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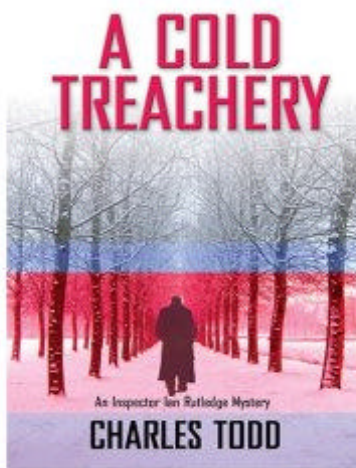
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The Squeak of the Wheel *President's Report*

I just finished a novel called *A Cold Treachery* which is set in post WWI northern England's sheep country. Almost everyone in the book is a shepherd and sheep and dogs form an important part of the fabric of the tale. I often think of strange juxtaposition that what I now do as a sport, my ancestors did for a livelihood.



year. Preparations are already in place for Scottish Games trial in Pleasanton on Labor Day weekend. Thanks to John Grey and Caledonian Club for once again offering us the opportunity to compete at their event.

I know the cold snap we had affected

And our sport is growing, trials are filling quickly and we all look for more opportunities to run our dogs. There are a couple of new trials being run this year and the board is working on a trial for later in the

some of our members and friends, as has the low rainfall so far this year. We wish them well and hope for better weather.

-Rusty

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Friendly Reminder: Dues are Due

Time to renew your membership to NCWSA for 2007! We are in the process of updating our mailing lists and if we don't receive your membership renewal by May 30, you will no longer be receiving a newsletter or be considered a member of NCWSA.

Won't you sit right down now and send your membership fees to Polly Lowry, 4181 Spring Ct., Pilot Hill,

Ca. 95664? We also need to know if any of your contact information has changed from last year.

Membership dues are \$25.00 per year or household membership; the fee is \$20.00 per year if you desire to receive the newsletter electronically and NOT via the postal system. And if you choose the latter option, please include a note with your email address.

Proposed CA Spay/Neuter Legislation Alert

There is currently a bill in California to require mandatory spaying and neutering of all dogs and cats in California over the age of 4 months unless they are registered with the AKC or a few other registries (see Article 3 below). The bill is excerpted below.

BILL NUMBER: AB 1634

INTRODUCED BY Assembly Member Levine (Principal coauthor: Senator Padilla)

FEBRUARY 23, 2007

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1634, as introduced, Levine. California Healthy Pets Act. Existing law sets forth provisions relating to veterinary public health and safety and provides for or regulates spay, neuter, and breeding programs for animals. This bill would prohibit any person from owning or possessing any unaltered cat or dog over the age of 4 months, unless that person possesses an intact permit, as specified. The bill would establish an intact permit fee in an amount to be determined by a local jurisdiction, as defined, and would require the revenue from these fees to be used for the administration of the local jurisdiction's permit program. The bill would make a violation of these provisions punishable by a prescribed fine. The bill would require all revenues derived from these fines to be used for funding free and low-cost spay and neuter

programs, and outreach efforts for these programs, which would be required to be established by each local animal control agency, to the extent that funding is available, and for the enforcement of these provisions. By increasing the enforcement responsibility of local agencies, this bill would create a state-mandated local program. The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason. Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as the California Healthy Pets Act.

SEC. 2. Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 122336) is added to Part 6 of Division 105 of the Health and Safety Code, to read:
CHAPTER 9. SPAY AND NEUTER PROGRAM FOR CATS AND DOGS

Article 3. Permits

122336.2. (a) A local jurisdiction shall issue an intact permit, as defined in subdivision (b) of Section 122336, if all of the following conditions are met:

(1) The cat or dog is registered as

a purebred with a pedigree with any of the following organizations:

(A) The American Kennel Club.

(B) The United Kennel Club.

(C) The American Dog Breeders Association.

(D) The International Cat Association.

(E) A recognized registry approved by the local animal control agency.

(2) The dog is appropriately trained and meets the definition of guide dog, service dog, or signal dog, as set forth in subdivisions (d), (e), and (f) of Section 365.5 of the Penal Code.

(3) The dog is documented as having been appropriately trained and actively used by law enforcement agencies for law enforcement and rescue activities.

(4) The owner of a cat or dog provides a letter to the local jurisdiction from a California licensed veterinarian stating that due to age, poor health, or illness, it is unsafe to spay or neuter the cat or dog. This letter shall include the veterinarian's license number and shall be provided, upon request, to the local animal control agency.

(b) An unaltered cat or dog for which an intact permit was issued who ceases to meet the requirements of subdivision (a) is subject to the spay and neuter requirements set forth in Section 122336.1.

(c) The amount of the fee for an intact permit shall be determined by the local jurisdiction, and shall be no more than what is reasonably necessary to fund the administration of that jurisdiction's intact permit program.

