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# "Irish Reflections"

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# Irish Setter Club San Diego



## **Meeting Notice**

Meetings are the (U.N.O.) 2nd Wed. of the month at: Allied Gardens Rec Center, 5155 Greenbrier Ave., San Diego. Board Mtgs at 7 p.m., followed by a General Membership Meeting

> Next Meeting is Dec 15th at Christmas Party (see notice pg .7)

# Irish Setter's Win Iditarod



John Holmes shown with his championship team headed by lead dog "Bob"

John Holmes followed gold rushes from Nome to Candle in 1906, and then to Iditarod in 1911. With a degree from Stanford in metallurgy and experience in banking, his skills were in great demand. While in the north, Holmes got into dogs. Dogs performed essential support roles for residents of the far north: hauling people, gear, and the mail across long distances. Dogs were also sources of companionship and entertainment. In the long winter months, sled dog racing became a popular sport; first, in Nome, and then in the surrounding communities of Iditarod, Candle, and Ruby.

During the years John Holmes was in Iditarod, he was an active member and treasurer of the Iditarod Kennel Club, which organized a series of races with cash prizes. *Continued on page 2* 

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# **From the President**

## Hello Club Members,

For those of you unable to attend the Sunday, Nov. 4 club Play Day, you and your dogs missed a wonderful time. A great big THANK YOU to Valerie Mahoney for planning another great event. The Fall event is held at the north county Hidden Valley training center in Escondido. It is a large grassy fenced so all of our red friends can run and play in complete safety. They never stayed in one spot long enough to get an exact count but there were 25 ++ Irish (and 1 token Golden Retriever) running like the wind. Quite the site. We also had an abundance of hot soups & chili to keep the 2-footed club members warm & toasty in case of cold/rainy weather like last year plus many salads and mouth-watering desserts. Even though the weather was near 90 degrees all those crock pots were close to empty by the end of the day! Another highlight of the day was the dog Halloween costume contest. Most endured with dignity the humiliation of being dressed as devils, Captain America, pirates, a hippie with hair to match the occasion, Little Red Riding Hood, Alice in Wonderland, a bumble bee, a fairy princess, a Queen, an airplane and I know I'm forgetting others, please forgive me. Winners of the Scariest, Cutest, Most Patriotic, Most Original & Best Overall categories enjoyed their squeaky toys.

One announcement I forgot to make at the Play Day was from Sherry, our Rescue chairman. She recently attended a county animal control/ humane society/rescue group meeting and they mentioned that they are seeing many new cases of Parvo. So please check your dog's vaccination records. *Continued on page 9* 

# **Mushing Along**



"Setters are near and dear to my heart. here hasn't been a time in the last 45 years when at least one setter hasn't been lounging on a couch at my house." Don Cordingly



The first official sled dog race, the All-Alaska Sweepstakes, had been held in Nome in 1908. Describing the All-Alaska Sweepstakes race from Nome to Candle (a round-trip distance of 408 miles over all kinds of terrain), A. A. "Scotty" Allan wrote in Gold, Men and Dogs, "Financially, the race was as big an event in Alaska as the Kentucky Derby is to the racing world. The betting was always very heavy. Sometimes there was as much as \$130,000 on the books, with hundreds of side bets for lesser amounts." Although the Nome race, covering hundreds of miles, became the premier event, the popularity of shorter, sprint and middle-distance races, spread across the region. In Iditarod, John Holmes put together a racing team dominated by Irish Setters. He bought three Irish setters to go along with the six half-setter pups that he had. He developed his dogs into a team, and he won the 62-mile St. Patrick's Day Iditarod race in 1912 with five of his Irish setters. These dogs were known and referred to as "The Red Devils with the Big Hearts." And became famous in the Iditarod for their speed and spirit, The Iditarod Pioneer described Holmes; team as "bird dogs." Bird dogs were not uncommon in Alaska. When prospectors followed the gold rushes north, there were not enough native dogs to fill the demand. Consequently, dogs of all kinds - Irish setters, Saint Bernards, Newfoundlands, Airedales, German shepards, pointers, retrievers, collies, and mutts- were brought north. When communities formed kennel clubs and began racing, it was not known which breeds would be fastest or hardiest, but Holmes' team of Irish Setters surprised everyone when they won the 62-mile St. Patrick 's Day race. It is reported in the *Pioneer* that he continued racing the dogs into the middle of 1916 with much success.

Around November 1916, Holmes went to Seattle, perhaps planning only to visit, became very ill. He died on July 18, 1917 of arterial sclerosis at age 37.



