



Sunshine Themes

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| Ways N Means | Lesley Hammar |

MEETING SCHEDULE

Topic: General Member Meeting
October 11, 2022
7:00 pm by ZOOM

SPWCC Two-day Agility Trial

Saturday and Sunday, August 13 and 14, 2022
Dog Training Club of St Petersburg
4400 34th St. N (US 19) Ste. B
St Petersburg, FL

Judge: Mrs. Christine R Bishop
Trial Chair: Bonnie Hansen
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SPWCC SPECIALTY SHOW (Designated with Central Florida Kennel Club)

Thursday, December 15, 2022
Breed Judge: Yolanda Lininger "Linincorgi"
Sweepstakes Judge: Cathy Donovan
"Northrun"
Junior Showmanship Judge: Deb Shindle
"Riverside"

Orange Cty Convention Center N/S Bldg -
North/South Building
9899 International Drive, Orlando, FL
Show Secretary: MB-F
Show Chair: Dianne Tharp



**Looking for a member
to take over the website.**



Meeting Minutes

SPWCC Annual Meeting Minutes

June 7th, 2022 @ 7pm

Via ZOOM

Meeting called to order: 7:02 pm

In attendance: Deby Broussard, Grace Carter, Leslie Condoleo, Paul Cope, Al Gapsch, Debbie Gapsch, Kathy Gilchrest, Lesley Hammar, Bonnie Hansen, Robin Jenkins, Roz Kulik, Chari Magnan, Debbie Mosher, Maggi Payne, Cindy Smith, Gail Steinmetz, Alisha Stevenson, Dianne Tharp, Ann Ford Tyson

Reports

President: Cindy Smith - no report

Vice President: Lesley Hammar - contract is set for the next two specialties with Yolanda Lininger and Vicki Sandage; also sweepstakes this year in conjunction with Yolanda, along with our club member Cathy Donovan
Secretary: Leslie Condoleo – no report

Treasurer: Gail Steinmetz – report sent to the Board today; balance as of May 31st is \$26,801.66; a few outstanding dues payments; real good response for trophy donations; have ordered our trophies for this year (not paid for yet) but rosettes and ribbons are paid.

Committees:

- 2022 Specialty: Dianne Tharp / Paul Cope
 - The specialty will be at the Orange County Convention center on December 15th; we are a designated specialty, not a concurrent with Central Florida; our premium will be their premium; their classes will be our specialty; we will have a separate sweepstakes with Cathy Donovan and if we do have any Juniors, Deb Shindle has agreed to judge them; because we did have one this past year and we weren't able to do it with the concurrent on Friday - the AKC wouldn't allow us to do any extra classes; everything has been sent to Linda Rowell who is show chair for that club; show superintendent is MBF and will be under Central Florida; they will provide the Steward;



- 2022 Agility Trial: Bonnie Hansen – August 13th & 14th at the Dog Training Club of St. Pete; Christine Bishop is the judge; the secretary will be June; Dianne will be the scribe again this year; the Premium is up – Gail will place on website; show committee from the club (we need to have five) will be Dianne, Alisha, Gail, Bonnie, & Lesley; if anyone else is going to be there and would like to help, please let Gail know; per Debbie Mosher, June didn't send out the Premium over email like she usually does and some people think they need to enter through the online entries and that she wasn't taking mail in entries; Bonnie will reach out to June and ask her to email the normal people the Premium list; we will be doing raffle tickets again – Gail will make them up
- PWCCA Liaison: Lesley Hammar – talked about what has been going on with Specialties; as far as the National Specialty, which will be at the Robert Center this year, we are making some changes with the PWCCA as far as what kind of trophies we are doing; also talked about making a donation to Ukraine to help the dog clubs over there; trying to add more events to the National Specialty as people are really into the Fast CAT right now; we are in Ohio this year and next year at Purina in St. Louis; they are still working on the premium for this year
- FAKC/AKC: Grace Carter – has not heard anything from them; but she will reach; Gail said it used to be Linda but not sure who is doing it now
- Facebook: Grace Carter – been kind of quiet and only posted a few things; have had requests for puppies but had to explain to people this isn't a puppy sales group
- Website: Gail Steinmetz – will be making any updates that are needed once we close out the due's membership.
- Sunshine: Maggi Payne - Sunshine card was sent to Patricia Calvert.
- Rescue: SCR – no report
- Puppy referral: Sharon Lofley – no report; but Bonnie has a 14-month-old bitch to place and will hopefully be having puppies next month.
- Ways and Means: Lesley Hammar – added some baseball caps with the Sunshine logo for an extra ways & means item; also, will be using them as a supported entry trophy at the WEC in July; they are \$20 plus shipping unless you see Lesley in July at the show
- Events Chair: Dianne Tharp – already talked about the confirmation, specialty, and agility shows; Gail added that the WEC show that we are doing a supported entry all three



