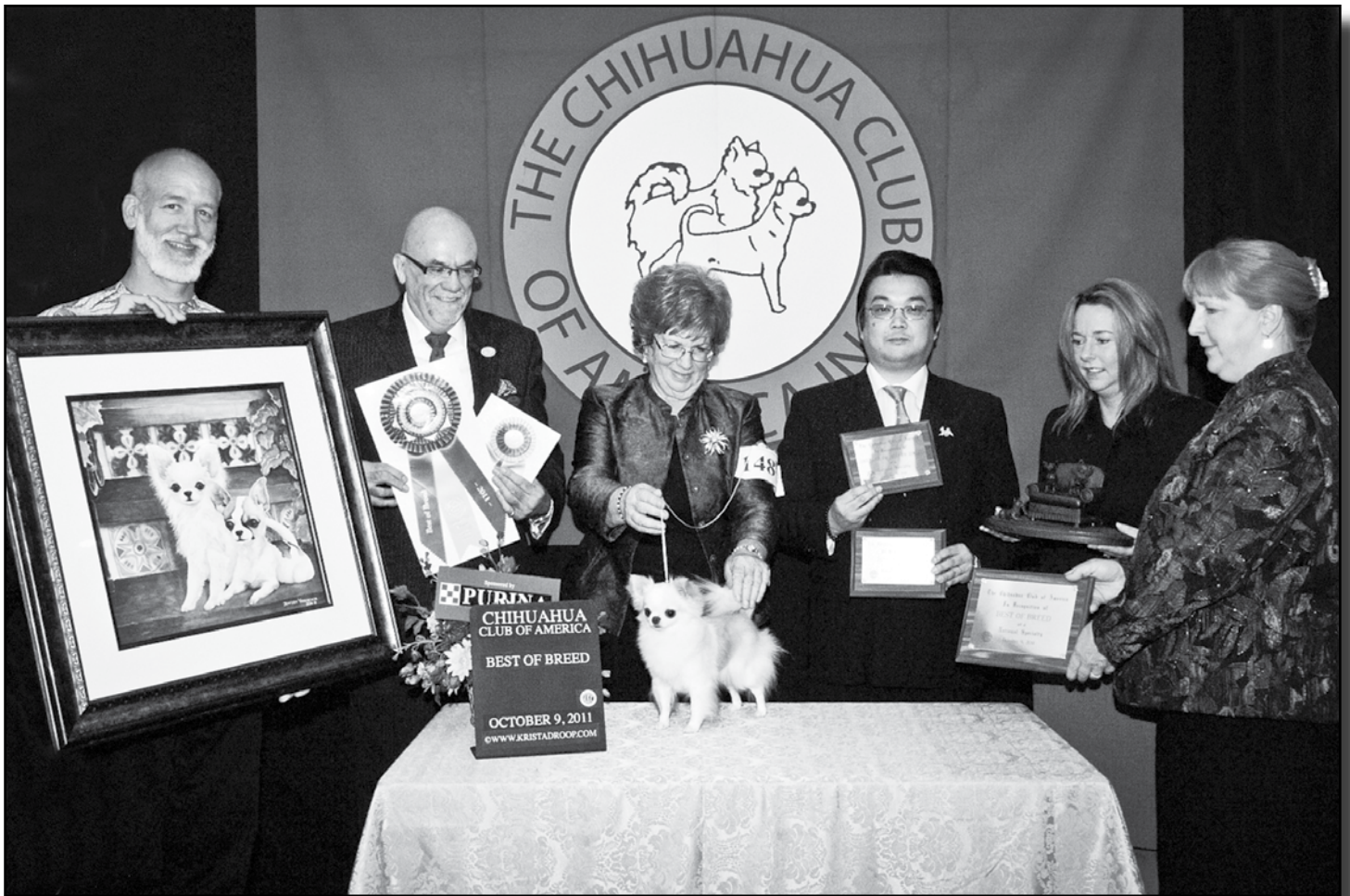




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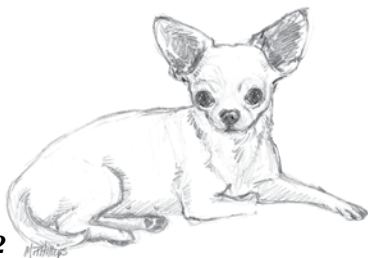
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From The President

The time is now....

Time and again I have heard CCA members lament, "the same people keep getting all the committee assignments" or "the older members get all the appointments and the new people never get asked" or "I haven't been a member long so there is nothing I can do" or "I don't have any particular skill" or "I don't have any free time"

Friends, the time is now to raise your hand, step forward, make that phone call or send that email. The new committee chairs have just been appointed by the board and many of them are looking for active members to fill out the committee. This club is comprised of so many wonderful members. Some are very active at shows, some don't show anymore. Some members are breeding the best of

the best and some members are just starting their fledgling programs. That mix is what makes this club what it is today. That mix is what drew me to this breed, and to this club, some eighteen years ago.

If you usually attend the Spring and Fall shows and want to be involved in a way that is not time consuming but makes a huge impact, consider helping the Show Chair by volunteering to sit at the Welcome table for an hour or sell catalogs for a short time. If you are showing and don't have that kind of free time, would you give some time to the Ways and Means committee by helping with selling raffle tickets for the beautiful throws. Are you able to help with the auction at the banquet? Perhaps you would like to help setting up the ring before the show, or help peel the plastic flooring up afterward? Could you spare

a little time to help with the puppy match or would you love to be asked to arrange for all the trophies?

The committees listed below, need your help. I don't want any member feeling that they have something to offer but they can't step forward to help. If you are interested in helping on a particular committee, or if you want to know more about what they do, or if you just don't know where you would fit in, please contact me. My phone number is 210-656-2417. If I don't answer, leave me a message and I will gladly call you back. Feel free to send me an email. My email is kylepottstx@aol.com. I look forward to hearing from you!

Kyle Potts
President, CCA

Awards & Recognition.....	Susan Ritenour	Membership.....	Patricia Larrissey
Breed Information/Education.....	Carole Jeffrey	Nominating.....	Viola Burgos
Breed Rescue.....	Lynnie Bunten	Obedience.....	Lauren Payne
Chi-Chatter.....	Beverly LaFleur	Parliamentarian.....	Richard Bellon
Election.....	Suzanne Stephens	Records & Statistics.....	Patricia Larrissey
Events.....	Karen Temple	Rotating Specialty Resource.....	Craig Leslie
Health.....	Cathleen Cogan-Bird	Sunshine.....	Margaret Eoff
Historian.....	Art Johnson	Video.....	Leah Monte
Investment.....	Patricia Witter	Ways & Means.....	Tracy Potts
Juniors.....	Gary Stiles/Gerry & Tammy Desjardines	Website.....	Jessica Simon

On The Cover



GCh. Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose "Sally"

Sally at 2 years old is continuing her winning career with this, her second Best of Breed win at the CCA National Specialty. She is currently being handled by Paula Murray and has multiple BISS wins and is #1 all systems.

Kokura Yama Kennels wishes to extend our sincere gratitude to judge Mr. Michael J. Dachel for choosing Sally from among a multitude of outstanding quality Chihuahuas.



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:

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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 owners 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.

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/e-mail and Premium List) for a plaque(s) MUST reach CCA's Awards Committee contact At Least Four (4) Weeks Prior to your event. (Some clubs include the contact person 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, e-mail or fax the Awards Committee contact the request for the plaque(s) 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 the Awards contact receives the premium list, no plaques 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, Awards Committee Contact person for Local Club plaques, lancey@att.net

Treasurer's Report

Income/Expense

CCA INCOME & EXPENSE JANUARY 1 - NOVEMBER 15, 2011

Income		Expense	
4001 — Health	2,423.73	6010 — Advertising	1,887.00
4002 — Rescue Donations	180.00	6020 — AKC	829.31
4010 — Memberships	11,437.71	6030 — Awards & Recognitions	167.90
4015 — Specialties	25,312.49	6040 — Bank Charges	59.00
4050 — Handbook Sales	3,358.17	6050 — Banquet Expense	11,526.92
4059 — Banquet	7,181.66	6060 — Chi-Chatter	9,019.06
4070 — Ways and Means	2,884.07	6070 — Chihuahua Information/Education	381.33
4080 — Chi Chatter	340.00	6080 — CHRIF	1,501.17
4100 — Auction	1,165.00	6090 — Club Charter	10.00
4200 — Top 20	4,673.38	6095 — Contract Services	1,025.00
4340 — Direct Public Support	18,006.08	6100 — Donations	500.00
Total Income	76,962.29	6120 — Election	1,510.52
		6130 — Funds to Member Clubs	2,500.00
		6140 — Handbook	349.26
		6150 — Health Committee	217.26
		6160 — Insurance	1,855.00
		6170 — Judges Seminar	501.00
		6180 — Membership	128.51
		6200 — Top 20 Expenses	3,996.79
		6230 — Operations	456.15
		6235 — Other Types of Expenses	3,500.00
		6240 — Plaques	933.23
		6270 — Shows	37,525.76
		6290 — Sunshine	175.22
		6400 — Website	32.85
		6600 — Judges Education	1,114.91
		Total Expense	81,703.15



Fall Specialty Income/Expense Report

INCOME		EXPENSE	
4020 — Fall National		6271 — Fall Show	
40200 — Hotel	122.08	62708 — Bartender	128.33
40201 — Advertising	733.00	62709 — Photos for Placement	26.00
40202 — Booths	1300.00	62711 — Accommodations	2230.73
40203 — Entries		62713 — Air Travel	192.00
40217 — Obedience Versatility	18.00	62714 — Airport Parking	20.00
4020301 — Puppy Entries	1817.00	62715 — AKC Additional Fees	9.00
4020302 — 12-18 Mth Entries	540.00	62716 — AKC Event Service Fee	849.00
4020303 — Regular Entries	3750.00	62717 — AKC Recording Fee	141.50
4020304 — BBE Entries	1196.00	62718 — AKC Superintendent Fee	20.00
4020305 — Veteran Entries	210.00	62720 — Armbands	76.40
40205 — Sweepstakes	1404.00	62722 — Badges	36.10
40209 — Obedience Entries	96.00	62723 — Beverage Service	427.14
40210 — Junior Showmanship	0.00	62731 — Fall Trophies	
40211 — Parade of Champions	128.00	627311 — PayPal Expense	1.75
40212 — Stud Dog	36.00	62731 — Fall Trophies - Other	2000.00
40214 — Brace	36.00	Total 62731 — Fall Trophies	2001.75
40216 — Brace Obedience	18.00	62732 — Judges Fee	150.00
Total 40203 — Entries	9249.00	62735 — Meals	27.74
40204 — Trophies	2100.00	62738 — Postage	385.64
40206 — Catalogue Sales	829.25	62740 — Premium Lists	2392.00
40207 — Show Advance	1200.00	62741 — Processing Fee	375.00
4020 — Fall National - Other	507.98	62745 — Ribbons	56.28
Total 4020 — Fall National	16041.31	62747 — Rosettes	554.75
		62748 — Show Advance	1200.00
		62751 — Show Room Rental	2010.45
		62754 — Supplies	172.84
		62755 — Sweepstakes Money	912.60
		62757 — Welcome Reception	5917.31
		62760 — Welcome Bags	
		627603 — Welcome Bags Printing	81.86
		627602 — Welcome Bags Supplies	295.88
		627601 — Plastic for Bags	216.23
		Total 62760 — Welcome Bags	593.97
		62762 — Plastic Flooring	577.59
		62763 — Ground Transportation	151.00
		6271 — Fall Show - Other	507.98
		Total 6271 — Fall Show	22143.10

Junior's Travel Assistance

The Chihuahua Club of America offers travel assistance funds to any Junior member in order to help them travel to the National Specialty show in October, Westminster, or Eukanuba. These funds are offered through the generosity of the Ways and Means committee and are intended to supplement the cost of travel to and from the show. Junior members that desire assistance should contact the Chair of the Junior's committee for application information. Gary Stiles at lacasitas@aol.com or Tammy & Gerry Desjardins at tegs.chihuahuas@gmail.com.



CCA Board Meeting October 6, 2011

Call To Order - 6:02pm

Roll Call – Present: Ken Saenz, Susan Payne, Pat Witter, Pat Larrissey, Myrle Hale, Dick Dickerson, Michael Holzkopf, Kathy Bornemann, Craig Leslie, Kyle Potts.

Absent: Bruce Shirky and Jackie Dew. Both have serious health conditions which prevented them from attending. Kyle asks we keep both in our thoughts.

Dick Dickerson moved to go into executive session, Susan Payne seconded.

Exec session started 6:04 pm.

Executive session ended, Board meeting resumed at 6:15pm-

Allynid Bunten – CCA Rescue Coordinator passed out proposed guidelines for CCA Rescue contacts and member clubs. The Board is to review these and offer suggestions. This is tabled until the next Board meeting. Member Clubs will get a copy of the guidelines once approved by the Board.

Minutes – report e-mail approval of minutes of August 3, 2011.

Approve: Kathy Bornemann, Pat Witter, Pat Larrissey, Michael Holzkopf, Susan Payne, Dick Dickerson, Bruce Shirky, Jackie Dew, Craig Leslie, Ken Saenz.

Did not have a vote from Myrle Hale.

President's Report:

Kyle introduced new Board members Donald Coughlin and Stephanie Schultes.

Don and Stephanie - introduced, replacing Ken and Susan and will be added to the Yahoo Board list.

