

DOG EARED JOURNAL

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This newsletter is for the members of the HRKC, and we'd like to include YOUR news, brags, events and pup pictures (pups of all ages!). Please send your stuff to Marie at hrkcnews@yahoo.com.

Web Pages

These pages present the club to the wider world, and serve members in various ways. In the coming months, the pages will take on a new look and structure. Please - I need your help here too! Send ideas, requests, comments and content to hrkcnews@yahoo.com.

HRKC Executive Officers

President: Lorraine Shore

VP: Chris Cornell

Secretary: Mariko Saum

Treasurer: Jo Chinn

Happy New Year!

After the rush of the holidays is over, isn't it lovely to have time to sit back and relax? And in this issue, we restart our Member Spotlight section. The first Spotlight features our new President, Lorraine Shore. This is a great way to get to know your fellow members a bit better, so please consider this YOUR personal invitation to submit your own pictures and brags for upcoming Member Spotlight sections!

The HRKC show dates are set! The ARO is scheduled for May 31 through June 2, 2019; the All Breed Show is expanded to three days, and is scheduled for July 26-28, 2019. The All Breed Show will have Fast CAT, TDI, CGC and Trick Dog events as well!



Many club members participated in the KSQM Holiday Photos at Pathways/ Canine Co-op (many thanks to Elaine Dietrich for the fab backdrops!). Camille Stephens shared one of her amazing photos of Siri - just stunning!

Christie Martinez with Poppy



Size Matters

by Christie Martinez

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Member, HRKC

I love watching the Working Group: the powerfully built Saint, the tall, elegant Great Dane, the robust Schnauzer. I do in verity believe that there is no group to compare.

Was it my imagination or did I dream it? I know I didn't have too many brewskis, but sitting at ringside I'm sure I saw a Samoyed as tall as a Kuvasz, and a Great Dane the size of a Doberman Pinscher (the Black Russian was much taller than the Great Dane) and a Standard Schnauzer that could have been in the Toy Group.

As I watched these dogs go around I noted that they all appeared to be sound and possess breed type; the very characteristics our tutors and mentors have encouraged us to recognize, but this picture was all wrong.

I stood up and moved back to get a better view of the lineup. There were a ternary of dogs in there that were of an unusual size for their breed and two that perhaps should have been disqualified.

The group judge, a most estimable woman, seemed to take a bit longer (she may have been considering calling for the wicket) sizing up her dogs than usual and I was encouraged to see that she did not place any of these dogs in her group with whom I had a concern.

"When a dog is the incorrect size, whether over or under, the true function is in jeopardy," says AKC Judge Honey Glendinning. "I was watching the Nova Scotia Tolling Retrievers at a show a few weeks back and 2 open males and the specials boy were as large as the special Golden Retriever male. In the Hound Group the Deerhound and the Wolfhound had the same problem. Some of the Newfoundland's were well over 28". Hard to believe the Alaskan Malamute should be the same height as the English Setter."

I realize in watching a Group that some could be dogs and some bitches, or there may be a puppy in there that was fortunate enough to make it into the group. But this was not the case on this particular day. All the breeds I was concerned about were mature dogs. I was definitely flummoxed and felt my senses were distorted.

Working and Non-Sporting Group Judge Angela Porpora finds coming from a measurable breed that measuring and weighing are ever so important to her, and very much responsibilities that should not be taken lightly. "At one show," Angela says, "I had 2 Kuvasz puppies that did not measure in. At another show, a drop dead gorgeous Akita, close to finishing, measured under and I had to DQ her. On a recent show weekend I DQ'd two exhibits for bad bites. Within a few weeks, one of them finished its Championship and the second took a major. Measurements, bad bites, these are things we cannot let slip by. We, as judges, are here to make it better, not worse. We must always keep our charge in mind."

When I got home I pulled out my Standards. I made a list of the breeds in the Working Group and beside their names I put the verbiage used to describe them as well as the actual recommended size range. Was I making something out of nothing and was there a greater overlap in size for these breeds than I thought?

Faye Strauss, Judge and JEC for the Doberman Pinscher Club of America says, "Today it seems bigger is better. The Doberman Standard calls for a medium size dog. His heavy bone makes him appear bigger. Historically, he needed to be medium because he needed to be quick and agile and this build was perfect for the German countryside. In the ring today you never see a dog that is too small, under 26 inches for a male or under 24 inches for a female. However, many will be well over the standard 28 inches for a male or 26 inches for a female. The Standard says "penalize to the extent of the deviation." Size is not a DQ in our breed, but please know where 26 and 28 inches are and fault accordingly."

