



CSPCA EXPRESS – March 2015

Newsletter for the Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America



The CSPCA is publishing a bi-monthly newsletter. The Barker has moved to quarterly publication and the CSPCA Express was instituted to provide members with timely information and announcements. The newsletter also allows applicants to move to full membership and gain privileges in a shorter time period.

The CSPCA Express is a work in progress – we welcome your feedback.

Please contact Melissa Castillo (ftpei@yahoo.com) with any comment or concern.

NOTICE TO CLUB MEMBERS

Dear Members of the CSPCA,

With regret the Board of Directors has accepted the resignation of President Bonnie Berney. She provided the following letter to the CSPCA Secretary on February 25, 2015. Vice President Bob Calltharp has begun his service as CSPCA President until the end of Bonnie's term on December 31, 2015. All actions to fill any vacant positions on the Board of Directors will be handled according to the CSPCA Bylaws and Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. Please join the Board in sending Bonnie our most sincere appreciation for her service to the club as President for the past three plus years. Bonnie will continue to work with the CSPCA Rescue group and on several issues of special interest to her.

Sincerely,
Jocelyn Barker, CSPCA Secretary

Letter from Bonnie Berney:

Dear Board Members and General Membership,

With much thought and consideration I'm providing my resignation as Club President effective February 26, 2015. I have always told the board to respect each other and work for the betterment of this club. This is truly my decision based upon my own self-respect and not really over any specific issue. You need to appoint a leader to lead and not just as a figure head for this club. I want so much to retain the friendships of people on this board and not for this to destroy any one of those friendships. The only thing I can say at this point is I truly tried my best and accomplished setting this club on the right path ethically and financially. There is still a lot to be accomplished and I will provide the budget on the Top 25 to Bob when finished. The 2015 National logo will be provided to Alice to include in Club documents. I will also focus on the rescue trust to complete it and get it finished once and for all. The boxes of data I have at home I will keep and bring to nationals for next president once appointed. Thank you for supporting me in the hard times and I wish nothing more than success and good fortune for this club and the board.

Sincerely
Bonnie Berney, CSPCA President

CSPCA Board of Directors and Officers: President – Bob Calltharp, Vice-President – Georgette Schaeffer, Secretary – Jocelyn Barker, Treasurer – Lynn Olds, Eastern Director – Don Gillett, Central Director – Ann Cookson, Western Director – Deanna Liskey, Directors At Large: Tammy Bohlke, Alice Fix, Georgette Schaefer, Dorothy Schuerman, Jessica Tauber and Terri Faulkner

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OFFICIAL STATEMENT REGARDING THE 66 CHINESE SHAR-PEI SURRENDERED IN CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, 2/13/15

The Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America has become aware of the 66 Chinese Shar-Pei surrendered to the Doc Williams SPCA in Berkeley, SC and we have mobilized resources to help with the situation. The Chair of the CSPCA Rescue Fund, Debby Smith, has been working with officials at the Doc Williams SPCA to determine what their needs, and to coordinate getting those needs filled by members of our organization who wish to donate.

Members of the Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America deeply love these dogs and are very distressed whenever we hear of even an individual Chinese Shar-Pei being abandoned, lost, stolen, mistreated, neglected or abused. We are a private organization so we have no legal authority to intervene in such horrible cases. We can offer our help and do what we can to be there for owners of Chinese Shar-Pei who suddenly find themselves in over their heads. Too often though, we are left to stand helplessly until the dogs are surrendered to shelters or taken by humane authorities. Now that this has come to pass in this situation, we will do everything we can to get these Shar-Pei into new, loving homes as quickly as possible.

This situation highlights the need for all dog owners to have contingency plans in place to address their dogs' needs should the owner become incapacitated. We encourage dog owners to take time to talk with friends, family and fellow dog owners to set up agreements regarding their care should something unforeseen transpire. This should include plans for emergency sheltering in the event of a natural or man-made disaster. The American Kennel Club's Reunite program has disaster planning information available at: <http://www.akcreunite.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/AKC-Reunite-Pet-Emergency-Guide.pdf>

Darin Cox, CSPCA Legislative Chairman
For all legislative issues please contact Darin at wudaface@verizon.net

The CSPCA would like to thank our Rescue Fund Chairman, Debby Smith, for the wonderful job she is doing in helping to coordinate our efforts to help the Shar-Pei at the Doc Williams SPCA. She got right to work seeing what the shelter needed in the way of help to care for the overwhelming number of Shar-Pei turned over to them. As she found out their needs, she sent out messages so our club members would know what to send and how to help.