Kyle expects everyone to agree with these guidelines: Board members agree to be online, be on e-mail, as quite a bit of CCA business done by e-mail and there is tracking of topics, votes, history of what has been discussed. There was general agreement that all board members will be active and access the Board Yahoo list and keep current on CCA business.

Ken Saenz suggests VP's increase their participation on the regional Yahoo sites. Pat Witter confirms there are 3 Yahoo

regional sites right now and she can help set up another. In addition Pat Witter also suggests the Region VP's hold general get together at their regional specialties when possible.

Ken Saenz mentions the current configuration of the regions appears somewhat awkward. Pat Larrissey confirms Bill Bliss keeps the membership stats and reviews region alignment every 5 years. The last review was 3 years ago.

Pat Witter suggests increasing member participation on the regional Yahoo chat rooms be an agenda item at the General Membership meeting; ask for member e-mail addresses and remind members when they receive the group invitation, what to do to accept and join.

Michael Holzkopf suggests the meeting minutes once approved could be presented on these sites as well. The goal is to keep members informed.

Ken Saenz suggests all Board members be added to all region yahoo groups. There was general agreement that this was a good idea.

Kyle restates her expectations for the Board:

"From here forward, Board members are expected to be at both the Fall and Spring rotating shows as well as be present on all conference calls and active on the Board Yahoo list, unless mitigating circumstances apply".

The Board agreed.

Secretary's Report: none

Treasurer's Report-

Chase Regular Checking	9,541.02
CHRIFF	21,755.37
Rescue	3,582.47
Ways & Means	9,911.33
Purina Funds	4,924.70
Trophy	2,078.43
Top 20	976.71
	<u>52,770.03</u>
Ameriprise	42,633.92
Total Accounts	95,403.95

Susan Payne initiated discussion concerning clarifying the figures when

presenting the Treasurer's report to the membership so the membership understands which funds are available and those funds which are already designated and therefore are not part of our general available funds. There was general agreement that Pat Witter would try this approach.

Committee Reports-

Membership – vote on new members; Ballots were passed out. The Board cast their ballots and turned them in to Pat Larrissey. All Candidates were approved.

Unfinished Business

Juniors judge for Spring Rotating 2012 in Houston – the show is pending as the Juniors judge is still not hired. Pat Witter is working with Bruce Shirky to resolve this.

Good Sportsmanship and Outstanding Service Awards – nominees were voted in and will be announced at the general membership meeting.

Corporate Resolution – motion made by Michael Holzkopf:

"I move that the CCA Board of Directors approve online access to the CCA Ameriprise account and allow Pat Witter, as CCA Treasurer, and Kyle Potts, as CCA President, to be the sole representatives of CCA to have access to that account".

Kyle asked Michael Holzkopf to amend his motion to allow Craig Leslie as First Vice President, access.

Michael Holzkopf so amended and Susan Payne seconded. The vote:

Voting Yes: Ken Saenz, Susan Payne, Pat Witter, Myrle Hale, Dick Dickerson, Michael Holzkopf, Kathy Bornemann, Craig Leslie.

Voting No: Pat Larrissey.

Motion passed.

Craig Leslie: this show we have not

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met our agreement with the hotel for the agreed upon 115 room reservation; we have 76 rooms reserved for Friday and Saturday, and the agreement is for 115 rooms reserved each day in order for CCA to receive a certain number of complimentary rooms, use the board meeting room, discounted use of the ball room, etc. Ken suggests looking for alternative hotels which may offer shuttle service, or are at least closer to airport, as taxi or shuttle costs all add up. The goal is to increase membership attendance and increase membership reservations at the host hotel.

The agreement is the Specialty Resource Committee would take this under review.

New Business

Obedience – our total entry is 3 - Kyle wants the Board to consider moving obedience to the Spring Rotating as one possible way to increase participation.

Susan Payne states local clubs can hold Obedience trials on behalf of CCA (with CCA permission) which may also increase participation.

Dick Dickerson states CCA underwent a 5 year trial period for obedience and during that time participation waned and dropped. Dick feels this should be addressed to the Obedience community.

Michael Holzkopf asks what the calculation/number is to get to the

breakeven point for Obedience, from a financial point of view, and suggests if the Obedience community can't get to the breakeven point, that this is no longer offered.

Pat Larrissey agrees if Obedience is move around country with the Rotating, perhaps there will be increased participation and we also need to encourage Obedience trophy donations.

Susan Payne: the Hudson Club may hold one and will bring proposal to CCA if they decide to hold a trial.

Susan Payne motioned to move Obedience to the Spring Rotating Specialty with a 2-year trial period to see if we are increasing participation, beginning 2012 in Houston.

Dick Dickerson seconded.

Voting yes: Ken Saenz, Susan Payne, Pat Witter, Pat Larrissey, Myrle Hale, Dick Dickerson, Michael Holzkopf, Kathy Bornemann, Craig Leslie.

Motion Passed.

Kyle Potts: consider moving the Top Twenty from the Rotating to the Fall Specialty.

General discussion.

Michael Holzkopf states the Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee is looking forward to holding the Top Twenty at their Specialty in 2013 and is prepared.

Kyle Potts states the Houston Club's Host Hotel has some obstacles that are

making it very difficult to schedule the Top Twenty event.

Ken Saenz motioned that CCA Top Twenty skip Houston and hold it in Chicago in 2012 and then hold it in Milwaukee in 2013 and then back to Chicago in 2014.

Susan Payne seconded.

Voting yes: Ken Saenz, Susan Payne, Pat Witter, Pat Larrissey, Myrle Hale, Dick Dickerson, Michael Holzkopf, Kathy Bornemann, Craig Leslie.

Motion passed.

CCA Guidelines for Hotel:

We need to amend the CCA Hotel room guidelines to address CCA will not allow use of pine shavings or pellets or other similar material in exercise pens in the hotel rooms.

Ken Saenz made a motion to amend the CCA hotel room guidelines to add CCA does not allow use of pine shavings, pellets or similar material for the exercise pens floor covering and that CCA only allows use of paper as floor covering for exercise pens.

Vote: unanimously approved.

Craig Leslie motioned to adjourn the Board meeting now and resume it after General Membership meeting.

Ken Saenz seconded.

Meeting Adjourned 7:14 pm.

Resumed Board Meeting October 7, 2011

Call to order 6:37

Present: *Dick Dickerson, Pat Witter, Pat Larrissey, Don Coughlin, Myrle Hale, Michael Holzkopf, Stephanie Schultes, Craig Leslie, Kyle Potts and Kathy Bornemann.*



Absent: Jackie Dew and Bruce Shirky
Guests: Bob Echols and Peggy from Purina - Purina Thanked the Club for participating in the weight circle program.

According to Bob, 331 members of CCA participate in the weight circle program

Bob reminds members to come to the Purina Booth and sign up –

Members need to sign up for the Pro Club and also designate CCA to receive the weight circle money

All statistics Purina gathers are not sold or shared with anyone – absolutely secure.

CCA members are #1 in pounds of

food consumed for the 5 Clubs Bob manages – CCA members submit more weight circles which calculate to more weight in pounds of food than the German Shepherd Dog Club, The Doberman Club, The Bulldog Club and the Dalmatian Club.

Dog Fancy Ad - Carole Jeffrey passed out her report on activity from the Dog Fancy ad versus not having the ad -

Carole will keep track for the next year of the contacts from the Dog Fancy ad. When we had an active ad Carole received 20 responses/ inquirers per month – With no ad, 3 inquiries –

In November, ad is again in the

magazine Carole will report again before the ad renews.

She reminds the Board the ad can have a photo and if we choose to have a photo she suggests showing both coats as many inquirers do not realize Chihuahuas come in 2 coat varieties.

Rescue guidelines – Board members should ask the membership what members want to see in a rescue guidelines – the Board agreed we should have 1 representative from each region on the resource committee. Pat Witter will publish the suggested Rescue Guidelines on the Region and CCA lists.

Publishers report – scan the proposals, passed out the sample magazines.

Mailing is extra – no action taken at this time. Our current publisher meets CCA needs.

The Board has a request for Juniors reimbursement for travel assistance; this is a 1-time, per person junior travel reimbursement allowance. The request is for \$209.40 for the Junior reimbursement – Dick Dickerson made a motion to accept and pay for the one time requested assistance, Stephanie Schultes seconded.

Vote Yes: Dick Dickerson, Don Coughlin, Pat Larrissey, Myrle Hale, Michael Holzkopf, Stephanie Schultes, Kathy Bornemann, Pat Witter, Craig Leslie.

Motion passed.

Pat Witter will reimburse her, and a check will be sent.

Jim Lehman letter – A letter was shared with the Board that was sent to Kyle Potts, with regard to the CCA, and the Show and how things were being handled. Pat Witter responded in her first year as Show Chairman, that she asks people to work on the show committee and if they worked on the show committee, she asked hotel for a first floor room, if possible. Some of these requests were granted, some not, depending on availability as determined by the Hotel. Some show committees are underway months in advance. The Board agreed, as Show Chairman, Pat should manage the event as she does now and there is no need for her to change.

Jim Lehman also asked whether a show report would be published and shared. Pat Witter stated that the Show Income and Expenses are published in the Chi Chatter.

Craig Leslie emphasized the Board only appoints committee chairs, and it's up to the Chairs to assemble their committee members.

Budget committee consists of Pat Witter, Craig Leslie, Jim Lehman and Kyle Potts. Board agreed to maintain this committee.

Dick Dickerson nominated Craig Leslie for First Vice President – the Board unanimously agreed.

Reminder: November 15 deadline for articles for the next Chi Chatter.

The next meeting of the board was set for Wednesday November 2, 2011 at 6:30 pm CDT.

Dick Dickerson commented: he has had a record of good attendance at Board meetings and Specialties however he has been battling a serious health condition; he is now feeling dramatically better and thanked Everyone on the Board and the Membership their kind thoughts expressed during his illness.

Craig Leslie nominated Pat Witter as 2012 Show Chair, Michael Holzkopf seconded; the vote was unanimously in favor.

The hotel reported to the Show Chairman 4 rooms that were not in compliance with the CCA Hotel Guidelines throughout the weekend. Pat Witter delegated Kyle Potts, Patricia Larrissey & Myrle Hale to make sure that the problem had been resolved. She encouraged members to express their appreciation to the hotel cleaning staff, to include leaving a tip.

Dick Dickerson made a motion to adjourn; Craig Leslie seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm.

General Membership Meeting October 7, 2011

Call to Order: 5:15 pm

Introduce the Board – Board Members stood as their names were called: Stephanie Schultes, Don Coughlin, Myrle Hale, Dick Dickerson, Pat Larrissey, Michael Holzkopf, Craig Leslie, Treasurer Pat Witter, Secretary Kathy Bornemann, President Kyle Potts.

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting April 29, 2011 motion to accept made by Viola Burgos, second by Stephanie Schultes, motion passed.

Minutes of the Board Meeting October 6, 2011 were read by Secretary Kathy Bornemann.

Treasurer's report – Pat Witter stated she was giving the membership a new approach to providing the Treasurer's report. The CCA checking account which is our operating fund has a balance of \$9,541.02 in checking operating fund. We have funds in other accounts designated for specific purposes:

Health fund; Rescue; Ways and Means; Purina weight circles; Trophy; Top Twenty; Ameriprise.

The Total is about 95K

However – CCA has \$9,541.02 in the checking account for operating day to day expenses.

Kyle added we can't access those other allocated funds.

Membership Committee report – Pat Larrissey read the list of new members.

Pat Larrissey reminds the membership if they have been members 2 years or longer, members are eligible to request a membership pin. She has some pins with her. Pat also has applications for anyone who wants to join.

Show report – Pat Witter:

Hotel: we are disappointed in the number of room reservations. Pat Witter reinforces how important it is to stay at

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General Membership Meeting October 7, 2011 (Continued from page 9)

the host hotel – meeting the minimum number of room reservations provides us with complimentary or discounted rates for rooms including the showroom.

Housekeeping – Pat Witter asks the membership to please bear in mind this hotel normally does not accept dogs, so we must be vigilant in keeping rooms clean, and exercise dogs in the proper area – do not use grass or flower beds to exercise dogs. Please remind each other to use the proper exercise area.

Billy Miller – thanked people who submitted mentor forms. If you are having trouble completing the form or want assistance, Billy will help people to complete the form. He and Linda George are working hard to provide judges education. Linda George went to Pennsylvania to present a seminar to the institute. Billy thanked her for her dedication to judge's education. Billy would like to have parent club approved mentors everywhere.

Unfinished business – none

New business

Rescue contacts – Allynid Bunten is concerned with how CCA lists people as rescue contacts. She would like to have guidelines for local clubs and to use independent rescue groups who display good rescue practices. Allynid Bunten has put together some tentative guidelines. The Board will publish the Guidelines on the membership lists for membership comment.

Top Twenty and Obedience:

Kyle – The Board has approved moving Obedience to the Spring Specialty for 2012, and the Top Twenty will be held in Fall 2012 and also in the Spring for 2013 and then will move to the Fall for 2014 and forward.

The Top Twenty may be combined with banquet. The goal is to increase membership attendance at the Fall

Specialty and at the banquet. For 2012, the Top Twenty will be combined with the Banquet.

Region e-mail Groups – each VP has a yahoo list – members will be sent internet e-mail invitations. The lists will be used to publish Board meeting minutes, to ask for member input for various topics and to gather opinions from our members.

Life Members – recommendation that Charles and Myrle Hale be made Life Members. Jayne Kay made a motion to accept Charles and Myrle Hale as Life Members, Carole Jeffrey seconded. Motion was passed unanimously.

