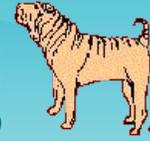


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The CSPCA Express



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 Georgette Schaefer (ghschaef@gmail.com) with any comment or concern.

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Please forward this
Newsletter to all Shar-
Pei fanciers! We'd love
to find homes for the
featured rescue dogs!

LESS THAN ONE MONTH, TILL WE MEET AT CSPCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY

I've heard from several people, we've got some really special goodies coming. Do you have special goodies to bring for our basket making crew? As we count down towards Nationals, don't forget room in your vehicle for those treasures! If you need to - you can ship them to me - however I must receive them by Thursday, September 20th. I will be on the road Friday, come rain or shine.

Let's all make Beverly proud of our membership's continuing support of The Charitable Trust, The Rescue Trust, Juniors Program, and Veteran Program. We've always come through for her and the valuable programs this Silent Auction and the usual Raffle support. I hope to report to her that we've continued the tradition this year.

Holly Fuller

Subbing in Beverly Wall - this year!

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CSPCA Board of Directors and Officers: President – Bonnie Berney, Vice-President – Jeff Vidt, Secretary – Jocelyn Barker, Treasurer - Marilyn Currey, Eastern Director – Don Gillett, Central Director – Rosie Steinke, Western Director – Karen Burgess, Directors At Large: Alice Fix, Gail Garrison, Georgette Schaefer, Dorothy Schuerman, Cate Stewart and Beverly Wall.

Contact information for club officials can be found at www.cspca.com and in each issue of **The Barker**.

CSPCA SPECIALTY SHOW CALENDAR

Attention Affiliated Clubs! Please send information on your upcoming specialty shows to the CSPCA webmaster. (suefp@royalsharpei.com) Any CSPCA affiliated club may have their show announcement posted online and in the newsletter free of charge.

Gateway Chinese Shar-Pei Club Specialties

October 19-22, 2012

2 concurrent Specialties with 4 All Breed Shows

Prairieland Cluster, Springfield, IL

Supt: Onofrio

Closing Date: Oct 3, 2012 Entry Fee \$28.00

Fri, Oct 19th – Matoon KC – Judge Mr. Eugene Blake

Sat, Oct 20th – Sandemac KC – Mrs. Molly Martin

Gateway Specialty Judge – Mr. Stanley Aspey

Sun, Oct 21st – Illinois Capital KC – Judge Mr. Desmond Murphy

Gateway Specialty Judge – Mrs. Sandra Aspey

Mon, Oct 22 – Illinois Capital KC – Judge Mr. E. Bivin

Plenty of RV parking with full hookups, Support Entries on Sat, Sun, and Mon

Listing of New Applicants for CSPCA Membership

Name	Sponsor	City, State
Arturo Cardenas & Ana Perez		Stampford, CT
Robert Gorski		Atlantic Highlands, NJ
Lisa McDaniel		White Oak, TX
Jeannette Madach		Foley, AL

FOREVER HOMES NEEDED

In each issue, we feature dogs currently up for adoption from CSPCA affiliated rescue groups. The CSPCA and its members sincerely appreciate the work provided by these fine organizations. **Please help our hard working rescue volunteers find homes for these dogs, and ALL the great dogs listed on their websites. CSPCA affiliated rescue groups are listed in each issue of The Barker and on the website.**



Hi. My name is Tabby. I am a BEAUTIFUL, small, 15 month old, chocolate brush coat girl. I am looking for a family to love and adore me so I can love and adore them right back. My foster mom tells me I like cats way to much, so for the safety of the cats I need to be in a home free of cats. I really need a fenced yard because I love to run and play. The thought of running and playing during the day and curled up in front of the TV at night with a family really appeals to me. I am not good with other female dogs but could possibly deal with a sweet male. Please contact Laura at sharpeix3@yahoo.com for more information and an application. I am waiting anxiously to hear from you.

