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COLLIE CLUB OF MAINE

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OCTOBER, 2019 NEWSLETTER



NEXT MEETING

AWARDS BANQUET

Date: October 26th, 2019
Time: 12:00 Noon

Place: The Azure Café
123 Maine Street
Freeport, Maine

Please RSVP Kathie Bangs
If you plan to attend.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's been an incredible year for this club, so far! As usual, the club put on one more amazing Specialty Show, Obedience and Rally Trial, followed by another successful Agility Trial and followed up by the club's dedication to the Solon Collies, surrendered by a breeder to Animal Welfare for the State of Maine. I am beyond proud of the efforts of our members, not only for the support you brought, but also for the unconditional efforts those of you brought forth for the well being of the Solon Collies. Speaking for myself, friendships were forged that will never be forgotten. To paraphrase a remark made by Joyce Chamberlin, the efforts by CCME for these Collies, will be our finest hour.

I'm thrilled to announce the new members joining our roster: Susan Hopkins, who we've come to know. She's a Snow Bird, but can usually be seen at the club's Agility Trials. Barbara O'Halloran, not to be mistaken by our treasured Treasure, Barbara Halloran! Barbara and husband, Jim, you will come to know as a wonderful couple. Upon looking for a puppy, it took me some time, before it registered that it was not Barb and Dick looking for a puppy. And to boot....they live in a neighboring town! What are the chances? The O'Hallorans and their "Brodie" have opened their hearts and home to one of the Solon Collies and are presently fostering this tri-headed white, named Gracie.

We're beyond happy to welcome back to CCME, Cheryl Martel. Her knowledge and love for this breed will only be an asset to the club. Actively showing and breeding, her smooth dog, Ch. Arrowstar Renaissance Man, Gino, was Winners Dog, at this year's CCA National.

And we still have one more person applying for membership. Sharon Schwindt. Presently, she is a sheltie owner, but attended last year's Award Banquet, gave some heavy thought to joining, and LIKED US....SHE REALLY LIKED US! We in turn, felt that she would be a great fit and please welcome her.

The Awards Banquet is coming up shortly. Once again, the Azure Café, in Freeport, will be our host. Save the date....it's October 26th at 12:00 noon, in the upstairs private room. It's always a fun get together and the food and service is amazing.

Joan Scialdone has done a remarkable job for CCME, in providing a venue for next year's Agility Trials. The trials will be held at Pineland Farms, in New Gloucester. A few of us attended trials put on by the Mid Coast KC last month and the exhibitors we spoke with were thrilled to hear the news. With our being able to use the Equestrian Training Facility, weather will not be an issue.

Liz Klein took over as Chair for our Judges Committee for the 2020 Specialty. She has also done an amazing job of lining up our judges and the feedback has been very positive. Conformation judges will be Joe Reno, Robin Reed and Bob Kelly. Elizabeth "Tibby" Chase will be our Performance Judge.

It's been a great year for this organization. You are an amazing group of people and I am honored to call you my friends!

Best, Kathie

WELCOMING NEW MEMBER BARBARA O'HALLORAN

Voted in unanimously at our last meeting, Barbara and her husband Jim presently have two collies, Brodie and Gracie. The O'Hallorans are presently fostering Gracie, who was one of the Solon Collies, surrendered to the state by her breeder.

Writes Barbara of her history with collies, “ My first collie growing up was from Sally Futh’s Starberry Kennels, in Washington, CT. When I married and started our family of three girls, we purchased another from Sally. When we moved to Maine, in 1978, I picked up my collie from Sally at Starberry Kennels, on our way up to our new home, where she was bred to one of Sally’s champions and subsequently had 8 pups. We were blessed with her for 13 years. After 25 more years, I decided I couldn’t live without another collie and through Kathy Bangs found Cheryl Martel with a new litter. Our “Brodie”, couldn’t be more sweet, well adjusted and beautiful. Recently, he is mentoring a Solon rescue. Will try and pursue training for therapy work in nursing homes and hospitals.”



“Three Sisters” by Anne Lively

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP COLLIE CLUB OF MAINE

Susan Hopkins, of 27525 SW 168th Avenue, Homestead, FL 33031 has applied for membership in our club.