Awards:

Top Obedience Chihuahua for 2010 is Sid III CD owned by Lori & Hailey Rau.

Linda Dillard was recognized – Linda's Rosita Bonita UDX VER RA – first Chihuahua in history to earn a Utility Dog Excellent title and achieved the highest score for a Chihuahua in Open for 2010; she also achieved the highest average score in Obedience in 2010

Donna Brittain's Temples the Moose is Loose UD GN GO VER RAE3 was recognized as the highest scoring Chihuahua in Utility in 2010

Arthur and Gloria Johnson are the recipients of the Good Sportsmanship award.

Patricia Witter is the recipient of the Outstanding Service award.

Ballot results – from Bear Associates, LLC:

Total ballots sent out = 442

Total ballots returned = 231

Total valid ballots counted = 227

Total ballots disqualified = 4

Top vote AKC Judges:

Max Hurd = 62

Rey Burgos = 41

Sharon Newcomb = 31

Bradley Jenkins and Darryl Vice = 27

Sweepstakes Judges :

H. Craig Leslie = 95

Clayton Mooney = 62

Gloria Lambert = 52

Bob VanHoff = 16

Other Business:

Max Hurd wants further discussion concerning the method for choosing

Judges.

Numerous members contributed to the discussion concerning if the Club should choose Judges by mailed ballot or by vote of the membership at the Fall General Membership meeting.

Kyle Potts consulted with Parliamentarian Richard Bellon by phone. According to Richard Bellon, since the issue was presented for a vote by mailed ballot this past summer, the next step is to vote on whether to rescind that previous decision; if the membership votes to rescind the decision reached this past summer, then a new motion can be presented regarding the method of choosing Judges. It will take 2/3 of the members present to vote to rescind.

At 6:20 pm the doors were closed to the showroom; members present were counted by the Election Committee: Allynid Bunten, Michelle Nikolay and Dolores Masley.

There are 67 members present, which meets a quorum. 2/3 is 44 members.

Sandra Cook made a motion to rescind the mail-in ballot vote by the membership for the method of choosing Judges. Jessica Simon seconded.

At 6:25pm, members were asked to stand if they were in favor of the vote to rescind.

15 members stood and were counted by the election Committee.

The motion to rescind did not pass.

Sylvia Mattson made a motion to adjourn.

Steve Hayden seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine A Bornemann, Secretary





The Houston Chihuahua Club, Inc. would like to invite you to the Chihuahua Club of America Spring Rotating Specialty, March 1-4, 2012, in Houston, Texas.

*HCC Breed Judge: Sandy Wheat**

HCC Sweepstakes Judge: Jeffery Yasenchok

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2011 CCA Fall National Specialty Report



by *Pat Witter*

Well, this show is officially over, and a complete success. I could not have declared this show such a success if not for the help of my committee members. I would like to thank them personally for dedicating a major part of their life to the show, to listen to my bitching and to solve whatever problems came their way, always with a smile on their faces. Thank you from the bottom of my heart: Darwin Delaney, Kathy Bucher-Sawyer and Tamra Jackson and Gerry & Tammy Desjardins - Trophies, Lynnie Bunten, Chief Ring Steward, Nadine Hersil, Outside Steward, Sandra Pesina, Advertising, Sherri Chavez, Booth Space, Michael & Patricia Holzkopf, Banquet, Welcoming Party and RV Parking, Frank Farkas, Auction, Carol Jeffrey, Catalog Sales, Kenny Saenz, Decorations, Billy Miller, Anything I Needed, Jim & Susan Hanke, Carpet Barrier (without this we wouldn't have a show) and Puppy Match, Dick Dickerson, Official CCA Greeter, Kyle

Potts, Everything and Anything, and Dolores Masley, Jean Pratt, Dena Muenzler & Gail Hendry, Welcome Committee. If the show looked like a well-oiled machine, it is because of the work and dedication of the above members. If anyone wants to work on next year's show committee, please contact me. Carole Jeffrey will be unable to be in Houston, Texas to man the Catalog Table and we need volunteers for that. We desperately need the men of CCA to help with the tear down of plastic in the show room in Chicago. The Welcome Table would be another great place to volunteer one hour of your time!

On a more somber note, I was amazed at my first year at the Chicago Marriott Northwest, to receive four (4) room complaints. Plain and simple, one is too many! These ranged from dogs running loose in rooms, dog feces on the floor with no exercise pen, wood shavings in exercise pens and scattered throughout the room, too many dogs in the room (over 10) and rudeness to the hotel staff. We will not have a show venue if we continue along this road. So, the Board has amended the guidelines to include that ALL ROOMS OCCUPIED DURING THE CCA ROTATING AND FALL NATIONAL, will be randomly inspected at least once during the show weekend. Karen Temple as Events Chair will be getting her committee together to inspect the rooms. In recent years, the rooms have not been inspected unless there was a

complaint, relying on the honor system. But we have to stem the complaints that we received this year. That way, everyone will be inspected and everyone will be treated equally. Any room complaints made by Hotel Staff will be inspected every day after the complaint, and a recurrence of the complaint may result in charges being brought against the individual, and they be asked to leave the hotel. In addition, the use of PAPER ONLY in exercise pens is allowed. No wood shavings, pellets, or other similar products will be allowed.

The show report of what we spent and what we earned is on page 6. We were short on the number of rooms we projected we would use during the show. Consequently, we had to pay an additional \$2,051.11 to the Chicago Marriott Northwest and gave up the complimentary rooms that we normally get. People don't realize how important it is that the events are attended and the hotel used as your lodging place. If you don't stay at the hotel, then you deduct from the total number of rooms we need to make the event affordable. Next year in Houston, Texas we are flipping the Obedience Trial to the Rotating and in Chicago, we will be holding the Top 20. Please consider putting the Banquet in Houston, Texas and the Top 20 in Chicago at the top of your list to attend as THE place to be. And please, STAY AT THE HOST HOTEL if you can. See you in Houston, Ya'll!!



Judge's Critique – Mr. Michael J. Dachel



What a lovely experience to judge the Chihuahua Club of America. I especially would like to thank the Chihuahua Club of America for all of their hard work. A special thanks for three wonderful and bright ladies, truly gems that need special recognition for their assistance with the Specialty.

Your Show Chair person Patricia Witter, was so helpful before, during and after the show. It was so nice dealing with this very bright lady, with a lot of common sense, which is truly a gift.

My Ring Steward, Lynnie Bunten was truly a god-send. She kept me on my toes, which helped make my day so enjoyable. As soon as I finished passing out awards, I would turn around, she would have my next class in for me.

The third is a true treasure as the CCA President, Kyle Potts. Constantly looking and focusing on the details to create this main stream event, down to the finest and littlest ones. She was always asking what she could do to make my day easier.

Thank you, Thank you, Thank you!!!

Your show site was truly wonderful. It is getting more difficult and harder to find a nice place to hold a show after people do not respect the facilities at which they are staying. I understand

there were incidences where a couple of people felt as though they had purchased their rooms, not renting it, there by not complying with the rules governing the hotel rooms, creating undue work and stress on the show committee. Shame on you! You're behavior denotes you have never dealt with all of the issues involved in securing an adequate facility to hold a National.

Overall I was very pleased with my entries in both Long and Smooth. Some very nice heads and ears, but there are far too many ears and eyes that are not what your Standard calls for. The legs on your breed I feel have made a great deal of advancement. Very few front legs were bowed, as in the past. Nice going- that is a very difficult thing to correct. Mouths & bites were another thing. There were some so undershot you could dig a ditch with them. This really bothered me, this in my opinion distracts from the true Chihuahua expression. I was pleased to see more and more really good strong teeth. Very few "Rice" teeth like as in the past.

Sadly, one exhibit lunged forward on the table and made contact with his teeth on my hand. While I was saddened to disqualify this animal from competition, any animal that attacks a person in the ring, be it judge or handler, needs to be disqualified from competition. The AKC defines the word attack as "a bite or an attempt to bite anyone including its own handler, without valid extenuating circumstances, for example accidentally biting the hand that is baiting the dog." While there were a few entries that were shy during their table exam, they did not demonstrate any signs of aggressive behavior. Although they may have backed up on the table, these animals were not menacing or aggressive in their behavior. A dog lunging forward and making contact with his teeth on a hand is vastly different from an exhibit that attempts to refuse exam.

What a sight in most classes to walk down the line and see wonderful, typey

dogs. I will never forget in both Smooth and Longs when I walked in the ring and saw all the specials lined up so I could check them in. I wish I could have had a picture of that, but that memory will be one that shall remain with me a very long time.

With a lot of the Toy Breeds they do it better on their own, when the owners have not taken the time to train. My procedure for those dogs is have the handler put their exhibit on the floor after the table exam and bait them. This usually would present a much better picture for relating to the standard. This is another reason I would bring the dogs out in the center of the ring and have them look at each other. A few had won their class that way. Your standard says under Temperament, "Alert, projecting the "terrier – like" attitudes of self importance, confidence, self-reliance". That is what I was looking for. Not wanted to sound redundant with each class I limited my comments to the first two placings.

SMOOTH COATS – DOGS

6-9

1. (166) A very young baby boy with outstanding outline ears and eyes. Shown by a very talented young lady.
2. (164) Similar to number one. Yielding slightly in ears.

9-12

1. (171) Very handsome, with a very correct eye.
2. (174) Another lovely youngster who will do well in the future.

(Continued on page 14)



Judges Critique (From Page 13)

12 – 18

1. (181) Lovely Expression and condition.
2. (180) Outstanding under the hand.

BBE

1. (191) A shining example of the breed, correct eye, ears, and when he pulled himself together, a clear winner.
2. (193) Another with a nice eye and ears.

American Bred

1. (194) A very deserving dog.

Open

1. (52) Upstanding, correct eye, moving well on his legs.
2. (198) An excellent headed dog that just did make the best use of himself on the day.

Both WD and Res came from my BBE class.

BITCHES

6 – 9

1. (205) A very showy young lady, pretty face and well trained.
2. (200) Another pretty puppy as well on a different day could have easily won this class.

9- 12

1. 233 Beautiful head, ears and legs. Presenting a pretty outline when left to do so on her own.
2. (220) Almost a carbon copy of the winner of this class. Lovely bitch. I see she is the litter mate to my first place winner

12 – 18

1. (230) Beautiful bitch, excellent eye and expression.
2. (229) Good things come in small

packages, well this was a good thing. Wonderful quality yielding slightly in head properties to number 1.

BBE

1. (239) Beautiful type, lovely eyes and ears. Using herself in a most confident manner. Edging out number 2 in ear size and shape.
2. (245) Similar as number 1. Another very good one. A very close contender for this class.

Open Bitch

1. (252) A larger bitch with a lovely eye and ears.
2. (251) Just beautiful, very typey and the style I much more prefer. BUT she would not use herself. Even when I tried different things to help her come into her own, she said, "No not today". Will finish very fast.

WB to the winner of the Open class, Reserve to the winner of the 12-18 class BOV competition was full of nice typey Dogs and Bitches. But on this day BOV would be going to the Bitch (292) GCh Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight. A bitch I have had the privilege of judging previously. A very deserving winner.

BOW to (252) Winners Bitch

BOS to (259) GCh. Sand-Man's Obsidian. A young very handsome male who is all Chihuahua. He makes you believe he is the best one in the ring. Still young, but can see a bright future for him. Next time watch this handler. She lets the dog think it is his idea about being on the table. Watch and see how it can be done correctly.

Smooth Veteran, (Both the Bitch and the Handler.)

There were four in the class.

(256) One look at her and at her age she is so well cared for. Her condition, and even had all her teeth and clean too. The last thing I had them do was to have them pick them up. When I saw the face with the eyes and ears she was

my winner.

She was my Best Veteran in Show as well.

LONG COATS – DOGS

6-9

1. (19) Very young showy. Have high hopes for him. I would like to see him when he is more mature.
2. (12) Another young man, but handsome

9-12 PD

1. (23) Beautiful expression and correct ears.
2. (22) A very deserving individual yielding to number 1 in ear size slightly.

12 –18 Dog

1. (31) Handsome face and head piece.
2. (32) Lovely size, outstanding movement and balanced.

BBE Dog

1. (38) Another lovely dog with beautiful ears and eyes.
2. (37) A very nice dog with a great ear placement

AM Bred Dog

1. (38) An outstanding expression and head with great legs to go with it.
2. (37) Excellent ear placement with a different style of head than number

Open Dog LC

1. (55) Beautiful type dog in excellent condition with the maturity to top this class
2. (56) A very deserving one with a very nice eye.

WD to the American Bred with Reserve to the 9-12 Puppy

Bitches

6 – 9 PB

1. (66) A lovely sized, pretty bitch with good legs.
2. (58) Wonderful ears, eyes and expression.



9-12 PB

1. (77) An upstanding quality bitch. Will finish easily.
2. (72) Small nice type, pretty with a great eye.

12 – 18 Bitch

1. (83) A young typey girl who had a rough start in the class and got better as the class went on. Beautiful eyes.
2. (82) Here is one that had style to burn topped off with a beautiful head.

AOH

1. (84) A pretty Black and Tan with great ears.

BBE Bitch

1. (88) Beautiful type, great eyes, could have had a bit more coat to finish out the picture.
2. (97) A young, very pretty bitch. Should have no problem finishing her title.

American Bred Bitch

1. (99) Deserving bitch with a lovely eye.

Open Bitch LC

1. (105) Correct sized, complimented by a pretty head. Showing as she owned the ring.
2. (101) Another lovely bitch with a pretty head, ear set and size. and size. Yielding to number 1 slightly in size. Should finish her championship handily.

