



A New Co-Editor

First, I would like to thank Joyce for the great job she did on the past issues. I will try to follow (in my own way) her path . The main problem for our club publication is the color of our dogs-BLACK !!!

Black is an awful color to picture, let alone copy it . I am using different software that I will use to improve the quality of the pictures printed in this publication. Of course, those who will receive it by e-mail will have the wonderful full color pictures and will be able to zoom in. So, if you

didn't ask for it yet and even maybe just want to try once to see how it goes, please e-mail me and I will send it to you as a PDF file. For those of you, novice in the computer department, it is easy and free to download the reader required to open the newsletter. Just drop me a line and I will be happy to help you conquer that dreaded internet download.

I will need Schipperke pictures that I could use in the upcoming newsletter. Stories, recipes, or anything that could be applied to our pets (Schips or not) are al-

ways welcome.

This is **YOUR** newsletter, so help me improve it with your input, positive or not, and send me anything you want to see in it.

Thanks,

Nathalie Lussier



Nat & Chad

President's Message

The SCC Board met via phone and internet on November 1st, 2006 with a quorum participating. Two members were unable to attend for different reasons.

A motion was passed to contribute to the Breed Specific Legislation in Ontario in the amount of \$500.00 to help in their pursuit of the law through the Courts.

The 2006 Specialty held in Brockville reported a income of \$621.00 over expenses. A very successful event with a great number of members and Schip owners attending the many events.

Plans for the 2007 Specialty in Edmonton were presented. Plans to have a "Blood Draw" at no cost is one event, along with plans for a Dinner for members and exhibitors. Pre- reservation for the dinner with Susan Woodliffe is needed. Further information in the future.

Motion was passed to set the Membership Fees for 2007 as previous Single \$15.00 and household \$25.00.

As Editor of Schip Tales, I welcome Nathalie Lussier as a second Editor. We are working together on this issue which I hope you will enjoy. Nathalie has many talents, some will show in this issue.

Please send her your news, wins, stories etc so all the members can enjoy this link across Canada.

I wish to everyone **good health** and a **Very Happy Holiday Season**.....
Joyce Bernhardt



BREAKING NEWS !!! Epilepsy in Schips

The University of Missouri is mapping epilepsy in Schipperkes now!!!!!!!

THANK YOU to the ones who sent in samples of their family members - you know who you are. There is a complete 3 generation family of Schipperkes with enough samples of schips that have had a seizure plus all their relatives in the 3 generations minus only 1 or 2 dogs - plus cousins and half siblings - enough to work with and map the Schips.

To those who have not contributed to the study - please consider doing so ASAP!!

With luck we may have an answer very soon. If we have the tools to get rid of MPS3B, we may soon have the tools to get rid of Schipperke epilepsy.

So again, to those who helped

THANK YOU!!!!!!!!!!

D i a n a C . K i n n e a r
Majekin Perm. Reg'd Schipperkes

UK Tail Docking Ban



Tail docking will be banned in all of the UK for All Breeds as of 7 April 2007 .

Certain working breeds could be docked, but docked pups would

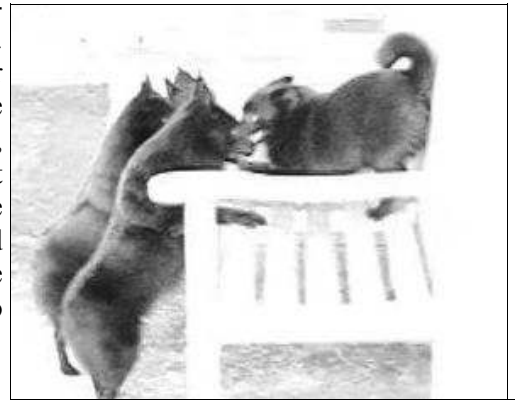
then be banned from competing in shows. It will mark the end of any semblance of dual purpose gundogs in this country, which is a sad state of affairs. The GSP, for example, a real general purpose gundog has often had its best examples earn their titles both on the bench and in the field. After 2007, no more.

What will be done with the Standards of Docked Breeds involved as to the "Tail" issue? Most of the breed standards of the KC over here have a "traditionally docked"



clause and another clause to include a full tail. The problem with the Schipperke breed standard over here is it currently allows only: naturally tailless; docked; full tail. There is no provision for the partial/half tail which we tend to get quite regularly. The Schipperke Club at its Annual General Meeting in March this year, voted for a change in the breed standard tail clause to allow partial tails. We haven't heard yet from the Kennel Club, as they

have to approve it. Unlike other countries, the Kennel Club, not the parent club, own the breed standard and have the final say as to its contents.