days and that club has asked us to join them in any criteria that we want too; but again we are going to see if we are interested in the site to see if it would work for us for our December show (not this year and maybe not 2023); so anyone that can come July 9th, we will meet right after Corgi judging to get their input; and in January, the Clearwater Kennel club has asked us to join them; they will pay us \$3 per dog for supported entry and again we will do ballcaps for them – this will be in Brooksville.

- Newsletter: Heather & Morgan Humphrey – please send them any reports/information/brags for the next newsletter.
- PWCCA Talebearers: Gail Steinmetz – she thought she had sent in an article, but it didn't get in there; she will put something in for our Specialty and include something about WEC when we go there; some members from PWCCA were interested in that site as well

Unfinished Business: nothing

New Business:

- Cast a Ballot for Slate of Officers for 2022/2023 - Leslie Condoleo. Cindy Smith (President) accepted the ballot.

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| Treasurer: | Gail Steinmetz | | |

- Co-Chair December Specialty – make sure to book hotel rooms at the Rosen quickly as they go fast
- World Equestrian Center (WEC) visit in July – on July 9th, right after Corgi's
- Purpose and consideration for future specialty - goes with WEC and was already discussed
- Education topics - cart program, IVDD in Corgi's – we don't have anything set for this year but Gail stated that because we are going Sweepstakes in November with the Treasure Coast in Ocala, this will meet our compliance in place of two educational meetings; Deb Shindle had called and stated that she has a new judge (Kathy Schwabe) that wants to get back in and would we be willing to do sweepstakes; Deb has offered to do everything and provide the ribbons and rosettes and sponsor the two trophies we are going to give; we will hold those other ideas for next year



- New Life Members - Grace Carter & Dianne Tharp
- \$50 donation sent to Sunshine Corgi Rescue in Kay McLain's memory – also we will be dedicating our December show in her memory. In addition, Maggi stated that there will be an article in the PWCCA newsletter coming out in June. Also, she believes the National Specialty will be dedicated to Neil McLain since he was a past president. Neil and his wife will be attending and would like to meet some of the club members; hoping to have a place where our members would be invited to attend; Maggi will pass more information along as she becomes aware.

Next Meeting: TBD

Meeting adjourned: 7:41pm; motion by Lesley Hammar and 2nd by Dianne Tharp

Meeting Minutes



SPWCC General Meeting Minutes

July 19th, 2022 @ 7pm

Via ZOOM

Meeting called to order: 7:02 pm

In attendance: Deby Broussard, Patricia Calvert, Grace Carter, Leslie Condoleo, Cathy Donovan, Jeff Ford, Debbie Gapsch, Lesley Hammar, Heather Humphrey, Morgan Humphrey, Robin Jenkins, Roz Kulik, Sharon Lofley, Chari Magnan, Maggi Payne, Deb Shindle, Cindy Smith, Gail Steinmetz, Alisha Stevenson, Dianne Tharp, Marcelle Zanetti

Reports

President: Cindy Smith - no report

Vice President: Chari Magnan – no report

Secretary: Leslie Condoleo – June meeting minutes were sent to Heather for next newsletter

Treasurer: Gail Steinmetz – a few outstanding dues and she will be sending out another notice this week; approximately \$29K plus in the bank.



