



TOONIE TAILS

KSSC Bimonthly Newsletter - March 31, 2018

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Vice President: Alice Boyer
Secretary: Dianne O'Regan
Treasurer: Mary Jane O'Regan

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Next Meeting

Saturday, April 14
2:00 p.m.

Fern Creek Library
6767 Bardstown Rd 40291
Phone: 502 231-4605

Located in right rear of shopping center near
Goodyear and Feeders.

[Directions on Google Maps](#)

Messages from the President:

- April 1st is the date for membership dues (Single \$15/ Family \$20). Please mail to our Treasurer, Mary Jane O'Regan, 4808 Ulrich Rd, Louisville, KY 40299. Contact Mary Jane if you have questions.



KSSC Memory - Picnic 2016. Shall we have one again this summer?

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Five members share brief stories of their work and time at the March shows.

- Please bring your calendars to the April meeting for arranging the next club meeting date in June.
- Do we want a picnic this summer? If so, Where and When?
- Also, be thinking about your Sheltie calendar orders for 2019. Orders will be taken in May.



Member Spotlight: Meet JW

Mary Larmee Introduces her new boy!

On August 1, 2017, I became the new owner of JW (Raisin True Grit) aka John Wayne out of Raisin Born This Way (Bernadette), sired by Ch Raisin A Lion in Winter (Oshie). JW was eleven months at the time and had spent his early months in the loving lap of Larry Guihen or running on Linda and Larry's farm. We quickly bonded and enjoyed many out of town getaways including a fun two weeks of attending the January Florida circuit of dog shows. I bought JW as a show prospect, but due to other life events have not been in a position to show him yet. With absolutely no experience in the show ring, on mats, on the table, or examined by a stranger/judge, I entered him in the Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows AKC Sanctioned B Match in Louisville on March 15, 2018. Our good friend, Jennie Lamb piloted JW in the ring. JW captured a Group First in the Adult Herding Group. On to Best of Match, he was one of the three pulled from the seven group winners in determining the Adult Best of Match! I am so happy and proud of this little guy. I am looking forward to having a lot of fun with him!

February Minutes

Kentuckiana Shetland Sheepdog Club, Inc. Minutes – Saturday, February 24, 2017

The meeting of the Kentuckiana Shetland Sheepdog Club, Inc. was called to order by President Jen McMakin on Saturday, February 24, 2018 at 2:10 p.m. at the St. Matthews Library in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky.

Minutes/Treasurer's Reports

Minutes from the last meeting were in the last edition of Toonie Tails.

Treasurer Mary Jane O'Regan noted that dues are due by April 1. Single dues are \$15; family dues are \$20.

2018 Kentuckiana Cluster Report

Show Chair Dianne O'Regan reported that we are preparing for our upcoming Specialties in conjunction with the Kentuckiana Cluster of Dog Shows. Amy Zoss-Massey (who last judged Sweepstakes for us in 2004) will judge at our show on Friday, March 16. Glen Stark will judge at our show on Saturday, March 17. Glen has also been hired and assigned to five additional breeds by the Evansville Kennel Club on Saturday, so we will be able to split his expenses with that all-breed club. Thank you, Evansville! Jen noted that Glen's Sheltie took an Award of Merit at the 2018 Westminster Kennel Club Show. Kerry Begley will steward on Friday, while Dianne O'Regan will steward at the Saturday show. Mary Jane reported that all of the trophies have been received. We will not know our total entry from our superintendent until Thursday, March 1 (entries close on Wednesday, February 28).

Our club will be supporting the entry of our breed at each of the all-breed shows at the Kentuckiana Cluster with a Best of Breed trophy. We will receive \$2.50/dog from the all-breed clubs.

We are currently working on hiring the 2019 judges' panel. Hector & Meredith Hector (of Davie, Florida) will judge our 2020 specialty shows, pending AKC approval (Hector judged for us several years ago, and Meredith is the daughter of longtime handler Julie Desy).

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Old Business

Everyone who attended had a wonderful time at our Christmas Party at Mark's Feed Store in Fern Creek, and we received very positive feedback. The food was excellent, and the meeting space that we were given was roomy and comfortable!

It was noted that we have not offered a Match since October of 2010, and that our Conformation entry was small (although we had a very successful Agility entry that was organized by Debbie Basham). Discussion was held on this subject. The overwhelming consensus was that we should hold some sort of Performance event. Nearby facilities include Flying Feet, Qs for You, and Competitive Edge, among others. MOTION by Pam Karcher and seconded by Jim McCabe that we table this discussion for a future meeting. MOTION carried.

