

Shiloh Shepherd Dog Club of America Newsletter January 2018



Letter from the President

We have had some exciting things happen in 2017; we have a new SSDCA board congratulations to: Paula Terranova, Pauline Keith, April Amoros, Sheila Massie and Debbie Knatz. We also have a new chapter that covers CO, UT, AZ., and NM called 4 Corners. The chapters are getting active in sponsoring more shows and get together. We look forward to see what 2018 has to bring. Please join and help your local chapter.

We also had our first work weekend set up by Paula Terranova, it was a great time and we drafted our new Faults and Virtues form, worked on breeders proposal updates, worked on organizing more shows, investigated



more into a new outcross, had a very productive board meeting, and had some help getting info from our old web site and advise on how best to store it, we also talked about website updates.



We have been continuing with our online meets and we encourage all of you to join in. It's a great time to bring up your ideas and help us move forward. If you can't join please send your ideas for the agenda.

Chapter News

SSONE

The SSONE Chapter did the Hartford Pet Expo in November which was held at the XL Center. The Shilohs that represented our breed were Minnie, Daisy, Thumper, Pinky, Jaeger, Kai, & Abra. The event ran for two days. We drew a lot of attention and on Saturday Abra participated in the Parade of Breeds. We had a good turnout, but we did decide that the location was not a great place. It proved to be somewhat stressful as visitors were allowed to bring in their dogs and there were over 450 dogs there. What I surmised that most of this dog owners were somewhat clueless about behavior. Occasionally a person would just stand in front of our booth and cause a reaction by letting their dogs stand and stare until we had to mention to them that this was confrontational behavior amongst dogs, and to please continue to move on. I am only telling you this in the event you have an opportunity to do something of this nature. If it were outside I am sure the scenario would be different, but in confined spaces not so great. As a result we will not do this event again at this location. The production company was new and when we set up they were even unable to tell us where we could park for the weekend and if you needed to potty break your dog it was a 3 block walk on busy sidewalks and traffic.



We also did the Kid's Fair in Hartford last Feb at the Convention Center. We had some of the same Shilohs in addition to Lily, Taj and Timber. This is a fun event as it is all about families and not dogs. We are always invited as the production co feels our Shilohs are such a great family dog. We are again doing this event on Feb 3 & 4th and again this event is at the Hartford Convention Center. If you are interested in working at the booth with your Shilohs, please let me know.





Our chapter spent an awesome day at Pauline's house in Maine. We had decided that we didn't want the same people doing all the traveling so Pauline offered to host us at her house along with her gang, Lexie, Rio, and Taj. There was lots of room for the dogs to run and some great trails to hike. My friend, Nini also came along and it was an awesome day. We had a nice lunch at Pauline's and the weather was perfect!

A few of us have been participating with the Chi Pack walks. The dogs hike off lead for 5-8 miles and when weather permits all the dogs go swimming under the direction of Nini Silva, who is a dog behaviorist so it also involves structure when needed. We all felt lucky to have this opportunity.



We also had a few hikes on our own in RI and Ct. At the moment we have no immediate plans for the spring, but hopefully will be able to plan a dog show. We attended the dog show in Yorktown heights, NY with NESSA Chapter. It was such a nice location and the weather was perfect. Submitted by Sheila Masse, Chapter Leader

Four Corners

We are pleased to announce the newest chapter of Shiloh Shepherds SSDCA – Shiloh Shepherd Four Corners Chapter. Our chapter includes Colorado, Utah, Arizona, and



New Mexico. Plans will include creating a local network of ISSR Breeders and owners, dog shows, quarterly communications and much more. The First ISSR Shiloh Shepherd Dog Show was held November 18th in Fort

Collins. Lisa Barber flew out to Judge and conduct a handling class. Every one of our 15 dogs entered received a ribbon or award. The day was wonderful with much learned by all present and lots of proud parents walking around. This was the first in what we hope to be a series of shows and other events to promote a sense of community for Shiloh Shepherds and their people. The handsome dog being shown by Lisa Barber in the handling class is our Best of Show winner Isotope.

Dues will be \$15 annually. You must be a member of the national organization to join, and that group can be reached at <http://www.shilohshepherdclub.com/membership.html>. Checks for chapter memberships can be made out to Cynthia Pring and mailed to: [1329 Wood Ave, Colorado Springs CO 80903](mailto:1329WoodAveColoradoSpringsCO80903).

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If you are on Facebook please join our page – Shiloh Shepherd Four Corners Chapter – ISSR Shepherds. Post pictures of your dogs and let us know what is new. It's a great place to network. Thank you for being a part of this new and growing community. Ideas and suggestions are welcome. Many blessings for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Shiloh Shepherd Four Corners Chapter

NESSA



Nessa is once again an active Chapter. We had two dog shows this past year, one in May at FDR Park in Yorktown NY. This show was put on with the SSONE Chapter The day was great, there was a good turnout, food and fun. We had people that had shown their dogs many



times and those trying it out for the first time. One of our first timers won her event!

We also had a show in western NY at Burcks Black Rose Kennel which was well attended and fun! Going forward we will be having more shows and are hoping to have some Shiloh walks and get togethers.



Homecoming was held in August and we had a nice turn out for our first fun day. A group of us went to Niagara Falls, we had a lot of interest in the breed and just enjoyed a great time together. Looking forward to doing something next year at HC.

NESSA is planning some shows for 2018, looking forward to seeing you there!!

WHY JOIN THE SSDCA?

There are many reasons to join the SSDCA, but the most important of these is that you will be joining a community of people dedicated to the Shiloh Shepherd dog. You will be welcomed and have the benefit of years of experience by the members raising their own Shilohs. Many have owned generations of this breed. Questions about your puppy? Just ask, someone in the group has stood in your shoes at some point. You will make lifelong friends. Owning a Shiloh comes with a community. If that were all you got with membership it would be a bargain...but there is more.

All people owned by a new Shiloh Shepherd puppy get one free year of membership. After the year is up it is a \$35 fee for the first year and each subsequent year is \$25. This works out to about 7 cents a day. Worth every penny.

Every year we have a calendar contest. All SSDCA members are encouraged to submit pictures of their puppies or dogs. There is a vote and the winning pictures are in a calendar which is sold as a fundraiser. It is quite

a thrill to see your dog on a calendar page! These calendars make great gifts.

SSDCA members get our newsletters. We have articles on dog topics such as health, nutrition and training. We announce upcoming events, shows and litters. Members are encouraged to update everyone on their pups and dogs. Pictures are sought after.

We have a Facebook page for members only. You will be encouraged to join. We also have an information forum that you will be invited to join. Lots of great information on those pages.

Discounts on show fee.

We also encourage you to submit stories or articles to the newsletter.

I know people often say I don't want to show my dog. Most people think of shows as high-pressured stress filled events. Not our shows! We cheer each other on and help each other out. If a member can't run their own dogs someone is sure to volunteer. Forgot a leash? Someone will loan you one. Again, a part of community. It does not matter if you win or come in last. What matters is you get a chance to meet up with other Shiloh owners and dogs. It is a great way to socialize your dog.

Joining and staying involved helps the breed and in the long run it benefits you too. We do health surveys and are always trying to improve the breed. By joining and staying involved you will help with those goals. Once you own a Shiloh there is a high probability you will get another. It is in your own best interest to help further this very special breed.

We hope you will consider joining and being an active member of the Shiloh Shepherd Community, there really is nothing else quite like it.

MEMBERS CORNER

0 to 3 in 9, Our Shiloh Story

By Maribeth Moore, Sondancer Shilohs

The adventure began in October 2014 where we met Shiloh Shepherds for the first time. Tom had been researching Shilohs for a while. He saw there was going to be a show in Oakmont, PA (Pittsburgh) and began communicating with Olga Twombly. Olga invited us to stop by the event and was the consummate host that she is. She made sure we met *everyone*, especially the local breeders, Karen Faith and Kristi Lusi. I didn't think too much about getting a Shiloh after this, as we were nowhere near ready. It was just something Tom would talk about from time-to-time.

In April 2015, we went to Virginia to visit some family and friends. We decided we wanted to meet up with Olga since we were so close. She brought Michelle and Don Schubring with a couple of their Shilohs, Jolene and Jack. I fell in love with Jack. He would just lean on me and snuggle. Oh my! I wanted one of these dogs!!! I had to have a Shiloh. We visited outside of Don's work for a couple of hours. It seemed like minutes.

It was a hot day in August 2015, and Tom wanted to go to this thing called "Homecoming." When I first heard of Homecoming, it made me think of football and fancy clothes, so I asked what this "Homecoming" was about. Tom quickly explained, and I agreed to go, reluctantly, unknowingly to him. We were not going to be getting a Shiloh anytime soon, so I didn't understand why were we going to this event, but he really wanted to go. We packed up the car for a day trip to New York from Pittsburgh, and off we went.

This particular year, Homecoming was being held at a campground. When we arrived, Olga took us around to meet everyone again. There were a few canopies in the shade that had puppies. We had met Karen and Kristi at our first introduction to Shilohs back in 2014. This time, there was an x-pen with some puppies. Anyone who knows me knows that I have to get in the middle of the puppies, so I asked if I could get in the x-pen with the pups. I sat on the ground, and one kept coming back to me - Onyx. *This was Karen's dog.* Besides, we were NOT getting any puppies anytime soon. We had two elderly dogs at home and did not want to chance one getting knocked over. Most importantly, we wanted any new dog to not pick up on their bad behaviors. We went home without a puppy. I was sad. I really wanted a puppy. However, I understood why we were waiting. It made sense.



Kristi had gotten a new addition, Gus. She messaged us that she was going to Petsmart to do some socialization and training with him. We were interested in learning some training techniques, because we had failed some with our elderly babies. Kristi asked if we wanted to meet her there. It was Sunday, November 8, 2015. Little did we know what the coming week would bring. We met Kristi at Petsmart, and Karen was there with Onyx who was six months old at the time. After Kristi was done with her training, she wanted to weigh Gus. We ended up at the back of Petsmart talking for quite some time, with me sitting on the floor with Onyx. Karen told us she needed to find homes for Onyx and Bo. They were the last two from the Saffire/Gibbs litter. I said how much I wish we could get one of them, but we are not getting any puppies now with our two elderly girls.

Monday, November 9th, Tom and I were getting ready for bed. He mentions about Onyx and Bo. I was half listening. They were out of the question, right? I don't remember what I said in response, and Tom says, "What? You don't want either of them?" In total shock, with my full attention now, and as fast as I could answer, I said, "Yes! I would take both if we could! I didn't know getting one was an option." Tuesday, Tom made arrangements for us to go to Karen's and decide between Bo and Onyx.

We get in our SUV and head to Cheswick on Wednesday, November 11th, Veteran's Day. We call Olga on our way. We wanted to make sure we made a good decision deciding between Bo and Onyx. She told us different actions that we could do to test the reactions of the pups to determine who may be the better fit for us. I now understand that those actions were some of the temperament testing in litter evaluations. In the end, it was the one that chose me to begin with back at Homecoming, Onyx. The nine-month clock begins to tick...

In January 2016, we get a call from Michelle that a Jolene and Jack pairing took place. We were so excited! The puppies were born on March 10, 2016, my sister's birthday. We felt much better about getting a puppy with our elderly girls since they survived Onyx's addition to our family.

We were able to go to Virginia for the litter evaluation. We were interested in a breed quality (BQ) female. It came down to two pups, White and Pink. It was a very difficult decision. We loved both and could/would only take one. White Girl won out in the end, as she was the only BQ at the time. White Girl

became River Pack's Barlow Charlie of Sondancer Shilohs. On May 8, 2016, we had Shiloh number two. Tick tock...

We went back to visit Michelle and Don with Barlow the end of July 2016. Pink Girl had been placed in a home where the owners were not able to understand that puppies bite and how to train them to stop. Michelle had known these folks, but it just did not work out. She took Pink Girl back. During our visit, Michelle stated she needed to find a place for Pink Girl. She mentioned about possibly doing a co-ownership and explained what that meant as we were newbies. Pink Girl had since been re-evaluated, and it was determined she was a BQ after all. That night, Tom and I were getting ready for bed (see a theme), and I said, "I want Pink." There was no real question there. I wanted her. The morning came, and as we were getting ready to leave, we told Michelle we would be happy to co-own Pink Girl with her, but we couldn't take her until we got back from vacation in September.



L to R: Poppins, Onyx, and Barlow

Tick tock... GONG!! Sunday, September 11, 2016, nine months to the day after getting Onyx, we drove to meet Michelle and Don in Breezewood, PA, and we brought home River Pack's Pink M. Poppins of Sondancer Shilohs. We now have both of the dogs that we wanted to begin with. Our family is complete.