Committees:

- 2022 Specialty: Dianne Tharp / Paul Cope
 - The specialty will be at the Orange County Convention center on Thursday, December 15th; no dinner the night before or day of this year; Dianne and Paul will probably need to take the judges to dinner; we will need to get with Cathy and Yolanda about their itinerary as it gets a little closer.
- 2022 Agility Trial: Bonnie Hansen – August 13th & 14th at the Dog Training Club of St. Pete; per Dianne we do need people to come and work; Patricia stated that she can come and help; Alisha, Gail, Lesley, Sharon, and Chari will be there; there is spacing and crating available for our club members, so our dogs are all together
- PWCCA Liaison: Lesley Hammar – no report other than getting ready for the National at the end of September at the Robert Center in Ohio; a lot of fun events planned – agility rally, obedience, Fast Cat (which has been open already for Pembroke only, because AKC does not allow breed only trials anymore, so not open to all breed until later; so hopefully people will all get in.
- FAKC/AKC: Grace Carter – no news; not sure if they are still having meetings; we need to investigate; not sure if they are active
- Facebook: Grace Carter – getting ready to review the list of members to see if they are participating; if not, she will remove them
- Website: Gail Steinmetz – everything should be updated; but once dues are finalized, she will take off anyone that hasn't renewed
- Sunshine: Maggi Payne - Sunshine card was sent to Chari Magnan. Grace requested that a card be sent to Leah James who recently lost her daughter to cancer; Gail will send the address
- Rescue: SCR – The group is difficult to get in contact with; Maggi has tried; no phone numbers are listed for them; we would like to foster a better relationship with them; there are members in our club that would help with transport, home visits, and foster; they identify as Sunshine but are not affiliated with the club; Dianne asked if we could invite them to a meeting to rebuild the relationship; Gail will look for contact info of who she recently responded to about updating their list of volunteers, and Dianne will reach out to see if they would attend our next meeting; Roz mentioned that the Corgi races have been their fund raiser



in the past; Marcelle asked about donations that are included with dues and Gail stated that she forwards that on to Rescue

- Puppy referral: Sharon Lofley – hardly any puppies in Florida; but she does refer to the closest State because she wants them to contact a breeder of our standard. She would never recommend to anyone other than a member of our club. Lots of bad breeders out there. Please notify Sharon if you have a litter planned.
- Ways and Means: Lesley Hammar – no report
- Events Chair: Dianne Tharp – nothing additional other than what was covered under WEC
- Newsletter: Heather & Morgan Humphrey – please send them any reports/information/brags for the next newsletter which will publish July 31st. They received a wonderful article from Maggi about Kay.
- PWCCA Talebearers: Gail Steinmetz – she thought she had sent in an article, but it didn't get in there; she will put something in for our Specialty and Agility trial

Unfinished Business: nothing

New Business:

- WEC Facility Overview
 - Gail, Chari, Dianne, Grace, Deby Broussard, Deb Shindle viewed the facility. Need to know if the membership is interested with us pursuing and getting with that club to find out more information to determine if it is feasible to move from December (Orlando) to July (Ocala).
 - Talked about doing a supported entry next summer and still have our show in December 2023; if everything works out, we will do July 2024 with this club and move our show from December to July; Per Deb Shindle she talked to Vicki and she will work with us; we can be concurrent.
 - Deby Broussard is a member of the club and is already working on the trophies for next year.
 - We don't think their club will fall apart; they are bigger than West Palm Beach.
 - It is a beautiful facility, well planned out. The wash tubs and wash facilities are very nice and right there with the grooming. The flooring appears to be supported because it is very comfortable and cool. The parking was a little bit of an issue but could see they



were adding more parking; RVs are a little bit of a distance, but they do have golf carts and drop offs; vendors were very happy.

