



Irish Setter Club of Michigan

News and Views

October 2011



From our Editor

GREETINGS FELLOW MEMBERS!

"Ya just gotta have faith" one hears more than once in a lifetime. Those words ring so true especially in the case of the recent Specialty when the day of the "BIG EVENT" the dreaded word rain was predicted. Yes, it had rained on and off most of the week in some areas and actually the wet stuff came down the day and night before the show at the fairgrounds. HOWEVER, come the day of the show the weather was specially ordered for Irish Setters and there was blue sky that shined down on their mahogany red coats. I have to say that even the yellow and rose mums sparkled hanging on their shepherd's hook. Far cry from previous years when they were tossed in the air from a strong wind.

The number of exhibitors was down a bit but spirits were high and fellowship was strong and it was great to see some of our regular spectators just come to visit even though they were dogless.



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A number of people should be thanked for their dedication and hard work and many of these members wear more than one hat. Our President, Martina Friedeberg has the biggest job of all just keeping all of us on our toes. Special thanks to Show Chairperson, Dave Schafer and Obedience Chairperson, Karol Sutherland for taking on this huge responsibility. Many thanks also to all the other worker bees who helped put on a great show, Hospitality - Frank and Belinda Booth and Carol Lebtich, judges hospitality - Dan Graham, Awards and Trophies - Karen Lynch, Raffle - Barbara Popyk, Jackie Shelest, our ring steward and Janet Parker, our grounds chairperson. I realize there are even more willing "behind the scene" volunteers who we should thank and kudos to all the people who helped us raise more than \$700 for Rescue.

The show was dedicated to the memory of Sharon Rice, one of our long time dedicated members who will always be remembered. We are also honoring Sharon, in memorium in this newsletter.

Many thanks,

Barbara Riegle, Editor



IN MEMORIUM - A TRIBUTE TO OUR SPECIAL FRIEND
SHARON M. RICE
SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

Member of the Irish Setter Club of America and the Irish Setter Club of Michigan, Sharon Rice passed on after a valiant struggle with cancer. The Irish Setter Club of Michigan has lost a true, devoted friend of our club and of the Irish Setter. Sharon will always be remembered for all her ideas and hard work she gave selflessly to the club.

Because some of the younger members of the club do not know Sharon and her breeding program, we thought it would be appropriate to include some information that was included in the "The Official Book of the Irish Setter". This wonderful book was written by Connie Vanacore with contributions from many members and breeders of the ISCA. This book is a valuable resource and one can trace the accomplishments of breeders of the past and present.

Sharon Rice and Cynthia Mahan Kullik, are the founders and breeders of the Milesian Kennel. Sharon's first Irish Setter was purchased in 1965 from Joanne Hurd of Apacheacre Kennels. CH Sharon's Sweet Molly Malone AM. CAN. CDX was to become the foundation of Milesian and began the lifelong love and commitment to this breed. Molly was bred twice, first in 1967 to CH Argo Lane Mike O'Rourke to produce Milesian Wisp of the Wind, ROM, foundation bitch for the Kellwind Kennels of Jim and Jean Shannon. "Windy" was the dam of three field champions from her one litter.

In 1970, Molly was bred to CH Muckamoore Candia Audie, and with this litter the partnership with Cindy Mahan was begun and the kennel prefix Milesian was registered. Of note in this litter were CH Milesian's Merrie Meighan CDX VC and Milesian's Masquerader CD. Meighan produced three litters, she was bred to CH Tirvelda Earl of Harewood, producing CH Melisian's Peg O' My Heart, Milesian Royal Flush and Milesian's Merry Maura, owned by Lynne Mehring. Meighan also produced champions when bred to CH Tirvelda Distant Drummer in 1975 and CH Courtwood Spring Son in 1978. Milesian Spring Fantasy was a good producer for Milesian and when she was bred to CH Shangrila Star Gazer she produced 3 champions. Sharon retired from active breeding after this last litter but Cindy continues the Milesian tradition.

May the shamrocks fall softly, dear Sharon and may all of your loving redheads welcome you home.



