

# Oriental Express

Winter 2011



## Halo's Shih Tzu Presents...



Ch. FurryAngels Time for Miracles "Oceania"

# Top Dog Standings 2010

Results as of January Dogs in Canada

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# On the Cover...

Halo's Shih Tzu Proudly Presents...

Multi Group & Multi BDIG Winner

Ch. FurryAngels Time for Miracles

"Oceania"

Ch. Wuhan's Dark Dragon X Ch Moonglow Danish at Clairfields

Breeder, Owner, Handler

Lisa Dickie

Bridgewater, NS

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*Kennel Cards*

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# President's Message

The new show and trial season is beginning for most. A very exciting opportunity for Shih Tzu and our members is the Purina National, A CKC Charity event. Our club will be holding a Booster there and setting up a Breed Booth in the Breeders Village. The Purina National is being held at the spacious International Center on March 11-13th, 2011. Last year's show had an awesome number of spectators and great entry of dogs. There is also Obedience for those interested and on Sunday, members can attend the Canadian Kennel Club Annual General Meeting. Sarah Paquette is coordinating the Breed Booth and would like to hear from anyone interested in helping to man the booth for a few hours each day. Premium List can be found at [www.mjnshowservices.com](http://www.mjnshowservices.com). There is over \$40,000 in prize money including \$10,000 for BIS on Saturday. Looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Our National Specialty sponsored by our Western Branch will be held August 6, 2011 in Edmonton in conjunction the Edmonton Kennel Club. A ballot appears enclosed in this Oriental for voting on the judges. This will be followed by a Regional Specialty sponsored by the Central Canada branch in Winnipeg on August 11-14, 2011 in conjunction with the Manitoba Canine Association. This weekend will also feature the National Junior Handling finals.

Enclosed you will also see a ballot for approving the Life Membership of Gina Church who has been nominated for this honour by your Board Of Directors.

Looking forward to a very exciting 2011 and wishing members success in all of your endeavours.

Richard Paquette  
President, CSTC  
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## Membership

### New Applications for Membership:

Joyce Robinson  
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Sponsors: Nomie Meronuk & Irma Lafrance

### Change of Information:

Lisa Dickie:	<i>New kennel name:</i> Halo
	<i>New email:</i> <a href="mailto:lisa@haloshihtzu.ca">lisa@haloshihtzu.ca</a>
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## Treasurer's Report

Balance as June 30, 2010 **\$6938.14**

### Receipts

DIC advertisement	<b>\$ 817.37</b>
Oriental Ad	<b>\$1160</b>
Oriental Rebate	<b>\$39.74</b>
Total Income	<b>\$2017.11</b>

### Expenses

Oriental Advance	<b>\$864.31</b>
Return Cheques	<b>\$142.67</b>
NSF fees	<b>\$10.00</b>
Bank fees	<b>\$14.85</b>
Total Expenses	<b>\$1031.83</b>

Balance as of September 30, 2010 **\$ 7923.42**

Halo's Shih Tzu Proudly Presents Our Show Prospects for 2011...

"Grace"



Halo's Amazing Grace

Ch. Wuhan's Summer Solstice Bailey X Wuhan's Love Story FurryAngels



Halo's Whirlwind

Ch. Wuhan's Dark Dragon X Ch. Stefma Miss Double Sculpture

"Tori"

**Thank you to everyone that took part in the puppy picking process...**  
**Your guidance is truly appreciated**

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# NEW CHAMPION

## BPIS Ch Suimien's Oops I Did It Again



Ch Thaibok Be My Valentino X Ch Suimien's Heart In Motion

Britney finished her Canadian Championship with limited showing.  
Thank you to Jennifer McClintock for presenting her so beautifully.

Breeder/Owner  
Debbie Stark

Handler  
Jennifer McClintok



# what a year for *Winterholme*

In 2010, through the collaboration of their owners, Winterholme dogs have reached the pinnacle of the breed in two countries and achieved two World Winner Titles including Best Of Breed at the World Dog Show, Denmark.

Congratulations to owners of Romeo, Chris and Erna Aucamp.