- Robin and Jeff wouldn't be able to help with the Specialty in July as they are in Ohio normally at this time of year but will see if they can help every other year; Cindy wouldn't be able to attend either. Bonnie had expressed concern that people wouldn't come in July because it is so hot, but people aren't coming in December either; trouble getting workers because it conflicts with the holidays, it's crowded, and expensive.
- This year we are designated so it will be easier than Fridays have been, and we won't have to deal with the AKC.
- We think it will be better for the club and club members; there are plenty of hotels and Airbnb's. They are building a pet friendly hotel where you can have your dogs in your room; the hotel that is there now doesn't allow dogs in the rooms, but they are allowed in the restaurants.
- It will be the 20th week every year.
- If it doesn't work out, we can always go back to December in Orlando, but we have lost Friday; we can always go with Central Florida; Linda Rowell has always been good about working with us.
- Chari stated that we add to the minutes that the membership has directed the board to go further with the plans of the possibility of moving to the July date.
- Dianne will write something up for the next newsletter; Lesley and Grace have some pictures to send as well.
- Gail made a motion that we will be a supported entry all three days next year; Grace seconded. All members present approved to move forward.
- Donation to PWCCA for Hospitality Event – Chari made a motion to send a \$300 donation to PWCCA and Alisha seconded. All board members voted to approve.

Next Meeting: October 11th @ 7pm via Zoom

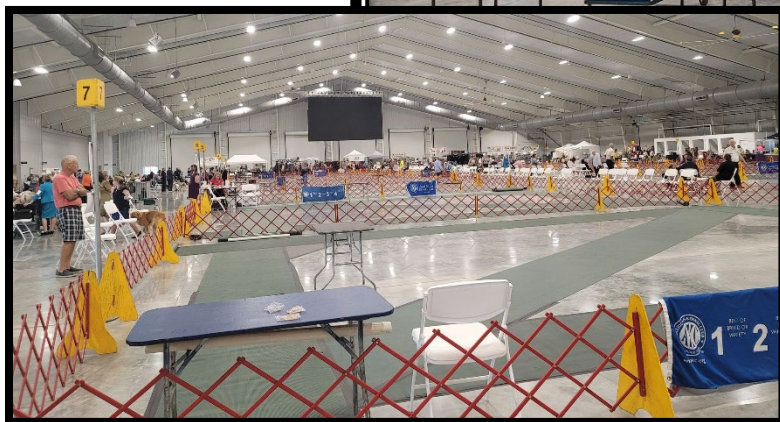
Meeting adjourned: Cindy called the meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.



SUNSHINE THEMES

A Sneak Peek of the WEC

Grooming





Out and about





Décor and points of interest









SPWCC Recognitions



Debbi Broussard
—
outgoing board
member



Leslie Hammer —
outgoing VP





Sir Cedric's Summer Adventures

Tampa

I've been so busy lately! I traveled all over the world or maybe the state, but it feels like more. I live in Texas most of the year but came to Florida to visit with the family for a bit over the summer. We were hardly in Florida enough time to unpack before we took off for Gainesville, then back to Naples, then St. Petersburg, then Tampa for a week!

When we went to St. Petersburg, we went to visit the University of South Florida, where I hung out with Morgan all over the place. We hung out in the bookstore, in the car, in the student union, and more. It was pretty hot out, but we made sure to drink lots of water and sit on the cool tile floor. Well, I did. Morgan sat on chairs even though I know they were definitely not as comfy as the floor. She also didn't give me any of her lunch from the university cafeteria (but she did get me ice water in a nice cup, which was pretty fun to crunch on). It was a long day, and yet when we got in the car to go home, we didn't! We went to Tampa and found dad with my toller siblings in an RV!



I've never been in an RV before, but I wasn't allowed to explore much because I "have an attitude" and am "not allowed to be loose with the tollers" because I might "bite their faces off" which I think is slander. Still, I got the best crate position: the kitchen! I was in the middle of the whole space, able to see whoever came in, the people making food, everyone on the couches and beds. And when we went for walks, I got to smell so many amazing sniffs of so many dogs and possibly horses?



The next day, everyone woke up so early! They were rushing about and crashing into each other which frankly was very funny. I would've loved to be in the mix and maybe tripping some people, but they left Tempest and I alone in the RV for a few hours. It was still barely dawn, so I shrugged and rolled over to go back to sleep. When they came back, Cady, my youngest and most wild sister, smelled like hairspray and a hundred other dogs. She went out again later and came back smelling like dirt and mud and excitement. I enjoyed resting after my hectic travel days and barking at all the dogs I saw on walks. Morgan pointed out some dogs near us and said they were corgis, like me. Maybe they were; they certainly barked like I do. They weren't as fluffy though.