Bubba is a 1 year and 9 month old purebred Shar-Pei. He is sponsored by The Star of the North Shar-Pei Club. Bubba has been neutered and vaccinated. Bubba is a sweet and loving boy but he has never had anyone teach him the finer graces. Bubba is very smart and willing to learn. Bubba has developed into a fine gentleman (with a lot of help from Ann) and will make a wonderful family companion. Bubba is in need of a loving stable home where he can have a routine and know what is expected of him. He is getting along well with his "sister" in his foster home. We do not recommend a home with small children. If interested or if you have questions please contact Cate Stewart at nordicstarcsp@yahoo.com or at 763-458-5251.





Ahab is a handsome apricot dilute brushcoat male. His dad of 9 years was recently deployed in the military and sadly had no option other than to give him up for adoption. It's been a tough transition for Ahab after being in a one owner home for all of these years. He is very slow to trust strangers and makes you earn his trust. This guy is still full of vim and vigor and loves to play chase and play with his toys. If you will be patient to earn his trust you will be greatly rewarded with a loyal friend. If you're the pei-perfect home for Ahab Contact: Debby Smith, sharpei Rescue@prodigy.com or www.sharpei Rescue.com Texas Branch

Meet Gypsy, a fawn prick-eared horsecoat. She was picked up stray by a local animal control. The good people at this shelter immediately sought NASPR's aid in trying to help this young girl, for she had what was determined to be a 3rd degree chemical burn about 4 inches wide that ran down the length of her back, from the base of her head to the base of her tail. NASPR was fortunate to find a foster for her that was able to give Gypsy the care and treatment she needed, to get her wound to heal without the need for skin grafts. In spite of everything, Gypsy has been through, she remains the happiest and friendliest dog you could ever want. She loves people, she loves other dogs and she even likes cats. She is young at @ 1-2 years of age and is full of puppy energy and playfulness. If you're the pei-perfect home for Gypsy Contact: Debby Smith, sharpei Rescue@prodigy.com or www.sharpei Rescue.com Texas Branch



My name is Emmie, I am @ 3 yrs old and I am looking for a forever home. I had a home with a lot of brothers and sisters but it was not a good place for me to live. I am really a very good girl. I love my foster family but to have a home of my own is my goal. Don't worry about me making a mess because I am one of the cleanest Shar-Pei that you will ever meet, just ask the nice people at NASPR! I get along really well with other dogs and will not be any trouble at all. If you can find just a little room for me, I will make it up to you in hugs and kisses. I am current on all my shots and my vet says that I am one healthy girl. I do have one requirement though. I need a high secure fenced yard that I can't be tempted to try and climb out of. See somehow in my short little life I learned the knack of climbing. I am pretty sure with a little love I will forget all about this nasty trick and stay safely inside the fence. Won't you give me a chance? If you're the pei-perfect home for Emmie Contact: Debby Smith, sharpei Rescue@prodigy.com or www.sharpei Rescue.com Texas Branch

AKC LICENSED NATIONAL SPECIALTY AGILITY TRIAL
Agility Event Number: 2012471628



Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America
(Shar-Pei only)

Sunday, September 23, 2012

All levels Standard and JWW Classes

All levels FAST

Time To Beat (T2B)

Play Dog Excellent

4113 Dayton Blvd

Chattanooga, TN 37145

Trial Hours: 7:00 am -5:00 pm, CDT ♦ One Ring 80'x100'
This trial will be held Indoors in an Air Conditioned Arena on Rubberized Mats.

Entries Open: Wednesday, August 1, 2012 at 8:00 am

Method of Entry: First Received

Entries Limited to 300 total. A maximum of 10 entries per envelope is allowed. Envelopes with more than 10 entries and/or entries received prior to the opening date will be returned. No hand deliveries accepted in the first 24 hours. Online entries accepted at AKC.org.

ALSO ACCEPTING AKC ONLINE ENTRIES

Entries Close: Wed, Sept 5, 2012 at 6:00 pm CT after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Dog Show Rules American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

James P. Crowley, Secretary



2002 Wentworth Drive
Camp Hill, PA 17011-7447
May 19, 2012

Mr. Ronnie Irving
Chairman of The Kennel Club
1-5 Clarges Street
Piccadilly, London, W1J 8AB
United Kingdom

Dear Mr. Irving,

I am writing to you today on behalf of the members of the Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America regarding your request for all American breed parent clubs to designate a Crufts Qualifying Event in 2012. The Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America cannot in good conscience accommodate your request. We find the health program that requires veterinarian health checks of the Chinese Shar-Pei, and a 14 of other breeds, before being allowed to participate in Best of Group competition to be unacceptable. Accurately identifying health concerns of the Chinese Shar-Pei cannot be done by one quick exam during a show, but must be done over time between a breeder, owner and a knowledgeable veterinarian who sees the individual on a routine basis. We find this program, as developed in coordination with radical animal rights organizations, to be more about control over our standards, practices and future, as opposed to true animal welfare.