To submit comments regarding this bill, go to the following web address:

http://www.assembly.ca.gov/acs/legcomment/legcomment.asp?bill_number=ab_1634&author=levine

Point Pleasant Pro-Novice SDT Results

Judge: LisAnn Spencer

Date: January 13, 2007

Combined Scores

- 1 Judy Loflin Cam 165
- 2 Bonnie Richardson Grace 148
- 3 Alison Ruhe Jade 145
- 4 Phyllis Karsten Boss 144

- 5 Yvette Cook Ace 135
- 6 Marijke Tenge Tru 130
- 7 Mimi Wilson Ben 129
- 8 Claire Burson Nap 124
- 9 Jan Davis Tye 120
- 10 Marijke Tenge Sweet 111
- 11 Yvette Cook Rex 104
- 12 David Harris Took 102

- 13 Carolyn Eardman Chance 102
- 14 Francesca Canfield Mist 86
- 15 Sandy Mallouf Cap 86
- 16 Charlotte Jones Jiggs 79
- 17 Barbara Williams Tess 76
- 18 Suzy Applegate Lark 50
- 19 David Harris Flash 0

Díaz Ranch SDT Results - March 3 & 4, 2007

OPEN

(COMPETITIVE)

RESULTS:

March 3, 2007

33 dogs to the post

+ 17 non-competitive runs)

- 1 Kathy Hoffer Jill 82
- 2 Suzy Applegate Will 80
- 3 Ray Coapman Jean 73
- 4 Sandra Milberg Drift 71
- 5 Sandra Milberg Kodi 71
- 6 Claire Burson Floss 70
- 7 Geri Byrne Jim 69
- 8 Ellen Skillings Tess 66
- 9 Marilyn Volpe Tan 65
- 10 Gloria Supernaw Moss 64
- 11 Sandy Mallouf Tye 63
- 12 Joy Thayer Molly 62
- 13 Gloria Supernaw Gyp 61
- 14 Rick Mallouf Sleet 60
- 15 Sandra Andersen Harley 59
- 16 Marilyn Bates Rob 56

- 17 Leslie Pfordresher Bill 54
- 18 Joy Thayer Roy 54
- 19 Polly Lowry Flash 52
- 20 Cris Flint Rose 51
- 21 Donna Clements Dallas 49
- 22 Marilyn Volpe Rab 49
- 23 Rusty Jeffers Nap 45
- 24 Sandra Andersen Brock 44
- 25 Claire Burson Lad 43
- 26 Rochelle Stanford Tempted 42
- 27 Rusty Jeffers Ray 40
- 28 Joan Jennings Jim 37
- 29 Rochelle Stanford Koko 36
- 30 Tom Trent Grace 33
- 31 Rochelle Stanford Brett RT
- 32 Tom Trent Luke RT
- 33 Ellen Skillings Midge DQ

PRO-NOVICE

(COMPETITIVE)

RESULTS

March 4, 2007

14 dogs to the post

+ 1 non-competitive run

- 1 Allison Ruhe Jade 62
- 2 Polly Lowry Ike 51
- 3 Mimi Wilson Ben 48
- 4 Polly Lowry Meg 47
- 5 Bonnie Richardson Grace 45
- 6 Cris Flint Darby 44
- 7 Carolyn Crocker Lyn 41
- 8 Jack Mathieson Ross 38
- 9 Dee Samson Lucky 37
- 10 Jennifer Stewart Flash 36
- 11 Phyllis Karsten Boss 29
- 12 Billy Trent Bid RT
- 13 Jan Davis Tye RT
- 14 Cynthia Fitzgerald Sooner RT

NOVICE-NOVICE RESULTS

March 4, 2007

- 1 Bonnie Richardson Nessa 70
- 2 Lorin DeWees Hannah 63
- 3 Patrick Grannam Maggie RT



Comic courtesy of MyComics Page

Upcoming Events ...

March 31 - April 1

SJVBCA Spring Trial - Porterville, CA

April 21 - 23

Zamora that Dog Trialin', Slaven Ranch, Zamora, CA

May 4 - 6

Rim Rock Ranch SDT, Carissa Plains, CA

May 4 - 6

Dry Lake SDT, Tule Lake, CA

June 9 - 10

Novice Fun Trial, Oxford Ranch, Porterville, CA

June 29 - July 2

Sprague River SDT, Sprague River OR

September 22 - 23

Novice Fun Trial, Oxford Ranch, Porterville, CA

October 26 - 28

Fifth Annual Point Pleasant SDT, Elk Grove, CA

November 3 - 4

SJVBCA Fall Trial, Porterville, CA

December 1 - 2

SJVBCA Coalinga SDT, Coalinga, CA

See www.norcalsheepdog.org for more information.

Member Classified

For Sale: Registered Katahdin Rams

Two two year olds available. Proven.

Respect electronet. Have "A" and "AA" coats that shed out completely. Good with dogs, I've used them for training sheep. Raised on a pasture system. Photos and more info available at

www.tullycreekranch.com.

Also will have this year's ram lambs available in late May. Will be eligible for registration. Three available, all white. Should have fully shedding coats. All are genotype QR. No photos available yet.

Price for lambs is \$150. Call or email

Jennifer Stewart (707)966-9134

neff@dzm.com

For Sale: Two Katahdin Rams for sale.

Aged ram and yearling, both white, good coats. \$150 each. Francesca Canfield

Canfield Farm 209.368.4649

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Classified ads are free to members.

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