Submitted by
Mary Deats

Let us see what 'that' is ...

Members News ...

Dawn Mullan:

Took a vacation in October and travelled to BC to visit with Joan & Nick Federow. While she went to tour Plantarium etc., and they went to the Lower Mainland show to attend the Schipperke Booster.

Seems people were invited to Koreen Brown's trailer following, although Dawn and Joan did not attend..

On a sad note Dawn has just lost her old German Shepherd mix **Dandy**. She was an SPCA rescue who turned into a "great dog". She had her CGC and an honorary CD from the Fun Matches held by the Sask. Agility Association. Dawn's Aunt has been in Palliative Care and passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 5th. Our condolences to Dawn at this most difficult time.

Sally & Bruce Gibbs:

are anxiously waiting to move into their new Home in north Oshawa. Please note changes: 1381 Maddock Dr., Oshawa, ON, L1B 1M4

Ph: 905-432-1788 (Dec. 22/06)

Kit Wilson:

We have been having lots of fun. - four weeks Spring camping on Lake Huron, then to Brockville for the TIKO & Schip Specialty shows in August, the four more weeks at the Lake this fall.

Our London Dog Owners Association now has two off-leash Dog Parks, and has added a smaller area in each to serve older dogs, or puppy one-on-one training, or for special-needs dogs. Our (my) recent project to gain Corporate Sponsors in exchange for Web Ads on our site.....

www.londondogownersassociation.ca has been really well received with most business sponsors offering a discount to members of the LDDA.

All this in addition to a really hectic Bridal and Family Portrait season, with a healthy sprinkle of Pet Portraits in the mix - what fun!

Hard to believe "the girls" are now 9 1/2, 5 1/2, and 3 1/2, and I suppose it really doesn't matter as long as all stay healthy. Have a great holiday season!

Kit, Zoe, Aimee and Coco.

Joyce & Jack Bernhardt:

are pleased the Brown Trout Schipperke Calendar 07 has featured Camplaren Schipperkes. January is **Treker** (BISS Am.Can.Ch. Camplaren's Original One) ; August -3 Schipperke pups; Nov. & Dec. are **Image** (Am.Can. Ch. Foxnoir Image At Camplaren)

Valerie Roos Webster:

mourns the death of her father Thomas John Roos, Inspector Ottawa Police Dept (ret), WWII Veteran on October 9, 2006 at age 84 years.

Valerie wrote he had been in failing health for some time and she visited him a great deal, often taking the dogs which he so enjoyed.

Valerie was unable to attend the August Specialty as she was busy with her father at that time

Anna Verleg:

Did not attend the Booster in October at the Lower Mainland show. She fosters children and was waiting for the birth of a baby she was to receive.

Recent WINS !!! Brags, Brags, Brags !!!

Jack & Joyce Bernhardt:

announce the Canadian Championship for **Greit**, (Camplaren's Cause For Applause) getting 3 WB, 2 BOW, 2 Best of Breeds at the Georgina K.C. shows in Nov.

Sabrina (Sahedrin Field Fire Camplaren) was Reserve Female. (Championship is pending CKC confirmation).



Janice Armstrong:

is pleased to announce wins for male **Ridley** (Sanhedrin's Riddle Me This), owned by Vic Piper, he is usually handled by Janice and was Winners Male at the Georgina shows on 2 days but no points. Sun. he was shown by Joyce Bernhardt winning WD, BOW, Best of Breed (2 pts.) and Group 3rd for a total of 3 pts. **Ridley** now has four Championship points for his Canadian title. He is sired by BIS Am.Can. Ch. Shalako's Bartered At



Barsu as is the Bernhardts' **Greit**.

Nathalie Lussier:

Is proud to announce that **Chad** has earned his Rally Novice title in the States. **Chad** was handled by Pam Whittles for his 2 last legs in Rally. Chad is now known as : Am.Can. Ch. Logaven Wayland Highwayman Can. CDX, Am. CD, TT, TDIA, CGC, CGN, NA, NAJ, NAP, NJP, OAP, RN, Am. HOF, HIT, Can. AOM.



Merry Christmas!

**SCC AND THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI EPILEPSY RESEARCH
BE PART OF BREAKING HISTORY
PARTICIPATE AND FIND THE GENE FOR EPILEPSY**

The University of Missouri is including Schipperkes mapping of the genes to find the genetic marker for epilepsy. The SCC will be sponsoring a blood draw clinic at the 2007 Specialty – we hope that if you have not already done so, you will bring your Schipperke and have a small sample of blood drawn to be shipped to the University. All information on your dog will be confidential. There will be NO CHARGE to you for the blood draw or shipping as there will be a host of Schipperke items for purchase to fund this.