IN MEMORIAM - A TRIBUTE TO OUR SPECIAL FRIEND

SHARON M. RICE

SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

Sharon was the essence of the Irish Setter Club of Michigan. She wore many hats over the years in service to our wonderful Irish Setters. The list is endless! Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family. May the Shamrocks fall softly Dear Sharon and may all of your loving redheads welcome you home! *Martina Friedeberg*



Very sad to hear of the passing of Sharon Rice, all ways enjoyed visiting with her at the ISCA Nationals. May the Shamrocks fall softly. *Diana Hunter*



Sharon Rice was very instrumental in helping the Michigan English Setter Club during the 90's. She took on the job Show Supper at our specialties and at our National in 95. May she rest In peace and may the shamrocks forever fall softly. *Paul-Leo Paquin*



Thanks for letting us know about Sharon. We loved her dearly. *Carey Clark* (in South Lyon, MI, just around the corner from Sharon's old house here)



I tried to let the members of our club know at our specialty this weekend about Sharon's passing - all agreed she was a wonderful woman. *Lynda Chase*



Oh, no! I am so very sorry to hear this. Sharon Rice was one of the nicest people in Irish. She enjoyed stewarding at specialties and at the National, and was always courteous and unflappable. May the shamrocks fall softly for Sharon. My condolences to her family and friends. *Marty Siegrist*



It is with great sadness that I read this, I've known Sharon since I was a kid and she had a sister to my mother's Sally. I have helped Sharon a number of times in the ring as a junior, showing whoever she threw a lead at me. <grinning> But I missed seeing her at the specialties these last years, and will miss her knowledge, and great organizational skills. *Jodi Hurd-Cavanagh*, Apacheacre Setters, Marion, MI



ISCM CALENDAR OF EVENTS

CLUB MEETING - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH
7:00 P.M. DINNER, 8:00 P.M. MEETING

OLIVE GARDEN
Novi Town Center
43300 Crescent Blvd.
Novi, MI 48375
248-348-4279
96 & Novi Rd.



Grand Championship Points Ranking

Points Ranking for **Michigan Setter (Irish)**

Today's Date: October 23, 2011

Rank	Dog Name	Sex	GCH Points
No. 1	GCH CH Rosette's No Stone Unturned	Dog	98
No. 2	GCH CH Beaubriar In Cahoots With Erin	Bitch	24
	GCH CH Avon Farm Lost In The Fog	Dog	24
No. 4	CH Bluerose Phantasmagorical	Dog	10
	GCH CH Trahern Krystal Moon	Bitch	10
	CH Red Hat Romancing The Stone	Bitch	10
No. 7	CH Regalaire Sweet Temptation RAE2	Dog	7
No. 8	CH Orchard Farm N Silkroad Fletch	Dog	6
No. 9	CH Trahern Trueblue Spirit JH	Bitch	5
No. 10	CH Regalaire Sweet Deal For Marymik	Bitch	3
No. 11	CH Rockherin Encore To Jewelset	Dog	2
No. 12	CH Bluerose One For The Money	Bitch	1

This ranking report is based on number of Grand Championship points earned and may include dogs who have not yet completed the requirements to earn the Grand Championship title.



AWARDS BANQUET 2012

The Awards Banquet will now be held at our March meeting. The list of awards and applications will be published in the December News & Views. The information is also published on our web site: irishsetterclubofmichigan.com. **Deadline to apply for awards will be Valentine's Day, Tuesday, February 14, 2012.** This gives you several weeks to get together your wins for 2011. *Please let us know if you are no longer able to sponsor an award or if you wish to sponsor an award that is not currently being sponsored.*

Thanks, Barbara Popyk & Toni Whipple, Awards Chairpersons

Show News

IRISH SETTER CLUB OF MICHIGAN SPECIALTY - 9/24/2011

Rockherin Access To Success - **Best In Sweeps**, Kathryn Wheatley, Debra Davis, Susan Schafer