WB was the Bred by Bitch, Reserve 9-12 Puppy Bitch

BOV

#148 GCh Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose. I have never had the opportunity to judge this bitch before. Outstanding lovely eye, correct size in wonderful condition which was a credit to her handler. She is one of the “Masters” of this Breed.

BOW the Winnners Dog

BOS (110) Ch Will-CM Ready 4 Prime time, who won on with his lovely outline, style, movement and condition of coat.

So I had two Great Bitches for BOB. One I have done for in the past and one I had not seen before this day. But after putting them both back together on the table I knew the BOB ribbon on this day would be going to the Long Coat Bitch GCh Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose.

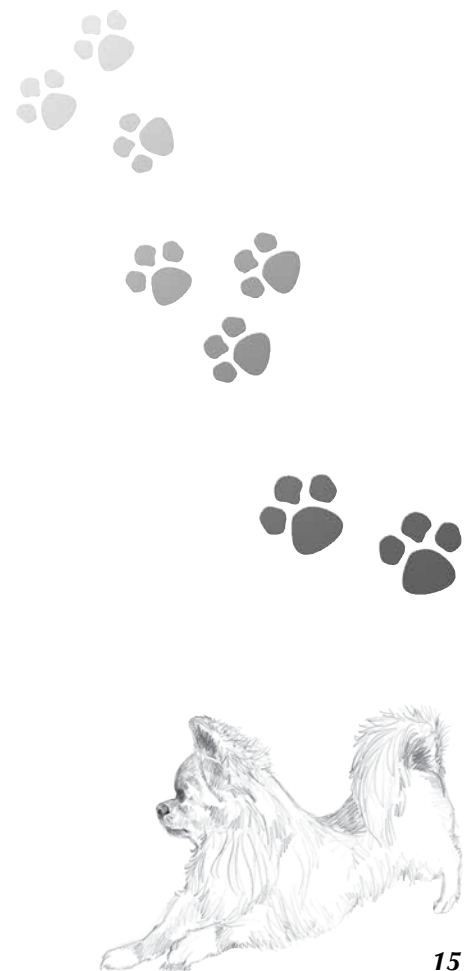
My BOS to BOB was the Smooth Dog I was so fond of, GCh Sand-Man's Obsidian

Best Brace In Show:

How nice to have two entries. A brace should match: size, color, etc. and these two had it all. In fact this is the first Brace competition in years that I have seen that really looked like a match, and not two dogs of the same breed showed together

Best Brace in Show

(44) moving as one, with size, color and a carbon of each other.



2011 Chihuahua Club of America Fall National Specialty – October 7 - 9, 2011

	Name	Owner
<i>October 7, 2011 - Sweepstakes – Judge: Mr. Carlos Puig</i>		
Best Long Coat in Sweeps	Carousel's An Affair To Remember	Beth M. Thursby
Best Opposite Sex	True Blue's Aurora Borealis	Charlaine Laplane
Best Smooth Coat in Sweeps	Gaston El Dragon Aqlla	Barbara Pendergrass
Best Opposite Sex	Gaga Lady De Aqlla	Jose Alberto Christianson
Best In Sweeps	Gaston El Dragon Aqlla	Barbara Pendergrass
Best Opposite Sex to Best in Sweeps	Gaga Lady De Aqlla	Jose Alberto Christianson
<i>Judge - Mr. Michael J. Dachel – October 9, 2011 - Breed</i>		
Best of Breed	GCh. Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	Kazuyuki Yama
Best Opposite Sex to Best of Breed	GCh. Sand-Man's Obsidian	M & S. Pesina, E. Vandermolen & D & S. Newcomb
<i>October 8, 2011 - Long Coat Variety</i>		
Best of Variety	GCh. Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	Kazuyuki Yama
Best of Winners	Hurd's Hi Ho Silver	Max Hurd
Best of Opposite Sex	GCh. Will-CM Ready 4 Prime Time	Curtis F. Williams, Michael D. Dunnington & Jill A. Hopper
Select Dog	GCh. Kokura Yama JP Emirio	K. Yama & Linda George
Select Bitch	Ch. Dartan Star Queen of Ayrwen	Gloria J. & Arthur H. Johnson
Award of Merit	GCh. Roseland Eli	Tina Bregman
Award of Merit	GCh. Victory Mask of Zorro	Kathryn V. Hulstein & Savanna Hulstein
Award of Merit	Ch. Taradonna Flash Harry	D. Delaney, T. Jackson & B.E. Gall
Award of Merit	GCh. Laud Ella Enchanted	Dail Corl
Winners Dog	Hurd's Hi Ho Silver	Max Hurd
Reserve Winners Dog	Bloomsbury Burn Baby Burn	Lynn & Jeff Hurd
Winners Bitch	Bloomsbury Bellissima	Lynn & Jeff Hurd
Reserve Winners Bitch	Mollnar Witchful Thinking	Shellie Mollnar
<i>October 9, 2011 - Smooth Coat Variety</i>		
Best of Variety	GCh. Ayrwen Star Kissed Delight	Gloria J. & Arthur H. Johnson
Best of Winners	Dartan Million Dollar Baby	Darwin Delaney
Best Opposite Sex	GCh. Sand-Man's Obsidian	M & S. Pesina, E. Vandermolen & D & S. Newcomb
Select Dog	Ch. Jo-Li's Simon Says-S	Janet Lange & James Moses
Select Bitch	Aero's Paint The Town Red	Lauren Etter
Award of Merit	Ch. Tokugawa JP Sasuke	Katsushi Tokugawa
Award of Merit	Dazzles Abigail Rose of Jos-Lyn	John & Patti Penrod

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Award of Merit	Ch. Bayard's Yodytoo of Kay Hill	Mrs. Jane G. kay & Mrs. Margaret K. Curtis
Winners Dog	Dartan Firecracker	Darwin Delaney
Reserve Winners Dog	Tammashan Saint I Ain't	Sharon A. Tomanica-Brunsell
Winners Bitch	Dartan Million Dollar Baby	Darwin Delaney
Reserve Winners Bitch	Rebound Dream Girl	Susan Chulick
October 7, 2011 - Obedience - Mr. Kent Delaney		
Highest Scoring Dog in Regular Classes	Linda's Rosita Bonita UDX VER RA	Linda Nolan Dillard
Highest Combined Score in Open & Utility Classes	Temple's The Moose is Loose UD BN GN GO VER RAE3	Donna J. Brittain



Best of Breed - GCh. Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose



*Best Opposite Sex to Best of Breed
GCh. Sand-Man's Obsidian*



Best Puppy - Hurd N TLC's Funny Girl



*Best Vereran/Award of Merit in Variety
Ch. Bayard's Yodytoo of Kay Hill*



Best of Winners – Hurds Hi Ho Silver



*Best Opposite to Best of Variety
GCh. Will-CM Ready 4 Prime Time*



Winners Bitch – Bloomsbury Bellissima



Select Dog – GCh. Kokura Yama JP Emirio



Select Bitch – Ch. Dartan Star Queen of Ayrwen



Award of Merit – GCh. Roseland Eli



Award of Merit – GCh. Victory Mask of Zorro



Best of Winners – Dartan Million Dollar Baby



Best of Variety - GCh. Ayrwen's Star Kissed Delight



Winners Dog – Dartan's Firecracker



Select Dog – Ch. Jo-Li's Simon Says



Select Bitch – Aero's Paint The Town Red



Award of Merit – Ch. Tokugawa JP Sasuke



Award of Merit – Dazzles Abigail Rose of Joslyn



Best in Sweepstakes – Gaston El Dragon Aqila



*Best Opposite to Best in Sweepstakes
Gaga Lady De aqila*



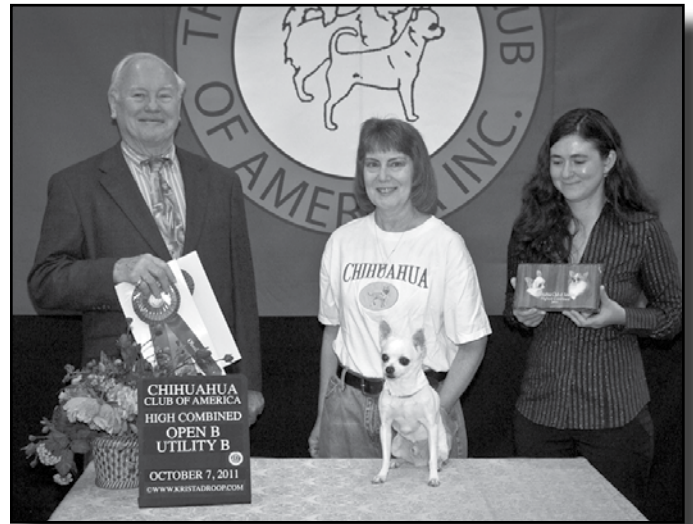
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Carousel's An Affair to Remember*



*Best Opposite to Best Long Coat
True Blues Aurora Borealis*



High In Trial – Linda's Rosita Bonita

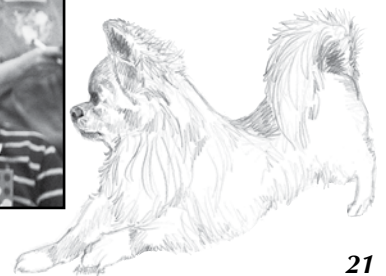


High Combined – Temple's The Moose Is Loose



Best Junior - Kirsten Potts

*Congratulations
to All the
Winners!*



OHOOO What a Summer!

- July 28, 2011 We welcomed our very first grandbaby, **Drew Alexander Gillespie**



- August 4, 2011 Judge Malcome Moore I finished my very first AKC Champion **CH Chikita Seventh Inning Stretch S**



- August 14, 2011 Chihuahua Club of Michigan Specialty, Judge Mark Jaeger I finished my second AKC champion going WB, BOW with a 4 point Major **CH Mataje's Parti Girl at Kami's**

I want to thank my friends for their encouragement, guidance, and great camaraderie in these accomplishments. I couldn't have done it without you - Kathy Edie, Evie Kassabian, Melissa Spranger & Lisa Knop- Love you guys!

Scenes From Fall National Specialty 2011



Photos by Krista Droop



Show: Chihuahua Club of Michigan August 13, 2011

Sweepstakes Judge- Steven Kobrzycki

Entry	Name	Owner
Best Long	Sandy's Babes Johnny of Tradewinds	Burt Custodio
Best Smooth	Tradewinds Forever	Burt Custodio
Best Opposite Sex	Cruz At Highland's Forbidden Fruit	Mary Meyer
Best In Sweeps	Tradewinds Forever	Burt Custodio
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Kamis Lil Bad Habit	Kathy Edie

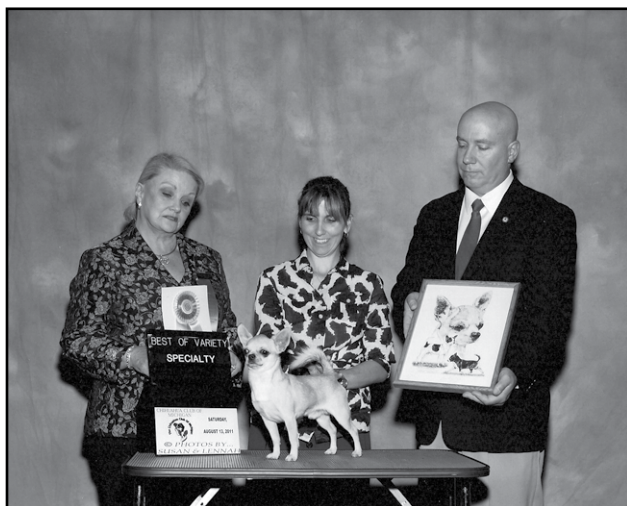
Variety Judge - Mrs Fidelma Doherty Dixie

Long Coat Variety 8-13-4-4

Winners Dog	Tiny Mite's Brown Bounce Tiny Mite's Brown Bounce	Robert DeJonge
Winners Bitch	Belle Shoals Sassy Britches	Megan Gardner
Best Of Winners	Belle Shoals Sassy Britches	Megan Gardner
BOS to Variety	Ch Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	Kazuyuki Yama
Best of Variety	Ch Taradonna Flash Harry	Darwin Delaney, Tamra Jackson & Beverly Gall

Smooth Coat Variety 8-8-7-1

Winners Dog	TEGS The Best Of Nothing	Gerry Desjardins
Winners Bitch	Bloomsbury Busy Bee	Lynn & Jeff Hurd
Best Of Winners	TEGS The Best Of Nothing	Gerry Desjardins
BOS to Variety	Bloomsbury Busy Bee	Lynn & Jeff Hurd
Best of Variety	Ch Starsen Naughty Norman	Gerard & Tammy Desjardins
BOS to Breed	Bloomsbury Busy Bee	Lynn & Jeff Hurd
Best of Breed	Ch Taradonna Flash Harry	Darwin Delaney, Tamra Jackson & Beverly Gall



Best of Variety
Ch Starsen Naughty Norman



Best of Variety
Ch Taradonna Flash Harry

Show: Chihuahua Club of Michigan Sunday, August 14, 2011

Sweepstakes Judge- David Gibbons

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Sandy's Babes Johnny of Tradewinds	Burt Custodio
Best Smooth	Tradewinds Forever	Burt Custodio
Best Opposite Sex	Cruz At Highland's Forbidden Fruit	Mary Meyer
Best In Sweeps	Tradewinds Forever	Burt Custodio
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Cruz At Highland's Forbidden Fruit	Mary Meyer

Variety Judge - Mr. Mark Jaeger

Long Coat Variety 8-14-5-4

Winners Dog	Tiny Mite's Brown Bounce	Robert DeJonge
Winners Bitch	Mataje's Parti Girl At Kami	Kathy Edie & Heather Bondra
Best Of Winners	Mataje's Parti Girl At Kami	Kathy Edie & Heather Bondra
BOS to Variety	Ch Taradonna Flash Harry	Darwin Delaney, Tamra Jackson & Beverly Gall
Best of Variety	Ch Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	Kazuyuki Yama

Smooth Coat Variety 8-9-7-1

Winners Dog	JoLi's Smooth Move-S	Kathy Fuller, Paula Rasey & Lisa Knop
Winners Bitch	El Toro's Take Me To The Bank Beckey	Sherrie White
Best Of Winners	JoLi's Smooth Move-S	Kathy Fuller, Paula Rasey & Lisa Knop
BOS to Variety	Ch JoLi's Whats It All About	Lisa Knop
Best of Variety	Ch Shorepointe's Watch Me Burn	Justin Ward & William McCollister
BOS to Breed	Ch Shorepointe's Watch Me Burn	Justin Ward & William McCollister
Best of Breed	Ch Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	Kazuyuki Yama



*Best of Variety
Ch Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose*



*Best of Variety
Ch Shorepointe's Watch Me Burn*

CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA AKC MEDALLION FOR OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP

The AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award program was established in 2006 to provide each member club with an AKC Medallion to award to one of its own on a yearly basis.