We are very fortunate the shelter operations manager was able to go with the animal control officers to the property. As the officers were taking in the individual dogs, she was able to get names, age, pedigree and any medical history on each of the dogs. Having that information is invaluable and they compiled records and documented everything. The dogs were all triaged on intake and immediate medical needs attended to. They believe many of the older dogs are blind and many others have eye issues they are addressing. We are very lucky that they are in a place that has not hesitated to do what is needed for the dogs while in their care until evaluations are complete and they begin to adopt and release to rescue.

Debby Smith sent information packets about the breed etc. to the shelter to go out with each dog that was adopted. The packets were ready to hand out to the new owners as soon as the dogs were adopted.

The shelter's first big need was for help with feeding, cleaning kennels, and exercising the dogs. Debby sent out a call for help with those things. It was heartwarming to see the offers of help and support from Shar-Pei breeders and owners across the country. It's been a real moment of strength in a difficult time.

The next call was for food donations, and the Shar-Pei people reacted with the same swift response as with the call for helpers to feed, clean and exercise the dogs. The shelter Operations Manager wanted to let everyone know how touched she and her staff are by the outpouring of support they have received. There have been volunteers who are coming in to help care for the dogs, those who have sent food donations, and offered help in so many ways. She said she had never seen such an outpouring of kindness by a breed.

There was a call for money to help pay for the expenses for the care of all these dogs. Our club members were very generous in with sending donations to be used for the care of the dogs from the sixty-six (66) dog rescue. Your kindness, support and overall respect for the work they are doing has done wonders to change their impression of Shar-Pei owners from the impression made by the owners of these 66 Shar-Pei in their care. They couldn't be more appreciative.

To date forty-six (46) dogs have been adopted from the shelter, with at least twenty-seven (27) going to previous or current Shar-Pei owners. Eleven (11) of the dogs have been turned over to the CSPCA and there are still nine (9) dogs at the shelter waiting on adoption.

We would like to thank Florida Shar-Pei Rescue, MACSPRO and NASPR for taking dogs into rescue from the SPCA that needed the most specialized care. Special thanks to Meredith Sarratori and Loretta Anders for transport and foster help and also to the many others who gave their time to transport and volunteered at the SPCA.

Your generous donations are being held in the rescue fund until all of the dogs are in homes and/or rescue when we can determine what the needs will be for those who came into rescues care. The balance will then be sent to the Doc Williams SPCA to assist with medical expenses they have incurred for the dogs while in their care.

ADOPTED



Ready for Adoption, contact NASPR



ATTENTION MEMBERS

The CSPCA Board of Directors has chosen Georgette Schaefer to serve the balance of the two year term (until January 1 2017) as CSPCA Vice President. Please join us in congratulating Georgette on this appointment. She will continue to serve as Editor of The Barker. On behalf of the Board I would like to announce that Cyndi Skinner will be the Chairman of the CSPCA Invitational Program starting in 2015. Please give Cyndi your support as she moves to make this program a reality. Thank you again to all who express an interesting in the program, who offer to serve as Chairman, who step up to work on the many aspects of the program and who support it with your entries and your attendance. *Jocelyn Barker, CSPCA Secretary*

SCROLL OF HONOR

Do you wish to recognize the life and honor the memory of any of your Shar Pei who has passed away in 2014? Any CSPCA member in good standing, both foreign and domestic, may submit the name of a dog that they owned (co-owned) who has passed January 1 through December 31, 2014 to be recognized. The submission should include the registered name of the dog, the dog's call name, full date of birth and death, and name of owner(s). If more than one owner, permission for inclusion must be given by all parties. Time sensitive – must have submissions by April 15, 2015 to be included in the Barker. Send all information to jihlo@q.com and I will acknowledge receipt of the information. I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Vicki O'Neill jihlo@q.com

MATCHING FUNDS UPDATE

The CSPCA is happy to inform you that the both the Chinese Shar-Pei Charitable Trust and the Chinese Shar-Pei Rescue Fund have reached their maximum donations of \$5,000. We thank each and every one that made donations and helped to make this happen. You can be sure that the money will be put to good use by both groups. Even though the matching funds program is over, both groups still welcome all donations.

Listing of New Applicants for CSPCA Membership

Name	Sponsor	City, ST
Kayli Borden	Robert Borden	Ionia, MI
John Dewolf		Joliet, IL
Aza-Tifarah Firlit		Raeford, NC
Sterling Milton		River Ridge, LA
Mike Ritter		Onalaska, WA
Andrea Warfield		Woodbury, MN
Ron Katarzynski	Lori Crowe	Winfield, IL
Harley Davis & Jon Otto		Pringle, SD
Greg Goodsen		Ft Worth, TX

Members in good standing may oppose accepting any applicant by advising the Membership Secretary within 30 days. Letters of opposition should have supporting, verifiable documentation and must be signed.

