



Herd the News?

Newsletter of the North Star Herding Group Club

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Herding Fun Day

May 20 at 10:00—3:00 p.m.

Event Details

A Course Sheep Runs

Each participant will be allowed a run (max. ten minutes) on the AKC A course to practice whatever they would like. The sheep will be set out once at the beginning of the run. Additional set outs may be requested, but be prepared to provide an adequate bribe to the stock handlers. :o) Runs will be called for unacceptable behavior on the dog's part as well as excessive running of the sheep. Participants will be required to pay for any harm to livestock inflicted by themselves or their dogs.

NSHGC Herding Instinct Certification

Come One, Come All to the inaugural HIC. The North Star Herding Committee has put together an HIC program for club members. Bring your new dogs out and have an experienced herding person evaluate them on stock. The dogs will be required to show sustained interest in stock, as well as the ability to change direct and treat the stock in a non aggressive manner. Dogs who successfully complete the HIC will receive a certificate suitable for framing. Runs will be limited. **NSHGCRelease2007 must be completed to participate in the Herding Instinct test.** This form can be found on the Events Page.

Duck, Duck, Goose Challenge

Like a square dance, grab a partner! The object of the challenge is to work with a partner to move a single duck (or goose depending on your draw) around an obstacle course as quickly as possible. The fowl will be unceremoniously dumped onto the course. Participants must convince the bird to go through all obstacles on the course. Any means of getting the bird to behave in the manner desired will be allowed. Handlers may not touch the fowl, however. If any obstacle is missed, then the run is not counted. The run ends when the participants close the door on the re-pen. The handlers with the fastest time will win an amazingly fowl prize!

Lunch

We'll take a break from the festivities at noon to eat lunch. You are invited to bring something to grill and something to share with others for lunch. A grill will be available for you to cook meat. Also, please bring your own beverages. Plates, napkins and utensils will be provided.

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Special points of interest:

- *Membership meeting*
- ***Herding Fun Day***
May 20, 2007
10:00-3:00 p.m.
Guy Lawrence Farm
Northfield, MN
- ***Garage Sale 5/22 at***
Animal Inn
- *Calendar see p 7*

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Herding Fun Day Continued

Costs

NSHGC club members in good standing will get one run (A Course or Intro.) at no charge. Additional runs may be purchased at \$5 each. Non-members will be charged \$10 per run.

Entry into the HIC is \$25 per run. Entry into the Duck, Duck, Goose Challenge is \$5 per run.

All events will require participants to sign a standard release of liability agreement prior to participation in the event.

For more information or to volunteer to help, contact

Guy Lawrence @ cowdogz@myclearwave.net or any other herding committee member.

Member Brags:

I was at the Bellevue herding trials this weekend in Council Bluffs - HUGE entries and very competitive classes. My Border Collie, Reason (Hob Nob Endzone Meant To Be CDX, MXJ MX, HXAsd HIBs) had 9 points and no firsts (you need 15 points, two first and one has to be a major). Since Reason had always been competing against Gimmick, he got all his points last year, placing second second or third. This was also the second trial he ran without Gimmick as competition (OTCh HC Endzone Gimmick UDX HXAsd HIBs finished his HC in May of 2006).

Reason was AMAZING!!! He had a clean sweep and won all his classes this weekend. He won Advanced A ducks & Advanced A sheep on Saturday, got 4 points for ducks (and a major) and then 5 point major on sheep and HIT with a 97 out of 100. That finished his HC. On Sunday, he won ducks and sheep again and got another 4 point major in each class. OMG!!! So, he went into the trial only needing 6 points and 2 firsts, one of which was a major...he came home with 19 more points (28 points total), 4 firsts and 4 majors!!!!

So now we can put an HC in front of his name. As you might expect, I was flying high and mighty all weekend long and the drive home was easy.

Nancy and HC Reason EndzoneDogs@frontiernet.net

FSS Report – May 2007

At its April meeting, the AKC Board voted to permit the Entlebucher Mountain Dog to participate in AKC Herding events for the suffix titles effective June 27, 2007. The Entlebucher is in the FSS program with a Working Group designation.

Also at its April meeting, the AKC Board was advised that the Foundation Stock Service Committee approved the acceptance of both the Berger Picard and Swedish Lapphunds in the FSS program with Herding Group designations.

According to my records, the make-up of FSS breeds with Herding Group designations now looks something like this:

- FSS Herding Group breeds now in the Miscellaneous Class: Norwegian Buhund and Pyrenean Shepherd.
- FSS Herding Group breeds approved for AKC Companion Events: Finnish Lapphund and Icelandic Sheepdog.
- FSS Herding Group breeds approved for AKC Herding Trials: Norwegian Buhund and Pyrenean Shepherd. The Icelandic Sheepdog is approved for AKC Herding Tests but for Exhibition only at AKC Herding Trials.
- Other FSS breeds with Herding Group designations but currently unable to take part in AKC Companion Events: Bergamasco Sheepdogs, Berger Picard, Lancashire Heelers, Hungarian Pumis and Mudis, Schapendoes, Spanish Waterdogs and Swedish Lapphunds.