Cairncross Peel Me A Grape - **Best of Opposite In Sweeps**, Renette Berggren

CH Rockherin Encore To Jewelset - **BEST JUNIOR HANDLER**, Hanna Hallett

Evergreen Fashion Statesman - **Puppy 9-12 mo. dog**, Greg and Cindy Galieti

Mariah Good Timin' Man - **12-18 mo. dog**, Kathryn Finnegan and Joseph Duggan

Sacred's Aiden Of Trahern - **BBX dog**, Belinda Booth

Regalaire Prince Of The Palace - **Am Bred dog**, Barbara J. Riegle

Orchard Farm N Silkroad Fletch - **Open dog**, Michael Vossen, Mary Klinck, Debra Davis

WINNERS DOG - Orchard Farm N Silkroad Fletch

RESERVE WINNERS DOG - Regalaire Prince Of The Palace

Cairncross Peel Me A Grape - **Puppy 6-12 mo. bitch**, Renette Berggren

Cobblestone Made For Mischief - **Puppy 12-18 mo. bitch**, Diane Carl

Jewelset's Intoxicating - **BBX bitch**, Sharon Reilly, Julie Waters, Kim Velletri

Mi Jean's Released Inhibitions - **Amateur Owner Handler**, Antoinette Whipple, Jean Johnson, Karen Lynch

Ruggles O'Redcaps Sugar Magnolia - **Am Bred Bitch**, Judy McAtee, Cheryl Grega, Jodi Hurd-Cavanaugh

Cherryhill Moon and Stars - **Open Bitch**, Barbara and Ed Mooney

WINNERS BITCH - Jewelset's Intoxicating

RESERVE WINNERS BITCH - Cherryhill Moon & Stars

BEST OF BREED - CH Rosette's No Stone Unturned

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX - CH Redhat Romancing The Stone

BEST Of WINNERS, BEST BBX - Jewelset's Intoxicating

BEST PUPPY - Cairncross Peel Me A Grape

BEST VETERAN - CH Courtwood Samaritan

SELECT DOG - CH Regalaire Sweet Temptation

SELECT BITCH - CH Killurin's Scarlet Ruffian

AOM - CH Cairncross Hits The High Note, CH Shadowmere's Sentimental Journey

IRISH SETTER CLUB OF MICHIGAN SPECIALTY - 9/25/2011

Cobblestone Made For Mischief - **Best In Sweeps**, Diane Carl

Mariah Good Timin' Man - **Best Of Opposite In Sweeps**, Kathryn Finnegan and Joseph Duggan

CH Rockherin Encore To Jewelset - **BEST JUNIOR HANDLER**, Hanna Hallett

Evergreen Fashion Statesman - **9-12 mo. dog**, Greg and Cindy Galieti

Mariah Good Timin' Man - **12-18 mo. dog**, Kathryn Finnegan and Joseph Duggan

Sacred's Aiden of Trahern - **BBX dog**, Belinda Booth

Cherryhill Over The Moon - **Am Bred dog**, Karen and Sam Lause, Ed. and Barbara Mooney

Orchard Farm N Silkroad Fletch - **Open Dog**, Michael Vossen, Mary Klinck, Debra Davis

WINNERS DOG - Orchard Farm N Silkroad Fletch

RESERVE WINNERS DOG - Mariah Good Timin' Man

Cairncross Peel Me A Grape - **6-9 mo. bitch**, Renette Berggren

Cobblestone Made For Mischief - **12-18 mo. bitch**, Diane Carl

Jewelset's Intoxicating - **BBX bitch**, Sharon Reilly, Julie Waters, Kim Velletri

Mi Jean's Released Inhibitions - **Amateur Owner Handler**, Antoinette Whipple, Jean Johnson, Karen Lynch

Ruggles O'Redcaps Sugar Magnolia - **Am Bred Bitch**, Judy McAtee, Cheryl Grega, Jodi Hurd-Cavanaugh

Killurin Paws For Reflection - **Open Bitch**, Karen Lynch, Mary Laturie, Lynn Macchio

BEST OF BREED - CH Shadowmere's Sentimental Journey

BEST OF OPPOSITE SEX - CH Rosette's No Stone Unturned

BEST OF WINNERS - Cobblestone Made For Mischief

BEST BBX - Jewelset's Intoxicating

BEST VETERAN - CH Courtwood Samaritan

BEST PUPPY - Evergreen Fashion Statesman

SELECT DOG - CH Regalaire Sweet Temptation

SELECT BITCH - CH Killurin's Scarlet Ruffian

AOM - CH Cairncross Hits The High Note,
- CH Milesian Special Delivery



Show News

IRISH SETTER CLUB OF MICHIGAN SPECIALTY - 9/25/2011

Hi Martina, Just a note to thank you and your clubs for having me judge your trials. My wife and I had a great time and thank you for the lovely gifts. It was much appreciated. Thanks Again, *Del Lunn*