The Irish Setter, besides being crossbred with huskies, has been run on many a team and done well. His long coat and leg hair hinder in some snow conditions, but his rangy conformation and endurance enable him to complete a 15-20 mile course in good shape, often at or near the front. A 25-mile track record was set at Ashton, Idaho, in 1935 by Don Cordingly and seven Irish Setters, traveling at about 13 1/2 miles an hour.



# **Fall Playday**



Warm weather turned Hidden Valley Obedience Club Field, in Escondido, into a ruckus day for over 22 red heads and one illegal immigrant. No complaining barks could be heard as who doesn't like a good romp in the sun. ISCSD club members all chipped in a brought delicious pot luck items along with four crock pots of the clubs world renown soup and chili. After lunch all the Setter's transformed into a pack of spooks, goblins and who knows what else in all shapes and sizes.

Cutest: Bunny - Pink Fairie - Carol & Dan Hippert Scariest: Red Devil- Linda Kenan Most Original: Stephanie - Airplane - Dick & Kathy Whiteis Best Overall: Tally - Queen –Kathy & Dick Whiteis Most Patriotic-Capt. America - Lynne Aung









Most Patriotic



"If you are a dog and your owner suggests that you wear a costume . . suggest that he wear a tail."

# **Fall Playday**



Thank you to all who provided food and beverages for the pot luck. The doggie cake provide by Val Mahoney was delicious too!













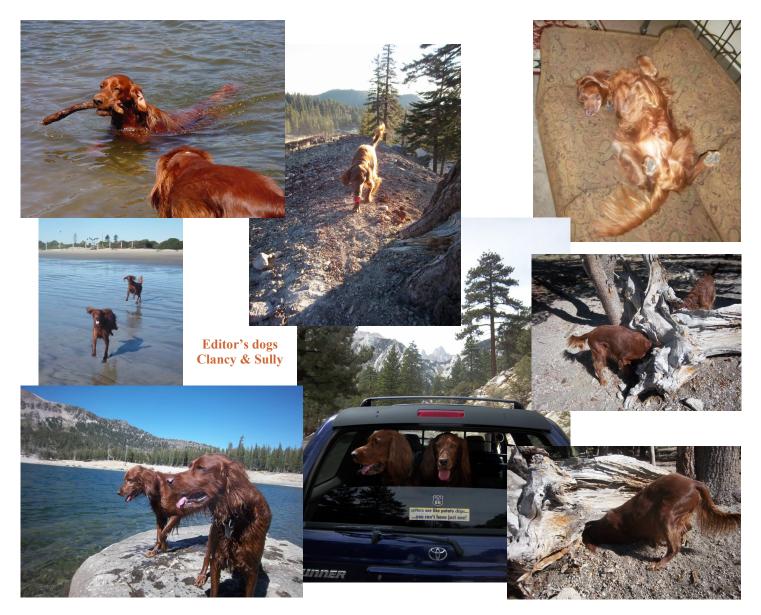




Photographs provided by Ian Lee and Val Mahoney



# **Summer Fun Comes to an End**



Brag, by Debbie Sherwood

Quinniver's Fancy Pants BN RE CD GN, earned her Graduate Novice title with scores of 189 and 189.50 and a 193 to finish. She earned a 1st. place for all three of her legs. I am so proud of her.



Brag, by Val Mahoney

Annie finished her Novice Standard agility title on 9/30/12 winning first place for all 3 legs! And, she finished her Novice Agility Jumpers title on 10/27/12 with another first place. She moved up to Open Jumpers for the 2nd day of the trial and got her 1st leg and another first place! She is now Jadestar Reach For the Sky JH NA NAJ.

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# **Irish Reflections**

# **Trophy Donations Needed by February 4, 2013**

With the new year, comes our Specialty Show . We are soliciting for trophy donations. Listed below are the trophies still available. We hope, if you haven't already donated, you will step up and help support our club and make this specialty one of our best yet! Let us know your 1st and 2nd choice of trophies, just in case your 1st choice has been taken. If you would like to make a monetary donation to the general trophy fund, that is fine too! All donations are greatly appreciated. I know we are all feeling the crunch of our slow economy, but hopefully with all of us helping out, we can make this specialty happen. Thanks for your support and help in making our club a success!!

Please make your checks payable to the Irish Setter Club of San Diego and send to:

Alexis Heath 1457 Blue Lilac Lane Alpine, CA 91901

Thank you so much for your continuing support and we hope to see you at the show!

