

**Welshie Waggs**



**Southwest  
Welsh Springer Spaniel Club, Inc.**

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I understand that Welshie Waggs was the name used way back when... I thought it would be good to use until a new name is chosen.

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Our first and very small newsletter. With your help we can make our newsletter larger & more informative . Please send your Ideas, articles, pictures and?? to Linda at - [Welshie@luv2paint.com](mailto:Welshie@luv2paint.com)

## Letter From The President

Presidents message for Welsh Springer Spaniels 1st news letter

It has only been 16 months since we first gathered together at the June 2015 Sporting Dog Specialty to discuss forming a Regional Welsh Springer Spaniel Club. In this time our Club has accomplished many things we never thought could be done in such a short time: Incorporated in the State of California, the IRS issued our official tax I.D., the Parent Club (WSSCA) recognized as a Regional Club, we have a website, we have attracted new members, we have been chosen by the Parent Club to be the sponsoring club for the 2018 NATIONAL SPECIALTY, we have setup an electronic meeting system so all members can be present at all club meeting, WE HAVE A NEWSLETTER, we have setup the committees needed to operate a club (only 2 committee chairpersons positions still need a volunteers) and we have several other things in the works plus the continuation and/or changes to items that were in existence prior to forming a club. JOB WELL DONE BY EVERYONE.

Our Nominating Committee will soon be presenting the suggested nominees for election of New Officers and Director.

Gary Ilmanen will need help with the planning and execution for the upcoming 2018 National Specialty.

Volunteers are needed for the following committee: Heath Data & Educational Events. Most of our new committees also volunteers to help the Chairman of the committee. A list of committee chairman will be published with this news letter.

Finally, I would like to thank all members for the support and input I have received from you. Unfortunately due to a number of events in my life I find that I have not, for several months, been able to do the job you entrusted to me the way it needs to be done. You all need, no deserve a person who is not distracted by other things and events in their life to lead the club at this critical forming months of activity. Someone who has the time, energy and mental focus to do the job the way you deserve to have it done. Therefore, I hereby resign as President effective October 31, 2016

Sandy Bretto

### ***TidBits...***

Did you know, according to Patricia Kanan, President of the national Cavalier King Charles Spaniel club, the Welshie was used in the development of the red/white Cavalier King Charles Spaniel? Next time you see one see if you can see a Welshie in there...

Have a tidbit you would like to share, ***Please email to [welshie@luv2paint.com](mailto:welshie@luv2paint.com)***

The newsletter needs your input... no input no newsletter so please email your article to: ***[welshie@luv2paint.com](mailto:welshie@luv2paint.com)***

# **AKC Canine Health Foundation**

## **Announces Funding to Address Canine Thyroid Disease**

08/29/2016 - Reprinted from the Canine Health Foundation

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF), a nonprofit organization whose mission is to prevent, treat and cure diseases in all dogs, announces an exciting new grant that aims to address thyroid disease in dogs. Funding for this grant is made possible by the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA), a long-time partner of CHF.

Hypothyroidism is one of the most common endocrine disorders in adult dogs with a majority of cases caused by autoimmune thyroiditis (AIT). The dog's own immune system attacks the thyroid gland causing progressive, irreversible destruction of thyroid gland cells resulting in loss of thyroid hormone production. This disorder is similar to Hashimoto's thyroiditis, a leading cause of hypothyroidism in people.

Brian Petroff, DVM, PhD and Kent R. Refsal, DVM, PhD, of Michigan State University will study dogs with elevated thyroglobulin autoantibodies (TgAA) as a marker for early stage AIT. Identification of elevated TgAA with otherwise normal thyroid hormone concentrations is referred to as 'subclinical thyroiditis.' Dogs with subclinical thyroiditis are considered at risk of progression to hypothyroidism. It is assumed that while dogs with subclinical thyroiditis have increased TgAA, the rate of progression to hypothyroidism varies, and not all dogs with increased TgAA will become hypothyroid. Drs. Petroff and Refsal aim to more accurately define the proportion of dogs that subsequently develop hypothyroidism, and a progression timeline.

"Year after year, thyroid disease has been listed among the top ten parent club health concerns. The OFA is pleased to join our long-standing partner, the AKC Canine Health Foundation, and one of the country's leading endocrine labs at Michigan State University, in pursuing and funding this important research," said Eddie Dziuk, OFA chief operating officer.

"OFA continues to be a strong ally in our mission to improve the health and wellness of all dogs," said Dr. Diane Brown, CHF CEO. "Thyroid disease remains an important canine health concern, and this project will help us better understand the progression of thyroid disorders in dogs, with potential to improve understanding of the

# Member Spotlight

One of the things we will be having in this newsletter is an article on one of our members and their experiences with Welshies.