New Business

Mary Jane had copies of a Dr. Seuss-style book entitled, "If I Ran the Dog Show" that we received from the ASSA. They asked that we order copies and distribute them to local schools and libraries. Mary Jane located a wholesale vendor who can sell them to us for \$4.95 each, and she recommended that we order and distribute two books to each of the libraries where we have held our club meetings, as follows: Bon Air, Jeffersontown, Fern Creek, and Southeast (Pam will deliver the books to the Southeast Library). MOTION by Pam and seconded by Alice that we purchase these books. MOTION carried.

Nominations for 2018-2019 KSSC Officers & At-Large Board of Directors:

Nominations were taken from the floor, as follows:

President:	Jen McMakin (nominated by Bill Sharp)
Vice-President:	Alice Boyer (nominated by Pam Karcher)
Treasurer:	Mary Jane O'Regan (nominated by Dianne O'Regan)
Secretary:	Mary Larmee (nominated by Madeline Naegele)

At-Large Board Members:

Madeline Naegele (nominated by Mary Larmee)
Jane McCabe (nominated by Jim McCabe)
Dianne O'Regan (nominated by Mary Jane O'Regan)

Nominations were then closed. Elections will take place at the April meeting.

Jen reported that the following individuals have been appointed to the following Committee positions:

Membership: Kerry Begley
Newsletter Editor: Linda Carden
Sheltie Calendars: Jim & Jane McCabe

Someone is still needed to volunteer for the Health Committee.

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BRAGS & CRIES

Barbara Boylan bragged that “Krown’s Light as a Saber” (“Keegan”) was invited to participate in the Rally Nationals in Excellent.

Alice Boyer had several brags: “Gala’s Rising Red Star” (“Andre”) recently earned an NA (AKC) Novice Jumpers’ Title and an OA (AKC) Open Standard Title. “Jackson” (“Gala Dark Side of the Moon”) also recently earned his C-ATCH (CPE) and MJP (AKC) Master’s Jumpers Preferred Titles.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. The next meeting of KSSC will be held on Saturday, April 14 at 2 p.m. at the Fern Creek Library.

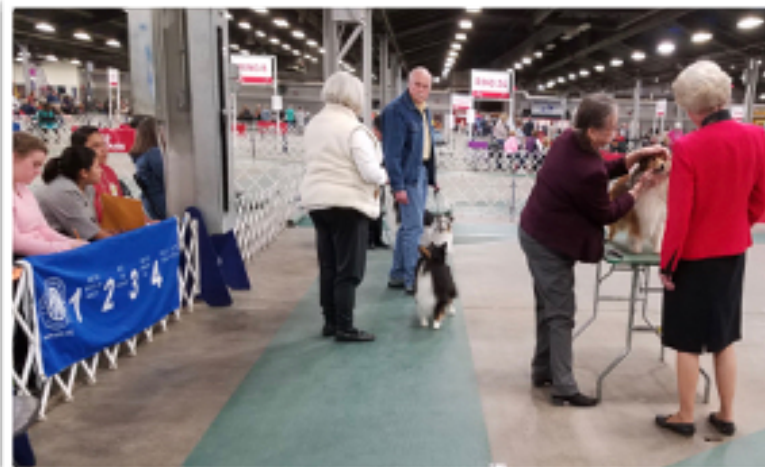
Respectfully submitted,
Dianne O’Regan, Secretary
Kentuckiana Shetland Sheepdog Club, Inc.

April Meeting Agenda

- Election of Officers
- Dog Show Report
- Calendar Items (including next meeting)
- Picnic
- Brags & Cries

KSSC at the Cluster

Toonie Tails invited KSSC members to share stories of their involvement at the March 2018 Kentuckiana Cluster Dog Shows. President Jen McMakin leads off the stories of KSSC members at the cluster with details of 4-H’ers and KSSC Shelties:



Kentuckian Shetland Sheepdog Club dogs helped to teach 4-H’ers about Shelties. Teenage 4-H members participated in a judging seminar at the Kentuckiana Cluster Dog Show. They learned the AKC standard of various dog breeds, then each 4-H member judged five breeds. Each participants’s score was compared to a licensed AKC judge score for the dogs.

Four KSSC member bred Shelties, were shown to the 4-H’ers. The dogs were: Sookie and Reis, both bred by Barbara Boylan (Krown Shelties) and owned by Jill and Tom Hubbard; Lazer, bred by Debbie Basham

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(Astro Shelties) and owned by Jen McMakin; Misty, co-bred and owned by Jen McMakin (Bridgeway Above Shelties) and co-bred by Cindy Bays (Playland Shelties).