#### **Available Trophies:**

Winners Dog - \$35 Winners Bitch - \$35 6-9 Puppy Dog - \$20 9-12 Puppy Dog - \$20 12-18 Junior Dog - \$20 Novice Dog - \$20 Amateur Owner Handler Dog - \$20

Field Trial Bitch-\$20

# Make Plans for 2013

We hope you will join us for our spring specialties Del Mar Fairgrounds Partnering with Silver Bay Kennel Club of San Diego Make it a 4 show weekend!! <u>Morning Specialty</u>: Friday, February 22, 2013

> Judge: Ms. Marsha Hall Brown Sweepstakes: Janice Pardue

Afternoon Specialty: Friday, February 22, 2013

Judge: Mrs. Sue Goldberg

Show Secretary: Carolyn Sisson (619) 466-9792 <u>PrimaECS@aol.com</u>

Supported Entry: Saturday, February 23, 2013 Silver Bay Kennel Club of San Diego Judge: Ms. Charlene Trost

Supported Entry: Sunday, February 24, 2013 Silver Bay Kennel Club of San Diego Judge: Mr David L. Kittredge

Superintendent: Jack Bradshaw (323) 727-0136 mail@jbradshaw.com 9-12 Puppy Bitch—\$20 American Breed Bitch—\$20 Veteran Dog—\$20 Field Trial Dog—\$20

American Bred Dog-\$20

6-9 Puppy Bitch—\$20

Open Dog—\$20

# **Nine Holiday Tips**

During the holiday season it is important to keep your dog in mind

- 1. Tire your dog out before visiting or receiving holiday guests.
- 2. Don't forget rules boundaries and limitations just because it's the holidays!
- 3. Protect your dog from the cold.
- 4. Let your dog check the weather.
- 5. Be cautious around the fireplace.
- 6. Be aware of dangerous holiday items.
- 7. Protect your presents and decorations.
- 8. Don't give a puppy as a holiday gift.









# **ISCSD** Annual Christmas Party

# **ISCSD Annual Christmas Party!**



We hope you will join us on Saturday, December 15th, 5:00 p.m. for a pot luck dinner at the home of

> Lynne & Ted Levine 2505 Royal View Road Escondido CA 92027 **RSVP** 760-747-7848 <u>lynneaung@att.net</u>

We're going to have our fabulous gift exchange, so bring a doggie related gift limited to a \$20 value. Remember, you may get to 'steal' the gift you really want!!

A General and Board Meeting will be held during the party

## **DIRECTIONS:**

South to North /North to South (This is the most direct way) Hwy 15 exit Via Rancho Parkway East

Turn right going east 3 lights to San Pasqual Road -turn right ( at San Pasqual High School) Drive on San Pasqual Road to first light ( there are no other lights or stop signs)

Turn left at the light (which is San Pasqual Valley Road) don't turn right or you will be at the SD Wild Animal Park. Drive to the first right turn. Watch for the RED balloons.(that is San Pasqual Valley Road again). Drive about a 1/2 mile to Diamond Ranch Road and turn left and those balloons again. At the gate plug in 2518, remember no pound just the number. Drive to about 1/2 block and turn left on to Royal View Rd.

> Need anything else call my cell phone 858-344-1450. Lynne

# **BOARD & GENERAL Meeting Minutes 10/10/2012**

## Irish Setter Club of San Diego

## Board Meeting: called to order at 7:05 pm.

Board members present: Therasa Lee, Madelon McGowan, Chris Cohen-Richards, Alexis Heath, Teresa Velasquez, Lynne Aung, Valerie Mahoney, Kathy Whiteis.

Valerie Mahoney moved to defer all items to the General Meeting. Seconded by Madelon McGowan. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

General Meeting: called to order at 7:06 pm.

Members present: : Therasa Lee, Cathy Dever, Madelon McGowan, Chris Cohen-Richards, Alexis Heath, Sherry Rez, Teresa Velasquez, Lynne Aung, Valerie Mahoney, Kathy Whiteis, Ian Lee.

Minutes of October meeting read and approved with corrections made to reflect Alexis Heath attending the January not the December Rec Center Meeting and that Kathy Whiteis had items that would support the annual awards. Unanimously approved .

#### Reports:

President	Nothing to report.
Vice-President	Nothing to report.
Secretary	Reported that the specialty show was approved.
Treasurer	August and September reports were read. See attached.
Committees:	
Newsletter	Nothing to report.
Membership	1st reading for Alice and Rickard Borg.
Rescue	Received some interest in adopting Irish Setters but no applications. The Rez' foster dog will be at the play day and her parents may be able to attend. Will be taking Asteriod to the vet for her stomach issues. The club may be able to reimburse some of those expenses. Chris Cohen-Richards reported that Southern Cal had dropped the rescue website but was unable to speak with them. He was considering having it moved to our ISCSD website. Cathy Dever stated she would speak with Nancy Fenoglio, Southern Cal rescue, to clarify.
Rec Center Attendance	Nothing to report.
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Facebook We now have 55 fans.

