

Pacific Rim Maltese Club

December 2004

Newsletter

Monthly Pacific Rim Maltese Club Meeting December 21, 2004

Meeting Place: Izzy's at Wilsonville.

The meeting was called to order at 7:20PM. Members present were Char and Joe Woltner, Elaine Lancaster, Zel and Shirley Gernhart, Van and Vonnie Vandervort, and Eileen Bentz and guest JoAnne McKenney.

A motion was made by Zel to dispense reading the minutes. Char seconded the motion. Shirley suggested an addition to the minutes to add that the details that Eileen recorded from the auction made it very easy to do the accounting for that portion of the show she would like to see this kind of record keeping in other areas of the show. Zel moved to accept the minutes as amended. Shirley seconded the motion.

President's report:

Char would like to wish all members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Secretary's report:

The first reading was done on JoAnne McKenney, Dennis and Darlene Angeline, Kenneth and Beatrice Naysmith, Patricia and John Phillips, Dawn and Adam Polis, Bonnie Puia, Susan and Tom Wolan, Marilyn Singe, Jay and Bev Bianco, Susan Bates, and Marita and Michael Zyskowski. Miscellaneous correspondence was passed around.

Treasurer's report:

Shirley reported that there was \$436.63 in Checking and \$4726.60 in Savings.

Old Business

No old business discussed.

New Business

Discussion about our application process was brought up. There seems to be some confusion for the applicant when filling out the form. Van will update our form to make it more user friendly.

Joe motioned to bestow Honorary Membership on Peggy Wanner for all her years of service to the Pacific Rim Maltese Club and to the Maltese World in general. Thanks Peggy for all that you've contributed over your many years of service! We very much appreciate what you have done. Zel seconded the motion. A unanimous vote was taken.

The January meeting will focus on planning our next show. We will discuss dates, Judges, and clubs to back up our show to. Please come prepared with suggestions, information to help us make some decisions.

Braggs

No Brags.

Eileen moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:43 pm. Elaine seconded the motion. Our next meeting will be 6:00 pm, January 19, 2001 to be held at the Wilsonville Izzy's.

Special Meeting Reconvened

Char moved to reconvene at 7:35 pm. Van Seconded the motion. We reconvened for the purpose of doing a second reading for Jean Haley and Joy Bansmer. A second reading was done. A vote was taken and both were accepted into membership. Shirley moved to adjourn the meeting and Char seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.

December Helpful Hint From Vonnie:

Have you ever experienced problems trimming your Maltese's toenails? If you are, here's a way to keep the hair from getting tangled up with the clippers, and will make it much easier and safer to do.



I am always looking for something to help with making nail cutting easier, and ways to avoid cutting to deep into the quick.

I found it helps me to take a piece of netting (which can be purchased from a fabric store) and push the nails through the holes. This will give you a good view of the nails when you cut them as it holds the hair out of the way.



Following Article was submitted to us from Barbara Dodge



"Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen."

When you read this, please stop for a moment and say a prayer for our troops around the world.

Of all the gifts you could give a US Soldier, Sailor, Airman, Marine & others deployed in harm's way,

Prayer is the very best one

December Biography:

We are Don and Nedra Harris and we are owners of Villa Marsesca Maltese. We had a dream of showing and breeding Maltese for 22 years. In 1999 after our family was raised we set out to accomplish this dream. Our first Maltese came to us on Valentines Day 1999.

We were both filled with love and joy with the two little bundles that we now had in our arms a very nice comfort after our own babies had grown up and no longer needed the cuddles will still needed to give.

We soon learned we had even more to learn in our journey about the Maltese breed. We sought out top lines to purchase are Maltese and now have one finished Maltese, one in the ring showing in Florida and two waiting to leave this year to show along with our own little whelp Villa Marsesca's Faldino Marchais' called Dino from our own breeding.

Don and I live in Lebanon Oregon at the base of the beautiful Cascades, our adult children and families enjoy coming and visiting all the Maltese and the two adult inside cats who also live here with us.

Many times I am asked where the name came from for our kennel name. I share a story of recuperating from surgery and unable to sleep so I turned the television on to a silent movie, as I did not want to awaken Don. The movie centered around a café on a quaint little Italian street that was named Café Marsesca thus our kennel name was born. We have had so many compliments on our name and also our Valentine theme of our website, it is all because of a dream I shared with a man I loved 25 years ago who loved me enough to share that dream with me.

We believe the joy is in the journey.

We hope that if you ever are out our way you will feel free to come visit with us and see our beautiful Maltese.

Cheers,

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Specialty Show - Our thanks go out to the donations that were made by our club members and friends for the October Specialty Show. Our apologies go out to anyone that may have been overlooked. Here is a list of those who we have identified who made the show a success:

Trophy fund

Pam Armstrong, Mary Day, Barbara Dodge, Evergreen Maltese Club, Shirley and Zel Gernhart, Maltese Club of Greater Miami, Linda Dezan Nelson, Angela Stanberry, Heidi Sullivan

General show fund

California Central Valley Maltese Club, Deborah Cleckley, Shirley and Zel Gernhart, Nancy Jones, Kris Keilty, Elaine Lancaster, Tom and Theresa Meyer, Joyce Watkins, James Yeno,

Raffle donors

Eileen Bentz, Shirley and Zel Gernhart, Kris Keilty, Elaine Lancaster, Van and Vonnie Vandervort, Peggy Wanner, Jack Weide and Susie Swain, Char and Joe Woltner

Auction donors

Shirley and Zel Gernhart, Tonia Holibaugh, Kris Keilty, Tawnya Krull, Sheila Riley, Jennifer Shaw, Ron Stonke, Van and Vonnie Vandervort, Char and Joe Woltner

Club banner donors

Susie Swain, Peggy Wanner, Char and Joe Woltner

Catalog ads

Pam Armstrong, Grace Anderson, Eileen Bentz, Bill Bissell, Mary Day, Shirley and Zel Gernhart, Sheila Riley, Susie Swain, Peggy Wanner, Char Woltner,

From Club President:

I wish to express my gratitude to all the members of the Pacific Rim Maltese Club for their support in making this one of the finest of Maltese Clubs. We are here to listen to your thoughts, your concerns, and of course those big wins. May your New Year be filled with kindness and joy, and may you be blessed with many Show Babies.

Wishing those who are attending the AKC Eukanuba National Championship at Tampa, Florida January 15th the Very Best! We will be cheering you on.

A reminder that Dues are due by January 31st. If you haven't already sent them please mail them to: Pacific Rim Maltese Club, 656 NW Riverview, Salem, OR 97304. Thanks to those who have already sent their dues.

Char

Tidbits:

2005 Specialty Show: We are asking PRM Club members to start thinking about who you would like to nominate as Judges for our 2005 Specialty Show. We will be taking your nomination/recommendation now. Please submit to Char Woltner at Notorimaltese@aol.com.

Some Dog Thoughts:

My dog is worried about the economy because Alpo is up to \$3.00 a can. That's almost \$21.00 in dog money.

Joe Weinstein

The reason a dog has so many friends is that he wags his tail instead of his tongue.

Anonymous

Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful.

Ann Landers

If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die I want to go where they went.

Will Rogers

In Closing: