



Presidents Message



Donna Vera
President, WMSSC

Hi everyone!

I hope you all have been enjoying the beautiful weather. This month's meeting will be a busy one. We will be asking you all to suggest some judge's names for our upcoming match and next year's Specialty Show.

This year's show, although extremely short handed went off very well. We had lovely weather, a very good attendance by competitors. The dogs were of very good quality and our breed judge, Herb Searle did a great job in judging our Shelties. I have also heard good reports about both the Rally and Obedience judges. Lea Lupinacci did her usual great job as Show Secretary for us once again this year- Thank you Lea. I also wish to say Thank you to our members who worked hard that day to make the day such a success, I will not name each person individually as I am sure to leave someone out, but you all know who you are.

We have some questions arise from our Lab club partners in the Obedience and Rally rings, which we will discuss at the meeting. Tri state and Colonial SSC's have both stopped offering Obedience and Rally at the Specialty's because of cost and lack of workers to cover the rings. I would not want that to happen to WMass- so please make this an important meeting to attend.

Next month we have the Scottish festival on the 17th and our puppy picnic at the barn on the 31st. Please let Pat Ferrell know if you plan on attending the festival. Bring your special dishes to share at the picnic and remember to bring your own drinks.

Puppies- please let Maud know of your litters.

We will also be talking about upcoming programs for our members- if anyone has a program they feel would be of interest to the members, this meeting would be the place to share your suggestions.

Donna



6/19/2010	Meeting
7/17/2010	Scottish Festival
7/31/2010	Puppy Picnic
9/11/2010	Meeting
9/12/2010	Match

Meeting Minutes



Lea Lupinacci
Recording Secretary

Western Massachusetts Shetland Sheepdog Club May 9, 2010

Present: DonnaVera, Lea Lupinacci, Sue Rivers, Charlotte Mierzwa, Bobbi Smith, Pat Ferrell, Jane Kaba, Monica Stathers, Maud & Roland Sabourin, Linda Houle Guests: Jeffrey Houle

Treasurer's Report

Roy Willis was unable to stay for the meeting and couldn't give the report.

Corresponding Secretary

Charlotte Mierzwa reported that AKC accepted our Judge change for the Specialty.

Point Show

Monica's trophies came out beautiful. She's added things inside. Roy will be unable to be at the show, Pat will have the checkbook that day. We need to be sure we have our jumps and the pins for obedience. Jane will make silk corsages.

Reminder

Our June meeting will be on the third Saturday (6/19)

Picnic

The picnic will be on July 31 at the Barn. The Club will supply hot dogs and rolls. Everybody will bring something to share and everyone should bring their own refreshments (drinks).

Scottish Festival

We need someone to coordinate. Pat Ferrell volunteered. If anyone is planning to attend please call Pat so she can arrange for passes.

Second reading for Sandra Stapleton's membership application.

Pat Ferrell reported that the Tallahassee Shetland Sheepdog Club has voted to disband. A discussion was held regarding dwindling participation in clubs in general and what would it take to bring more interest. Jane mentioned a seminar from Rose Chandless as a possibility.

Meeting was closed at 2:30 pm by President Donna Vera.

Respectfully submitted,
Lea Lupinacci
Recording Secretary