Well I am home after a great weekend in Michigan. I want to thank all the hard workers for putting on another great show. For those of you that have never gone to this show - I think next year you should make plans to attend. It is held at the Wayne county fairgrounds in Belleville, Mi. Plenty of room outside and large (almost too large!) flat rings & a large room to set up & groom. There was a free breakfast and a wonderful lunch for only \$6.

The best part was seeing so many of my friends that I never get to see. I wanted to thank everyone for being so friendly to my friends from Japan. They said to tell you they did manage to get ALL the goodies stuffed in their suitcases that they won in the raffle!! Thanks again for a great weekend. Oh and whoever ordered the great weather-- THANKS ! *Sharon Reilly*



Regalaire Prince Of The Palace, Barbara J Riegler, **Reserve BIS**, Ann Arbor Kennel Club, **UKC**, 8/27/11

Regalaire A Reason To Celebrate, Barbara J Riegler, **Group 1**, Belleville, 9/18/11, **UKC**, **NEW CHAMPION!!!**

MONROE KENNEL CLUB, 10/1/11

Cherryhill Over The Moon, **WD**, Karen and Samantha Lause & Ed. and Barbara Mooney, **3 pt. major!!!!** Congratulations

MONROE KENNEL CLUB, 10/2/11

Regalaire A Reason To Celebrate, **RWD**, Barbara J Riegler



I'm overjoyed to brag that my boy, Korrie, Cherryhill Over the Moon, went WD at the Monroe Show last Saturday for a 3pt. major. He now needs one more major to get his championship.

He's come a long way from last year when he was so ill with a bleeding gastric ulcer. He has turned around so positively.

After a recuperation period he started back on the show circuit this summer under the expert handling of Lindsey Kuhn with only 3 points and now is one win away from his championship. The best part is seeing how happy he is in the show ring and excited to be going to the shows.

I had so many well wishes from people on this list when Korrie was ill last year, I just wanted to share this success story with everyone.

Thanks for listening. *Karen Lause and Korrie (IS)*



Ann finished Sailor's **RAE 2** on Saturday and got another leg on Sunday—Jazzy was **High Combined (Open B & Utility B)** on Sunday and also got a leg each day towards her RA title. At the Fort Detroit Wire Haired Pointer Specialty (and all breed obedience) on Sept. 29th Jazzy took **High in Trial and High Combined** with a score of **393.5** out of a possible 400 pts. She finished her **OM** (obedience master) 6 title on Sept. 30th at Monroe. She has been invited to the Eukanuba/AKC National Obedience Invitational for the last 3 years—this year, since the Invitational is closer (Orlando Florida instead of Long Beach California, I decided to enter her. Paul Martini is also taking Caedmon and, to my knowledge, we will be the only two Irish Setters at the competition—keep your fingers crossed for us. Thanks, *Dan Graham*



SPECIAL RAFFLE FOR RESCUE

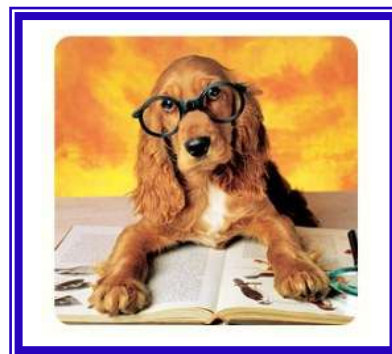
Thanks to Mary Laturie for selling raffle tickets on Saturday. We made \$125.00. On Sunday, with the help again of Mary Laturie, Rick and Lauren Beagle, Vickie Castiglione and Cathy Jones we made \$775.00. A total of \$900.00. We had some awesome items and thanks to those who donated items and to those who bought tickets.