Congratulations to owners of Hero, Emmerson Farias and Emilio Streng and handler Eduardo Teixeira.



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WINTERHOLME'S LOVE STORY  
Number One Shih Tzu and Top Utility Dog in  
South Africa for 2010  
Junior World Winner 2010



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Number One Shih Tzu in Brazil for 2010



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# Ch. Simon's No Limit Hold'Em



Finished off 2010 with the following achievements:

- #10 Non-Sporting puppy
  - #10 Shih Tzu
  - #4 Shih Tzu Female
  - #2 Shih Tzu Puppy
  - #1 Female Shih Tzu Puppy
- (in accordance to Canine Review)

Thank you to all the Judges who have recognized the Quality and Beauty of our girl  
Our gratitude goes out to Natasha Taphorn for her outstanding presentation of Limit  
as our exclusive handler for Simon Shih Tzu Reg'd

Limit is pictured with husband and wife team Denise and John Clark of Australia

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Recent News...



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August 18, 1997 to January 21, 2011

The Shih Tzu world has lost a great ambassador to the breed. Woody accomplished many things in his life. Among his many awards in the show ring, Woody was a great producer putting his stamp in many pedigrees.

The next issue (Spring) will be in the honour of Woody and his accomplishments.  
Anyone wanting to pay tribute to this great dog is asked to advertise in our next Issue.  
*Deadline April 15, 2011.*

## On a lighter note...

**Congratulations** goes out to Earla at Loghavens and Bucko Ch. Symaruns a Wonderful Mind CGN for becoming the newest certified therapy dog team!

Am.Can.Ch.Fallingstar's Gift At Simon's

Finished #20 in the U.S for 2010 as a class dog. He had limited showing, with only 2 weekends and a day to earn his American Title. He got both his majors the first weekend , and a group 4 the next.





# Judging the Shih Tzu

SALLY L. VILAS

SHIH TZU - Charming, friendly, happy and outgoing - all in a toy dog package that "...has a distinctly arrogant carriage with head well up and tail curved over the back..." They are also occasionally stubborn - which is not mentioned in the breed standard - but may be evident when a puppy does not want to walk, or stand still on the exam table, but happily wags its tail at the judge. They just know that you will love them even if they are not behaving at the moment! New judges of the breed must set aside any susceptibility to the 'cute' factor and look for those that best fit the written standard.

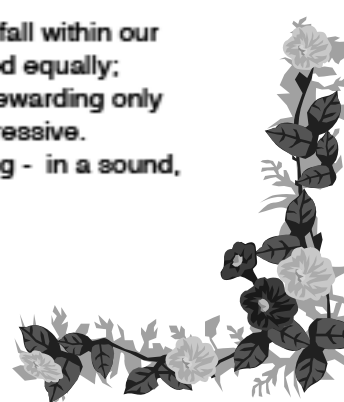
Before you enter the ring to judge Shih Tzu, please review '*The Illustrated Guide to the Shih Tzu Standard*', published by the American Shih Tzu Club. This attractive 64 page booklet contains the standard, of course, with clarifications and wonderful drawings by Stephen Hubbell to help understand what is under the glamorous looking coat on dogs in the show ring. To further that understanding, there are also colored photos of Shih Tzu in full show coat and then 'cut down' (actually, 'shaved down' is the better description). The accompanying honest evaluations of good and less desirable features of these dogs is invaluable to anyone learning the breed. We are always told, when studying a new breed, to learn and remember 'the essence of the breed type'; it is pictured and summarized on page 27. Before any assignment to judge Shih Tzu, it is worthwhile to take this booklet off of the shelf and review what the parent club is telling you about the breed. If it is not in your personal library, review it online at: [www.americanshihtzuclub.org](http://www.americanshihtzuclub.org)

From the center of the ring, these are the attributes that you should see as they enter and move around: Shih Tzu should be rectangular rather than square, and color patterns may be deceptive. For example, a dog with a wide white 'shawl' over the shoulders will look shorter in overall length than one that is a solid color, or with a smaller amount of white over the shoulders. You need to train your eye to these variances and then use your hands when examining on the table. The topline must be level, with the tail set high and carried in a high teacup curve over the back. That tail set is essential to the correct balance and arrogant carriage. Equally essential is the front structure; is there reach in front? Is there smooth movement? Does the head have naturally high carriage? Is the overall picture an indication of proper front structure?