I had the opportunity to speak with Vicki Harshman this month. Vickie and her husband, Joe, live in Phoenix, Arizona.

Vickie, one of the premier breeders/owners of Welsh Springer Spaniels in the country, saw her first Welshie over 40 years ago. Love was immediate. One of her early Welshies came from Sylabru Kennels, owned by Sylvia and Bruce Sofreacre. Sylabru Seranado (Honeybear), was a happy dog. So happy in fact, that one of his judges told him to “quit trying to con me with that tail (happy, wagging tail)!”

While Vickie has had a good number of wonderful Welshies over the years, she has particularly fond memories of Day Dream Believer. Champion Dreamer (with breeder Sandy Ilmanen) did great in the confirmation ring. At a show in Tucson one of his judges told Vickie it would be a “cold day in hell before he placed one of these dogs as Group 1” and, as you can guess, Dreamer placed Group I. Not only did Dreamer have a Group I but also BEST OF SHOW!!!!

The first group of little Welshies arrived at the Harshman home on May 18, 1981. Out of this litter came Champion Lynlee’s Magnum Force. The legacy of Lynlee line has many aspects. One of the major aspects is gorgeous dogs with clean lines and a deep red color. It would be difficult to find a Welshie that doesn’t have Lynlee/Saga in the background.

The accolades of the Lynlee line are numerous and it must be said this line has created a whopping number of Champions and Grand Champions.

Vickie is totally an animal girl. Her current group is 9 Welshies, 2 cats (and several feral cats), 3 parrots, and 2 horses. Her Welshies are involved in many facets of showing including confirmation, ORT, barn hunt, field work and dock diving. Vickie has the belief you must keep a strong, intelligent dog mind involved or they can, and will, get into mischief.

We all know Welshies are stubborn, sweet, loving, and caring (not necessarily in this order). Vickie told me this is what makes them such a wonderful breed, great friend, and loving companion.

Vickie with CH Saga’s Day Dream Believer “Dreamer”

***Who would you like to see in the spot light?***

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At our last meeting, held at the Sporting Dog Specialty, the club approved a number of committees the club will need to become a fully operational organization. We would like members to volunteer to fill the open spaces. Many of these positions will not require a great deal of time once your systems and organization are complete. You also would be selecting the members of your committee.

COMMITTEE: CHAIRMAN/ COORDINATOR  
Historian JULIANNE KNELL

Acquire, catalog & maintain historically accurate files (beginning with June 2015) to include all club meetings, committee meetings, policy & procedure of the committees to carry out their job. This should include the first annual report of each committee listing the organization of the committee and instructions, step by step, on how the task assigned are organized.

The Supported Entries & licensed shows reports should include planning folders, reports of winners, written report of the event, and pictures (pictures should identified its' content).

Membership Chairman SHERRY PATTERSON

Maintain both historic & current membership, distribute current membership list to all members annually, publish new member update upon approval of as a member. Members complete address, phone numbers & email addresses. Please verify with members if it is O.K. to publish the street address, phone # & email to members only. Membership chairman or their appointee should compose a list useful information for all new members: List of Officers and contract data, website address, parent club web address & pedigree website & any other information that would be useful for new members.

Working Events Sandy Bretto

Working Events are: Obedience, Rally, Agility, Tracking, Field Training, Hunt Test, Eng Springer Field Trials, Barn Hunts, Nose Work, Organize & act as event chairman for all working events, may also act as training chairman for any classes for working events the club may want to sponsor or field trips to familiarize the members with events & training that are available to them in this area.

Organizing Show Entries SANDY BRETTO

Coordinate entries throughout the club territory

Quarterly Newsletter Editor LINDA KING

Publish quarterly Newsletter via either/or all by email, website or Facebook. Format and content will be determined after we get our feet wet with a few issues.

Health Data Open for volunteers

Gather health related articles such as food &/or plants that may be poisonous to your dog, info on shots recommended for your area, new vaccines, new or rare diseases, new treatments. Pass on any items labeled Health ALERT. A.K.C and many website are a good source of this information. Information can be distributed to members via the newsletter or website.

Judges Committee JANIICE BAXTER

At the instruction of the Event Chairman -Coordinate the selection of Judges for all conformation and working events. The committee should have at least 1 person showing in working events only and 1 person showing in breed events only. The only person allowed to contact potential breed judges will be he committee who does not show in breed. The only person allowed to contact working event judges will be the person who does not show in working events.

Website and Social Media Manager GARY ILMENAN

Setup, expand & maintain all electronic media

Electronic Meeting Coordinator JULIANNE KNELL & CATHY CRNKOVICH

Set up, train members and maintain electronic meetings

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Educational Events Coordinator

Open for volunteers

Gather educational material related to dogs. A.K.C and many website are a good source of this information. Information can be delivered to the membership via the Newsletter or the website.