This is in no way a scientific study, but just done out of my own curiosity. Of the 30 working breed standards 14 were listed as Large, 5 as medium and then some breeds somewhere in between. For instance the Rottweiler is said to be medium-large, Great Dane's and Great Pyr's are said to have Great Size, Neopolitan Mastiff's Massive and the Dogue de Bordeaux heavy. PWD's say Strong 12 times in their standard and Saints say Powerful 16 times. Then I reviewed the standards for description of bone and 6

said heavy bone, 2 plenty of bone, 1 substantial bone, 1 sturdy bone, and the Tibetan Mastiff said much bone. Finally I listed the top end of the recommended height (where none were listed I asked breeder-judges to approximate, for example Saints give a minimum but not a maximum) and came up with the following,

25" male and under	26"~29" male	30" and over male
(7 breeds)	(14 breeds)	(9 breeds)
Alaskan Malamute	Akita	Black Russian Terrier
Boxer	Boerboel	Great Dane
German Pinscher	Anatolian Shepherd Dog	Great Pyrenees
Portuguese Water Dog	Bernese Mountain Dog	Kuvasz
Samoyed	Bullmastiff	Leonberger
Siberian Husky	Cane Corso	Mastiff
Standard Schnauzer	Chinook	Neopolitan Mastiff
	Doberman Pinscher	Saint Bernard
	Dogue de Bordeaux	Tibetan Mastiff
	Giant Schnauzer	
	Greater Swiss Mountain Dog	
	Komondor	
	Newfoundland	
	Rottweiler	

Reflecting on her breed, Judge Donna Beckman writes, "Size absolutely matters with Siberian Huskies. The size called for in the Standard, along with the proportions, structure and furnishings, are all integral for the Siberian Husky to do his job: carrying a light load at a moderate speed over great distances. No preference should be given to bottom, top, or middle of the height range. What Siberian Husky breeders and the Siberian Husky Club of America, Inc. always say is, when in doubt, PLEASE MEASURE."

As I was reviewing my notes my 7 year old grandson ran into my office yelling. "Grandma, Grandma, come see...." He was watching Oprah and she had Giant George,

a Great Dane, on her show. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, George is the tallest dog in the world. The media hype says, “taller than Shaquille O’Neal, weighs more than Peyton Manning and eats 110 pounds of food each month.” He measures 7’ 3” from the tip of his nose to the end of his tail. He is 43” tall and weighs 245 pounds. George sleeps in a queen sized bed and loves to ride in a golf cart.” I did watch as they measured Giant George on Oprah and they did so at the withers.

“Always remember,” says AKC Judge, Author, and Lecturer Pat Hastings, “that a Standard is a blueprint that allows the dog to do the job for which it was bred. It is our job as breeders and as judges to pass them onto the next generation in as good of or better shape than we received them.”

Christie Martinez lives in Port Ludlow, Washington with her husband, Manuel, and their Havanese, “Poppy.” Christie judges the Working, Non Sporting, Toy and Hound Groups.



P**RESIDENT’S MESSAGE**

Happy New Year!! I hope everyone is enjoying the year so far and let’s hope our world can get along as well as our doggies!

We are already getting ready to put on our shows this year and the first one is our Agility/Rally/Obedience Trials on May 31, June 1 and June 2. These will be held at the softball fields at Carrie Blake Park and will require everyone to pitch in and help. Even if you can only volunteer a couple of hours it makes a big difference as the saying goes “Many Hands Make Light Work”. Once again we will have the fabulous Equestrian Team to help with Set-up and Take Down but we still need people to assist with the canopies, tables, chairs, etc.

Hospitality is always a challenge at our shows and one of the biggest costs if we have to contract with someone so anyone willing to provide food to our workers at the ARO, please contact Chris, Steve or Nancy. The club will pay for the cost of the food and we just need a couple of dedicated club members for this very important job!

Chris Cornell is in charge of the Rally/Obedience and Steve Chinn and Nancy Radich are the Agility Chairs so they will start soliciting for volunteers to help steward. No Experience Necessary! The jobs are simple and you will be trained on what to do so if you are able to volunteer one, two or all three days at this trial that would be awesome!