Bob Calltharp
CSPCA Membership Secretary
44 Mt Parnassus Rd
East Haddam, CT 06423-1446
860-873-2572

AKC CANINE HEALTH FOUNDATION NEWS

The Canine Health Foundation has lots of health news in their Health-E Barks newsletter. You can keep up with what the current research projects are for our own breed as well as research about the various research news that cover all breeds of dogs. You can find the newsletter at this link:

http://k9hf.convio.net/site/MessageViewer?dlv_id=41881&em_id=8441.0

They also have a Facebook page for keeping up with their news as well. You can find it at this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/akccaninehealthfoundation>

They are sponsoring the following projects for Chinese Shar-Pei:

- Mast Cell Tumor samples needed
- Clinic Trial for Experimental Therapeutic to Prevent Diabetic Cataracts
- Dogs with Immune Mediated Polyarthropathy
- Cancer Tumor Tissues for Canine Hereditary Cancer Consortium
- Samples needed from dogs with Cataracts and Family Members
- Samples from dogs with PRA and their family members
- Blood samples from dogs affected with melanoma

You can read all about these projects at:

http://www.akcchf.org/research/participation-needed/?research_area=&breed=chinese-shar-pei&study_type=

NOMINATIONS FOR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

The Nominating Committee will be appointed by March 1. They will send their nominations for Officers and Directors to the CSPA Secretary by April 1. On April 1 the Secretary will post the nominations to the Membership.

Section 4. Nominations. No person may be a candidate in a Club election who has not been nominated in accordance with these Bylaws. **A Nominating Committee shall be chosen by the Board of Directors by March 1.** The committee shall consist of three members from each of the three regions and two alternates, all members in good standing, no more than one of whom may be a member of the current Board of Directors. The Board shall name a chairman for the committee. The Nominating Committee may conduct its business by mail, in person, telephone, or facsimile transmission.

- A. The nominating committee shall nominate from among the eligible members of the Club, one candidate for each office and each position on the Board of Directors and shall procure the written acceptance of each nominee so chosen. The committee should consider the geographical representation of the membership on the Board to the extent that it is practicable to do so and ensure **the nominee has been a member in good standing for at least the previous 2 years. The committee shall then submit its slate of candidates to the Secretary by April 1.** The Secretary shall immediately forward the list of candidates to the editors of the Newsletter and the Barker for publication to the membership so that additional nominations may be made by the members if they so desire.
- B. Any member in good standing may nominate any member in good standing for any elective office except as provided in Article IV, Section 1, where in the member must reside in the region for which they nominate persons to stand for election as a Director. Nominees must accept a nomination in writing to the Club Secretary to qualify. **Nominations will close May 1.**

Mailing Address: CSPA Secretary- Jocelyn Barker, 7739 Schafer Road, Bozeman, MT 59715

HAVE YOU FILLED OUT A HEALTH SURVEY? –JEFF VIDT, DVM

Dr. Jeff Vidt has a health survey on his website's home page: <http://drjwv.com/wp/> . The Health Survey is being conducted by the CSPCA Health Through Education Committee. Please take a moment and fill out the online survey or download the health survey form and send the form to Jeff Vidt via e-mail or by the post office: 210 S Park St., Westmont, IL 60559-1940 drjwv@aol.com We encourage members to continue to do health surveys since a one-time response is only a single view of a CSP. If subsequent surveys are completed then the progression of issues and health can be better understood.



ATTENTION CHIC CERTIFIED DOGS AND OWNERS

If you have one of our Shar-Pei that are CHIC certified, did you know that they are collecting DNA on any of the CHIC dogs. The CHIC DNA Repository, co-sponsored by the OFA and the AKC/CHF, collects and stores canine DNA samples along with corresponding genealogic and phenotypic information to facilitate future research and testing aimed at reducing the incidence of inherited disease in dogs.

<http://www.caninehealthinfo.org/dnabank.html>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The previous Membership Development Committee has been discharged and we are seeking new committee members and a Chairman. The work on the committee is to come up with ways to retain members, get new members, contact expiring members to encourage their renewal and collect comments about why they no longer want to be a member. [Deadline March 17, 2015.](#)

VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT FOR PHOTOGRAPHER

We need a volunteer to help the Show Photographer during photo sessions at our 2015 National Specialty. You will need to record arm band numbers for the photographer and help while she takes photos. Plus she needs help in setting up and taking down the photo area. You will need to be available to her whenever she is taking the win photos. If you can assist with this, please contact Jocelyn Barker at cspcasecretary@gmail.com.

[Deadline March 17, 2015](#)

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AND CONTEST

We would like to remind you that we are having a membership drive contest. The contest will run from **December 1, 2014 to September 15, 2015**. The winner will be announced at the General meeting at the 2015 Nationals. In order to qualify and get credit your name must be listed as their sponsor on the membership application.