The sport of purebred dogs, embodied the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, and have been an active and valued member of an AKC member club. Medallions are awarded solely at the club's discretion.

AKC CODE OF SPORTSMANSHIP

- Sportsmen respect the history, traditions and integrity of the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen commit themselves to values of fair play, honesty, courtesy, and vigorous competition, as well as winning and losing with grace.
- Sportsmen refuse to compromise their commitment and obligation to the sport of purebred dogs by injecting personal advantage or consideration into their decisions or behavior.
- The sportsman judge judges only on the merits of the dogs and considers no other factors.
- The sportsman judge or exhibitor accepts constructive criticism.
- The sportsman exhibitor declines to enter or exhibit under a judge where it might reasonably appear that the judge's placements could be based on something other than the merits of the dogs.
- The sportsman exhibitor refuses to compromise the impartiality of a judge.
- The sportsman respects the AKC bylaws, rules, regulations and policies governing the sport of purebred dogs.
- Sportsmen find that vigorous competition and civility are not inconsistent and are able to appreciate the merit of their competition and the effort of competitors.
- Sportsmen welcome, encourage and support newcomers to the sport.
- Sportsmen will deal fairly with all those who trade with them.
- Sportsmen are willing to share honest and open appraisals of both the strengths and weaknesses of their breeding stock
- Sportsmen spurn any opportunity to take personal advantage of positions offered or bestowed upon them.
- Sportsmen always consider as paramount the welfare of their dog.
- Sportsmen refuse to embarrass the sport, the American Kennel Club, or themselves while taking part in the sport.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTING CCA MEMBER TO RECEIVE THE AKC OUTSTANDING SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

The recipient must be a member in good standing of the CCA for at least five (5) years. They must have undertaken substantial activities to promote the sport of purebred dogs, demonstrated a high level of commitment to the Chihuahua and embody the attributes outlined in the AKC Code of Sportsmanship

The recipient should regularly attend dog shows with their dog(s) and/or participate in activities (conformation, performance and companion) of the CCA and/or regional clubs.

This annual award will be presented to an CCA member at the annual award banquet for their contribution to the club/breed. Examples of such contributions might include spearheading a successful program, making a major contribution to the breed, organizing a successful fund raising effort, or "simply" a selfless act of kindness.

1. HOW WILL RECIPIENTS BE NOMINATED?

Nominations should come from three (3) CCA members in good standing with an essay of 200 words on why the individual (or group) deserves to be nominated. The essay should describe the activities of this individual (or group) that makes them a worthy candidate and explain how this person exemplifies good sportsmanship as outlined in the AKC CODE OF SPORTSMANSHIP. The nomination will be sent to the CCA Secretary and received by April 1 of each year. If the CCA Secretary does not receive a nomination from the membership by April 1, the CCA Board can make the selection for the recipient of the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award for that year. If no candidates names are submitted, or no candidate found to meet the criteria established by AKC, there will be no award. The CCA Board will then review the nominations, to make sure that they meet the standards as set forth by AKC. All suitable candidates will then be sent to the Election Chair, who will include the names in the annual ballot.

2. WHO WILL SELECT THE WINNERS?

The award recipient will be selected by a vote of the membership of the CCA in a secret ballot, that will be returned to the teller. The winner will not be announced until the annual banquet at the Fall National Specialty.

3. WHAT ARE THE CRITERIA OF THE AWARD?

The award will recognize an individual (or individuals) who has shown unparalleled examples of sportsmanship and who best exemplify the ideals of sportsmanship as outlined in the AKC CODE OF SPORTS MANSHIP, including but not limited to: fairness, civility, honesty, unselfishness and respect of the rules.

The individual will also have set a good example and acted responsibly in furthering the CCA's objectives:

- To encourage and promote quality in breeding of pure-bred Chihuahuas and if at all possible to their natural qualities to perfection.
- To encourage the organization of independent local Chihuahua Specialty clubs in those localities 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.

If you wish to nominate an individual and/or group of individuals who you feel meets and/or exceeds the standards established by the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, please send the name, address and an essay of 200 words on why the individual or group deserves to be nominated by April 1, to:

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Show: Chihuahua Club of Greater Phoenix - October 29, 2011

Sweepstakes Judge- Pam Amos

Entry: Long 4-2 Smooth 2-7	Name	Owner
Best Long	H&H's Karmen	Michelle Herod
Best Opposite Sex	Val-Lee's Tuff Stuff	Ms Becky Bond & Val Cross
Best Smooth	Dartan Firecracker	Darwin Delaney & Kathy Sawyer
Best Opposite Sex	Vista Heavens To Betsy	Stephanie Schultes
Best In Sweeps	H&H's Karmen	Michelle Herod
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Dartan Firecracker	Darwin Delaney & Kathy Sawyer
Best Veteran Sweeps	Ch Bliss Ouachitah Simply The Best	Ivan Lugo

Variety Judge - Mr. Clay Coady

Long Coat Variety Entry 11-15 - 1VD-1VB (5-2)

Winners Dog	Adess Quirino	Jose A. Quirino
Winners Bitch	Journey's Little Miss Sunshine	Rachel & Miles Green
Best Of Winners	Journey's Little Miss Sunshine	Rachel & Miles Green
BOS to Variety	Journey's Little Miss Sunshine	Rachel & Miles Green
Best of Variety	Gch Taradonna Flash Harry	Darwin Delaney & Tamara Jackson & Bev & Steve Gall

Smooth Coat Variety Entry 9-13 - (6-2)

Winners Dog	Dartan Firecracker	Darwin Delaney & Kathy Sawyer
Winners Bitch	Tegs In Full Bloom	Gerard Desjardina
Best Of Winners	Tegs In Full Bloom	Gerard Desjardina
Best of Variety	Ch Dartan On Fire Again	Tamara Jackson
BOS to Breed	Ch Dartan Million Dollar Baby	Darwin Delaney
Best of Breed	Gch Taradonna Flash Harry	Darwin Delaney & Tamara Jackson & Bev & Steve Gall

Best Junior Handler

Dusty Berthold

B-Z-B's Tynan Dynasty



Show: Chihuahua Club of Greater Phoenix - October 30, 2011

Sweepstakes Judge- Allison Miller

Entry: Long 4-2 Smooth 2-5	Name	Owner
Best Long	Oakar's Lil Annie Oakley V Dessertrase And Asans	Sherry Mitchell, Anita Sanders & Kandace Breeding
Best Opposite Sex	Val-Lee's Blue Print	Dorothea Cross & Val Cross
Best Smooth	Gt's Jumping Jellybean	Gail Massey
Best Opposite Sex	Dartan Firecracker	Darwin Delaney & Kathy Sawyer
Best In Sweeps	Gt's Jumping Jellybean	Gail Massey
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Dartan Firecracker	Darwin Delaney & Kathy Sawyer
Best Veteran Sweeps	Ch Conemara Stitch In Time	Marilyn J. Casiano

Variety Judge - Ms. Jackie L. Dew

Long Coat Variety Entry 10-13-1 - (5-4)		
Winners Dog	Adess Quirino	Jose A. Quirino
Winners Bitch	Rebound Lady Ga Ga	Rachel & Miles Green
Best Of Winners	Adess Quirino	Jose A. Quirino
BOS to Variety	Gch Kokura Yama Jp Silent Rose	Kazu Yuki Yama
Best of Variety	Gch Taradonna Flash Harry	Darwin Delaney & Tamara Jackson & Bev & Steve Gall

Smooth Coat Variety Entry 9-13 - (6-2)		
Winners Dog	Tradewinds Forever	Yama Kazuyuki
Winners Bitch	Tegs In Full Bloom	Gerard Desjardina
Best Of Winners	Tradewinds Forever	Yama Kazuyuki
Best of Variety	Ch Tito's This Bud's For You Sand-Man	Gloria Fuentes
BOS to Breed	Ch. Dartan Million Dollar Baby	Darwin Delaney
Best of Breed	Gch Taradonna Flash Harry	Darwin Delaney & Tamara Jackson & Bev & Steve Gall

Best Junior Handler

Isabelle Isaacson

Gch Gt's Army Of Juan At Vista



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Willo Barfield,
1020 Green Pastures,
Bulverde, TX 78163-3853

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Linda Herr @ hisnherr@gvtc.com.

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AKC Delegates Report

The September Delegates meeting was held in Newark New Jersey on Sept 13, 2011.

The Delegates voted for the candidates for the Delegate Standing Committees.

The Chairman of the Board Ronald Menaker reported on the upcoming Meet the Breeds to be held at the Javits Center in New York on November 19 & 20, 2011. This year they have a bigger space of 160,000 square feet to accommodate the expected spectator participation. Last year 39,000 spectators attended the event. The Chihuahua Booth will be manned by Viola Burgos, Jane O'Halloran, Aida Nieves, Grace Sette and myself. I wish to thank Jill Hopper for again allowing us to use her beautiful tapestries to decorate the booth. Last year we were awarded a Toy Group 2 placement for best decorated booths.

Dennis Sprung President of the AKC started his report with a moment of silence in memory of the tragedy which occurred during our meeting 10 years ago on 9/11. He followed with a very moving slide tribute to all those connected with the AKC who participated in the search and rescue and the formation of DOGNY which allowed the AKC to honor those search and rescue dogs who worked in Penn., Washington, and New York. The DOGNY eventually raised 3.5 million dollars for search and rescue organizations throughout the country. It was with these funds that AKC CAR Canine Support and Relief Fund was begun.

The first Bylaw vote which would apply identical restrictions to someone who misappropriates funds from the AKC or an AKC subsidiary or affiliate

organization as we now do for someone who misappropriates funds from an AKC sanctioned, licensed or member club. There was a 2/3rds affirmative vote and the amendment was adopted.

The next Bylaw vote was on an amendment which would allow that when the Board has determined that a seated Delegate is ineligible to serve, the Delegate's club may appeal to the Delegate body. The Delegate's club has been permitted to appeal that decision even though it is not specifically provided for in section 7, so this amendment would make such provision thus bringing this section of the Bylaws into alignment with actual practice. There was a 2/3rds affirmative vote and the amendment was adopted.

The next vote was on a dog show rule which would establish a Reserve Best in Show. There was a 2/3rds affirmative vote and the amendment passed. This will become effective on July 3, 2012.

There was a lot of discussion on the AKC's decision to eliminate, as a cost saving measure, staff participation in the Delegates Committee meetings the day before the Delegates meeting.

Judith Daniels explained that the all the Chairs of the Delegate Standing Committee met on Sunday night because they were concerned and wanted to find a way to possibly offer a solution to the problem of no Staff liaisons. Because they felt that the Staff Liaisons for Delegate committees are an absolutely vital part of their work and feel that it's a leg of communication from Staff to Delegates and Delegates to Staff, that is very important for both. In an effort to mitigate the cost that was going to be saved by them not being in Committee meetings, the Chairs asked committee members if they would be willing to relinquish a portion of the stipend (\$50.00 of the \$200.00) that

they receive for their extra work. Without exception the committees agreed. They have written a letter to the Directors to accept this in good faith as a win win situation, as a no cost effort. We are very hopeful and looking forward to having the Staff back.

The Realignment Committee issued a report recommending the addition of four groups bring the number of groups to 11. If nothing is done in 2014 the Sporting Group would have 39 dogs, Hounds would have 41, Working would have 42, Terrier would have 31, Toy would have 25, Non Sporting would have 23 and Herding would have 38.

They suggested the following Groups

1. Sporting-Pointer & Setter
2. Sporting-Retrievers & Spaniel
3. Hound-Scent
4. Hound-Sight
5. Working-Utility
6. Working-Mollosser
7. Working-Spitz
8. Terrier
9. Toy
10. Non Sporting
11. Herding

This would be a two-step process. The first step would be the approval of the Delegate Body for the addition of 4 more groups. The Board of Directors would then have the task of placing breeds within the groups. It is expected that the reasonable input of the fancy will be an integral part of the placement.

The December Delegates meeting will be held Orlando Florida. The meeting will be held at the Rosen Centre Hotel on Friday December 16th 2011.