Susan is a retired teacher who spends her summers here in Maine. She currently owns three dogs, a smooth male collie, a rough female collie and a male Siberian husky.

She is currently a member of the Collie Club of America and Collie Rescue League of New England. She wishes to formally join our organization because of her love of the breed. Her interests include Therapy Dog, furthering her education of the Collie breed, Rescue and attending dog related events. Susan is a familiar face at the club's Agility Trials.

In her own words: "I grew up with shelties. We had Peter Pumpkin's first male champion. After getting married, we had 2 shelter dogs, a chow mix and a flat coated retriever and then another shelter dog, Jeter, a smooth collie. This started my love for collies. When Jeter passed, at almost 14, I was able to get Finnegan, a finished smooth male. Finnegan has been doing pet therapy for 5-1/2 years and has just applied for his THDA. A year and a half ago we added Anya, a rough collie bitch to our family. She just completed her certification as a therapy dog. We do our therapy work at Assisted Living facilities both in Maine and Florida. Collies are wonderful therapy dogs! In 2013 I became friends with Anne Lively and Joan Scialdone who introduced me to CC of Maine."

Along with attending our Agility Trials, Susan was able to attend July's annual Lobster cookout at the Wheelers. Her sponsors are Joan Scialdone and Anne Lively.

The club will be voting on this application at our October 26, 2019 meeting.



Update - The Collie As The New Jersey State Dog

Collie for NJ State Dog



As you all will recall from our June newsletter, we had our own version of Mr. Smith Goes To Washington in the form of our own Gerrie Oliver and the New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs, when they went to Trenton for Lobby Day.

Gerrie, with the help of Leigh, wrote a proposal to the NJ State Legislature which the New Jersey Federation of Dog Clubs brought to the June Lobby Day in Trenton. Gerrie, was there with printed handouts, big photo posters and of course...gorgeous sable & white collies. But Gerrie thinks the clincher was the help of the Albert Payson Elementary School children, who wrote letters and drew pictures of why the Collie is a perfect candidate for NJ. That day, 2019 AKC State Legislator of the Year & Bergen County rep, Assemblywoman Valerie Vaineiri Huttie said she would sponsor the proposal.

At this years CHF Gathering at Sunnyside, NJFDC President Jeffrey Ball and Passaic Freeholder Cassandra Lazzara announced the petition to thunderous applause of the hundreds attending. They also spoke about the AKC Reunite Pet Disaster Relief Trailers. CCNNJ members can be proud as we were one of the sponsors of a relief trailer as well as donors to the NJFDC Sandy Relief Project via our CCNNJ specialty themed "Collies to the Rescue" back in 2013.



A JOINT RESOLUTION recognizing the Collie

A JOINT RESOLUTION recognizing the Collie as the State Dog of New Jersey.

WHEREAS, in the 1900s, renowned New Jersey dog writer and Collie breeder Albert Payson Terhune authored a series of dog books and articles; and

WHEREAS, many of the stories were set at Sunnybank Park, Mr. Terhune's home, which overlooked Pompton Lake at the edge of the Ramapo Valley in Wayne, New Jersey, and featured many of his own dogs; and

WHEREAS, thanks to Mr. Terhune's stories, which told of heroic rescues, brave battles, comical canines, fierce loyalty, and comedic antics, readers young and old fell in love with the Collie as a breed; and

WHEREAS, although Sunnybank House was demolished in 1969, nine acres of the property remain for the public to enjoy; and

WHEREAS, for over twenty years, the Collie Health Foundation has held The Gathering at Sunnybank on the third weekend every August, where Terhune fans and Collie fanciers from all over the world gather to hear the Sunnybank story and celebrate the Collie; and hosts health clinics, AKC Canine Good Citizen and therapy dog certifications, a rescue parade, and match shows that highlight the attributes of the Collie; and

WHEREAS, in June and October every year, the Collie Club of Northern New Jersey holds match shows and obedience trials at Sunnybank; and