Everyone kept waking up so early, before the light even turned on outside! I'm always ready for breakfast but even I thought it was a bit ridiculous to be awake so very early. The family scattered, with Grace and Dad taking sister Cady and Mom and Morgan driving off in the golf cart and racing back. They went to Cady's event, and then they took me out. And they let me ride on the golf cart! I only tried to jump off once, but otherwise I enjoyed the breeze ruffling my ears and tickling the fur around my neck. We pulled into an area covered in fallen crunchy leaves and full of oak trees. There were a bunch of big dogs straining at the end of



their leashes and barking. Morgan took me over and introduced me to a lady, who watched me walk back and forth and declared me good to run. I was confused, and then I saw that, behind some orange fencing, dogs were running super fast, taking off and chasing a small white thing. Morgan promised me cookies and rewarded me for barking, which definitely is a first (for some reason she doesn't appreciate my barks other times). We stood in line watching German Shepherds and greyhounds sprinting and being really fast. I was having a great time watching, and then Morgan handed my leash to Mom and ran away from me! I was offended, but then I was brought into the fenced area with Mom.

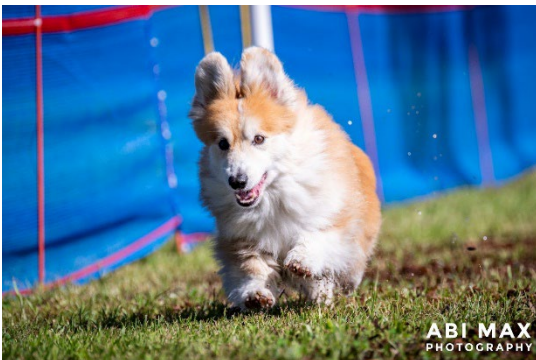


Naturally I was confused. The white fluffy thing that the dogs had been chasing laid on the ground in front of me. It mostly looked and smelled like a plastic bag. I'm no snob, but I was definitely disappointed it wasn't something like a ball. I heard Morgan towards the end of the run, but I wasn't sure exactly where she was. The white thing jerked forward and Mom told me to GO, so I did. I started chasing the white thing, and almost made it to the end, but then realized I still couldn't see Morgan. They hadn't let her in to catch me! They said we could go again, and I said "no, that's okay" but we stayed. Morgan and I ran through some sprinklers to keep cool and she put a wet coat on me.

The next run, I started strong but got bored pretty much immediately. I don't even chase bunnies anymore; I just lunge at them and grin at Morgan when they run away. I was a little worried from the last time, so I slowed to a jog and looked back at Mom, only to see her LEAVING ME. I turned around and ran back to her. Morgan had to run back to me! And she still gave me a cookie! I got to go back to the RV and nap while Tempest and Cady went out. They came back smelling like wet dog and chlorine. I'm glad I missed whatever THAT was.



The next day was similar. This time, Grace and Morgan took me to the running area. Grace held me and Morgan jogged away, with me yelling at her to come back of course. It was a similar start, with me reluctantly following the white thing. This time when I stopped though, I saw Morgan at the end, screaming at me to come. I turned around and looked at Grace. I didn't really want to run more, but I had already gone about halfway. So after a thought, I jogged to Morgan. She was very excited and loud about it, and gave me a bunch of cookies. I did it again the next day. I had figured out what they wanted from me, so I jogged the whole way. Dad had come, and was hiding behind a tree filming me. I thought that was pretty funny, so I slowed down and made sure to show him my best



angles before finishing my run. I got a bunch of ribbons congratulating me on my "Fast CAT" runs, but more importantly, I got a snack bag's worth of cookies for running! And Morgan said she won't make me run anymore! I curled up on my dog bed in the car and enjoyed a well deserved nap.