***Respectfully submitted,
Rey Burgos, Delegate***



Regional News

Eastern Region

Myrle Hale

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Chihuahua Club of Maryland

Hello Everyone! The Chihuahua Club of Maryland has been very busy getting ready for our spring double Specialty! SAVE THE DATE APRIL 20, closes April 4... look for our information with MBF...and Lester Banks is our Show Chairman again this year chquince@hotmail.com. Our Annual Holiday gathering will be combined with our elections in mid December. We wish everyone a prosperous and happy new year, see you in 2012.

Submitted by Barb Chamberlain

Heart of New England Chihuahua Club

The Heart Of New England's Specialty November 5th was a huge success, we had a good turnout and everyone seemed to have a great time, congratulations to all the winners!

The year in advance holds a busy show year starting with our first supported January 14th 2012 with The Greater Lowell Kennel Club in Fitchburg Mass...

Second Supported is May 26th 2012 in Fitchburg Mass. with The Toy Dog Club of Massachusetts.

The end of the year holds great fun for us as we've just been approved for a double independent specialty November 3rd, 2012.

At this time we are beginning the process of judge selection so we can secure two great judges.

We plan one show in the morning, a great feast for lunch and the second show in the afternoon.

You never know with the NE folks we could have a few surprises and twists to add to the fun at the Specialty!!!

Leslie Riley, HNECC Secretary

Chihuahua Club of Atlanta

The Chihuahua Club of Atlanta

invites everyone to attend our 2012 Specialty Show on Sunday, April 15th. The show site is the GA National Fairgrounds & Agricenter located in Perry, GA. Our show is held in conjunction with the Combined Specialties of Atlanta which is part of the Peach Blossom Cluster, a 4 day event that usually draws majors. Jean Fournier will be our conformation judge while Clayton Mooney will judge sweepstakes. Jack Onofrio is the Superintendent and entries close on March 30th. So, go ahead and put this special weekend on your calendar and then come enjoy our southern hospitality.

Sandra Cook, Secretary

East Central Region

H. Craig Leslie

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It was great seeing everyone at the Nationals. This show was really different for me as I did not have the responsibility of being show chair.

This year is speeding by at an unbelievable pace. I went to a three day show in Kalamazoo, Michigan, last weekend. I got there Thursday evening in a snow storm--definitely not my idea of fun.

I hope the Holidays are happy and rewarding for all.

Craig

Chihuahua Club Of Michigan

The Chihuahua Club of Michigan specialties are just a pleasant memory now. The results and pictures are elsewhere in this issue.

At our General Meeting, the club presented a plaque to our Past-President and Show Chair, H. Craig Leslie, to thank him for his service to the Club.

We awarded plaques to those members whose dogs finished their Championship in 2010 and voted to

also award plaques to those members whose dogs earn a Grand Championship title.

Our next meeting/Xmas party will be on December 10th at the home of David & Louise Bonskey in Brighton MI.

Patricia Larrissey, CCM
Corresponding Secretary

Nashville Chihuahua Club

The Nashville Chihuahua Club is making a change! We are currently under preparation to move out specialty with an all breed show for 2012 and 2013. This will allow us to offer back to back specialties PLUS the opportunity for 3-4 days of majors, instead of only 2! Our date will probably be mid-September instead of July. That will be more convenient for some, less for others. We look forward to your support with our new venue.

Negotiations are under way, and as soon as we have the details finalized, we will be publishing the exciting event in the next Chi Chatter!

Betty Stallard

Chihuahua Club Of Greater Milwaukee

Up here in Wisconsin, we are getting ready for what they are predicting to be a rough winter, so to stay warm the Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee is thinking ahead to our back-to-back regional specialties on Friday, July 27, 2012 in Waukesha, Wisconsin. Our Puppy Sweepstakes judge will be Lou Ann King. Frank Summerside will be our morning specialty judge and Dr. Vandra Huber in the afternoon.

That same weekend, July 28th-31st there are 4 all-breed shows, Saturday and Sunday the Waukesha Kennel Club is having their shows, plus Monday and Tuesday the Burlington Kennel Club will have their shows.

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Our club has also been busy preparing to host the Chihuahua Club of America 2013 Rotating Specialty. It will be April 24th-28th at the beautiful Olympia Resort and Conference Center in Oconomowoc, WI. The CCA Top 20 will be featured at the 2013 Rotating Specialty. We are excited and hope you will all join us there.

The Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee wishes all of you and your families a Chiriffic holiday season. Stay warm this winter!

Michelle Nikolay, CCGM Secretary

West Central Region

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Pontchartrain Chihuahua Fanciers

It's been hot, humid and dry this summer but that didn't stop our club from getting a lot done and having fun doing it. Our new slate of officers are in place and will assume their duties in December, all of our requirements are complete (we hope!) for our next show in August - more on that later. Our membership is growing and winning also, considering the "brags" we got at our last meeting, so all in all I'd say it's been a good summer and we are looking forward to the fall. Some of our members were able to represent us at the recent Pet Fest held in New Orleans and received an excellent reception from the general public.

Copies of the Standard were handed out and our members were able to answer the multiple inquiries from those interested in our breed. The turnout was excellent, it was a beautiful day so I'd have to say it was a huge success.

Now, we are busy moving ahead with plans for our Christmas gathering in December, looking forward to cooler

weather and finalizing plans for our next specialty.

We would like to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year - and that goes for our little four legged friends too.

Marlene Moor

Corresponding Secretary

Dallas Chihuahua Club

Dallas Chihuahua Club looks forward to its Spring 2012 show with Kathy Butcher Sawyer and Becky Carney as our regular judges and Danny and Kim Gramlisch as our sweepstakes judges. The show will be held in the Dallas County Training Building which is quiet and a great place to introduce new puppies to the ring. Old and new members are working hard to make the show friendly, promising a great weekend for all.

Becky Rosson, Secretary

Land of Lincoln Chihuahua Club

We are already planning for the 2012 Land of Lincoln Chihuahua Club Specialty. Please mark June 30, 2012 and July 1, 2012 on your calendar. Our show will once again be held at the Lincoln College in Lincoln, Illinois.

Our judges are:

Saturday: Lauren Payne

Sweeps: Gail Hendry

Sunday: Rodney Merry

Sweeps: Mary Price

Please make plans to attend our show! See your friends and make new friends! Please watch for more details as they become available.

We are looking forward to seeing you there.

The Holiday are almost here. LLCCI would like to wish each and everyone a wonderful holiday season and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Jan Hahn, Secretary

Texas Chihuahua Club

If you weren't here you missed a really great "Pink & Blue Extravaganza" Specialty in October. BISS went to CH Hack's Pack Roll of the Dice owned by Peggy Hackelton and BOIS went to GCH His N Herr MarRinaBar Mighty Grand owned by Linda Herr & Willo

Barfield. Results and pictures will be in the next issue.

March 1st - 11th 2012

3 Chihuahua Specialties

1 Toy Show

4 All-Breed Shows

All in 11 days!!!

March 1st - 4th in Houston, the 2012 CCA Spring Rotating Specialty and the Houston Chihuahua Club Specialty.

Superintendent - Foy Trent Dog Shows - <http://toytrentdogshows.com/>
Entries close February 15th.

March 7th in San Antonio, the Alamo Area Toy Dog Club and the Texas Chihuahua Club Specialty.

Texas Chihuahua Club

"Purple Passion" Specialty

Mr. Rey Burgos - Regular Classes

Mr. Luis Sosa - Sweepstakes

Show Chairman - Ed Hendry

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Superintendent - Onofrio Dog Shows - <http://www.onofrio.com/>
Entries close February 22nd.

March 8th - 11th in San Antonio, the Alamo City Cluster, "the Best Li'l Cluster in Texas" four All-Breed Shows.

Superintendent - Onofrio Dog Shows - <http://www.onofrio.com/>
Entries close February 22nd.

We do things BIGGER and BETTER in Texas!

YA'LL COME ON DOWN HERE, YA HEAR!

Linda Herr, Secretary

Western Region

Jackie Dew

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Here is the news...Our back to back Specialties went very well (Chihuahua Club of Greater Phoenix). We had some great visitors from other states which



was a wonderful surprise. We all loved seeing them. The dogs were all presented well. ..Darwin took back to back BOB...big Congratulations! I met his future wife, what a wonderful lady he is getting....The weather was HOT it was in the 90's. The luncheon was great there was tons of food for all!!! Everybody was in great spirits and I think a fun time was had by all. A big thank you to Johnny for the great job he did on the set up and tear down. (THANK YOU). Also a big thank you to the judges & let me not forget the ring steward. (Great job) and to the Club members THANK YOU for all pulling together to make this a fantastic show weekend... I hope everyone is thinking about our next Specialty in TEXAS!!! I do believe it is in March 2012...I am planning to go and have a great time... SEE you all in Texas...

Jackie Dew, Western Region VP

Howdy from Sunny CA:

Our Fall Specialty was a great success so Congratulations to all The Winners. If you were unable to attend this event we hope you can join us in April for the Spring Specialty held in Vallejo CA. Our fall specialty featured a big big buffet of food with a little bit of everything possible to eat. It was so good that the judges on the grounds came to join in. There was plenty of food that is for sure and GIANT RAFFLE. We have had big raffles before but this was biggest raffle and raised the most \$\$ we have ever done. Thanks to the Team of Belinda, Laura, Georgia and Susan for their silent auction and huge ticket sale and the big display and of course, and also thanks to all those who donated items. I close now wishing everyone Happy Holidays from the Chihuahua Club of No CA.

Sincerely, Sharon Spence, Secretary of CCNC

Southern California Chihuahua Club

Winter is upon us in California so that means the heat is off. New officers are elected at our November meeting and a fun Holiday Party is planned for

December eleventh at the home of member Becky Yohonn.

Our Specialty in 2012 will be held in conjunction with the Orange Empire all breed show January 27th. We would love to see you there. For information contact show chairman Dale Van Camp at 760-956-4935.

The AKC has asked all member clubs to update their tax status and after examining our status (and a lot of work) we have achieved that. Our constitution is in use and the club is working well. We plan to focus this year on helping new members and involving old ones.

We would like to wish everyone a happy Holiday Season.

Kathy Smith, Corresponding Secretary, Southern California Chihuahua Club

Chihuahua Club Of Greater Phoenix

Well our back to back specialties are over and were a great success. The club would like to thank everyone who made it happen. With entries coming from Canada, Mexico, Colorado, Michigan, Nevada and California it made it even more exciting.

Congratulations to all the winners

Stephanie Schultes, CCGP Secretary

Evergreen Chihuahua Club

Our Club held back-to-back Specialties for the first time this year and the official reports are printed elsewhere in this Chi Chatter. The shows were done on a trial basis and we are glad to report that we are going to continue, and will again have back-to-back Specialties in August of 2012, in conjunction with two all-breed shows. We will also offer Obedience and Rally with our regular Friday Specialty as part of multi-breed Combined Trials arranged by our host club, Olympic Kennel Club.

It is with great sadness that our club reports the passing of long-time member, former President, former Show Chair, James L. Hamilton.

Jim was the husband of AKC Judge Margi Hamilton, also long-time member and worker, to whom we express our profound sympathies.

Jim passed away in his sleep Friday, October 28, 2011. Margi was away judging at the time. Jim and Margi were married more than 50 years.

Helene Benson, Secretary

Chihuahua Club Of Hawaii

Our Club has had a very busy year, and we held our 'B' Match on November 5, 2011. Our Judge, Susan Miyasato, a local celebrated Norwich Terrier breeder and exhibitor, chose Sabelle's Da Nightmare on Elm Street for Best In Match, and Best Puppy, Dog. For Best Opposite to Best In Match and also for Smooth coat Best of Variety, Judge Miyasato chose Regalchis Back of The Bus, Bitch. Finally, in Long coats, Best Opposite Variety went to Lamaki Mi Amore Affair, bitch. It was a fun day with lots of camaraderie at our Annual B Match. We are all looking forward to our Club Christmas Party December 11.

Our Club is always interested in sharing knowledge and practices on all aspects of our wonderful breed with the community at large and other fanciers. If you ever visit the Aloha State you are welcome to drop us a line, and meet up with us. We also have information on our Club and activities at our website: www.chihuahuacclubofhawaii.com. Look for our Club facebook page for pictures and announcements on Club activities. This year will be fun and filled with year round activities for our chis and Club members.

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Support Chihuahua Club Of America Specialties

Stay At The Host Hotel & Attend The Banquet

By Jill Hopper

Anyone who encourages you to stay at a location other than the host hotel is not doing CCA or the Host Club any favors!

Any Club that hosts a Specialty Show takes on a very big responsibility. There are many hours of planning and working before the show, and even cleaning up after the show that go into making any Specialty Event a success.

One important factor in the success of any Specialty Show is invisible to most attendees, especially if you have never been involved on a Show Committee. This factor is an important part of the show that really depends on the SUPPORT of the members and fanciers to help the Show to be a financial success. The show can only be a financial success if the people attending the event utilize the facilities of the location that has been contracted with.

The Show Committee will scout for and locate an acceptable location/hotel for the event. This has always been a challenge since many Hotels that have the proper facilities to hold an event, do not allow dogs in the rooms or on their properties. Once a Hotel is selected

that will accept our dogs and has the ballroom, motor home parking, on-site restaurant and banquet facilities that are needed, the negotiations begin.

Hotels make money by renting their guest rooms, their banquet/ball rooms, by having patrons utilize their on-site restaurants, room service and bars, and by providing food and servers for the Club Banquet.