WHEREAS, the Albert Payson Terhune Elementary School in Wayne, New Jersey, has selected the Collie as its school mascot; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Clara Lunt of Rahway, New Jersey, and her kennel of Alstead Collies produced nearly 40 Champions in the early 1900s that served as the foundation of many of today's successful Collie breeding programs and is widely considered to have had the greatest influence in the early years of the Collie's development in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Bellhaven Kennels of Mrs. Florence B. Ilch of Red Bank, New Jersey, was one of the world's foremost canine establishments in the 1900s by producing more than 130 champion Collies and was home of Laund Loyalty of Bellhaven, the only Collie and the youngest dog of any breed to ever be awarded Best in Show at the world-famous Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show; and

WHEREAS, the grounds of the former Bellhaven Kennels have also been developed into a public park; and

WHEREAS, the Collie's loyalty, intelligence, and sterling character are legendary, thanks in no small part to work of famous New Jerseyans Mr. Terhune, Mrs. Lunt, and Mrs. Ilch, and as a pop-culture star from the 1950s TV series Lassie; and

WHEREAS, the majestic Collie is among the world's most recognizable and beloved dog breeds, are famously fond of children and make wonderful family pets, and owes much of these qualities and high regard due to the efforts of notable New Jersey Collie enthusiasts; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey (the Senate Concurring):

1. The General Assembly of the State of New Jersey recognizes the Collie as the State Dog of New Jersey.

2. Copies of this resolution, as filed with the Secretary of State, shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the General Assembly or the Secretary of the Senate to the Governor.

STATEMENT

This resolution recognizes the Collie as the State Dog of New Jersey.



Jeffrey Ball, President of the NJFDC with Passaic County Freeholder Deputy Director Cassandra Lazzara at the Collie Health Foundation event this past weekend at Terhune Sunnybank Park, Home of LAD in Wayne. In addition to speaking at the event, Freeholder Lazzara meet with Jeffrey and hopefully we will see an AKC Reunite Pet Disaster Trailer in her county soon.

REVEILLE IX, the Mascot of Texas A & M

Reveille IX was officially announced by Texas A & M University on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 and assumed her role on May 9, 2015. Reveille IX was donated by Marcy and Mike Fine of Overland Collies. Based in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, a Cleveland suburb. Reveille maintains a Twitter following where she tweets about 'her aggies'.

Reveille is officially cared for by Corps of Cadets Company E-2, known as the “mascot company”, and the 1959 successor to A Quartermaster Co. A Sophomore in the unit is designated the “mascot corporal” and has ultimate responsibility for her care. Reveille accompanies the mascot corporal everywhere, including to class and on dates.

Reveille is considered a cadet general and the highest ranking member in the Corps of Cadets. To designate her rank, Reveille wears five diamonds on her maroon and white blanket. Freshmen cadets are required to address her as “Miss Rev, ma’am. Reveille is the only canine on campus, other than service animals, that is permitted to enter any campus building. It is a widely held tradition that if Reveille decides to sleep on a cadet’s bed, that cadet is required to sleep on the floor. However, in reality, she is constantly under the care of her handler and is not permitted to freely roam the dormitory or campus. This tradition is likely applied only to the first Reveille. By tradition, if she barks in class, that session is cancelled. Reveille has her own cell phone, operated by the mascot corporal, and her own student identification card.



Texas A&M maintains a cemetery on campus where all of the past Reveilles are buried. Reveilles I through IV were buried side by side in a small cemetery in front of Kyle Field with their noses and paws pointed so that they could look through the north tunnel and see the stadium scoreboard. This way, “they can always watch the Aggies outscore their opponent on the field.

In 1997, the university decided to expand Kyle Field and build the Bernard C. Richardson Zone at the north end of the stadium. This necessitated the removal of the cemetery. After meeting with representatives of the Traditions Council, Student Senate and E-2, the athletic department decided to create a temporary cemetery across the street in Cain Park. Upon completion of the stadium addition in 1999, the graves were relocated to a permanent cemetery at the new tree lined Richardson Zone Plaza. Since the recent additions blocked the gravesites' view of Kyle Field, a miniature scoreboard was constructed on the outside of the stadium so that the dead mascots can still watch the Aggies play.