When the Gene is found, if you have participated with a blood sample for the study, you will be able to request the status of your dog.

When a test is available there will be a cost to determine your Schipperke status unless you have participated. So come on out and help the breed. Blood will be drawn by a licensed vet tech, your paperwork will not be seen by anyone else except the University of Missouri.

SENDING INFORMATION AND SAMPLES
for DNA Research at the University of Missouri

First, THANK YOU for participating in this important research project! The samples you provide will allow researchers to continue discovering the genes controlling traits in your breed, and dogs in general. As the canine genome is mapped, breeders will have an unprecedented opportunity to identify and avoid producing disease, and concentrate on positive advances in their breeding programs.

It is of utmost importance that the information you provide with the samples is as complete and accurate as possible. The presence of disease, unusual, or “undesirable” characteristics should be revealed to the researchers wherever it has been identified. Information on specific, individual dogs will not be revealed - results of the research will identify what markers have been found, but not the names of those who submitted the samples where a characteristic was located, nor which individual dogs show affected or carrier status for any given condition. Information provided will be kept strictly confidential. As the research produces results, participants may request information on the genetic status of their dog(s).

Complete families are critical to locating specific genes and markers. Wherever possible, submit samples from all siblings, both parents, and all available grandparents.

Begin by gathering the pedigree, litter information, and litter list(s) for each family you plan to submit. You will need a correctly formatted (sire on top, dam on the bottom), typed or computer-generated pedigree (3- to 5-generation) of the litter where an affected appeared. If the sample is for a DNA bank, send a pedigree of the individual dog. The pedigree will connect each sample you submit to the family it comes from, so make copies for each individual dog who will be sampled. The breeder of the litter, or other person familiar with the litter should make a “Litter Packet” for each litter - this consists of the *Litter Information* sheet, *Litter List*, and the *Pedigree*. For the Litter ID code use the kennel name or breeder name, plus the date of birth of the litter, so if Pat Doe had a litter born May 15, 1992, the code would be “Doe 05-15-92”. Dr. Johnson’s staff has a different system of coding in the lab to anonymously identify samples, but the Litter ID code is a way to tie your information together and place individuals in the families where they belong as samples are submitted. This ID code should be on each form sent in. Keep a copy of the packet for your own records, and send a copy to Dr. Johnson. This family information may be sent with the blood samples, or separately.

Next, begin collecting and submitting samples for DNA extraction. See the *Sample Handling* sheet for procedures. The *Individual Dog* submission form should accompany each sample, along with the marked *Pedigree* copy that will tie in with the family information sent. Make copies of the *Sample Handling* and *Individual Dog* forms as needed for all samples to be submitted. If several dogs’ samples are being sent together, number the forms and samples to be certain there is no confusion (Sample #1, #2, etc). On a spare copy of the pedigree you may want to mark (for yourself) who is alive and sampled, not sampled, and those no longer living, to keep track of who you need to get samples from. As stated before, entire families will give the best chance at finding specific genes - do your best to include all living family members.

Send samples and information to Dr. Johnson’s lab at this address;

Dr. Gary Johnson - (breed of dog) DNA Research
209 A Connaway Hall
University of Missouri
Columbia, MO 65211

If you need clarification, or have any questions about any of these procedures, please contact Liz Hansen by phone (573-884-3712), email (hansenl@missouri.edu), or regular mail (209A Connaway Hall, University of Missouri, Columbia, MO 65211). Liz is Dr. Johnson’s Coordinator of Veterinary Information, and can help with any questions you may have.

Welcome to new Members !!!

John and Faith Wichuk,

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John is retired, Faith a child care coordinator
They have a Majekin girl.

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Donalda Cassel and Eugene Pawlisky,

9937 84 Ave. , Edmonton, Alberta T6E 2G4
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They both work for the school board.
They have a Majekin girl and boy.

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Walkin' in A Doggie Wonderland

Dog tags ring, are you listenin'?
In the lane, snow is glistenin'.
It's yellow, NOT white - I've been there tonight,
Marking up my winter wonderland.

Smell that tree? That's my fragrance.
It's a sign for wand'ring vagrants;
"Avoid where I pee, it's MY pro-per-ty!
Marked up as my winter wonderland."

In the meadow dad will build a snowman,
following the classical design.
Then I'll lift my leg and let it go Man,
So all the world will know it's
mine-mine-mine!

Straight from me to the fencepost,
flows my natural incense boast;
"Stay off of my TURF, this small piece of earth,
I mark it as my winter wonderland.