Learning to swim

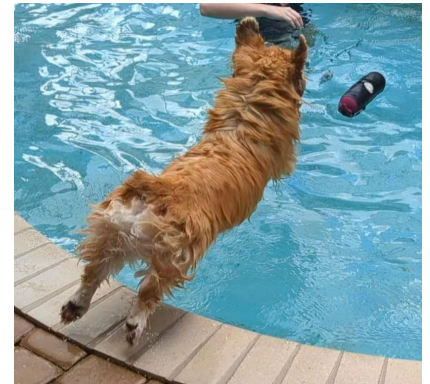
I maybe don't completely hate swimming anymore! Our Florida home has a pool, and the tollers kept having pool days. They would jump in the pool after toys and swim and squeal and generally be happy, and of course I was jealous! I've never loved swimming, because my chest tends to sink and my butt tends to float and I weigh like ten pounds extra wet and sometimes when I turn in the water I start to roll like a log. It's frankly a little embarrassing, and everyone laughs at how small and cute my bum gets and takes pictures. But you can't play with dogs in front of me! So Morgan and Grace took me out alone and they got in the pool and Morgan pulled me in and held me in the water. I kicked her a couple dozen times before she let me climb out, but then she brought out the water toys! My absolute favorite toy is a ball, but those can be hard to grab in the water, so I got to choose between the Wubba and the Loopy. I chose the Wubba and the girls tossed it in the water.



I ran around the pool a few times, trying to reach the Wubba from different angles without falling in the water. I was so close, and I leaned out as far as possible, and I lost my balance and fell in. Well, I was pretty startled, but still determined to get the toy, so I grabbed it up quickly. Then I realized Morgan was next to me, supporting under my chest. Swimming was definitely a little easier like that, and I knew I was safe with her in the water with me. I've tried swimming with life jackets before, but they just aren't the same as someone acting like your own personal kickboard. After a few more falls, I did a tentative step into the water. It was NOT graceful. I gained a little confidence and eventually was doing very small jumps.

Of course, as soon as I was getting comfortable, Morgan made us stop because I was "panting nonstop" and my "eyes were bugging out" and "the bathtub was ready". I'm still not sure what the last thing has to do with anything; why take a bath immediately after swimming? Silly.

We tried again a week later, and I jumped with a little more courage. It was helpful having my people in the pool with me, supporting under my chest and making sure I took breaks. I even tried to jump into the pool another day when just Morgan and Grace were floating without toys. I mean, clearly it was pool time, so it made sense to me. Anyways, if you tried something a while ago and didn't like it, maybe try it again with your people. After all, otherwise you'll just watch other dogs do stuff without you, and that's no fun. Tell your people to get in the pool. It's good for them.





In Memoriam



MY FRIEND, KAY McLAIN

KATHRYN JOHANNA MARGRETHE BOISEN OUTZEN McLAIN

10-28-1926 TO 2-11-2022

Many years ago, my husband Bill and I had two Old English Sheepdogs and a Briard, all three of whom suffered from either hip dysplasia or osteochondritis. When we lost the last one, our friend Sue Hamlin said to us, "I know you like the herding breeds. I think you need a corgi." And off she took us to meet her dear friend Kay McLain at Royal Mark Kennel in Ithaca, New York. Within a very short period of time we were living with four corgis and were enchanted with the breed.

One night, after Kay had cooked a particularly delicious dinner, she took Bill to the kennel, and there he saw Royal Mark Sea Master, who had accumulated three majors and 14 points, only to go "ring sour." Bill was smitten. We bought Master with the proviso that he remain registered in Kay and Neil's names until he won that last elusive point. Off we went to every show within reasonable driving distance - 23 in all, over the course of a year. Neil showed him, Kay showed him, I showed him, and we even hired Peter Green to show him several times, but Master would lie down in the ring and refuse to get up. We entered him in three shows in Cleveland, where old-time handler George Rood showed him. Master went reserve on the first day - progress! The second



day at Western Reserve was blisteringly hot and dry, and the judge had George move Master diagonally across some fairly tall grass. Master hopped a bit, and the judge said to George, “He’s feeling frisky today, “ and George replied, “Yes, sir, but I’ll try to hold him back.” Kay and I, holding our collective breaths, stood several rings away. Master won the open class and went on to take the points. By this time, he had acquired quite a clique of people cheering him on. The drive home was much shorter than the drive to Cleveland had been. On the following day, Master spit out one of his canines - just in case we had any thoughts of specializing him. By this time he was five, and he had finally earned his retirement.