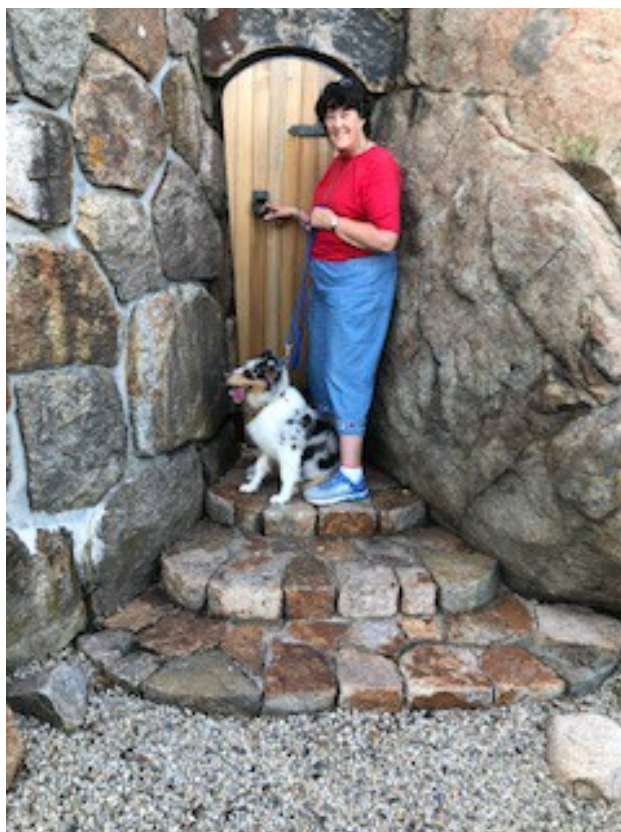


Can you name the co-breeder of Reveille?
(hint-She is a current member of CCME)
Unscramble the letters below to reveal her kennel name! Don't get
Caught between a rock and a hard place!!!!

S-A-O-C-V-S-N-E-H-L-O-L-I-T-N-E-E
Thanks to Joan Scialdone for inspiring the research!

Member Updates

Jazz (and Joan) came to Manchester by the Sea for a first play date together -- by the sea, of course. They hit it off famously and are already the best of friends! Joan and Martha enjoyed a good chat along the shoreline walk with Gloucester in the background.



Roma's many interests include beach walks, sailing and gardening. She loves supervising Roy's tasting of our sweet cherry tomatoes, and also keeps watch over the garden deck beans. She's good company whatever she's doing! – *Martha Mayne*





Nina completed her NJP with first and second placements. If she looks as if she's sassing me in this photo... well, that's what she does! Nina is Riverrun Galatean Full Tilt, RN, ACT2, CGC, RATO, HRAT, TKN, HIC, NJP



With the Solon collies on our minds lately, you might be interested in the true story of a rescued dog and his transition to a happy life. Ryan Jo Summers wrote *Ty's Journey: Sharing the Lessons, Life, and Love of My Adopted PTSD Collie* after adopting Ty.

In March 2015, nine collies were rescued from a hoarding situation in Tennessee. Because their number could make a baseball team, the dogs were named after baseball players. Ty was named for Ty Cobb.

Ryan Jo had been through her own traumas – divorce, health problems, and the closing of her collie rescue. Ten years later she had reclaimed her life, and was ready for another collie.

“So I really understood the broken dog I saw before me at the Collie Rescue that warm March day. The shutdown emotions, the blank-eyed stare, the dejected spirit. Yet I also recognized the flicker of a survivor. And I saw his heart. What a great heart this animal had! I just didn't know if I was the person