Based on the Club's estimate of how many "room nights" the event will bring to the Hotel (number of rooms booked multiplied by the number of nights the rooms are booked) and the estimate of how many dinners will be ordered for the Club Banquet, the Hotel will write up a contract. If these room-night and banquet numbers are reached, Hotels will offer their banquet/ball rooms on a complimentary basis, which equates to a significant cost savings to the Host Chihuahua Club and CCA. If the numbers the Club has guaranteed to the Hotel are not reached, the Hotel will then add-on charges for the use of the banquet room for the event which results in a significant increase in cost for both the Host Specialty Club and CCA. When the costs increase, two things happen. It becomes more difficult to get another club to consider hosting an event when they see the loss. In addition, in order to compensate for the loss, entry fees and banquet fees get raised.

One BIG thing members can do to help is to book their rooms at the Host Hotel. Even at the attractive "group

rate" offered to the Club it will usually cost a bit more to stay at the Host Hotel compared to near-by motels, since the Host Hotel has more facilities, employees, and a greater overall cost of doing business. A room at a Marriott Hotel, for example, will always cost more than a room at a Motel 6 – for obvious reasons. Even so, it is very important that Club Members try to plan ahead for the expense of staying at the Host Hotel to help the Host Club meet the room night requirements to insure that the show room is provided on a complimentary basis.

Equally helpful is for Members to support the Club by purchasing tickets and attending the Show Banquet. It's a great opportunity to spend time with old friends and make some new ones too – and by helping the club to meet its obligations to the hotel you are helping to make the Show a success.

This is of course, a small part of the many things that come together to make any Show a success, but one many people are not aware of. We are fortunate that the Host Club has found a really outstanding Hotel where we will hold our Specialty – so, if at all possible – please plan to stay and dine and celebrate at the Host Hotel, and help us avoid future price increases.



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.

Pending Candidates applications received August 15, 2011 thru November 15, 2011 Will be voted on in May 2012.

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Next ChiChatter
Deadline is February 15, 2012



Sunshine Committee Report

On October 30, 2011, sad news was received. Jim Hamilton passed away in his sleep on Friday, October 28, 2011. A memorial donation has been made to the Chihuahua Health Related Issues Fund.

Since my last report, I have sent out 10 cards: a get well card to Bruce Shirky, a get well card to Veta Vanderpool, a Thinking of You card to

Jackie Dew, a sympathy card to Katherine Bolin on the death of her mother, a sympathy card to Conni Robinson on the death of her mother, a get well card to Richard Bellon, a get well card to Daniel Lewitzke, a get well card to Jeff Yasenchok, a Thinking of you card to Jane Kay, and a sympathy card to Marge Hamilton.

Marked catalogs from our 2011 Fall Specialty in Chicago were sent to Bruce Shirky, Veta Vanderpool and

Jackie Dew.

Please continue to keep me informed of any of our members that are ill, have lost a loved one, or that have passed away.

Margaret Eoff, Sunshine Chair

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Corrections To The Roster

Lynn & Jeff Hurd: new address & phone 7280 Country Lane; Whitby ON L1M 1N2; 905-620-0049 cell 905-449-8194

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Susan Chulick: address correction 425 Keats Drive

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Committees

AKC Delegate: Rey Burgos

AKC Gazette Column: Virginia Hauber/Evelyn Behrens

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Records & Statistics: Patricia Larrissey

Breed Rescue Referral: Lynn timer Bunten

Budget: Patricia Witter, Chair; Kyle Potts, Craig Leslie

Canine Legislation: Lynn timer Bunten

Chi-Chatter: Beverly LaFleur

Chihuahua Education/Information: Carole Jeffrey, Chair; Nancy Bourgeois, Grace Sette and Linda Wheeler

Constitution & By-Laws: Dick Dickerson

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Event Committee: Karen Temple, Chair; Jim Lehman, Linda George, Max Hurd, Jill Hopper and Patricia Witter

Chihuahua Health Related Issues:

Cathleen Cogan Bird, Chair; Stacy Amirov, Myrle Hale, Carla Soto, Sherri Chavez, Cherry Parker, Christie Foulk, Anne Vargo, Karin Daehn, Sherri Rohm, Megan Gardner, Vicki Bisard and Micki Giroux

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Parliamentarian: Richard Bellon

Rotating Specialty Resource: Craig Leslie, Chair; Patricia Witter, Michael Holzkopf and Kenny Saenz

Sunshine: Margaret Eoff

Video: Leah Monte

Ways and Means: Tracy Potts, Chair; Nancy Bourgeois

Website: Jessica Simon, Chair; Patricia Witter, Sandra Cook and Jennifer Smolarz

Dog Biscuits

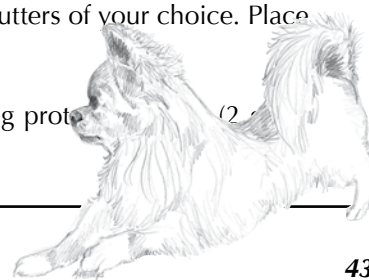
2½ c Whole Wheat Graham Flour
½ c nonfat dry milk
1 tsp garlic powder
1 egg - beaten

FLAVORING: Meat drippings, broth or water from canned tuna (enough to make a stiff dough).

Combine flour, powdered milk and garlic powder in a medium sized bowl. Add beaten egg, flavoring and mix well with hands. Dough should be very stiff. If necessary add more flavoring.

On a well-floured surface, roll out dough to ¼ inch thickness. Cut with shaped cookie cutters of your choice. Place biscuits on cookie sheets and bake at 350 degrees F. for 30 minutes.

Makes 1 batch. Each batch: 1207 calories; 30 g dietary fiber; 241 g carbohydrates; 49 g protein; 12 g saturated fat; 219 mg cholesterol; 253 mg sodium.





CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA ROTATING SPECIALTY MARCH 1 - 4, 2012 HOUSTON, TEXAS

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Mr. Paul Starjack..... Sweepstakes & Veteran Sweepstakes
Mrs. Judith A. Brown..... Obedience
Superintendent Foy Trent

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Entries close February 15, 2012 @ 12.00 noon Central Time

THURSDAY MARCH 1, 2012

9.00 a.m. Judges Education
9.00 a.m..... Houston Chihuahua Club Sweepstakes
1.00 p.m. CCA Sweepstakes & Veteran Sweepstakes
6.00 p.m. CCA Board Meeting

FRIDAY MARCH 2, 2012

9.00 a.m. Houston Chihuahua Club Regular Classes
CCA General Meeting Immediately Following Judging
7.00 p.m. Houston Chihuahua Club Welcome Party

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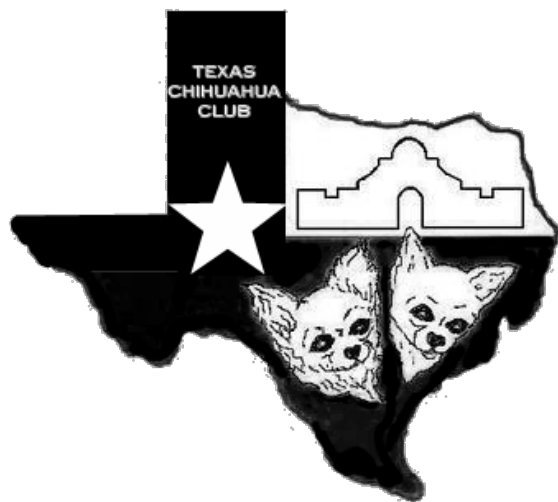
SATURDAY MARCH 3, 2012

Chihuahua Club of America & Houston Chihuahua Club are jointly sponsoring a CHIC Health Clinic. This is an excellent opportunity to get your CHIC certification in one location at a GREAT PRICE! Fill out your form and send in right away.

9.00 a.m. Houston Chihuahua Club Judging
1.00 p.m. CCA Junior Showmanship
Chihuahua Club of America..... Regular Classes
7.00 p.m. CCA Banquet

SUNDAY MARCH 4, 2012

8.00 a.m. Chihuahua Club of America Judging



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- Mrs. Anna Katona

MARCH 10, 2012 - SAN ANTONIO KENNEL CLUB

- Mr. Raymond V. Filburn

MARCH 11, 2012 - SAN ANTONIO KENNEL CLUB

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CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA

BREED MENTOR APPLICATION

APPLICANTS MUST FULFILL 3 OF THE 4 CATEGORIES TO BE APPROVED AS A PARENT CLUB APPROVED MENTOR.

1. Member of CCA for at least 10 consecutive years. List year joined.

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2. Exhibited Chihuahuas for at least 12 years

Registration # of Dog Shown	Name of Dog Shown	Year Exhibited (at least 12 years ago)

3. Bred at least five litters of Chihuahuas (owned or co-owned)

Name of Dam	Litter Registration #	Date of Birth

4. Four Chihuahuas owned and finished to their championship by applicant themselves (Chihuahuas finished by a co-owner or handler does not apply).

Name of Dog	Individual Registration #	Year Finished

Mail application to:

Billy Miller
13087 Crossroads Avenue
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717-873-8601
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THE CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

JANUARY 1, 2012

I (WE) am/are renewing my/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 the 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 Webmaster add your information to the website.

Renewal Date: _____

I (WE) am/are enclosing a check for my dues for \$25 x _____

I/WE would like to make an additional payment of \$ _____ that would go to the following fund(s):

☐ Rescue ☐ Chihuahua Health Related Issues Fund ☐ Juniors Ways & Means ☐ Trophy _____

Total \$ _____

Name(s): _____

Kennel Name _____ (optional)

Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Members Signature: _____

Members Signature: _____

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

___ Obedience ___ Conformation ___ Agility ___ Breeding ___ Rescue

I (WE) am/are 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, 2012

Please make checks payable to **CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA/CCA** and send to:

PATRICIA WITTER, CCA TREASURER
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DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS 78620-3941

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Date Received _____

Check # _____

Dues _____ Rescue _____ CHRIF _____ Juniors _____ Trophy _____

First Quarter 2012

Show: *Evergreen Chihuahua Club Inc. Thurs August 18, 2011*

Sweepstakes Judge - none

Entry: 37- Long 20D- 17B, 22
-Smooth 11D- 11B

Name

Owner

Variety Judge – *Dr. John Shelton*

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Conemara Maximillion	M Hardy/C Robinson
Winners Bitch	Smalley's Pabu Angel Noel	M Smalley
Best Of Winners	Conemara Maximillion	Hardy/Robinson
BOS to Variety	CH Hilcroft's Legacy in Red	Campbell/Furtado
Best of Variety	GCH Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	K Yama

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Dazzle's Cowboy Connection for Dallas	D Jensen
Winners Bitch	Vallarta's Cuddle Wit Me Zoey	M Medrano
Best Of Winners	Dazzle's Cowboy Connection for Dallas	Jensen
BOS to Variety	GCH Baroque's Creme De Cassis	M Hamilton
Best of Variety	GCH Genbrook's Playin' With Fire	B Kaye/G Stiles
BOS to Breed	GCH Baroque's Creme De Cassis	Hamilton
Best of Breed	GCH Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	Yama
Best Puppy	Jetstar's Simply Outrageous	J Chandler
Best BBE	Conemara Maximillion	Hardy/Robinson
Best Veteran	CH Baroque's Heir to the Crown	M Hamilton



Show: *Evergreen Chihuahua Club Inc - Friday, August 19, 2011*

Sweepstakes Judge - *Mark Iseki*

Entry: 42 Long 23D-19B, 30 Smooth 16D- 14B	Name	Owner
Best Long	Belle Amour's Total Knockout	Melissa/Lindsey Meyer
Best Opposite Sex	Calmont's Shooting Star	S Mattson/J Hopper
Best Smooth	Will C-M Touch of Gold	Hopper/Williams/Dunnington
Best Opposite Sex	BK's Luna	Barbara K Smith
Best In Sweeps	Belle Amour's Total Knockout	Meyer
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Calmont's Shooting Star	Mattson/Hopper

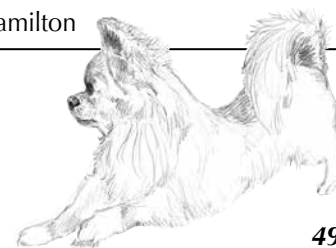
Variety Judge - *Stephen Hurt*

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Jetstar's Simply Outrageous	J Chandler
Winners Bitch	BK's Little Fibber	BK Smith
Best Of Winners	BK's Little Fibber	BK Smith
BOS to Variety	GCH Kokura Yama JP Silent Rose	K Yama
Best of Variety	CH Hilcroft's Legacy in Red	C Campbell/S Furtado

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	HiLeigh Ready 'Rnot Here I Come	E Flynn
Winners Bitch	Sheez Inya Dreams by Bellachi's	S Molash/K Hirn-Sheppard
Best Of Winners	Sheez Inya Dreams by Bellachi's	S Molash/K Hirn-Sheppard
BOS to Variety	GCH Zarzy Z-Vogue RN	C Sumner
Best of Variety	GCH Genbrook's Playin' With Fire	B Kaye/G Stiles
BOS to Breed	GCH Genbrook's Playin' With Fire	Kaye/Stiles
Best of Breed	CH Hilcroft's Legacy in Red	Campbell/Furtado
Best Puppy	Kandiland's Lil Drummer Boy	H Benson
Best BBE	Calmont's Heart and Soul	S Mattson/L Meyer
Best Veteran	CH Baroque's Heir to the Crown	M Hamilton



Show: *Chihuahua Club Of Northern California* *Fall Specialty* *October 28, 2011*