## Old Business

Fall Play Day – Hidden Valley Obedience Club will be sending someone down to open the grounds, so Valerie Mahoney may not be able to get in to set up as early as she normally does.

\$75 were approved for the costume contest prizes. The prizes will be awarded to the cutest, scariest, most original, most patriotic, and best overall.

# BOARD & GENERAL Meeting Minutes 10/12/2011, continued from page 8

## Irish Setter Club of San Diego

Our main dish will be chili or soup.

February 22, 2013 Specialty Show -

Therasa Lee volunteered to manage the Raffle Ticket and Catalog Sales as Madelon McGowan will be needed ring-side.

The Newsletter will include trophy donation requests.

Our trophies have been obtained for the 2013 show.

Teresa Velasquez will chair the Morning Hospitality and will provide a sign stating something to the effect of "Welcome Irish Setter exhibitors and Family."

We need to start thinking about large gifts for the raffle. Kathy Whiteis, Cathy Dever, and Natalie Gaylord will begin asking the handlers for gift certificates.

Robert Rez will help to locate a piper for the opening of the morning show. We are hoping he will be able to do full dress and the full highland pipes.

## New Business

Lynne Aung on the nomination committee announced the ISCSD 2013 Slate of Officer/Directors as follows: President – Madelon McGowan, Vice President – Chris Cohen-Richards, Treasurer – Valerie Mahoney, Secretary – Therasa Lee, and Directors Lynne Aung, Natalie Gaylord, Alexis Heath, Teresa Velasquez, Kathy Whiteis.

Lynne Aung volunteered to hold the Christmas Party at her house on December 15, 2012.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm. Motion, Cathy Dever, second, Alexis Heath.



# From the President, continued from page 1

Make sure they are all up to date on their vaccines and fully protected.

And don't forget to mark your calendar for the club Christmas Party December 15, 2012, 5 PM at the home of Lynne & Ted Levine, 2505 Royal View Rd., Escondido, 92027. It is a pot luck dinner to be followed by our infamous "gift" exchange (\$20 value) and you might get to "steal" the gift your really want !!!! Start shopping now!

The last formal club meeting will be on our regular date, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month – November 14, 2012. On October, the nomination committee submitted the following slate of Officers & Board of Directors for 2013. President – Madelon McGowan, Vice President – Chris Cohen-Richards, Treasurer – Valerie Mahoney, Secretary – Therasa Lee, and Directors Lynne Aung, Natalie Gaylord, Alexis Heath, Teresa Velasquez, Kathy Whiteis. If anyone wishes to submit additional names we will take those nominations at the November general meeting.

Hope to see many of you at the meeting and *Happy Thanksgiving* to you all.





# Announcements



## **Dog Runs**

at Coronado Dog Beach on the second Saturday morning and Fiesta Isle Dog Park the fourth Saturday of each month starting at 8:30am mark your calendars. Contact Chris Cohen-Richards @ ccohenr1@san.rr.com if you are attending.

# **Club Store**

Hats: \$12.00 One size fits all Stars & Strips & Denim

T-Shirts: \$12.00 Small thru XXXL

Long Sleeved Shirts: \$18.00 Medium, Large & XXL

Jackets: \$25.00

Polo Shirts: \$20.00

Long Sleeved "Setter" Shirts: \$18.00 XXL Beige

Order thru: checkersmom@cox.net

# **Important Link**

Below is a link to an excellent article on pyometra, a potentially fatal uterine infection seen in unsprayed females.

http://www.bestinshowdaily.com/blog/2012/06/know-the-warning-signs-of-pyometra/

# **Dues notice**

# Dues are Due January 1, 2013

Family Membership - \$25 Single Membership - \$20 Junior Membership - \$10

A membership is considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid 30 days after the first day of the fiscal year. (January 1, 2013)











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Check out the **Monthly** Calendar on the Website at www.iscsd.org. Click on the Events tab on the left sidebar. Each month can be printed by simply clicking on the month you want and pressing print. Send in any updates to: ccohenr1@san.rr.com



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Sweat Shirts: \$25.00 Small thru XXL

Dark Green - XXL

Black - Large & XXL



Medium thru XXL



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"An old dog, even more than an old spouse, always feels like doing what you feel like doing"

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