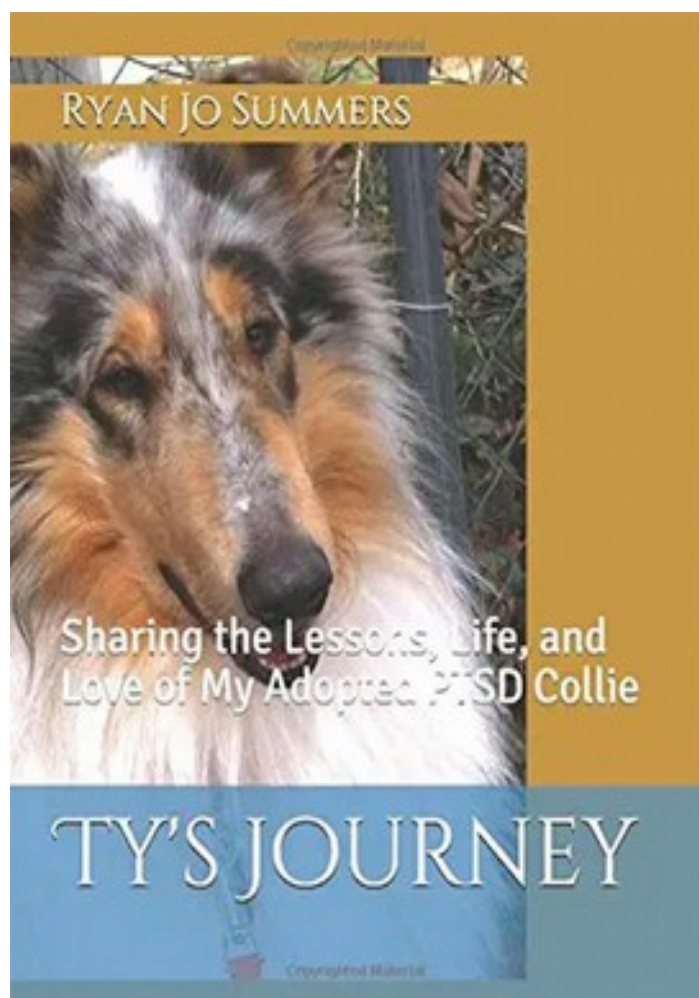
to help him. Not anymore. I felt his devastation too keenly, mirroring my own buried sorrows. How could I help him through it?"

The book begins with a frightened dog who kept his tail tucked, avoided eye contact and whose safe place was a tiny space between the kitchen wall and a cabinet. Although Ty's progress felt agonizingly slow at times, he gradually came out of his shell. Because this is written as a diary, the story felt as if I was there in real time.

Ryan Jo admits that she's camera-crazy. The book is full of her photos of Ty and one of the things that struck me as I leafed through the pages was how different Ty was from the first pages to the last. Just by looking at the photos I could see the change from a wary, fearful dog to a much more confident collie with a smile. And that's what we wish for the Solon dogs.

A portion of each sale of this book goes to the Collie Rescue of the Carolinas. I found my copy on Amazon for \$12.95 a few years ago. There's a Kindle version, too. It's a good-sized book of 182 pages with lots of photos. I think that it's available from www.ryanjosummers.com, too.

Anne Lively



And here's a fun portrait that I had made of Vita:



COLLIE CLUB OF MAINE, INC.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____

E-Mail: _____

Occupation: _____

Information on dogs you currently own:

Do you belong to other dog clubs?

If so, which clubs:

Are you currently a member of the Collie Club of America?

Are you willing to serve on committees and/or assist at club events?

What is your main reason for wishing to join the Collie Club of Maine:

Please indicate your interests in order of preference (1= Most important)

AGILITY() CONFORMATION() OBEDIENCE() RALLY()
RESCUE() COMMITTEES() BREEDING() EDUCATION()
TRACKING() HERDING() EVENTS() THERAPY DOG ()

Please attach a paragraph introducing yourself, family and dogs. This information may be used in our Newsletter to introduce you.

Applicants must attend 1 CCME function and at least one club meeting.

I have read and agreed to abide by the code of Ethics, the Constitution and By-Laws of the club, and the Regulations and Code of Sportsmanship of the American Kennel Club. I am not currently under AKC suspension. Falsification of this application may result in refusal of or termination of membership.

Your Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of Sponsor #1 _____ Signature: _____

Name of Sponsor #2 _____ Signature: _____

Membership and Dues:

_____ \$15.00 Adult (18 and over with full club privileges)

_____ \$25.00 Family (Up to 18 years, 2 adults, same address, active __ associate __)

_____ \$10.00 Associate (Adult members, may attend club functions, but retain no voting or award privileges, will receive the Newsletter.)

_____ \$5.00 Junior (Under 18, recommended by member relative, non-voting.)

Please submit your application, membership dues and attachments to Membership Committee Chair, Barbara Halloran, 59 Gross Neck Road, Waldoboro, Maine 04572

Thank you for your interest in joining the Collie Club of Maine

From Your Humble Editor...

Don't forget to save brags, photos, and other fun Collie stuff for the newsletter! You can send me anything at my3seadogs@yahoo.com.

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