Kay loved to sail, and we boated with her often on Seneca Lake. Bill and I were both musicians, and Kay and Neil came to nearly every concert in which we performed. We enjoyed many wonderful times together. And Bill and I loved living with our four wonderful Royal Mark corgis.

Kay was always extremely proud of her Danish heritage. Her mother emigrated from Denmark when she was 19 and was always proud that she traveled second class. Early on, after Kay and her two brothers were born, all three children were sent to Denmark to live with grandparents while their mother built her career working in New York City. Kay returned to Denmark often throughout her life and was always proud when people commented that she spoke Danish just like Queen Margarethe. I traveled to Denmark with Kay and her family, and with their Danish relatives embarked on a trip to Norway. During that time, they all seemed to have forgotten that they spoke English, and I never knew where we were or what time dinner would occur. It was truly an experience!

In 1999 we were down to only one corgi, Royal Mark Rosenquest (Annie Rose). Bill and I retired, sold our home, and moved aboard our sailboat with Annie Rose. We cruised for a year and eventually settled in Fort Myers, Florida. Kay and her brother and sister-in-law, George and Polly Outzen, came to Florida and eventually decided to build homes here. More good times ensued.

Kay and I always attended the Sunshine Pembroke Welsh Corgi Club Specialty shows here in Florida. At the first meeting Kay attended, she stood up to introduce herself. Gail Steinmetz said to her, “Oh, for heaven’s sake,



Kay, everybody knows who you are, and we are thrilled to have you join us.”

Kay was an accomplished cook, and one of her specialties was the Danish birthday cake - 4 layers of white cake with alternate fillings of raspberry jam and whipped cream, which also served as the frosting. Whenever we attended a dog show, if Kay was aware that one of her friends was celebrating a birthday, she would bake the cake, and it would be transported in a cooler to the show. Many years later I was aghast to learn that the actual cake was made from a mix!

Fast forward to my birthday several years later. Our mutual friend Sue Hamlin, also an accomplished cook, came to Florida for a visit and offered to prepare my birthday dinner, to which Kay and her family were of course invited. For many years Kay had always asked me what kind of cake I wanted for my birthday, and I always responded that I would like a chocolate cake with chocolate frosting. But somehow, the Danish birthday cake would always appear. Sue, however, was happy to bake me a chocolate cake with chocolate frosting. After Sue’s return home, Kay told me that she could bake a much better chocolate cake than Sue had, and from that time on I had chocolate cake on my birthday.

Kay’s health began to fail, and she fell and shattered a femur, necessitating a lengthy visit in a rehabilitation facility. It became increasingly difficult for her to care for her two corgis, and we arranged to send the male to her son, who was living in Oregon. Our mutual friends, the Handshaws, took in her second corgi, Pippin, who lived with them in North Carolina for many years.

The last of the Royal Mark corgis are gone, but I treasure the memories of our times with the McLains and the corgis who enriched Bill’s and my lives. Annie Rose, our last Royal Mark corgi, became my first registered therapy dog and Reading Education Assistance Dog, and our visits to schools and libraries were truly rewarding.

Thank you, Kay. I salute you for a life well lived.

Maggi Payne



BRAGS!

🐾 Alisha Stevenson - CH PACH Baymoor Dobby Is Free BN AX AXJ MXP5 MXPS MJP5 MJPS PAX OF MFP T2BP CGC "Dobby" is pushing forward with his agility career. Recently achieving Master Fast Preferred, Master Standard Preferred Silver and Master JWW Preferred Silver. We also placed 17th out of 74 Preferred 8 inch dogs at the AKC Agility Nationals in Ocala back in April. Team Dobby is moving ever closer to PACH2 and looking forward to running at our agility trial next month!



Miscellaneous



Looking for a member to take over the website.