John Peterson, FSS Coordinator

NSHGC Specialty Premium Ads Available

What better way to brag about your dogs new Title, a new puppy, a new litter, a STUD dog, an up and coming star, or just wish the other folks good luck at the show.

| Club member prices | non-member prices |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| full page \$40.00 | \$45.00 |
| 1/2 page \$25.00 | \$30.00 |
| 1/4 page \$20.00 | \$25.00 |

This would be a breed heading or about the size of a business card.

to add a picture, which of course will enhance your ad, you would add \$10.00. I need copy-ready ads by **July 10, 2007**. They must be paid by check made out to NSHGC at the time the ad is submitted. Photos will be returned, if you submit a stamped, self address envelope. Please do not cut the photo or crop it, original photos work best. You may indicate on the edge of the photo where you want us to crop your picture. You may put your ad and or photo on a cd as another option.

send the information to Kathy DuVall 18665 Cedar Dr NW, Cedar MN 55011 or email me with questions. marienterprises@msn.com

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Second Annual Animal Inn Garage Sale

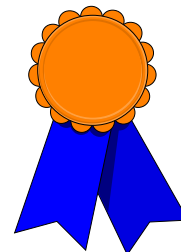
To benefit the Animal Inn Jr. Showmanship Fund



Tuesday May 22nd

At Animal Inn Training Center

(Rain Date Tuesday June 5th)



This is our 2nd annual dog related items garage sale.

Anyone with dog related items to sell, who would like to participate in the garage sale, please note below.

1. Do you have dog related items you would like to sell at the garage sale? Sign up for a spot, sell your items yourself and pocket some money for your unused items.
2. Do you have items you would like to **donate** to the sale and have the juniors sell the items? Money earned will be used to support the Animal Inn Junior Showmanship Fund.
3. Are you looking for dog related items and want to support a great cause? Come out and support the kids and have a great evening of fun shopping for good deals.

Garage Sale will be held outdoors at Animal Inn. Rain date is set in case of inclement weather. Spots are \$25.00 and people are welcome to share a spot if they so desire. Spots are approximately 15' x 10' in size. Tables (for displaying items) and chairs (for exhibitors to sit), will not be furnished and must be provided by the garage sale exhibitor. Juniors will be available to help with set-up and removal of garage sale items. Anyone wanting to donate items for the juniors to sell, please drop off items between May 14th and May 21st at Animal Inn Training School.

The juniors will also be selling t-shirts, baked goods and ROOT BEER FLOATS!!

2nd Annual Animal Inn Garage Sale Sign-Up Form

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Amount enclosed _____

Please mail lower portion to- **Animal Inn Training School 8633 N 34th Street Lake Elmo, MN 55042**

Questions- Call Animal Inn @651-777-2317 or e-mail Patti Kleven @ lismorecor@aol.com

Member Profile: Holly Dundore

Hi ... My name is Holly Dundore.

My family has lived in Burnsville, for the past 26 years. My husband and I raised our four children, along with 4 furkids in the same house.

We have owned a Golden Retriever that lived to be 17 years old. She was a super dog and helped raise the kids. She was like a nanny to our children. Our Golden "Country" considered the kids to be her own and she did a great job looking after them. We also had a Wheaten Terrier that lived to be 14 years old. He was also a wonderful dog.

The two dogs we now own are both Briards. I always have loved the look of the Briard but, I didn't know that it was an actual breed with the AKC. I simply thought it was a big old mutt! Still, I always wanted to have a dog that looked just like one of those dogs I've always enjoyed.

As a kid, I always liked the dog on the TV show "My Three sons". Little did I know the dog named "Tramp" was a Briard shaved down. I also enjoyed watching the show "Married With Children" - - I didn't especially like the show but, only wanted to see the dog on the show named "Buck", who was also a bi-colored Briard with natural ears.

I liked the dog in the movie Annie too and yes - - you guessed it, that was also a Briard mix. One of my friends finally revealed to me that the dog on Married with Children was a BRIARD! Once I discovered this I wanted one for my very own but, I had no idea where to find one. This same friend actually is the one who found our first Briard, Farley, for us! She discovered him over the internet and that next day, I flew to Ohio to pick him up. This was about 8 years ago. I had always wanted a Briard and now I was finally going to get the dog of my dreams!