In a press release during Crufts 2011, it was stated, "The majority of the dogs did not pass the veterinary check due to eye related symptoms." The stress of a dog show due to unusual surroundings, departure from feeding and exercise routines, handling by unknown individuals such as your veterinarian, and other factors can cause eye issues in the Chinese Shar-Pei. The veterinarian who sees an individual Chinese Shar-Pei on a regular basis may recognize this cause and effect, and know it is an acute situation. It is unreasonable to bar the dog from further competition for an eye problem that may have been caused by the exam itself.

The Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America and its members are engaged in a heated public relations battle for the hearts and minds of the Americans against radical animal rights organizations. We believe these organizations are more concerned with control than the welfare of the animals they profess to defend. We have no wish to participate in a program supported by such animal rights organizations in the United Kingdom. As a result we cannot on principle participate in a meaningful partnership with either the Crufts show or the Kennel Club of England for these reasons.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darin Cox". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Darin Cox
Legislative Liaison,
Chinese Shar Pei Club of America

USDA-APHIS COMMENTS

When the Animal Welfare Act was created over 40 years ago, the Internet did not exist, so it is understandable that current regulations associated with it do not address sales in this manner. The members of the Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America understand the need to address these sales especially with regards to the substandard commercial kennels typically referred to as "puppy mills". We understand that to date, hobby breeders like those in our membership have been considered "retail pet stores" for the purposes of the regulations. To address the problem with Internet sales of pets by substandard commercial kennels, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) wants to add to the definition of retail pet store the requirement that each buyer physically enter the place of sale to personally observe the animals available prior to the sale or prior to taking custody of the animal after the sale. However, we have serious reservations about this current proposed rule change.

The hobby breeders that make up our membership place a high priority on staying informed about the quality of Chinese Shar-Pei being exhibited. We research pedigrees, follow the progress of dogs we like, exchange pictures, discuss animals we see and save much of the published materials distributed by our club and electronically. When we make the decision to bring a new dog into our homes we know the reputation of the breeder and the animals they have produced over the years. It is very common for us to have a puppy shipped to us by air, relayed by other fanciers from a show or to meet the breeder at a show or enroute to one. We do not need to see the facilities of the breeder when purchasing the puppy because we have seen them times before, have common friends who have seen them or know of their reputation. We have seen the sire and dam in competition before and know the value of the breeder's produce. It is therefore unnecessary and unproductive to be required by government regulation to physically to their residence to pick up a puppy.

We have noticed that the current definition of a retail pet stores also excludes dogs sold for hunting, breeding or security purposes. Since many of the dogs sold by our members are for breeding purposes, these sales are already exempt under this definition. A possible work around for our members would be to sell all dogs in the future under a breeding contract. It would not be under the control of the seller should a buy decide down the road to spay/neuter the dog and keep it as a pet. This would require our member to maintain more records and be able to produce them to maintain this exemption, so this would not be a realistic way to avoid the issue at hand.

The best solution we can see is to make it optional for the buyer to come to the place of sale to pick up their puppy. If the seller puts this option in their contract of sale, and the buyer willingly and knowingly signs off waiving their right to see the seller's premises, this should satisfy the needs of the regulations under the Animal Welfare Act. The substandard commercial kennels would not want buyers having the right to demand to see their premises as a condition of sale.

The Board and members of the Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America are committed to animal welfare and are willing to work with the US Department of Agriculture, Animal Plant Health Inspection Service on these issues going forward. We want to insure that both the interests of our beloved dogs and our members are served in the most equitable manner possible. Please feel free to contact us if we can be of help on these issues going forward.

Sincerely,
Darin Cox, Legislative Liaison,
Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America Inc.