Letter to Santa from a "Doggy Mom"

Dear Santa,

I've been a good doggy mom all year. I've fed, cleaned and cuddled my dogs on demand, visited the Vet's office more than my own doctor, spend more on their shampoos and conditioners than I do for myself, and most of the time they are groomed better than I am. I was hoping you could spread my list out over several Christmases, since I had to write this letter with my a black marker pen on the back of a dog food receipt in the laundry room between cycles of dog bedding, and who knows when I'll find anymore free time in the near future with puppies coming and dog shows on the he horizon.

Here are my Christmas wishes:

I'd like a pair of legs that don't ache (in any colour, except purple, which I already have) and arms that don't hurt or flap in the breeze; but are strong enough to put my struggling dog into the tub for a bath. I'd also like a waist, since I lost mine somewhere eating dog show food and at least three show outfits and some jeans that will zip all the way up without the use of power tools.

If you're hauling big ticket items this year I'd like nose print resistant windows, floors that clean themselves, and a refrigerator with a secret compartment behind the crisper where I can hide to eat my own snacks without having to share with a pack of barking maniacs.

On the practical side, I could use a battery operated dog that is always stacked perfectly and moves to perfection on my command to boost my showing confidence, along with at least two bitches who don't bump each other to start a fight.

I could also use a recording of The Dog Whisperer chanting "Don't pee in the living room" and "Get off of her, she is not in heat" because my voice seems to be just out of my dog's hearing range and can only be heard by the next door neighbours who are at least an acre away.

If it's too late to find any of these things, I'd settle for enough time to brush my teeth and comb my hair in the same morning, or the luxury of eating food warmer than room temperature without it being served in a Styrofoam container at a dog show.

If you don't mind, I could also use a few Christmas miracles to brighten the holiday season. Would it be too much trouble to declare a doggy lock down session? It will clear my conscience immensely when I look at those miserable little faces. It would be helpful if you could coerce my husband and children to help around the house without demanding payment as if they were the bosses of an organized crime family because after all, this is for MY Dogs!

Well, Santa, the buzzer on the dryer is ringing and some of my dogs saw my feet under the laundry room door. They think I am eating dinner in here again and they are missing out on leftovers.

Have a safe trip and remember to leave your wet boots by the door and look down so that you don't step into an "accident". I would have left cookies, but between the dogs and the cat, there is no chance that anything other than drool will be left on the plate. I left you a Hot Toddy to warm you from the cold, but after a day like this, I drank it myself.....

Yours Always, Doggy Mom

Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year

To All Our
Friends



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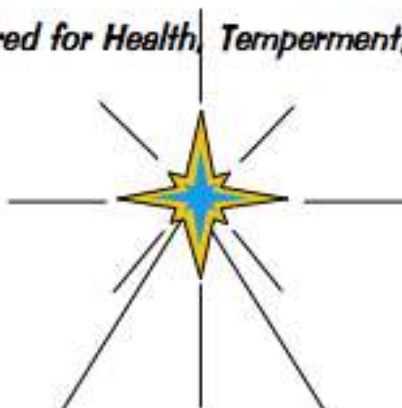
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Seasons Greetings

From the Paulson's



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year



Our boys enjoying their visits and boat rides during last summer

.We are all looking forward to moving into our new house on Dec. 21st.

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Send your dues and this form to Dawn Mullan

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PET RULES—To be posted VERY LOW on the refrigerator door - nose height.

DEAR DOGS AND CATS,

The dishes with the paw print are yours and contain your food. The other dishes are mine and contain my food. Please note, placing a paw print in the middle of my plate and food does not stake a claim for it becoming your food and dish, nor do I find that aesthetically pleasing in the slightest.

The stairway was not designed by NASCAR and is not a racetrack. Beating me to the bottom is not the object. Tripping me doesn't help because I fall faster than you can run.

I cannot buy anything bigger than a **king sized bed**. I am very sorry about this. Do not think I will continue sleeping on the couch to ensure your comfort. Dogs and cats can actually curl up in a ball when

they sleep. It is not necessary to sleep perpendicular to each other stretched out to the fullest extent possible. I also know that sticking tails straight out and having tongues hanging out the other end to maximize space is nothing but sarcasm.



For the last time, there is not a secret exit from **the bathroom**. If by some miracle I beat you there and manage to get the door shut, it is not necessary to claw, whine, meow, try to turn the knob or get your paw under the edge and try to pull the door open. I must exit through the same door I entered. Also, I have been using the bathroom for years -- canine or feline attendance is not required.

Proper order is kiss me first, then go smell the other dog or cat's butt. I cannot stress this enough!

Signed:

Your Bean (Human being)

"NEVER SLEEP ALONE AGAIN"