Over the next 8 years, my love for the Briard grew and is greater now than ever! I doubt I will ever own another breed. They can be super dogs if trained properly.

Our first Briard, "Farley", was named after the comedian Chris Farley. Our oldest son thought the young pup reminded him of Chris Farley and the name seemed to fit him well so, Farley became his name. I must admit, Farley was not the easiest dog to raise. He was always good with people but, he had a fear of certain dogs. He was no Golden Retriever, that's for sure! I had to try many different methods of training to see what finally worked best with him. I soon discovered just how intelligent and challenging the herding breeds can be to work with. I actually do not recommend Briards for everyone. They do need plenty of training and also require lot's of grooming! They are not for everyone or for the first time dog owner. They can be quite challenging and will test to see just how far they can go.

I started to do obedience and conformation with Farley and surprisingly, he finished rather quickly. I thought it was lot's of fun. Then we started to do other things like agility, herding, and he also become a certified therapy dog.

In 2004, I went to my first Briard Nationals and had a blast meeting all the other Briard owners. I decided at that time I wanted to get my next Briard from a certain breeder in Canada. I liked her dogs and they seemed like lovely, well adjusted Briards. So, we got our second Briard in Dec. of 2004 from her.

Our second Briard is named "Savvy" (short for Savannah). She seems much easier to work with than Farley was. Perhaps, it is because she was our second Briard and I learned a great deal from the first one. I knew better what to do and what not to do. LOL! Savvy wants to work and she loves to do all performance events. She's an athletic girl and thoroughly enjoys working with me.

Savvy loves to do all performance events. She is an athletic girl and seems to be talented in almost every event she attempts to do. She is a fun dog to work with. At the Briard Nationals this year, Savvy was awarded a huge ribbon for being one

of a few Briards that qualified or titled in at least 5 performance events. She is still young and there is a lot more we can do together.

Savvy and Farley both enjoy herding. Farley is in Started. Savvy has her HT and will be trying to get her PT this summer. Savvy can go all day without getting tired. She's a natural herder. I've been told by several judges that she has the "quick-silver" movement a Briard should have. It almost looks like she is floating across the field when she moves. I think it's fun to watch her hair flowing in the wind while she herds the sheep.

My husbands and my most recent accomplishment with our dogs is that of becoming breeders. On April 11th of this year, Savvy had her first litter of 6 puppies. She had to have an Emergency C-Section since two of the pups were trying to come out at the same time and both mother and puppies were in great distress. I feel very lucky to have both the mother and pups safe and sound at home. We could have lost the mom and pups if I had not taken her to the vet when I did.



I now have so much respect and admiration for all you breeders out there! I knew this was going to be a lot of work but, it's even more work than I could ever have imagined.

I have been a member of the herding club for 3 years and I hope to start spending more time with club functions and try to get to know everyone better.



Holly and the Jester Briards

North Star Herding Group Club

Minutes of the Membership Meeting

April 19, 2007

The meeting was held at Windy Acres Farm, Northfield, Minnesota Meeting was called to order at 8:15 p.m., following the herding demonstration by President Patti Kleven.

Reports-

President's report: Nothing new to report.

Secretary's report: March minutes published in April. Members present voted to approve as published.

1. Agility Premium is now on the event page for the June event.
2. Event Page on website has maps/directions to upcoming Herding Fun Day.

Treasurer's report: No report available.

Agility Committee Report: Nothing to report.

Membership Committee: Second reading:
Dawn Fisher. Cardigan Welsh Corgis
Interested in participating in Conformation, Obedience, educational programs, and event organization.

Members present voted to approve this membership.

First reading:

Jody Anderson. 3 ACD, 1 Sheltie, lab/mix.
Interested in Obedience, Agility, Rally, and Herding

Instructor in Obedience, Agility, Rally

Herding Committee Report: Nothing to report.

Obedience Committee Report: Nothing to report.

Old Business-

1. **Conformation Show** Date is Friday, August 24th, along with SCVKC shows on August 25 & 26th. Event is approved.
2. **AKC CAR Microchips:** AKC has sent us an order form for discounted microchips and scanners for breeders and owners that might want to purchase microchips. It appears that we can order these as a club and get a discount. Deadline is April 30. Info was printed in April Newsletter.

New Business: No new business.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Mary J. McKennan, Secretary

CORGI BRAGS:

Some of the corgi group stayed in town this weekend to compete at the UKC shows. Brags are listed below for the dogs that did so well this weekend-

If I have left anyone out, please accept my apologies in advance.