I missed my co-chair, Pat Sawin this year but she reassured me she will back on board next year. Her husband, Herb, had abdominal aneurysm surgery the Monday following of our Specialty. I just talked to Pat and Herb is recovering slowly but surely. They are awaiting for the doctors okay before they can go to Florida and recuperate in the warm sun. Pat thanked the club for the card and all the emails. We all wish Herb a full recovery. Thanks, *Barb Popyk*



DID YOU KNOW . . . ?

Former member and friend, Linda Hardy has recently had a brain aneurysm . According to Cathy Jones, she is making a little progress but will be in the hospital for several weeks. Linda needs our Setter Zen to help her get through this ordeal. Please contact Cathy Jones or Barbara Popyk for contact information.



BREAKING MEDICAL NEWS - NEW FORM OF PRA

New Developments

There have been recent breaking developments in the UK about a new form of PRA in the Irish Setter, a late onset form of PRA rcd4, also referred to as LOPRA. This research has been done by Dr. Cathryn Mellersh and her team at the Animal Health Trust in the UK.

ISCA will be sponsoring cheek swab clinics at specialties around the country in October and at the National Field Trial in Booneville, AR. Its purpose is to determine the incidence in North America of a newly discovered form of PRA that is affecting 30-40% of the Irish setters in the UK called rcd4, or LOPRA (Late Onset PRA).

The ISCA website contains breaking news and developments about how the research is unfolding. The link to the Animal Health Trust site on the ISCA website has an overview of PRA as well.

Testing is done via cheek swab and will cost \$55 which includes collection and shipping to the UK. Forms will be available on the ISCA website to fill out before the clinic. It would be very helpful if you would email the person listed as clinic contact person so that we have a sense of how many owners and breeders will avail themselves of the clinics.

Should you have a Gordon Setter that you would like tested we are happy to include them in the clinic at the same price. For more information on the clinics, contact Anne Marie Kubacz at: rsetter@att.net

For more information on rcd4, consult the ISCA website Health current research page which will also have a link to a complete list of clinics:
http://www.irishsetterclub.org/current_research.html.

UPDATE ON TESTING FOR NEW FORM OF PRA TESTING INFORMATION

As part of our effort to determine the incidence of a newly discovered form of PRA in the Irish Setter in the United States. ISCA is sponsoring cheek swab clinics to test for rcd4, Late Onset PRA, at the venues listed below over the next 3 weeks. Cost to participate is \$55 per dog.

For more information about rcd4, consult the ISCA website:
http://www.irishsetterclub.org/current_research.html

As Health Chair, I have been asked by many of you how to decide which dogs to test. Here are my suggestions:

Consider testing any stud dog that has been used more than once or a young dog that you believe may be used at stud. This will help you and all the breeders who have used your dog once the research is published and peer reviewed about the heritability of rcd4. Consider testing any bitch that you plan to breed over the next 12-18 months. Consider testing any dog or bitch that you own, to help support this ground breaking research.

The greater the variety of bloodlines and ages of dogs from puppies to veterans that we have tested and the greater the number of samples we get, the more significant the data becomes.

Our path is so much simpler than years ago when to participate in PRA research, breeders had to test breed stock! DNA research has made it possible to every Irish setter owner and breeder to play a role in determining the incidence and significance of this emerging issue.

Once we have a significant cross-section of dogs and bitches from bloodlines across the US, and Dr. Mellersh's paper is peer reviewed and published, we will have a better idea of what the next steps should be.

Thank you to the owners & exhibitors at the shows in NY, CT and TX who participated in our first clinics, where we have gotten almost 50 total samples in the first 8 days of testing!

A listing of the upcoming clinics is provided below:

10/28/11

ISC Greater Richmond
Glen Allen, PA
Anne Marie Kubacz
rsetter@att.net

10/29/11

Potomac ISC with Middleburg KC
Leesburg, VA
Anne Marie Kubacz
rsetter@att.net

10/30/11

ISC Lower Susquehanna
Reinholds, PA
Anne Marie Kubacz
rsetter@att.net

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TESTING INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

11/4-5-6/11

ISCA National Field Trial

Booneville AR

Anne Marie Kubacz

rsetter@att.net

Cannot get to a Clinic? You can order a testing kit directly from the Animal Health Trust. ISCA's discount period (20% discount) is October 24 to November 6. Here's how to do it:

You can apply online to have a cheek swab sent directly to you from the Animal Health Trust website. ISCA has arranged a 2 week period where Irish setter owners will get 20% discount from the normal price; your final cost will be 32 pounds GB sterling for those samples shipped to the USA. The discount period will be in effect from Oct 24th to Nov 6th.