Sweepstakes Judge- *Ms Pat Keen Fernandes*

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Rebound Dream Catcher	Susan Chulick
Best Opposite Sex	Laroz-Toyville Check Yes Juliet	Roz Coloma-Guerrero & Deb Franklin
Best Smooth	Toyvilles Earning Jafra's Gold Star	Han & Frank Reale
Best Opposite Sex	Rebound Dream Girl	Susan Chulick
Best In Sweeps	Rebound Dream Catcher	Susan Chulick
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Rebound Dream Girl	Susan Chulick

Variety Judge - Mrs Janice G Pardue

Long Coat Variety *Total Dogs 13 Bitches 18 Specials (3-2)*

Winners Dog	Rebound Dream Catcher	Susan Chulick
Winners Bitch	Legacy's Flower Of Tonia	Belinda McCormick
Best Of Winners	Legacy's Flower Of Tonia	Belinda McCormick
Bos To Variety	Gch Ch Bell's Hari-Oh Of Talisman	Flo Bell & Rose Upper
Best Of Variety	Gch Ch Kokura Yama Jp Silentrose	Kazuyuki Yama

Smooth Coat Variety *Total Dogs 7 Bitch 7 Specials (4-2)*

Winners Dog	Tradewinds Forever	Kazuyuki Yama
Winners Bitch	Rebound Dream Girl	Susan Chulick
Best Of Winners	Tradewinds Forever	Kazuyuki Yama
Bos To Variety	Gch Ch Conemara Red Max	Sherry Lebeck Phd
Best Of Variety	Ch Kimza's In Your Wildest Dreams	Tracy & Joan Storck & K Suzanne Stephens
Bos To Breed	Gch Ch Hari-Oh Of Talisman	Flo Bell & Rose Upper
Best Of Breed	Gch Kokura Yama JP Silentrose	Kazuyuki Yama



CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA

MEMBER CLUB RENEWAL

JANUARY 1, 2012

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RESCUE CONTACT

MEMBERSHIP LIST: Please attach a copy of your current 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 make checks payable to CCA and send to Treasurer:

Pat Witter. 2016 Hidden Hills Drive
Dripping Springs, TX 78620-3941

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

Symposium on Reproduction



On November 12, 2011, Dr. Robert Hutchison presented a symposium on reproduction in Ottawa, organized by the Bichon Frise Association of Ontario.

Did you know that there is no advantage of skipping a heat cycle? Dr. Hutchison explained that unlike other animals, a bitch is hormonally pregnant every time they come in heat. More than that, a bitch will have 7 prime usable heat cycles in her lifetime, so skipping heat cycles shortens the number of ideal pregnancies that she can have.

The importance of testing for Brucellosis was stressed. He reported that in his work, cases of Brucellosis are occurring all over North America. This bacteria is passed through all body discharges and is not just the disease of breeding it was once thought to be. All bitches should be tested sufficiently before breeding that if the result of a test is questionable there is time to test further. All males bred to females that have been tested should be tested every 6 months. Because Brucellosis is transferable to humans it is a reportable disease in most regions across North America and most US States require a dog diagnosed with Brucellosis to be euthanized.

The focus of the day was spent on the 6 reasons why conception is missed. These include: poor semen quality; failure to ovulate; timing of the breeding; problems with the anatomy of the bitch; failure to implant; and reabsorption of the fetus.

As it concerns the male dog, Dr. Hutchison shared that in his experience, a male puppy that does not have both testicles fully descended 7-8 weeks after birth is at risk of not having them descend. He explained that the cord which attaches to the kidney is often too short and cannot be "stretched to fit". In the case where a

puppy may appear to have both testicles at a young age and then later only has one, the cord may simply have not been long enough to keep up with the body growth of the puppy. He corrected a few misconceptions including: the ring does not close, the testicles enlarge to a point they can no longer pass through it; you cannot stretch the cord by pulling the testicle to try and bring it down into the sack, you will do more harm than good; and hormone injections have no impact on a testicle descending. Finally, there have been cases where a testicle descends on its own as the puppy gets older and this puppy is no more genetically prone to pass on retained testicles than a puppy who had their testicles at 7-8 weeks after birth.

It was interesting to learn that the sperm a male uses during breeding was actually produced 3 months prior to the day of breeding. Males have a reserve of about 4 billion sperm and a healthy male can be used 5 to 7 consecutive days without a drop in the sperm count. While a male puppy is fertile at 9 to 10 months, prime sperm production is between 2 and 7 years of age. If a male dog has a low sperm count, Dr. Hutchison is interested in knowing the daily activities of that dog 2 months earlier to try and determine the cause. He warned that overusing a male could put that dog out of commission for 2-3 months while he rebuilds his reserve.

Did you know that the growth plate on a bitch puppy will close after her first heat? According to Dr. Hutchison this is why it is important for her to have her first heat so that she does not grow too tall.

In reviewing causes of infertility in the bitch, symposium attendees learned that conception is related to the rise and fall of progesterone. The uterus of the bitch is damaged slightly with every progesterone rise and fall, contributing to the premise that the bitch only has 7 ideal heat cycles in her lifetime. A significant amount of time was spent going over the ideal day for breeding the bitch as well as calculating the whelping date based on the date of ovulation and not the date(s) of breeding. Puppies will be born 63 days after

ovulation and given that sperm remain viable in the bitch for an average period of 5 days, there can be quite a span between days of breeding and the due date.

In order to maximize use of the 7 ideal cycles, in his practice Dr. Hutchison uses a couple of drugs. The first one is mibolerone, given orally at least 135 days after the last cycle that safely prevents the bitch from coming into heat. The other is Deslorelin, an implant that will bring a bitch into ovulation within 5 days with a 90% success rate, if bred the implant is removed after breeding, if left in the bitch will not come into heat again until it is removed.

Time was also spent reviewing the signs and treatment of pyometritis. Signs include; running a fever, higher white blood count, increased drinking of water, higher kidney and liver values, vomiting/depression, and vaginal discharge. While it was once thought a bitch diagnosed with pyometritis means an automatic spay, Dr. Hutchison has had great success treating with prostaglandin.

Other pregnancy-related issues were discussed including: the ineffectiveness of treating a bitch with antibiotics prior to breeding; vaginal swabs, doing a uterine biopsy at the anticipated whelping date and medications safe to use during pregnancy (including Amoxicillin, Cephalexin, Clavamox, Baytril and heartworm/flea prevention)

Did you know that of the puppies that reach term, 1/4 of them are not alive at 6 months? According to Dr. Hutchison reasons for this include; prolonged labour, physiologic factors, environmental factors, genetics, infections and behavioural factors. He noted that puppies that are born prematurely often need vitamin K drops and that one of the primary reasons he has found that puppies aren't doing well is that their environment is too warm. He stressed the need for bitches to be fully vaccinated before they are bred to ensure that the puppies have as much protection as possible. Given the recent outbreak of leptospirosis in the US, this is even more important than ever.



Canine Health Conference

From August 12-14, 2011 the Chihuahua Club of America was represented at the National Parent Club Canine Health Conference held in St. Louis, Missouri. In light of 2011 being declared World Veterinary Year and also marking the 250th anniversary of the veterinary profession, the focus was on both the latest advances in canine health and the human canine bond.

Results of a variety of research projects were presented ranging from: nutritional approaches to coping with stress in dogs; to advances in the diagnosis and treatment of canine inflammatory bowel disease; and the comparative cytogenesis of cancer and just how cancer research in dogs is contributing to the research and cure of cancer in humans.

It was that session in particular that struck a cord. The research project was charged with the task of comparing the diagnosis of cancer in humans with the diagnosis of cancer in dogs to see if cross-learning could occur. It boiled down to the fact that cancer in both presents very similarly but on a much simpler scale in dogs. The studies they conducted demonstrated that researching the cancer genome of dogs

would not only lead to better treatment for canine cancer patients, but for human patients too. In the paper presented by Mathew Breen, Professor of Genomics with Carolina State University's College of Veterinary Medicine: "Overall these studies are advancing rapidly and indicate that the keys to unlocking some of nature's most intriguing puzzles about cancers may be found in the genome of the dog. Finding such keys in the dog will also lead to improved understanding of human cancers. For 15,000 years the dog has been man's best friend, in the 21st century it is becoming evident that the dog is also man's best biomedical friend."

So how does that affect Chihuahuas and Chihuahua breeders? There are a number of centers across north America collecting tissue samples from dogs with cancer, if you have the unfortunate chance to participate in one of these tissue collecting projects through your local veterinary hospital, the contribution is well worth the effort. A number of studies were presented on the treatment of cancer in canines; the bottom line on this is that great advances have been made, everything from the use of vitamin D to diet, so if your dog

is diagnosed with cancer, look for medical care that's current.

The session on the relationship between the AKC Health Foundation and Parent Clubs was also relevant. The foundation conducts research into health-related issues affecting different breeds and works with the Parent Club to ensure a mutually-beneficial outcome. In the case of Chihuahuas, the result of these studies and research is communicated through chi-chatter and on the CCA website. Researchers use information from the CHIC database regularly to support their work. The importance of ensuring as many members as possible go through the process of getting CHIC numbers on their dogs not only ensures that the future of the breed is in good hands, but this information is also supports the research projects funded by the Foundation.

If anyone is interested in the full articles, they are available on the AKC Health Foundation website.

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Symposium on Reproduction (Continued from previous page)

The stages of labour and delivery were reviewed. It was shared that while the drop in temperature of the bitch indicates that the next stage is imminent, delivery will actually not occur until the temperature rises again. It was stressed that there are a number of things that indicate immediate medical attention is necessary including; a black, dark green or dark red discharge before any puppies have arrived, stage 2 lasting over 60 minutes with no delivery, stage 3 lasting over 180 minutes, weak or non-productive contractions, and non-response to Oxytocin.

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Information Network and is Co-Director of the Animal Clinic Northview Inc. in North Ridgeville, Ohio. His is also the President of the International Canine Semen Bank of Ohio and Advisor for the College of Veterinary Medicine students interested in small animal theriogenology from Ohio State University, Virginia Tech, Purdue, Tufts and Michigan State.

At the symposium there were two DVDs being sold produced by Dr. Hutchison. One was on breeding and the other on whelping. Having had the chance to view both, they are well worth the purchase and the production quality is very good. Dr. Hutchinson has donated a set for auction by the Health Committee.

In all cases, it is important to work with your veterinarian before trying a new drug or health regime for your dog(s).

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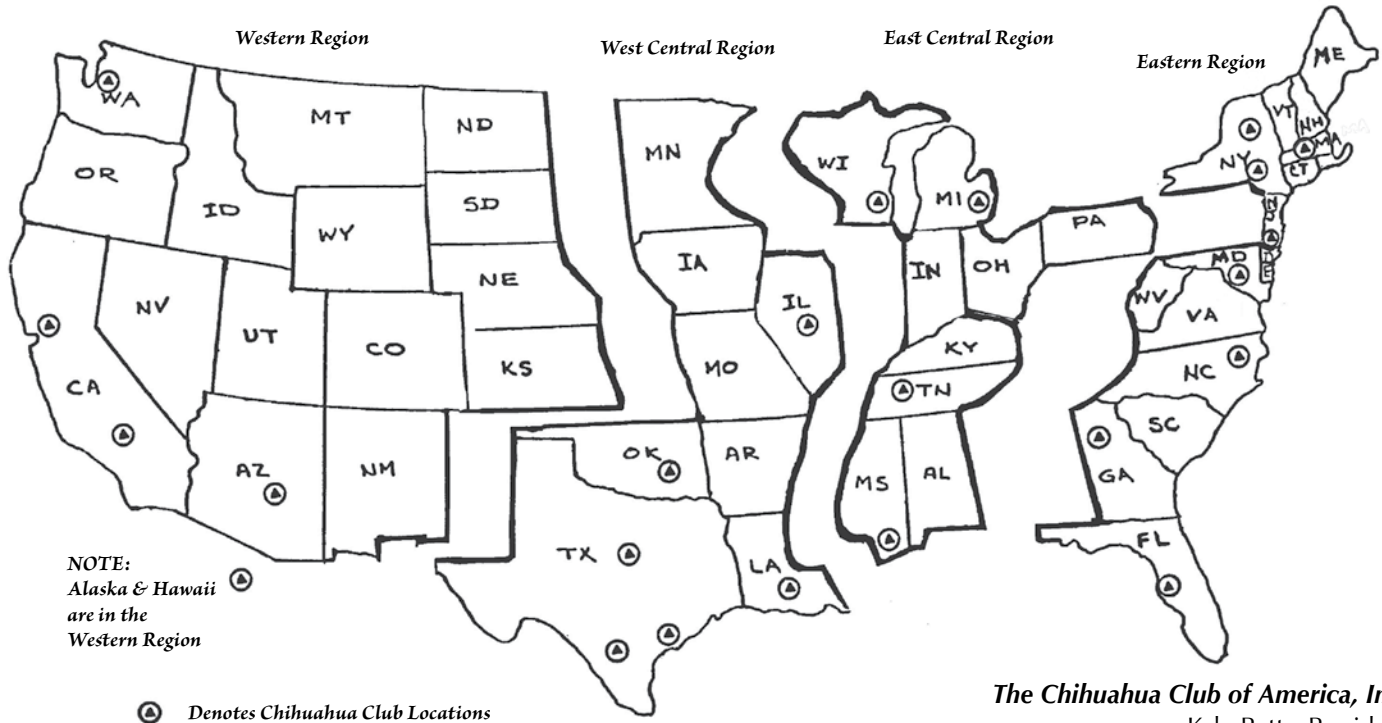
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