- Jolene Weiss and *Lismore's Dash for the Gold* "Duchess" (owners Lee Bullert, Patti Kleven and Jolene Weiss) earned a Best Junior Handler Award
- *Lismore's King of Hearts* "King" (owners John and Glenna Weninger) finished his UKC Championship
- *Elfwynkle's Bewitched Design* "Howard" (owners Mike Ekwall and Vicky Peterson) finished his UKC Championship
- *Ch Artistry's Rock's Rocco* "Rocco" (owner Rebecca Hardwick) earned a Group 1

Ch Lismore's Torch Runner "Bailey" (owner Patti and Lisa Kleven) finished her UKC Championship and earned two Group 1's and one Group 2. "Bailey" also earned one Reserve Best in All-Breed Show and one Best in All Breed Show.

All in all it was a good weekend for the corgi crew.

Patti Kleven

MORE CORGI BRAGS:

"Elsa", Jesty's The Crowd's Choice (Ch. Busy-B's Dakota's Moon Dust, PT, X Lismore's Diamond In the Ruff), Pembroke Welsh Corgi, owned by Jacqy McKay and Jennifer Bravinder, and expertly shown by Kristi Howe:

- On March 24, 2007, won Best of Winners at the Dubuque Kennel Club show, under Mr. Paul Thomann.
- On April 21, 2007, won Best of Winners at the Waterloo Kennel Club show, under Ms. Beverly Capstick.
- She also got reserve both days at the Southeast Iowa Kennel Club shows on 4/14/07 and 4/15/07.

Also Elsa's mother, "Natalie", Lismore's Diamond In The Ruff (Ch. Lismore's Court Jester, CD, HT, MX, NAP, AXJ, NJP, CGC, X Ch. Lismore's Ruffianne), owned by Jacqy McKay and Jennifer Bravinder, has been very active in agility and is almost out of Novice. © She has 2 legs in both Novice Jumper's and Novice Standard. And has placed first whenever she has Q'd. She is fast and low so has an occasional knocked bar, and occasionally has a mind melt. But is getting just better and better all the time. We are proud at how far she has come! She is expertly being shown by Jennifer Bravinder.

Also, Natalie's father, "Henry", Ch. Lismore's Court Jester, CD, HT, MX, NAP, AXJ, NJP, CGC, owned by Jacqy McKay, Jennifer Bravinder, and Darci Wagner, qualified x2 in Excellent Jumpers the weekend of the SPDTC agility trials recently. (2 times in one weekend! Yah hoo!). He was expertly run by Darci Wagner. Henry will be 10 yrs old this August and needs 5 more jumpers legs for his MXJ. With any luck he will get that quickly and can retire! He is going to continue competing in Rally after that. He is too spry to really retire. Just from agility!

Jacqy McKay

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NSHGC Calendar

General Membership Meeting 7:30 p.m.
May 17 Perkins in Shoreview. **Join us for pie!! Club buys a piece for members who are there.**

May 20, 2007 (Sunday)

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10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For directions to event see event page on

www.nshgc.org

Bring food to grill and BOB.

www.windyacresstockdogs.com

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May 22, 2007 (Tuesday)

Garage Sale at Animal Inn

See page 4 for more information

June 29-July 1, 2007 (Fri-Sun)

NSHGC Agility Event at Soccer Blast

Premium is on www.nshgc.org

August 24, 2007 (Friday)

NSHGC Specialty at Lake Elmo

Show closes August 8, 2007

Trophy Sponsorships for our Fall Specialty Show. Wouldn't it be great to have every breed sponsored and every class trophy for this show. Come on folks, help make our August show a HUGE success.

- Many Best of Breed and Best of Opposite places available at \$10.00 each
- Available breeds Australian Shepherd, Bearded Collie, Belgian Malinois, Bouvier des Flandres, Canaan Dog, Cardigan Welsh Corgi, Collie, German Shepherd Dog (BOS only), Old English Sheep Dog, Puli, and Shetland Sheepdog.
- 1st place Open Junior Showmanship classes available at \$10.00.
- Open Junior 1st place and Novice Sr 1st place

Additional donations may be made to the General Trophy Fund.

Send checks for trophy sponsorship to:

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North Star Herding Group Club
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The North Star Herding Group Club (NSHGC) was established in January of 2000 and gained AKC Club recognition in 2002. In November 2004, NSHGC was granted permission to hold fully sanctioned Conformation, Obedience and Agility trials. This club was founded to support Herding Breeds and the people who love and work with them.

Our primary objectives are:

- Encourage and promote quality breeding and performance of all purebred Herding breed dogs
- To urge members and breeders to accept the standards of their breeds approved by the AKC.
- To protect the interests of the Herding Breeds and encourage sportsmanlike competition. To conduct sanctioned trials, dog shows, obedience trials, and other performance events under the rules of the AKC.
- To provide educational programs and seminars to enhance knowledge in regard to all Herding Breeds and Purebred dogs in general.