When the dog is on the table, the only way to determine whether the dog before you fits the written standard is to use your hands to discover what is under the "long and flowing" coat. Getting under the coat is especially important when examining the head. **Round** is the first word to remember as you examine the head; it should be broad, and rounded from side to side as well as from stop to occiput. The head should also be in balance with the overall size of the dog. There may be a 'bubble' of hair over the forehead; it is your job to use your hand in that area to learn whether it is rounded, as desired. Check whether that bubble is obscuring the fact that the dog does not have enough 'stop'. There may be a towering topknot, but you should put your fingers through it at the base and determine the shape and size of the head. We are losing the nice big head that should be a hallmark of the breed. Remember that narrow heads are a fault, so find and reward the proper heads when possible. Reminder: the standard states "Hair on top of head is tied up". It does not state that higher is better. In my opinion, many top knots are out of control. The best top knot should frame the face and enhance the expression. **Round** is also a key word for Shih Tzu eyes, which should be large but not prominent, very dark, and placed well apart. The correct eyes are vital to the warm, sweet, friendly expression that is a part of the essence of the breed. Almost always when I see a Shih Tzu expression that is not instantly 'warm and sweet', it is because of the placement of the eyes or because there is too much white showing in the eye.

Use your hands next to feel for straight front legs, good bone, tight elbows and depth of chest, angles of shoulders. Move back to spring of rib, length of loin, set of tail, angulation of rear legs, etc. Remember that the Shih Tzu should not have a 'waist'; it is a sturdy, compact dog with good substance and little tuck-up.

When making your placement decisions, remember to consider equally dogs that fall within our wide size range. Any dog within the 9 to 10 1/2 inch and 9 to 16 pounds must be evaluated equally; overall balance and proportion is what is important. Please do not fall into the pattern of rewarding only small Shih Tzu. Temperament is important; please do not award a dog that is shy or aggressive. Shih Tzu should be outgoing, lively, alert, proud, arrogant, affectionate, friendly and trusting - in a sound, smooth moving, 'arrogant' package. As you judge, may you enjoy this charming breed!



[Author's background: My husband & I began showing Poodles in Obedience and then Conformation many years ago and 'discovered' Shih Tzu about the time they were recognized. Both breeds are wonderful family companions, which was important for our situation where our show dogs were kept in small numbers in a home situation. They had to enjoy life with our two sons and their friends. Our first Shih Tzu was certain that she was a Standard Poodle! We produced champions in both breeds. At one time, we were specializing a Shih Tzu: BIS Ch. Vilenzo Red Rover Red Rover and Standard Poodle Ch. Vilenzo Othello, but the best brag is that both were recognized as producers.

I began judging Shih Tzu & Poodles in 1993 and now judge Toy & Non-Sporting Groups, Best in Show and Junior Showmanship. I've been privileged to judge in Japan and Australia, and judge the ASTC National Specialty twice.

My first mentor in dogs taught me that commitment to the sport should include service in appropriate organizations, and following that tenet has been interesting and sometimes challenging. I am currently AKC Delegate for the American Shih Tzu Club (a past President). I am also a member of Golden Gate Shih Tzu Fanciers, Nor-Cal Toy Fanciers, Poodle Club of Central California, and Poodle Club of America, and have served as an officer and/or committee member for all of them. I also served as Director for the American Shih Tzu Club Charitable Trust.]

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## Secretary's Desk



**Motion # 2010-018** by Nomie Meronuk, Seconded by CoraLee Romano.

"To approve Central Canada hosting a Regional Specialty in conjunction with Manitoba Canine Association on the weekend of August 11th to 14th. Actual date and judge to be determined at a later date."