Our lives have changed significantly since getting all three Shilohs. The people in the SSDCA have been wonderful! They're very willing to help educate the newbies. Our adventure started with an amazing dog, Onyx, and will only continue to grow through Barlow, Poppins, and beyond.

An update on our elderly dogs: Zuzu (Chocolate Labrador) crossed the Rainbow Bridge in April 2016 at the age of 14.5, and Dakoda (German Shepherd) crossed in July 2017 at 13.5 years old. Neither was ever knocked over by a puppy.

EVENTS PAST

May Show Results 2017

Puppies

Qudrat Might of Zion- Colt
Enlighten Texas Judge of Zion- Judge

Adults

Hill Country Ares of Zion- Ares
Rising Star Abracadabra O'Zion- Abra
Zion's Crown of Heritage- Taj
Marco Polo Explorer from Zion- Marco
Angel's Poly Esther Rose- Daisy
Terra's Emerald Rose of Zion- Rosie
Zions Northeast Dakota- Dakota

Puppies

AM

Plush

WD: Colt
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW: Colt
BOS:
BOB: Colt
Best In Show: Colt

Smooth

WD: Judge
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Judge

Adults

AM

Plush

WD: Ares
RWD: Taj
WB: Abra
RWB: Daisy
BOW: Ares
BOS: Abra
BOB: Marco
Best In Show: Marco

Smooth

WD:
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB:

Puppies
PM

Plush

WD: Colt
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Colt
Best In Show: Colt

Smooth

WD:
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Judge

Adults
PM

Plush

WD: Taj
RWD: Ares
WB: Rosie
RWB: Dakota
BOW: Taj
BOS: Abra
BOB: Taj
Best In Show: Taj

Smooth

WD:
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB:

July Show 2017

Puppies:

Qudrat Might Of Zion – Colt
Every Childs Hero of Zion- Echo
Enlighten Texas Judge of Zion- Judge

Adults:

Hill Country Ares of Zion - Ares
RH's Ramblin Roarin Ruckus Boy – Ruckus
Epic's Matrix of SHS – Trixie
Karma Mystical Smoke of the Lorn- Karma
Rich Hills Messenger From Above- Gabriel
Luna Eclipse Surprise of Lorn- Luna
Zion's Sweet Angel Girl- Angel
Whitefang- Zion Give It Bac Boy- Gibbs

July 15, 2017

Puppies AM

Plush

WD: Colt
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Colt
Best In Show: Colt

Smooth

WD: Judge
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Judge

Adults

AM

Plush

WD: Ares
RWD: Gabriel
WB: Luna
RWB:
BOW: Ares
BOS: Luna
BOB: Ares
Best In Show: Ares

Smooth

WD:
RWD:
WB: Trixie
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Trixie

Homecoming 2017 results

Dogs who Participated:

Puppies:

Qudrat Might of Zion- Colt
Angel's Work of Art Thumper- Thumper
Gabriela Minnie's Artful Angel- Gabri
Minnie's Pink Girl- Pink Girl (Minnie/Lomax)
Enlighten Texas Judge of Zion
Pan- (Laika/Isotope)
Parry- (Laika/Isotope)
Lorek – (Laika/Isotope)
Freya of Lorns- Freya

Adults

Zion's Crown Heritage- Taj
RH's Ramblin Roarin Ruckus Boy- Ruckus
Zion's Sweet Dreams Zena- Zena
Terra's Emerald Rose of Zion- Rosie
Rising Star Abracadabra O'Zion- Abra
Hill Country Ares of Zion- Ares
Epic's Matrix of SHS- Trixie
Rich Hill's Messenger From Above- Gabriel
RH Knock Em Out Tyson For Zion- Tyson
Angel's Poly Esther Rose- Daisy
Zion's Laika Diamond In The Rock- Laika
Karma Mystical Smoke of The Lorn- Karma

9-18-17

Puppies

Plush

WD: Colt
RWD: Thumper
WB: Gabri
RWB:
BOW: Colt
BOS: Gabri
BOB: Colt
Best In Show: Colt

Smooth

WD: Pan
RWD: Parry
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS: Pan
BOB:

Adults

Plush

WD: Taj
RWD: Ruckus
WB: Zena
RWB: Rose
BOW: Taj
BOS: Abra
BOB: Ares
Best In Show: Ares

Smooth

WD:
RWD:
WB: Trixie
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Trixie

Saturday Show

Puppies

Plush

WD: Thumper
RWD: Colt
WB: Gabri
RWB: Freya
BOW: Thumper
BOS: Gabri
BOB: Thumper
Best In Show: Thumper

Smooth

WD: Lorek
RWD: Judge
WB: Pink Girl
RWB:
BOW: Lorek
BOS: Pink Girl
BOB: Lorek

Adults

Plush

WD: Gabriel
RWD: Ruckus
WB: Laika
RWB: Karma
BOW: Gabriel
BOS: Laika
BOB: Taj
Best In Show: Taj

Smooth

WD:
RWD:
WB: Trixie
RWB:
BOW: Trixie
BOS:
BOB: Trixie

Sunday Show

Puppies

9-20-17

Plush

WD: Thumper
RWD: Colt
WB: Gabri
RWB:
BOW: Thumper
BOS: Gabri
BOB: Thumper
Best In Show: Parry

Smooth

WD: Parry
RWD: Judge
WB:
RWB: Pink Girl
BOW: Parry
BOS:
BOB: Parry

Adults

9-20-17

Plush

WD: Ruckus
RWD: Tyson
WB: Rose
RWB: Daisy
BOW: Rose
BOS: Abra
BOB: Ares
Best In Show: Ares

Smooth

WD:
RWD:
WB: Trixie
RWB:
BOW: Trixie
BOS:
BOB: Trixie

November Show Results

Puppies

Orange Boy
Auggie
Pink Girl
Jackson

Adults

Gunner Guardian of Zion- Gunner
Zion's Spice It Up- Spice
Echo's Kirby Defying Gravity- Kirby
Zion's Laika Diamond In The Rock- Laika
Zion's Isotope- Isotope

Puppies

Plush

WD: Orange Boy
RWD: Auggie
WB: Pink Girl
RWB: Tala
BOW: Orange Boy
BOS: Pink Girl
BOB: Orange Boy
Best In Show: Orange Boy

Smooth

WD: Jackson
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Jackson

Adults

Plush

Smooth

WD: Kirby
RWD: Gunner
WB: Spice
RWB:
BOW: Spice
BOS: Kirby
BOB: Laika
Best In Show: Isotope

WD: Isotope
RWD:
WB:
RWB:
BOW:
BOS:
BOB: Isotope

Upcoming Shows and Events

Tentative show dates subject to change details to follow

May 26 and 27, 2018 Western NY

June 23 New England

August 17,18,19 Homecoming Western NY

September New England, NY

October Western, NY

Nov 17-18 Colorado

SSONE will be at the Hartford Convention Center February 3 and 4, 2018 for the Kids Fair . Contact Sheila Masse for details.

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This is a members Newsletter not a newsletter to the members. I would love people to send me articles/ funny stories / questions / pictures for the newsletter.

Please send to TerraShilohs@gmail.com

The newsletter will be published January, April, July, and October.

A REMINDER FOR ALL PLEASE TAKE PICTURES OF YOUR DOG/PUP TO SUBMIT FOR THE CALANDER CONTEST LATER. LANDSCAPE, NO PEOPLE. THEMES ARE GOOD - WINTER, VALENTINES DAY, SPRING, FOURTH OF JULY, SUMMER.

For the calendar contest photos submitted have to be oriented horizontally, no people in the photos, only Shiloh's, and the file size should be at least 2 MB (2000 KB). I can work with some photos if they are close to that size - at least over 1MB. Please send the original, not cropped, not resized. If you would like it cropped let me know in the email and I will see what I can do and send a proof back for your approval. The address to send photos to is:

ssdcacalendarcontest@gmail.com. Send photos in all year, you don't have to wait till October!

Fundraising

Our Calendar is still available <http://www.lulu.com/shop/pauline/2018-ssdca-calendar/calendar/product-23445296.html>



Valentine's Day is fast approaching. Please don't forget we have an Avon page all proceeds will go to the club.



<https://www.avon.com/?rep=paulaterranova>

Also great for birthdays, Mothers Day, Fathers Day. They carry wellness products too!