the trait to be expressed. Threshold traits develop only when the additive effects of genes exceed this critical number. If a puppy has luxating patellas, he or she



inherited the critical number of genes from both parents that were needed to express the trait. If the “magic” number is ten, the puppy could have received four from the dam and six from the sire, or even just one from the dam and nine from the sire. Both parents are not necessarily equally at fault. Dogs or bitches that have any degree of luxating patellas are carrying a higher number of the necessary genes which they will pass onto their offspring. It is not “bred out” if the puppies turn out to be physically normal- phenotypically they may be, but genotypically they may still be much more likely to reproduce luxating patellas. If a breeder is interested in selecting against luxating patellas, affected Chihuahuas should be removed from their breeding programs. Siblings of affected chihuahuas are also at a higher risk and should be monitored and offspring followed up on. Sires or dams that produce a higher than average number of offspring with luxating patellas should also be removed from breeding programs. According to Robinson, “Family selection is more effective than individual selection in dealing with polygenic anomalies... Family selection is the most effective means of dealing with threshold characters.” A dog with normal patellas whose dam had luxating patellas will likely be carrying a much higher number of the genes needed to produce luxating patellas than a dog from two normal parents. If a dog with this background is linebred on it may produce an extraordinary number of offspring with luxating patellas even though the dog in question is phenotypically normal. If a dog with this background became a popular sire, it could do irreparable damage to the gene pool. Any dog or bitch with luxating patellas should never be bred.

Interviews with Dr. Rory Todhunter of Cornell and Dr. Gert Breur, Purdue:

Dr. Rory Todhunter, Cornell University Clinical Sciences professor.

Is it possible for a chihuahua to develop a luxating patella solely due to injury?

Anything is possible, but almost always will be genetic in origin.

What is the likelihood that a grade 1 patella in only 1 knee (other knee is normal) was caused by injury if the chihuahua was witnessed to have a fallen off a bed or a couch?

Possible but highly likely had genetic predisposition.

If it was likely caused by injury, would you still strongly suspect a genetic predisposition?

Yes.

Would you ever recommend breeding a chihuahua with two grade 1 luxating patellas or a grade 1 where a likely injury was not witnessed? Grade 2?

No.

Are X-rays beneficial in determining whether a luxating patella was caused by injury or genetic predisposition?

No.

Gert Breur, DVM, PhD, DACVS Purdue University.

Is it possible for a chihuahua to develop a luxating patella due to injury?

I assume you are referring to a young mature to mature dog. My answer is “Yes”. However, I think that there has to be a pre-existing bony malformation that causes poor tracking of the patella. Without the injury the dog manages to “keep the patella in”. The injury just disturbs this fragile balance and facilitates the luxation.

What is the likelihood that a grade 1 patella in only 1 knee (other knee is normal) was caused by injury if the chihuahua was witnessed to have a fallen off a bed or a couch?

Two possibilities, I think. 1) the underlying bony deformity is only in one limb (this indeed happens), or 2) see Q1.

If it was likely caused by injury, would you still suspect a genetic predisposition?

Yes, a genetic predisposition for the bone deformity or the cause of the bony deformity.

Would you recommend that a dog with a single grade 1 patella, other patella normal, be bred to a non affected mate if he is otherwise healthy and sound?

Presuming that it indeed is a genetic problem, the answer is that to most effectively eliminate the trait from the breeding stock, the dog should not be bred.

Are X-rays beneficial in determining whether a luxating patella was caused by injury or genetic predisposition?

I don't think so, but radiographs will tell you about the underlying bony abnormality. However, there will be dogs, 1) with bony deformity that do not have luxating patellas (yet), 2) that have subclinical patella luxation (i.e. they have the bony deformity and luxating patellas but no clinical problems), and 3) dogs that have bony deformity and patella luxation.

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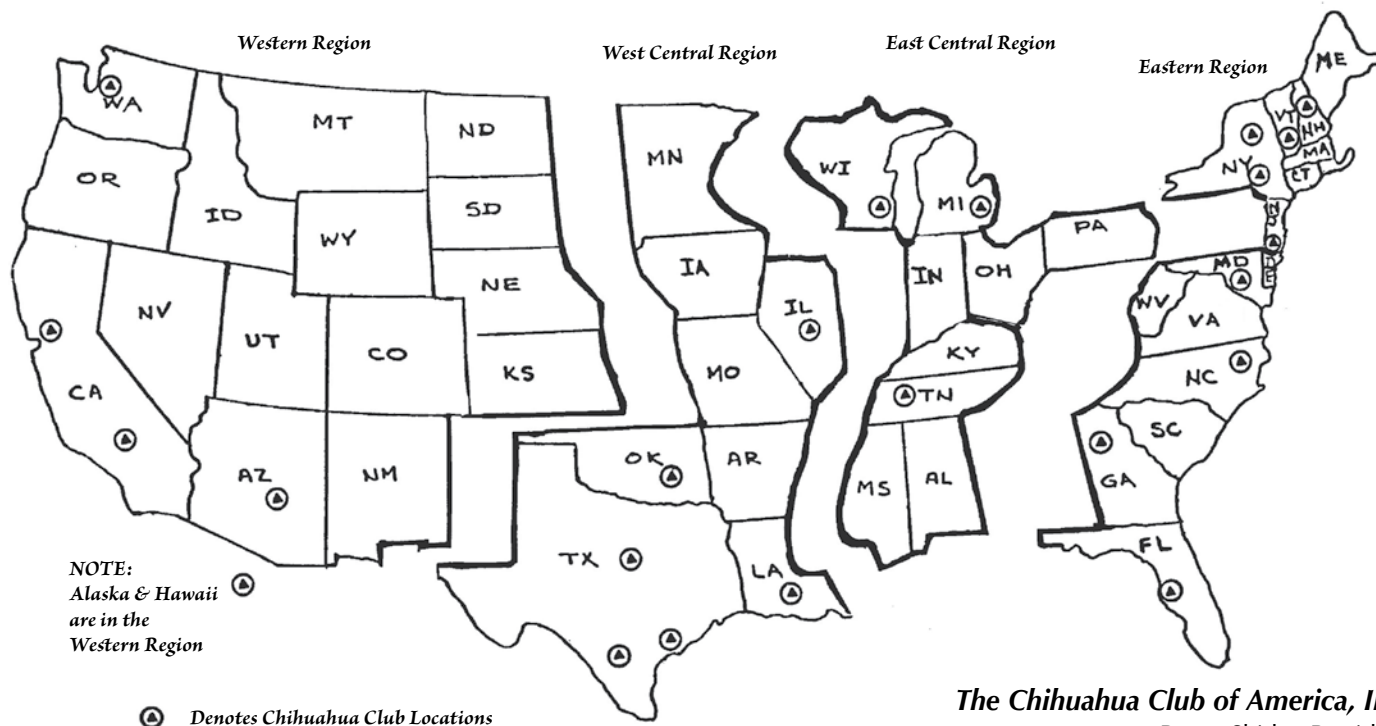
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