***MOTION CARRIED***

**Motion # 2011-001** by Kelly Perecki, Seconded by Wendy Anderson.

"To pay for the CKC Event Results for the awards tabulator at a total cost of \$51.62."

***MOTION CARRIED***

**Motion # 2011-002** by Doreen Snowden, Seconded by Wendy Anderson.

"That the Board of Directors of the CSTC nominate Gina Church as a Life Member."

Background:

From Constitution:

1.3.3 LIFE MEMBERSHIP may be granted to those people who have made outstanding contributions to the Club and breed over a long period of time and who have been continuous members for at least twenty five years. Proposed names will be nominated by the Board of Directors and must be voted on by the general membership by a two-thirds majority vote. Life members do not pay dues, but do have voting privileges.

***MOTION CARRIED:***



# Journey of a Novice...

By Lisa Dickie

My boys were bought first. I showed them and did well with them. I was winning in the breed and I was really happy with that. Then a few people said that you can't breed your own show dog with three boys... We all laughed!

So I knew what my next step should be. I contacted a few people but it seemed to me that girls were harder to get. Then one fall night, I took the plunge and I called a great lady that I now consider my friend and mentor. I remember the first time I called Isabelle Beaulne. My heart was racing, I was petrified...I wasn't sure what to say.

Our conversation flowed easily, seemed like we talked for hours. At the end of our conversation she said "I may have a girl for you" I was so happy. She offered me Dana. Her picture came by email the next morning, one look and I was in love with Dana. So off to Sudbury I went one cold January morning. While I was at her home, she taught me a different way to do show grooming. I was taught never to sit when I took my all breed grooming course but her way was so much easier on the body with all those hours of brushing. She showed me to do maintenance, show top knots and so much more.

Five days later, Dana and I got back on the plane and came back home to Nova Scotia. We took the time to bond and get ready for Dana's first show in February. She did awesome, placing Group 1<sup>st</sup> and Group 4<sup>th</sup>. She was finished that weekend. The show bug bit me... It was my first time in the ring for Best in Show. I was up there with some of the top handlers. Isabelle took me under her wing and taught me a great deal and gave me the confidence to be able to move forward.

So in the fall it was the next step to my journey... Becoming a reputable breeder. I started by doing my eye CERF's and getting them certified OFA for patella. Once that was done I felt I was ready. Dana and Bailey gave me a beautiful litter of 5 puppies. There was some up and down in this new learning curve but it was worth it.

## How to Pick... the ONE

Being so far away from other experienced Shih Tzu breeders, I decided not to keep anything out of that litter. I was happy with them, just not ecstatic.

A year later, I bred Dana with Dragon... and oh boy was I happy with the litter! I was still second guessing myself... I realized quickly, what I really needed was someone knowledgeable to show me, in person, what I was supposed to look for.

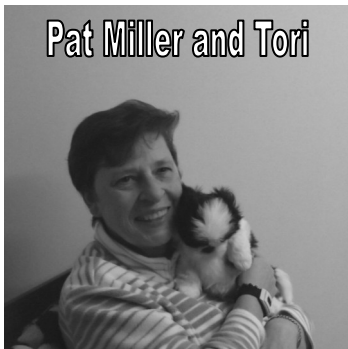
Haven't we all, at one point sat on the floor in total amazement being surrounded by a bunch of fluff balls. They all look so beautiful, and as a new person in this breed, I knew I needed help to pick the right ONE?

Without Isabelle's guidance, I don't think I would ever had the courage to contact Wendy Paquette to help me grade the litter of puppies. Wendy had a judging assignment in Moncton and my puppies would be exactly 8 weeks old when she came. I took my courage by two hands and a little nudge from Isabelle and I contacted Wendy and asked her if she would help me grade my litter... From the time the puppies were born, one puppy caught my eye. I couldn't say why she did, she just did! This was Oceania.

Wendy was a great teacher and took the time to show me the differences in each of my parents then we looked at their offspring. I went home with more of an understanding of what to look for.