The code is WUOYU1022.

The code on the Animal Health Trust Webshop is <http://www.ahtdnatesting.co.uk>

The specific link for the rcd4 test for Irish setters is: http://www.ahtdnatesting.co.uk/canine_tests/irish_setter

Follow all the initial instructions to sign up for a kit to be sent to you. There are 4 steps. At Step 4 (Owner Info), just below the word Checkout there is an orange box with ADD A COUPON written.

Click on that box and you go to a page called Shopping Basket where there is a space to add a Promotional Code. Put the code in the box and click on the words ADD A COUPON in the orange box next to it. Click on RECALCULATE in the orange box to get the price with the Discount Code.

Follow the detailed instructions for taking the sample provided with the kit. Drying time is important. Allow 30-60 minutes if possible. Longer is fine. Using a piece of floral foam from the dollar store to hold the swabs while drying has worked great, with a post it note or slip of paper with a hole for the swabs, so they are identified while you are drying if you are doing multiple dogs. You can dry them in a glass or mug as long as nothing touches the swab tips that you've used on the dog.

Ship the samples directly back to the Animal Health Trust, via Fed Ex International, or any courier that handles international express shipments. There is a line where you identify what is in the shipment. Write in "DNA Testing Kit, canine." The Animal Health Trust address is on the instruction sheet sent with the swabs, envelope and application. You can send it 2nd day air, it is not necessary to ship it for next day delivery.

If you have any questions, please contact me at rsetter@att.net

Anne Marie Kubacz

ISCA Health Chair

BACTERIAL DISEASE OUTBREAK THREATENS METRO DETROIT ANIMALS

Carole Bolin, director of MSU's Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health. Photo by Kurt Stepnitz.

MSU Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health, MSU College of Veterinary Medicine. **Published: Oct. 27, 2011**

EAST LANSING, Mich. — More than 20 cases of the life-threatening bacterial infection leptospirosis have been reported in Detroit-area dogs in the past three weeks, according to Michigan State University's Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health.

Experts at the MSU center, a service unit of the College of Veterinary Medicine, diagnosed the specific strain of the disease, which can cause fatal damage to dogs and can be transmitted to humans.

In most cases, the dogs were not vaccinated against leptospirosis, or they had an uncertain vaccination history. Because this particular type of leptospirosis is associated with contact with rats, stray dogs are typically thought to be at highest risk.

"What is particularly unusual about this outbreak is that the dogs affected are not stray animals, but people's pets," said Carole Bolin, director of the Diagnostic Center. "Unfortunately, we expect to see more cases, and this is a very dangerous type of leptospirosis. Many veterinarians have never seen this type in dogs because it was markedly reduced by vaccination."

Bolin and her team performed diagnostic testing and identified the particular strain of infection as icterohaemorrhagiae, which can cause severe disease in humans and animals. It is commonly carried by rats but also can be transmitted dog-to-dog or dog-to-human. Bolin is aware of nine dogs that died or were euthanized as a result of the disease, but there may be others.



Did You Know . . .?

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BACTERIAL DISEASE OUTBREAK THREATENS METRO DETROIT ANIMALS (CONTINUED)

“The Diagnostic Center became involved because of our experience, expertise and our desire to help the public,” Bolin said. “Our diagnosis helped identify this relatively rare strain, and the samples we tested will provide teaching tools for our students and residents so they will recognize this disease in the future.”

Leptospirosis spreads by infected wild and domestic animals. The bacteria (*leptospira*) that infects these animals can reside in their kidneys, and the host animal may or may not appear ill. They contaminate their environment with living leptospira when they urinate. Pets can become infected by sniffing this urine or by contacting standing water that becomes contaminated by rain and water runoff.