Annual Awards – Position on hold until we start having Annual awards.

Fundraising and Raffle Chairman SHERRY PATTERSON

Responsible for all fund raising at shows, meeting, raffles, 50/50 raffles. Develop relationship with providers of animal supplies, animal-related products and artisans.

The committees will be responsible for further defining the responsibility of the committee and developing an operational manual for the committee.

All committees will be required to submit to the Historian: an annual report of the year's activities, committee Procedures & Practices (only revisions need be submitted after the first year), pictures if appropriate, etc.

Show results, pg1

Show/Event	Dates	AKC Name	Member Owner	Call Name	Results
Portland, OR	23-Jul	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Sandra Edwards-Zickrick & Gerald Carlton	Caden	BOS
Portland, OR	23-Jul	GCH Saga's Ruby Red	Sandra Ilmanen		BOB
Portland, OR	23-Jul	GCH Lynnlee's Sky High	Diane Grayson	Skyler	SEL
Portland, OR	24-Jul	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Sandra Edwards-Zickrick & Gerald Carlton	Caden	BOS
Portland, OR	24-Jul	GCH Saga's Ruby Red	Sandra Ilmanen		BOB
Portland, OR	24-Jul	GCH Lynnlee's Sky High	Diane Grayson	Skyler	SEL
Lampoc, CA	30-Jul	GCH Klass's Action Jackson	Treva & Monty Faires	Cadbury	BOB
Lampoc, CA	31-Jul	GCH Klass's Action Jackson	Treva & Monty Faires	Cadbury	BOB
Sequim, WA	30-Jul	Redsage Sun Shines Through the Rain at BriarRose	Brooke & Richard Thompson	Lola	WB/BW/BOS
Sequim, WA	30-Jul	Redsage Apres Ski	Brett Moquin & Brooke Thompson	Chance	WD
Sequim, WA	30-Jul	GCH Lynnlee's Sky High	Diane Grayson	Skyler	SEL/BOBOH
Sequim, WA	30-Jul	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Sandra Edwards-Zickrick & Gerald Carlton	Caden	BOB
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Sequim, WA	31-Jul	Redsage Apres Ski	Brett Moquin & Brooke Thompson	Chance	WD
Sequim, WA	31-Jul	GCH Lynnlee's Sky High	Diane Grayson	Skyler	SEL/BOBOH
Sequim, WA	31-Jul	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Sandra Edwards-Zickrick & Gerald Carlton	Caden	BOB
Santa Barbara, CA	26-Aug	GCH Klass's Action Jackson	Treva & Monty Faires	Cadbury	BOS
Santa Barbara, CA	26-Aug	GCH Saga's Ruby Red	Sandra Ilmanen		BOB
Santa Barbara, CA	27-Aug	GCH Klass's Action Jackson	Treva & Monty Faires	Cadbury	BOS
Santa Barbara, CA	27-Aug	GCH Saga's Ruby Red	Sandra Ilmanen		BOB
Santa Barbara, CA	29-Aug	GCH Klass's Action Jackson	Treva & Monty Faires	Cadbury	BOS
Santa Barbara, CA	29-Aug	GCH Saga's Ruby Red	Sandra Ilmanen		BOB
Enumclaw, WA	18-Aug	Laramie Peak's Just-a-Little Goofy	Amanda & Travis Judd		WD/BW
Enumclaw, WA	18-Aug	Laramie Pk Royaille Can't Get Goofier	Nora Carlton, David & Peggy Nelson		WB
Enumclaw, WA	18-Aug	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Sandra Edwards-Zickrick & Gerald Carlton	Caden	SEL
Enumclaw, WA	18-Aug	GCHB Crosswind's California Poppy	Jana Cooley	Poppy	BOB
Enumclaw, WA	18-Aug	Royailles Strutin Red	Nora & Gerald Carlton & Hailey Mueller		BOS
Enumclaw, WA	18-Aug	Stufield's Comely Queen	Franna Pitt	Lucy	SEL
Enumclaw, WA	20-Aug	Laramie Peak's Just-a-Little Goofy	Amanda & Travis Judd		WD/BW
Enumclaw, WA	20-Aug	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Sandra Edwards-Zickrick & Gerald Carlton	Caden	BOS
Enumclaw, WA	18-Aug	GCHB Crosswind's California Poppy	Jana Cooley	Poppy	BOB
Enumclaw, WA	20-Aug	Stufield's Comely Queen	Franna Pitt	Lucy	SEL
Enumclaw, WA	20-Aug	Redsage Sun Shines Through the Rain at BriarRose	Brooke & Richard Thompson	Lola	WB
Enumclaw, WA	20-Aug	GCH Lynnlee's Sky High	Diane Grayson	Skyler	SEL/BOBOH
Enumclaw, WA	21-Aug	Crosswind's Mission Impossible at Briarrose	Caiden, Brooke & Richard Thompson	Sneakers	WD/BW
Enumclaw, WA	21-Aug	Laramie Pk Royaille Can't Get Goofier	Nora Carlton, David & Peggy Nelson		WB
Enumclaw, WA	21-Aug	GCHS Saga's Winsome Watson	Jana Cooley		SEL/BOBOH
Enumclaw, WA	21-Aug	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Nora & Gerald Carlton	Caden	BOB
Enumclaw, WA	21-Aug	GCHB Crosswind's California Poppy	Jana Cooley	Poppy	BOS
Enumclaw, WA	21-Aug	Stufield's Comely Queen	Franna Pitt	Lucy	SEL