2010 would be a great year for me and my girl. Oceania did awesome in the ring. In the fall, I found out that Richard Paquette was going to be showing at the Halifax show. I have to say, I was worried... Not only was I showing under European judges but my competition was Richard Paquette and Wendy Anderson! They were awesome with me. They both gave me tips and share some of their knowledge with me.

## Pat Miller and Tori



I have so much more to learn. I have gone through many books and videos that were recommended to me. I watched a DVD by Pat Hastings. The Puppy Puzzle is a must for people starting in any breed. I can now say that I feel more confident. This past year, I have met another great lady, Ms Pat Miller.

In November, when my litter from Victoria and Dragon was 8 weeks old, I packed up the car with mom, dad and the 5 pups, drove the 5 hours to Pat's home with a friend who is a Frenchie breeder/ exhibitor. We entered Ms Miller's home and went down to her old nursery. While eve-

ryone was getting settled in, we watched them get adjusted to their new space. Non were scared of their new environment.

We started with Mom, then Dad, then we went on to the boys, then the girls. One by one we looked at everything from ear placement to tail set and everything in between.

Then we looked at their movement. She pointed out things that she felt I needed to know. It was very helpful to have a third person taking notes. It really gave me the chance to pay attention to what Ms Miller was saying.

I found this article below on a website and I thought that it would tie in with what I was writing about.

### **How to Pick a Show Potential Puppy**

This part was written by Janet Ford.

Have your helper move with the puppies away from you so that we could view the puppy's natural movement from the rear. Without leash is best but use one if you have to. If puppy is hocky (rear 'knees' turning inward) or has a bad gait from a structural standpoint, you will likely want to remove them from the picking process as well.

Now have your helper move the puppy where you can view straight on and then repeat for viewing from the side. Be sure your helper knows the proper gait movement for this breed. A reputable breeder should know this. Mini steps for Pomeranians, longer strides for Danes, etc.

Next step, stack each puppy. At this point, you will really want to compare with your breed standard. \*Also be sure to check that both testicles are present in males. Sometimes they drop later so don't toss them out of the pick just yet but know what you're looking at.

Know the point system for your breed. Is your breed a 'head breed' like a Cavalier King Charles Spaniel or is it a breed which emphasizes quality of legs and feet like with Coonhounds? Know there is no such thing as a 'perfect' dog but you will want to come as close to it as possible.

Finally, but not the least important... get to know the puppies that are in your final picking stage. Attitude is a HUGE ingredient for a show dog. Know what your breed was bred for and what judges will expect to see from them. Some breeds are naturally more serious and poised while others are silly hearts. Pick a puppy who excels in this area while still exhibiting charisma, pizzazz.

Know that no puppy should be viewed as 'show quality' but rather 'show potential'. A reputable breeder will know the difference and not try to lead you astray. There are no guarantees in how a puppy will turn out. This guide is just to help you increase your odds of picking a real winner.

You may want to consider something in your puppy guarantee to cover 'both testicles in a male dropping' as they may not have both dropped by the time you choose your puppy and if they don't later drop, you will be disqualified from the ring.

### **Resources**

- Dog Showing 101 Book - Awesome resource
- Ironwood Coonhounds Kennel
- *Janet Ford*
- Guide To Ethical Dog Breeding
- The puppy Puzzle: The Hastings approach to evaluating the structural quality of puppies
- Temperament Testing Puppies



# Kelta Presents...

## American Ch. Kelta's On Cruise Control

We are thrilled to announce our first American Champion.

With limited showing, Lance finished with four majors and several Best of Breeds from the classes.

We are looking forward to Lance coming home and finishing his Canadian Championship.  
We want to send a big Thank you to Paul Watson for looking after our boy and finishing him as quickly as he did.

On the Back Cover



Photos by Paul Watson

## Kelta's Playin Razz

'Razz'



Ch. Kelta's Gone on Strike X Kelta's Laced in Gold (Ch pointed)

**We are excited for this young female! Look for Razz in the near future.**

**Kelta Shih Tzu**

**KellyAnne Perecki**  
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Lance

Am. Ch. Kelta's On Cruise Control

Photo taken by Paul Watson