Prizes-1st- 1 year free CSPCA membership, T-shirt, marked catalog \$50 in raffle tickets
2nd- \$50 raffle tickets-
3rd- \$25 raffle tickets-

In the case of a tie, the member who brought in the most members earliest will be the winner. The free 1 year membership in the CSPCA can be used to renew your membership or to extend your current membership. For every new person that a CSPCA Member Sponsors, they will receive 1 point and the person with the most points at the end of the contest will win.



RAMP MANDATORY

Judging Shar Pei on the ramp at all AKC conformation events will begin on July 1, 2015. That means that everyone that shows their dog in conformation will do so on a ramp from now on beginning on this date.

REMINDER- 2015

NATIONAL SPECIALTY PREMIUMS TO BE EMAILED

The Premium List for the 2015 National Specialty show will be emailed to all club members with email addresses. If you need a printed copy, please contact Bob Calltharp to get your name on that list.

You can contact Bob at: Bob@cspca.com

This is a move to save printing and postage costs. More and more clubs, both Specialty and All-Breed, are making this move as a way to offset the loss of income from declining show entries.



E-MAIL ADDRESS REMINDER

If your email address changes, please let our Membership Chairman, Bob Calltharp know. We email important announcements, Express Newsletter, and various other material to our members. We need to have your correct email address so you can get the information in a timely manner.

If you have moved, changed your phone number etc. please let Bob know that as well.

Are you on our members list- MembersOfCSPCA@yahoo.com? We seek input from our club members on that list. It is an easy way for the board to get a quick response on issues from our club members. You cannot participate if you are not on the list. If you lost your invitation, just write Bob for another one. Just remember that you have to respond to the invite within 30 days because they expire.

To contact Bob- Email him at Bob@cspca.com

ROOM RAFFLE DRAWING RESULTS



1st Place- Executive Room for 7 days at 2015 Nationals - Carole Sorensen

2nd Place- \$100 in Room Raffle Tickets for 2016 Room Raffle - Marilyn Vinson

3rd Place- \$50 in Raffle tickets for 2016 Room Raffle - Karen Kleinhans

Congratulations to all our winners! And a big thank you to all those people that purchased raffle tickets to make this a successful fund raiser. \$1,950 was earned and will be split evenly between CSPCA Rescue Fund & Charitable Trust.

Cathi DiGiacomo, Raffle Chair

CSPCA Nationals - October 4- 10, 2015

Lawrence Holiday Inn & Convention Center

200 McDonald Drive

Lawrence, Kansas 66044

785-841-7077

Room Rate: \$89 per night

www.holidayinn.com/hotels/us/en/lawrence/lwrks/hoteldetail



2015 Shar-Pei Nationals, Lawrence Kansas

Judging Panel

~~Pending AKC approval~~

Futurity/Maturity- Joy Bradley
Sweepstakes- Lynn Olds & Terry Faulkner
Dogs & Bitches- Steve Keating
BOB & Juniors- Peggy Haas
Obedience/Rally- Rick Garvin
4-6 Month Puppy- Fatima Crump



CSCPA SPECIALTY SHOW CALENDAR



April, 2015

Desert to the Sea Chinese Shar-Pei Club of Riverside & The Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America, Inc.

Specialty Dates: April 3 & 4, 2015 (4 specialties, one weekend!)

Place: Claremont Inn, Claremont, CA

Show Chairman and Show Secretary: Stephanie Weise (760) 972-4558, doggie_sec@hotmail.com

Judges: Sally Villas,

Sweepstakes: Lin Jensen and Denise Dean

Entry Fees: \$25 first entry and \$20 second entry Closing Date: February 4, 2015

MAY, 2015

Chinese Shar-Pei Club of Northern California

Show Superintendent-MBF, Inc.

Dates-May 14 & 15, 2015 (non-sporting dog club)

Judges- Florence Males, Glenda L. Henson

Show Dates- May 16 & 17, 2015 Designated Specialties with Coyote Hills Kennel Club

Judges – Gloria Geringer, Marianne Klinkowski; Sweeps – Rick Weyrich

Show Location- Solano Fairgrounds, Vallejo, CA

Show Chairman-Fred Diercks; 2955 Churchill Dr., Hillsborough, CA 94010 650-343-5909

Entry Fees-\$30/22 Closing Date-April 29

JULY, 2015

GOLDEN STATE CHINESE SHAR-PEI CLUB & CHINESE SHAR-PEI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC

Come join us by the cool Pacific Ocean!

Back to Back Specialties and Sweepstakes By the Sea!

Thursday July 2, 2015

Seaside Park, Ventura, California

Three weekend AKC shows July 3-5, 2015 hosted by Channel City Kennel Club, Santa Maria Kennel Club, and Ventura County Dog Fanciers.

Conformation Judges: Mrs. Pat Hastings (5928) and Mrs. Betty Regina Leininger (4230) Sweepstakes Judge:

Mrs. Roberta Lombardi