Show results, pg2

Evergreen, CO	10-Sep	Wyld Wynd's Fully Loaded	Deb & Joe Wood		WD/BW
Evergreen, CO	10-Sep	Redsage Pervenche Parisienne	Katherine & Connie Dahlset		WB
Evergreen, CO	10-Sep	GCH Trystyn's Tag Heuer It	Julie Keller		BOB
Evergreen, CO	10-Sep	GCHS Cole Creek PSF Sophisticated Lady	Sharon Sherwood & Katherine Goodrich		BOS/BOBOH/OHG4
Evergreen, CO	10-Sep	GCH Bleddyn Our Loyal Welsh	Deb & Joe Wood & Norah & Gerald Carlton		SEL
Evergreen, CO	10-Sep	CH Wyld Wynd's Tell Em I Said Hey	Deb & Joe Wood		SEL
Evergreen, CO	11-Sep	Wyld Wynd's Fully Loaded	Deb & Joe Wood		WD/BW
Evergreen, CO	11-Sep	Redsage Royailles Nessarose Witch of the East	Katherine Goodrich & Nora Carlton		WB
Evergreen, CO	11-Sep	GCHS Cole Creek PSF Sophisticated Lady	Sharon Sherwood & Katherine Goodrich		BOS
Evergreen, CO	11-Sep	GCH Bleddyn Our Loyal Welsh	Deb & Joe Wood & Norah & Gerald Carlton		BOB
Evergreen, CO	11-Sep	CH Wyld Wynd's Tell Em I Said Hey	Deb & Joe Wood		SEL
Mile High, CO	9-Sep	Wyld Wynd's Fully Loaded	Deb & Joe Wood		WD/BW
Mile High, CO	9-Sep	GCH Trystyn's Tag Heuer It	Julie Keller		BOB
Mile High, CO	9-Sep	Redsage the Sun Rises at Rechargeabullz	Eric & Holly Taylor & Katherine Dahlset		WB
Mile High, CO	9-Sep	GCHS Cole Creek PSF Sophisticated Lady	Sharon Sherwood & Katherine Goodrich		SEL
Mile High, CO	9-Sep	GCH Bleddyn Our Loyal Welsh	Deb & Joe Wood & Norah & Gerald Carlton		SEL
Mile High, CO	9-Sep	CH Wyld Wynd's Tell Em I Said Hey	Deb & Joe Wood		BOS
Bonneville Basin KA	17-Sep	Redsage the Sun Rises at Rechargeabullz	Eric & Holly Taylor & Katherine Dahlset		WB
Bonneville Basin KA	17-Sep	GCH Bleddyn Our Loyal Welsh	Deb & Joe Wood & Norah & Gerald Carlton		BOB
Bonneville Basin KA	17-Sep	Redsage Pervenche Parisienne	Katherine & Connie Dahlset		SEL
Bremerton, WA	24-Sep	Redsage Aide-de-Camp	Susan Goodwin Jones	Camper	WD
Bremerton, WA	24-Sep	Redsage Sun Shines Through the Rain at BriarRose	Brooke & Richard Thompson	Lola	WB/BW/BOS/BOBOH
Bremerton, WA	24-Sep	GCH Lynnlee's Sky High	Diane Grayson	Skyler	SEL
Bremerton, WA	24-Sep	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Nora & Gerald Carlton	Caden	BOB
Bremerton, WA	25-Sep	Redsage Aide-de-Camp	Susan Goodwin Jones	Camper	WD/BW
Bremerton, WA	25-Sep	Aderyn & Briarrose Alyeska's Legacy	Charlene & Garnet Dima, Brooke & Richard Thomp	Aly	WB/BOS
Bremerton, WA	25-Sep	GCH Lynnlee's Sky High	Diane Grayson	Skyler	BOB/BOBOH
Bremerton, WA	25-Sep	GCH Royaille Mtnmists Cadeyrn Skyewalker	Nora & Gerald Carlton	Caden	SEL