Most of our members have paid their dues but for those of you who haven't gotten around to it yet, pop those checks in the mail to: HRKC, POB 2740, Sequim, WA 98382. We would love to keep our members and it's been great to add so many new members to our wonderful club!

Ray Sick is holding Handling Classes each Sunday at 2pm at Pathways, Valley Center Drive (where we hold our monthly meetings) and the cost is only \$5.00/members and \$10.00/non-members and the show season is starting up so it's a great opportunity to sharpen those handling skills!

Our great newsletter editor, Marie Hooper is going to start producing the newsletter on a monthly basis so we need you to send in photos of your dogs and any articles you think would be of interest to the membership. Additionally, we are going to have a "Member Spotlight" in the newsletter each month so we need a photo of you with your dog and your bio. This is a great way for everyone to get to know each other.

Marie also takes care of our club website and she would like to update the information on area dog trainers as that is our most frequent request from the public. If you train dogs, please email Marie at: HRKCnews@yahoo.com and provide her with your information so she can post it on the website.

Thank you to all our members who make this club such a wonderful group!!

Lorraine Shore

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



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Howard and Lorraine Shore were both born and raised in Alaska and they decided to retire to Sunny Sequim after visiting a friend who retired to Paradise. Howard was a Detective and Lorraine was a Lieutenant at the Anchorage Police Dept. In August 2008, they retired and along with their two daughters, one German Pinscher and two Papillons, they drove down the Alaska/Canada Hwy (the Alcan) stopping in Enumclaw, WA for a dog show (of course) before finally settling in Sequim. In March, 2009 they joined HRKC and have been actively involved in the club since. Retirement was a bit boring so Howard is now a Probation Officer and Bailiff for Clallam County and Lorraine is the Administrative Coordinator for the Clallam County Sheriff's Office.

They breed, raise & train German Pinschers for show and performance and Lorraine has volunteered to serve many positions in the club (except Treasurer as that is way too much math)!



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The Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club General Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on December 20, 2018 at the Sequim Prairie Garden Club in Sequim, WA. Officers present: Susan Parr, President, Chris Cornell, Vice-President, Jo Chinn, Treasurer and Lorraine Shore, Secretary. Directors present: Joe Larson, Anne Andritsch and Mariko Saum.

Roll Call: Ben, Ryan and Aaron Andrews, Steve Chinn, Nancy Field, Jan Garrison, Bruce and Hattie Good, Glorene Hansen, Susie and Bill Metzger, Carolyn Money, Anita Pedersen, Cathy and Pat Regan, Miriam Rose, Howard Shore, Sue Spier, Valerie Stanert, Camille Stephens, Georgia Towle, Bob and Marcia Whitcomb.

Guests: Shelly Denton, Mary Kniskern, Dee Dee Stevens, Terri Sagmoen, There were 28 members and 4 guests present. There was a quorum for this meeting.

Presentation: This was the club's annual Christmas Party as well as meeting. Mariko Saum brought the new plaque and volunteer trophy honoring Ron Fye as the 2018 Volunteer of the Year. The Ron Fye Memorial Trophy will be given to the volunteer of the year in subsequent years. Ron will always be remembered as one of our hardest working volunteers with a smile on his face.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the November 28, 2018 General Membership Meeting were unanimously approved. The minutes can now be posted on the Club's website.

President's Report: President Susan Parr asked the 2019 Nominating Committee Chair Chris Cornell to present the 2019 Slate of Officers to the members. Chris presented the following slate:

President – Lorraine Shore

Vice-President – Chris Cornell

Treasurer – Jo Chinn

Secretary – Mariko Saum

Directors: Susan Parr, Anne Andritsch and Ben Andrews

Chris asked for nominations from the floor and no nominations were offered. Per the HRKC Constitution and Bylaws, the Nominating Committee's slate was declared elected.

Secretary's Report: Lorraine brought HRKC Membership Forms to the meeting.

****Dues are \$20.00/Individual and \$25.00/Household and are due on or before the first day of January 2019****

AKC sent a notice asking that immediately after the election the club needs to update the list of officers on the enclosed form and submit an email to eventops@akc.org for their records. Lorraine will take care of updating the information for AKC.

The list of current members is to be uploaded to AKC which is usually done in March to ensure all members wishing to renew are listed.

Treasurer's Report: Jo Chinn collected dues from members and each member paying dues at the party received a gift.

New Business: No new business was discussed

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Lorraine Shore, Secretary