Jill took Reis into the ring, while Tom took Sookie. Club member Jane McCabe led Lazer to his AKC judge 1st placement. And ring experienced club member Kerry Begley showed Misty beautifully.

These 4-H'ers were very smart and clever. They studied very hard with interest. One young man was eager to learn the colors of Shelties. When I told him Lazer was a bi-black, he then asked is that one (a sable) a bi-brown? Don't you think that was a clever guess?

These 4-H young people learned a lot thanks to our KSSC bred Shelties. Thank you KSSC for all you do to help promote and educate the community about our wonderful breed.

Jane McCabe, who participated in the 4-H event, shares some other activities that she and Jim had on Friday:

The rest of the day Jim and I watched the KSSC Specialty, walked around and shopped (although all I bought were two note pads for my niece who has a Golden!!!) but I did see some really nice stuff. There was a jewelry booth there that had a silver chain with a little silver paw on it. My heart jumped but I didn't buy it. But I do have a card and someday that little paw just might be mine!!!! I guess the best thing we bought was an Erhler's ice cream cone!!!!!! I got one free for showing in the 4 H class so that was great. We did really enjoy our day and would have gone back on Saturday but the 'condiments' (hair, fur, chalk, etc.) of a dog show really starts asthma problems if you are around it too much!!!!

Pam Karcher summed up her three days at the Cluster this way:

I worked in the obedience rings for three days. My dogs were at home so I brought them home a toy.

Diane O'Regan reports some of what she and Mary Jane did during the shows:

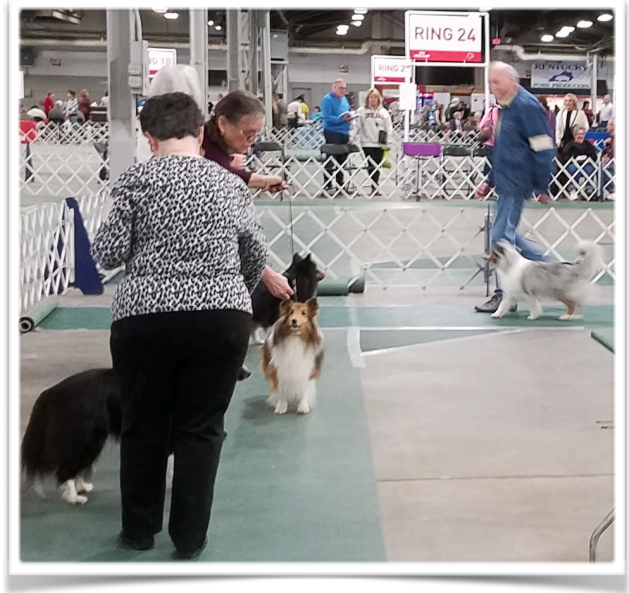
Mom was trophy chair for both KSSC specialties, and I was Show Chairman for both. I assisted Kerry Begley with ring stewarding on Friday, and Kerry assisted me on Saturday. Oh, and we set up our club's banner at the photographer's area on Thursday evening, March 15 (so it would be ready for the shows).

Jen McMakin, Kerry Begley, Barbara Boylan, Mom and I took both of our judges – Glen Stark and Amy Zoss-Massey – to dinner on Thursday evening, March 15 at the Four Points Sheraton restaurant (Glen had literally just arrived from Ontario, Canada via NY's LaGuardia airport). Amy left early on Saturday morning (to drive back to Iowa), while Jen and Kerry took Glen out for dinner on Saturday evening at the Crowne Plaza Hotel restaurant, and he left around noon on Sunday.

Finally, Mom and I both worked the Louisville Kennel Club's all-breed trophy booth on Sunday, March 18.

Alice Boyer played in the Agility Ring during her two days. She writes:

We competed on Saturday and Sunday. We were all covered in dust from the rings, but they finally got that under control on Sunday. Andre finished his title in Novice Fast on Saturday. He always has a great time whether he Qs or not. Jackson picked up all his Qs in Masters Fast and Standard, but just couldn't make time in Master JWW (jumps with weaves). At age 10 yrs, he's still loving agility! I feel so blessed to be able to run and have so much fun with my dogs.



Toonie Tails knows that these stories are representative of only part of the time KSSC members spent at the Cluster. We work hard and play harder - we make things happen and have a good time doing it! TT wonders what's next.

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