The bacteria spread rapidly through an animal’s blood stream, usually causing fever, depression and vomiting. The bacteria also attack the liver and kidneys, which can lead to organ failure.

“This is a very serious, rapidly progressing type of leptospirosis in dogs,” Bolin said. “Dogs can appear normal one day and be severely ill the next day. People can become infected, so this also is a threat to animal owners, caretakers and veterinarians.”

In the 1980s, Bolin’s mentor Alex Thiermann conducted studies on the high leptospirosis prevalence in the rat and dog population in Detroit. Leptospirosis caused by *icterohaemorrhagiae* was identified as a cause of human cases and as a common infection in rats and stray dogs. The prevalence of leptospirosis dropped significantly after the conditions predisposing to large rat populations were corrected.

Also, a leptospirosis vaccine was routinely administered to dogs, greatly diminishing the number of cases. As cases of disease in dogs decreased and because of the vaccine’s potential for adverse reactions, vaccine use diminished and it no is longer given to all dogs. However, Bolin said this outbreak demonstrates that leptospirosis remains a significant risk for dogs.

“There is something we can do now to prevent this disease and that is to vaccinate,” she said. “Dog owners need to contact their veterinarian to get more information regarding vaccination.”

MSU’s Diagnostic Center for Population and Animal Health has become one of the country’s premier veterinary diagnostic laboratories, handling more than 220,000 cases involving approximately 1.5 million tests annually.

EDUCATION, RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNERSHIP

On Saturday, September 17th our club participated in Responsible Dog Ownership Day at the Ruff and Stuff Pet Fest at Halmich Park in Warren, Michigan. Karol Southerland and her friend talked to people as they passed our booth. Puppy buyers of Diane Carl’s, Mick Lisi (Dahlia) and Sylvia Paddy (Murphy), walked their dogs around the park being stopped frequently with questions. What great ambassadors for our breed. Our booth was next to Sportsmen’s Dog Training Club. We were able to refer any obedience questions to them. Sportsmen’s had an agility and rally demonstration attracting a large crowd. Sylvia Paddy’s Murphy participated in the agility demonstration and did our breed proud.

Everyone had a great time. We are looking forward to participating in Responsible Dog Ownership Day again next year. Thanks again for the help. *Barb Popyk, Education Chairperson*



IRISH SETTER CLUB OF MICHIGAN MINUTES

Sunday, August 14, 2011
12:45 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order by President, Martina Friedberg at Hollywood Dinner, G3366 Corunna Road, Flint, Michigan, Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 8:05 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Dave Schafer, Martina Friedberg, Janet Parker, Jackie Shelest, Karol Southerland, Barb Popyk, Vickie Castiglione, Ann Graham, Toni Whipple

III. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes Dave Schafer, Seconded Vickie Castiglione. Minutes approved.

IV. REPORTS

Secretary Report – Jackie Shelest

Jackie reported that the hunt test material have been received and she has begun preparations for the premium.

Treasurer's Report – Paul Martini/Janet Parker

Paul distributed the register report and finance statement through Janet Parker as he was not able to attend the meeting.

Obedience Report – Dan Graham/Ann Graham

Ann reported that both Dan and Paul Martini have been doing well with their dogs. They were unable to attend the meeting as they were both at an obedience match.

Education Report - Barb Popyk

Barb reported that this year ISCM will be participating in the Puff n Stuff Pet Fest instead of doing the RDO at our specialty. This event meets our clubs education requirement.

Cards and Flowers – Toni Whipple

No report.

News and Views Report – Barb Riegle

No report.

Rescue Committee Report – Ann Graham

Ann reported that there are currently no dogs in rescue!

Field Report – Janet Parker

Janet reminded everyone that the fall Hunt Test will be held on October 8th and Jackie Shelest is the secretary.

Membership Report – Vicki Castiglione

Membership renewal forms have been emailed out with a few being sent as requested via US Mail. Next year we plan to put the membership renewals in the July News & Views as well as ballots for officers. Debbie Davis has sponsored a new member, her name is Eileen Blackmer. She has submitted a family membership for Eileen, Fred and their son William Blackmer.

There was a first reading of this membership at the August meeting. Martina Friedberg has sponsored two new members and she has submitted a membership form for Tom Greyeriehl and Pam Sommers. This was considered their first reading and a vote will take place at the November meeting.

Motion to approve membership of Eileen, Fred and their son William Blackmer was made by Karol Southerland. Seconded by Janet Parker. Motion passed.

Special Events Report – Mary Laturie

Nothing to report.

Show Chair Report – Martina Friedberg

Martina Friedberg said that everything has been approved for the Specialty. We are looking for people to help with hospitality, raffle, grounds, setup on Friday, etc. Please contact Martina if you are able to help in any area. Martina and Jackie Shelest will be ring stewards for the breed ring. Dan Graham will be take charge of the judges hospitality. Karol Sutherland has volunteered to be the obedience ring steward.

Awards and Trophies- Karen Lynch/Martina Friedberg

Martina shared that awards and trophies were a work in progress. Some of the items are toys, embroidered towels and gift cards. Any and all donations will be gratefully accepted.

Raffle - Barb Popyk

Barb reported that the raffle donations are coming in, but she is looking for donations for the raffle. Please contact Barb and let her know what you will be donating so that it can be placed in the catalog, but she will take donations the day of the event it just won't be published in the catalog. Next year she would like to hold our raffle on Saturday and the 50/50 on Saturday too.

Hospitality-Belinda Booth/Martina Friedberg

Martina requested that people contact Belinda to let her know of donations of food, money, or time.

Catalog-Martina Friedberg

Martina said that we will be having a Patrons and Memorial page in our catalog. One dollar per line. Please get the information to Jan Ruggles as soon as possible.

Site-Toni Whipple

Toni said that she would check the site the day prior to event to ensure that the area is mowed and ready for our Specialty. Toni said she would bring coolers of water again this year. The building will be open at noon for setup.

V. OLD BUSINESS

Dave Schafer requested discussion regarding the Sharon Schafer memorial. He would like ISCM approval to contact AKC to see if they would be willing to allow our club to sponsor an annual award for junior handling at the National each year up to \$100. Sharon loved junior handling and he would like to see the funds





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from our raffle of the Virginia Perry Gardner piece go towards this type of memorial. Each year the junior handling award given out at the National would be from the ISCM in honor of Sharon M. Shafer. Dave will check with AKC, Fran Sloughy to see if the AKC would be interested. If they give their approval, Dave will write up the official memorial for the club to vote on at a future date. He will report back to us at the next meeting.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Officer and Board Seat Nominations

Nominations of Officers. The following slate of officers has been presented:

President - Martina Friedeberg

Vice President - Debbie Davis

Treasurer - Paul Martini

Secretary - Jackie Shelest

Nominations for Directors at large for the Board (two seats available)

Susan Schafer

Barb Popyk

Mary Laturie (declined)

As no one contested the slate of officers and Board seats, let the record show the slate of officers and Board seats is as presented.

ISCM Committees

Rescue: Dan & Ann Graham

Show Chair: Karen Lynch

Field Chair: Janet Parker

Membership: Vickie Castiglione

Education: Barb Popyk

Annual Awards: Barb Popyk & Toni Whipple

Breeder Referral: Martina Friedeberg

Cards & Flowers: Toni Whipple

Obedience: Dan Graham & Paul Martini

Show Trophies & Awards: Martina Friedeberg

News & Views: Barb Riegle, Editor; Jackie Shelest, Publisher

Special Events: Mary Laturie

Sharon Schafer Scholarship Committee: Dave Schafer, Paul Martini, Barb Popyk, Toni Whipple

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Vickie Castiglione. Seconded Barb Popyk.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

VI. BOARD MEETING CALL TO ORDER

Board meeting called to order by Martina Friedberg at 8:56 p.m.

Old Business

Bills payable - Jackie Shelest will be sending Paul bills for the newsletter and hunt test.

New Business

None.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:57 p.m. Motion by Vickie Castiglione. Seconded by Barb Popyk.

Hey Members - do you have a memorial, a brag, or an article that you would like to share with other members? Here is your chance. Please contact Barbara Riegle at 517-349-9848 or via Email barbara.riegle@comcast.net. We would love to have your information included in the News and Views.



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