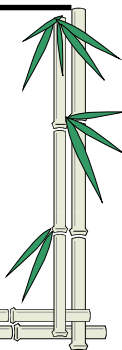


National Newsletter

Chow Chow

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Well we are into a New Year, which I hope will be great for everyone. Our friends in the East have not been doing that well, just a little cold and bleak out that way. Lucky we have a breed that at least wears a warm coat. I would not want a kennel full of Hounds and live in the Montreal area.

I want to thank the people who have contributed to this issue, I would like to hear from more of you out there. We have a lot of newer members and the fact that we live in a very large country, makes it hard to ever meet each member. Please take some time to write something about yourself and your Chows for the Newsletter.

Starting on Page 3 you will find an article about arthritis and the older dog. As we all have had and some of us still do have an older dog, we know that they bring a different set of problems as well as heart warming feelings to our lives each day.

Dear Chowists:

Hi, Hope you all had a great Xmas and a Happy New Year. Let me start by introducing myself. I am from Guelph, Ontario and have been married 21 years in March. Since I was a very young child I always seen these big furry Chows. Not knowing what they were at the time, I always said I am going to get me one of those some day. Well I did get my first chow nine years ago. He wasn't show quality but he had the greatest temperament. Well that got me going. We fell in love with the breed right away, which led me to getting more. To make a long story short I now have 4 Chows. My oldest out of Jadens Kennels is a 7 yr. old spayed female. I then purchase a male, a shaded red who is 4 yrs. old and we show him. And I have a black female aged two and a bit who we show. My newest addition is a self red male who is two weeks old. I love them all and temperament is big on my list. My kennel name is Dark Lion Kennels. I belong to various chow clubs and try to help the club in any way that I can. I had a chance to go to the nationals last year and

really regret not going. But can you believe that I just couldn't leave my own Chows even though they were in perfect hands. My chow friends laughed at me because of that, but if you knew me like they do, that is just the way I am. I'm kicking my butt now that I didnt go, but I got my dear friend Christine Farnell to get me some gifts down there which I just love. I do have a great chow collection going and it never seems to end. The things you will put on hold just to get chow stuff. We have had nine chows in total and have learnt alot and we are still learning. You can never learn enough. I have personally done a lot of research on my own. I also for the last five years have worked grooming dogs for a living which I enjoy very much. My husband is just your normal long haired factory worker for the last 20 years at the same place. I also am the only groomer in my town who will groom a chow. I have kept a file of all the chows in Guelph and just found out we now have a blue in Guelph but I have not had the honor of meeting him yet. But I will. Hope to see you's all in the ring near

here. We have our 25th Anniv. of the Maple Leaf Chow Club. Hope you can all make it. It is a great time for all involved. People have fun too.

Yours chowfully,
Dark Lion Kennels
email- horne@easynet.on.ca
A.K.A. Judy, Ian Horne
Guelph, Ont.



Hello Fellow Chowists!

Scott and I were asked to introduce ourselves and our experiences with Chows. Well, here goes....We are currently owned by our first chow Kayla (Ch. Beshia's Blazin' Kayla by Chud) who is two years old. And I must say that since she came into our lives we have been busy ever since!

Kayla came to us when she was 6 1/2 weeks old. Scott and I were considering getting a dog, but we really hadn't made our minds up. That is, until I realized I was working with a chow breeder (John Schmidt - Beijing Chows). For as long as I've known Scott he has ALWAYS wanted a chow. So, one afternoon off we went to John & Vicki's to meet their crew. The next day we went see some puppies that someone they knew had (Zerilda Boleska - Be Shia

Chows) and we picked out Kayla, and two weeks later she came home with us. Ever since, Kayla has been a very big part of our lives. Scott showed her through to her Canadian Championship and then I turned the focus to obedience. I must say that Scott rather enjoyed partaking in dog shows, and now that Kayla is no longer being shown he feels like something is missing. Kayla and I attended several trials, but we've had no luck. However, I know she has it in her (189 in a fun match). I guess this past fall was just not the right time for Kayla... in November (shortly after returning home from the National Specialty in BC) she was successfully treated for pyometra.

When Kayla joined us we never in a million years envisioned ourselves participating in dog shows (either conformation or obedience), nor breeding. But now that we've taken part in dog shows, I don't think you'll ever find us giving up. And now, we are just waiting for the opportunity to breed Kayla (which will be in February/March).

We have found the chow breed to be truly a unique breed, and while many other breeds are cute, none are truly as exciting as our Chows!

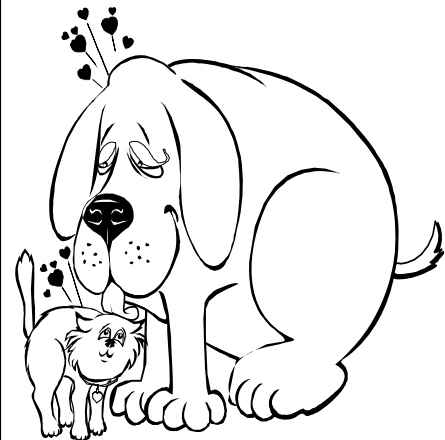
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**Good Bye To:
Ch. Stardusts Sing
Sing O Terrilyn**

**Sevenacres Charisma
Chin Duck Wang**

January brought the loss of Rudee to Terry and Linda Inch **Ch. Stardusts Sing Sing O Terrilyn**, Sept 18 1988, Ch.Stardusts Dakota Flame (BIB) x Ch.Stardusts Care Bear, Breeder: Linda Smith. Rudee was a first in many ways for Terry and Linda, their first champion, their first Group placement and she gave them their first litter, in which 2 out of the 3 puppies went on to their championships, with a Granddaughter also finishing her championship. January was also a very bad month for the Egan household, Jan 27, Charri, got out of the yard and was stuck and killed by a car, **Sevenacres Charisma**, Mar 3 1996, Ch. Sevenacres Summer Kruse x Sevenacres Leatherwd Mariah The following morning they lost one of their old guys, **Chin Duck Wang**, Sept 4 1984, Tamarin Teak of Remital x Wang Cheng-Chun. Our thoughts are with you.



Thank you to Teri G., Coordinator for The Senior Dogs Project for giving me permission to print the following article:

**The Senior Dogs Project
Caring for Your Older Dog**

Updated: January 15, 1998
Arthritis: Symptoms and Relief

Older dogs, like older people, often develop arthritis. The symptoms are similar to those in humans: difficulty in walking; difficulty in getting up from a seated or lying position; difficulty climbing stairs; a creaking, crackling, or "ratcheting" sound in the joints; an overall decrease in mobility; an unwillingness to move; a slow, ungainly gait; dragging the legs.

Rimadyl, a drug that was introduced recently by Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, has proven to be a successful means of relieving arthritis symptoms in many dogs. It is not without side effects, however. Please read the following material to increase your understanding of Rimadyl so that you may discuss its appropriateness with your veterinarian before deciding to use it for your own dog. If you do not have the time to read the material in its entirety, please read the synopsis.

Synopsis

While most dogs benefit from the use of Rimadyl, some have had toxic reactions. In a number of cases, the toxic reactions have been followed by death. The overall consensus to date is that Labradors may be particularly susceptible to Rimadyl toxicity, although this is not clear since the data are confounded by the fact that more Labradors than other

breeds have joint problems and are given Rimadyl for relief.

Veterinarians must be careful to pre-screen a dog before prescribing Rimadyl and both owners and vets must be alert to signs of toxic reaction. Pfizer recommends as follows:

"Since a significant number of patients receiving Rimadyl are older dogs, it is advisable to conduct a geriatric examination and to consider appropriate laboratory tests to establish hematological and serum biochemical baseline data prior to administration of any NSAID (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug). Periodic monitoring may be appropriate in certain patients. Owners should be advised to watch for signs of drug intolerance, such as inappetence, vomiting, diarrhea, melena, PU/PD, anemia, jaundice, lethargy, ataxia, seizure, or behavioral changes. . . . Recognition of possible drug related clinical signs accompanied by withdrawal of the drug, and supportive therapy if appropriate, has resulted in recovery of the vast majority of patients. The side effects of this drug class, in rare situations, may be serious and if corrective action is not taken may result in hospitalization and even fatal

outcomes." For the complete Pfizer statement, see the Pfizer website Rimadyl page.

<http://www.pfizer.com/ah/mypet/mydog/dhealth/dripkg.html>

Dosage is also a consideration. Although the recommended dosage is 1mg/pound of weight, relief may be obtained with a lower dosage. Additionally, a lower dosage could be instrumental in avoiding toxicity.

Rimadyl may cause gastric upset in some dogs. It is recommended that the drug be given with food. Pepcid may be used concurrently to control gastric upset.

There are many favorable reports of previously nearly-immobilized dogs who have benefited significantly from the use of Rimadyl. These are posted in the Commentary section below.

The table that follows summarizes reports by owners of dogs who had negative reactions to Rimadyl . To read a report in full, click on the reporter's name/e-mail i.d.

Reports Summary		
Dog's Description	Report on Dog's Condition	Reported By
13 1/2 year old female Labrador, "Chelsea"	Died, October 10, 1997	Colleen Gerrior COLLDOUG@worldnet.att.net
9 year old female Yellow Labrador	Died 1997	Nancy Carr CarrN@mail.dnb.com
5 1/2 old year female Black Lab	Died, July 14, 1997	Linda Moorehead LMOORHD@aol.com
13-year old Labrador	Almost euthanized Returned to full health	Name withheld Vicki Zipf sneaker@execpc.com
Westie, "Mandy"	Still recovering	BIGBLUE44@aol.com

REAL-LIFE REPORTS CONCERNING RIMADYL

The Senior Dogs Project offers the following reports concerning experiences with Rimadyl. In an effort to prevent any legal action being taken by Pfizer, the makers of Rimadyl, against the dog owners who have written these reports, we have edited them so that no inflammatory or libelous statements are made. The legal technicalities of "proving" whether Rimadyl actually caused a dog's death are not addressed here. We simply offer these reports to keep open the public forum on Rimadyl. You will notice that, in addition to reports of toxic reactions to Rimadyl, we have also posted comments from satisfied users.

From Colleen Gerrior:

"One week ago this morning, my 13-1/2 year old Yellow Labrador died. We strongly suspect that it was due to the Rimadyl because her vet had just done a baseline health exam, and found that, aside from osteoarthritis, Chelsea was a very healthy dog for her age. When she started to feel her age about a year ago, we tried aspirin therapy, but found she did not tolerate it. The vet then discussed Rimadyl, this new wonder drug for older dogs. I asked her if Chelsea might be too old, and she said that Rimadyl was in fact developed for the older dog. I read the information pamphlet and thought for quite a while before deciding to start her on Rimadyl. The side effects listed in the information pamphlet and the occurrence of side-effects seemed so insignificant that we

felt we could get Chelsea through them.

"Within 6 weeks of beginning Rimadyl therapy, Chelsea began sporadic vomiting, then stopped eating and drinking, and became totally listless and unresponsive. I took her to the vet for observation. One look at Chelsea and the vet immediately hooked her up to I.V.'s and did bloodwork. Her liver and kidney values had soared off the scales. The vet spent the next week in phone conferences with Pfizer. We thought we had brought Chelsea out of it when I took her home 10 days later because she had started eating chicken -- nothing else, but it was a start. Her liver and kidney values returned to normal. Shortly, though, she again became unresponsive and couldn't stand without the help of a sling that I made from a beach towel. She again refused all food and water. In an attempt to keep her from dehydrating, I siphoned water through a straw and inserted the straw through her teeth. This was a futile effort, and two days later she awoke with labored breathing and I took her back to the vet. Due to dehydration, she had developed heart murmurs. The vet immediately put her back on I.V.'s and the next day, after seeking the advice of a nutritionist, started a feeding tube. The damage from a state of anorexia takes a few weeks to reverse, and that's what we were working towards. The vet was very optimistic, and never gave up the hope that she could pull Chelsea through. Even last Monday afternoon, she helped Chelsea to her feet to show me that her fight was still strong -- that she was trying to stand on

her own. Tuesday morning the vet took Chelsea outside to let her relieve herself and to get out of the kennel a bit. When they returned inside, Chelsea developed breathing problems. Before the vet could get a shot of steroids ready, Chelsea closed her eyes and went to sleep. I guess that was her way of saying she had had enough.

"I am writing this to you not as a sad story, but as a topic I believe should be presented. I've heard more people say how wonderful this new drug is, and while Pfizer maintains there are few known side effects, my friend is dead. Vets are telling their clients that there are no side effects, or that the side effects are too minimal to worry about. There ARE side effects, and they need to be addressed. Perhaps Chelsea is only one of the 4% of dogs experiencing known side effects, but she was not one of their "control" animals -- she was a member of our family who is now deeply missed."

Report received January 8, 1998, from **LMOORHD**
LMOORHD@aol.com:

"We lost our 5 1/2 old year Black Lab on July 14, 1997. In March 1997 her annual exam found her health to be normal. In late April she injured her left front wrist. Our vet



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recommended Rimadyl, which worked very well in her recovery. After taking the drug for two weeks she began vomiting and refused to eat. At the time my vet was not overly concerned and could not find any reason for her illness. What my vet and I did not realize was that the vomiting and lack of appetite was related to liver disfunction brought about by a toxic reaction to Rimadyl. She came through that episode and returned to normal as far as we knew. When she reinjured the wrist in early June, I gave her the Rimadyl for two days and the vomiting began again. I thought she had an upset stomach. I had no idea what was happening to her liver. Two days later I checked her eyes and the whites were yellow. We rushed her to the vet and she was hospitalized for seven days. Thus began a month of frequent hospitalizations, visits to specialists and her slow and painful deterioration toward death."

From Nancy Carr
CarrN@mail.dnb.com:

"My 9 year old lab died on October 10, 1997 after battling the side effects of Rimadyl for 3 1/2 months. She was on the drug for only 15 days when she began vomiting violently. Those first 15 days made Rimadyl look like a 'miracle drug.' My dog acted like a puppy again, and I was very pleased. Over the summer, a family in Ohio also lost their lab after taking Rimadyl. Both our Lab and the Ohio Lab experienced the same side effects as those reported by Colleen Gerrior*: vomiting, anemia, anorexia, elevated liver enzymes, loss of appetite, etc."

From Name Withheld:

"When my 13-year-old dog was put on Rimadyl this past summer, he began vomiting after about 25 days. His kidneys and liver were both affected. He was hospitalized for five days, put on IV, antibiotics, and anti-nausea medication. The vet suggested we consider euthanasia after a certain point when he did not seem to be responding. After two weeks, he began to improve. During his illness and recovery, I asked my vet whether my dog could be experiencing a reaction to Rimadyl. The answer was 'No.' Despite this answer, I requested that the hospital stop administering Rimadyl to my dog. I believe this is what saved him. I dread to think that I almost had him euthanized --not knowing that his problem was a toxic reaction to Rimadyl. I would never have forgiven myself."

From Vicki Zipf
<sneaker@execpc.com>
January 8, 1998:

"My Labrador experienced liver toxicity, anorexia, etc., last summer just 13 days after starting treatment with Rimadyl for her degenerative arthritis. Luckily, with a wonderful and cautious vet (and many lab tests later) we stopped the medication and now have a happy and healthy dog. I applaud you for the generous amount of space given to this very serious but relatively unknown issue. Dr. Bonnie Anthony's count '(fewer than 30...)' is like any statistic; only as good as the data supplied. I believe there are many other pets who have experienced problems but, like me, their owners have left it unreported simply because they did not know where, or how to

report the problem. I would like to stand up and be counted (or should I say, my dog would)! Please help....to whom and how should my Lab's problem be reported?" (Senior Dogs Project Coordinator's Note: We are in the process of contacting Pfizer for a response to this question. In the meanwhile, see BIGBLUE's e-mail below.)

From <BIGBLUE44@aol.com>:

"Our Westie, 'Mandy,' has arthritis in her left hind knee. Rimadyl was recommended for it. After she was on Rimadyl for three days she stopped limping and acted like a puppy again. We were convinced that Rimadyl was a fantastic new drug. Mandy remained on the drug for almost three weeks. I started cutting back the dose on my own after about two weeks. It's a good thing. After two weeks she became very depressed and had absolutely no energy. She wouldn't go up stairs, jump on furniture or greet me when I came home from work, something she has done every day for seven years. She then lost her appetite and vomiting became non stop, six times one night. Her stools turned black. I took her to our vet the next day who gave her a shot to curb her vomiting and he also took blood. Mandy's side turned red with blood where she was given the shot; her blood wouldn't clot. We rushed her to an all-night clinic where she was put on an I.V. Miraculously, she survived the night. I was told that a dog's platelet count should be between 200,000 and 500,000. Hers dropped to 14,000 and the next day to 10,000. She has been on steroids now for two weeks and her platelet count is

up to 200,000. She is still not completely herself, but I attribute that to the steroids. She still goes in once a week to have her blood checked. This all started on December 10. I have been in contact with Pfizer and they have agreed to reimburse me for all my expenses -- close to \$1,000 -- and they have been paying for all the blood tests for the past two weeks. For this I am grateful; however, I would feel better if they had a handout that explains the warning signs for what can be irreversible toxic poisoning. Feel free to contact me for more information, as I would hate it if another dog and family had to go through what we did."

COMMENTARY ON RIMADYL

The following comments were contributed to the Senior-L e-mail list in answer to our request for reports of experience with Rimadyl. To subscribe to this helpful and informative list, see Resources.

From Bonnie Anthony, MD,
in late 1997:

"All the dogs that showed liver toxicity (fewer than 30 at the last count) were Labrador Retrievers. One of them is now reported to have died. As with any medication there is always a possibility of some kind of idiosyncratic reaction... The number of reported cases of liver toxicity has been miniscule compared to the number of dogs on the medication...It is very sad that the 13-year-old Yellow Lab died. In other cases involving Labs, once the drug was discontinued, the liver and

kidney functions returned to normal.... Pfizer will have to take the cited case as a Rimadryl-related death, although it is possible that this otherwise-healthy-appearing Lab had another event occur between the recovery from the liver/kidney problems and the onset of the final illness. All of this goes to say that one always needs to weigh the benefits and the risks when one uses any medication or substance. Personally I have a 6 year old Labrador Retriever who has been on Rimadyl for about 9 months now and it has made a tremendous difference in her ability to walk, run, get up from lying down, etc. It has so improved her quality of life that the small risk is, to me, worth the great benefit."

In a subsequent posting to the Senior-L list

Bonnie Anthony wrote:

"There have been 17 reported cases of liver problems -- one death -- related to Rimadyl. 'Related to Rimadyl' means that the liver problems and death occurred in dogs that were on Rimadyl. All of these occurred in Labs. Now what does this all mean exactly and how should we look at it. I have a 6 1/2 year old dog on Rimadyl and have done quite a bit of reading on it, talking with my vet, the vets at the some of the vet schools and the drug company representatives. The way side effects are reported, in people and in dogs, is that any symptom that occurs during the 'trial' phase is listed as a side effect of the drug. So if you are taking drug 'X' and get the flu, the symptoms you have are all reported as side effects of the drug, even though we all know that the flu has symptoms of its own. So most times a drug carries reported side

effects that probably have nothing to do with the drug. As for Rimadryl specifically, the most common dog to receive this drug is the Labrador Retriever. So there are overwhelming numbers of Labs taking this drug, compared to any other kind of dog. There are now in the United States more than 250,000 dogs on this medication. This medication has been in use in Europe for over 5 years but the total number of dogs is unknown there as they don't track the way we do. It probably is significant though. Anyway, if you think about it there are a whole lot of dogs on this medication and there are only 17 reported cases of liver problems and in all but one case the liver changes were reversible when the drug was withdrawn. In the single case of a death, it was an elderly dog, in good health before the medication, that had in fact initially shown total reversal of the liver changes. However, within a month after recovery from the liver changes the dog became dehydrated and died. It is my feeling that the liver problems most likely triggered off some other event or events, so while the Rimadryl was responsible, it was an indirect effect. Saying all this, I believe that, while one should be always be prudent, Rimadryl is an excellent drug for severe or debilitating problems in our dogs. All dogs started on Rimadryl should have a liver screen before the drug is given, and should be checked periodically thereafter. Any symptom that appears in the dog should be investigated promptly by the vet. My dog, Cinder, has had a wonderful response (to Rimadyl). She is

like a new dog. I thought we were looking at having to put her down within the year. Now her quality of life is so vastly improved that she not only enjoyed this summer of retrieving, she runs and plays with the other dogs, something she had not done for months and months before treatment. Luckily, we have had no problems so far with the drug and . . . I am anticipating having none, but we continue to monitor her closely."

From Jose Taboas:

"Dr. Bonnie Anthony's post on Rimadyl is most appropriate. The key is benefit versus risk. It also confirms what I had heard/read about the unfortunate, sad outcome with Labrador Retrievers. Pfizer claims that approximately one-third of hepatic adverse reaction reports have been in Labrador Retrievers. . . . My 7.5 yr old GSD Gretel was started on 100 mg Rimadyl twice a day (and Cosequin DS; two caps AM & 1 cap PM) early this year when very little was known, at least in Puerto Rico, about this drug. She started vomiting after the first week and the drug was discontinued. Pfizer paid for a full blood panel which yielded normal values. Cosequin DS was continued with decreasing effectiveness noted with the passage of time. There were no alternative courses of action suggested at the time. . . . Since her arthritic/ dysplastic hips continued deteriorating at a very fast pace, I decided to again try Rimadyl for lack of an alternative course of therapy. This time I requested 75 mg Rimadyl caps instead of 100's (Gretel weighs 76 lbs and

should get only 1 mg per pound of body weight) and administered one cap twice a day for 4 weeks. The analgesic effect of this drug was evident on the afternoon of the first dose. The drug was always administered with food this second time around. I am happy to say that there has been no indication whatsoever of adverse reactions other than increased shedding. Present dose of Rimadyl is one 75 mg cap in the morning. Cosequin DS was also started again, and reduced to one cap twice daily after 6 weeks. The dosage of these two products will continue to be reduced at approximately 4-6 weeks intervals until a satisfactory maintenance level is found. . . . A full blood profile, including hepatic and renal functions, was made to insure a clean bill of health before starting therapy the second time. Also, CBC's are made monthly since Gretel is an autoimmune disease patient (splenectomy performed in 1993) on a maintenance dose of 5 mg of Prednisone every other day. The concurrent use of Prednisone has posed no problem because of its very low maintenance dose, I imagine. . . . By the end of the sixth week of therapy Gretel is able to climb stairs with little or no difficulty most of the time and has returned to her normally jovial, playful mood."

**From Suzanne Kane,
Muttmatchers:**

"In running a shelter for senior dogs, I have had LOTS of experience with Rimadyl. You need to do a blood panel first because if you have a dog with

kidney or liver failure, it could be fatal. Once that hurdle is passed, it's great stuff. I have had a couple of seniors who have had stomach upsets on it and so we don't use it with them.... But I have a bunch of 13- and 14-year olds running around like puppies with it."

From Karen Fields

Beach Cities Dog Training:

"As with any non-steroidal medications, meaning pain-killers such as aspirin or other anti-inflammatory drugs, Rimadyl can cause side effects in some patients, the most common being gastro-intestinal bleeding. But many people use it for their animals with little or no side effects and it helps alleviate the animal's discomfort. Obviously, keeping in regular communication with your vet is important to any prescribed treatment, and if your animal starts to show any signs of stress or unusual symptoms, call your vet and get his advice . . . for many animals, Rimadyl is a good choice."

From jude eak1@earthlink.net:

"My two senior GSD-Xs were suffering so much with arthritis and back problems that I cried for them. We tried Shark Cartilage, Cosequin -- you name it. The vet began to shrug his shoulders. We gave buffered aspirin, but it only helped some. I, too, was leary about Rimadyl.



read all the pros and cons. I started giving it to both dogs..lowest possible dose... and within one week they were 80% improved...mobility-wise. They seem to be in a lot less pain...eat more...and are more playful (at age 14). "

From Sue and The Curly Kids:

"After about five or six months on Rimadyl, Cindy started to lose her appetite due to stom-

ach upset. My vet suggested that I give her Pepcid once a day and that helped immediately. Within 2 or 3 days on the Pepcid, her appetite was normal again. I also now give the Rimadyl with food . Pepcid needs to be given in the proper dose for the weight of each dog, so I would suggest checking with the vet before using it." Concerning Pepcid, the consensus of advice from the Senior-L list is:



Don't substitute another product such as Milk of Magnesia, Pepto Bismol, or Mylanta for Pepcid.

Pepcid is reported to be safer and more effective for dogs. Check with your vet regarding the correct dosage for your dog.

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"Chows In Ballantrae"

1 National Speciality & 1 Regional Speciality
All in the SAME PLACE..Spells what else..FUN
Sept 19th & 20th 1998

Venue is the Ballantrae Centre in Ballantrae which is 20 minutes north of Toronto. We have the entire building for September 19th and 20th (Saturday & Sunday). Grooming and judging in one area, dinner Saturday evening in the other room, also lunch on Sunday. Dogs can be left in grooming area while you eat, equipment can stay overnight. Judges to be announced when approved.

Motel is close by no more than ten minutes depending how fast you drive, beautiful location. Fund raising you know how we **need funds!!!** We are raffling a Chow Plate approx. 25 years old. Only 100 tickets will be sold. Chow collectors can write in for tickets to Vickie Barrett more on this later. We will be holding an Auction on Saturday evening, donations gratefully received from now on....send to me. We will be holding a Sanction Match on June 7th to raise money.

Should anyone wish to help out financially donation can be sent to either Vickie or myself, we will be most grateful.

Above all, plan to attend September 19th and 20th, join the be a part of a
Chow-full weekend

Any help will be most appreciated, this is of course the Chow Chow Fanciers of Canada - South Central Section and Chow Chow Fanciers of Canada National Specialities.

Attractions nearby include Canada's Wonderland, Metro Toronto Zoo, Hot Air Ballooning, McMichael's Art Gallery, Ontario Science Centre.



Chow for now

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Here is a chance for some of our newer members to get their hands on some old and interesting Chows magazines. The following are available from **Sharon Doucette** : Fax (403) 463-0924 or Ph (403) 450-1661.

- ① Chow Life Spring 84 through Winter 92 Inclusive, very good condition and excellent for research 36 issues.
- ② Original issues of "The Bulletin" (Later renamed Chow Life) Spring 79 - Spring 80 as well as first 4 issues of Chow Life Summer 80 -Spring 81, 8 issues.
- ③ Chow Chow Reporter set of early issues from issue #1 Fall 88 through to issue #12 Fall 91, 12 issues.
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Douglas Johnston has been working on his Web Site and it is coming along just wonderfully, he is planing to have 1000 Chow pictures on it by the end of the year. If you would like to see a picture of some of the Greats of the past and the Stars of today, or just someone's loving Chow, check out this InterNet address:

<http://209.75.41.138/ChowPedigrees>

If you are interested in having your Chow's picture and pedigree put up there for the world to see, you can contact Douglas at Lohan@usa.net for details.

The Lohan Chow Web Site is at:

<http://www.LohanChows.com/>

- LAST CALL -

If you have not paid you 1998 membership fees this will be your "Last" issue of the Newsletter. Please send your cheque or money order, made payable to CCFC to

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Irish Chow Club Page:

<http://homepages.iol.ie/~derek/chowclub.htm>

Holfin Chow Page

<http://www.hoflin.com/b/chowchow.html>

The Chow Chow Club, Inc.

<http://www.dvcnet.com/ccci/>

The Chow Chow Club, Inc. Adoption List

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/thunderhill/dogsusa.htm>

Northern California Chow Adoption Page

<http://labridge.com/chow/>

Chow Welfare League of NPD, Inc. (NJ)

http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/Chow_Welfare_League/

Wisconsin Chow Chow Club Rescue Page

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/thunderhill>

Chow Charms Web Page Australia

<HTTP://WWW.PIPELINE.COM.AU/USERS/DGUSTINI/>

Chows in Italy

<http://space.tin.it/sport/adepreti/>

Finish Chow Web Page

<http://personal.eunet.fi/pp/peklu/index.html>

Swedish Chow Page

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Hills/7509/index.html>

Czech Chow Site

<http://www.toptown.com/centralpark/ewab/chow/chow.htm>

Austrian Chow Web Page

http://www.wu-wien.ac.at/usr/h91/h9150763/club/club_e.html

Chow Web Site (not sure what country this one is in)

<http://friko2.onet.pl/ka/grajek/>





New Champions

**CH. PONDVIEW'S BLACK
RUSSIAN**, ERN97002043,

Feb\12\96, Am.Ch. Trages
Cagney x Gilmar's National
Secert, Br:H. & D. Cootney/R.
Tatro/W.Kopcza, Ow: Donna &
Howard Cootney (M)

**CH. SPINDRIFT LASTING
IMPRESSION**, FY421541, Ch.

Spindrifft Heza Stetson's Image x
Spindrifft Sheza Huntsman Spice
Br\Ow: Pam Schmied (M)

**CH. SPINDRIFT PRECIOUS
JEWELL**, FY421542, Ch.

Spindrifft Heza Stetson's Image x
Spindrifft Sheza Huntsman Spice,
Br: Pam Schmied



Pacific Northwest Chow
Club Specialty
Jan13 1998
Puppy Sweeps
Judge David Lee

Best in Sweeps:

Lorrick's Luke Skywalker,
12\02\96, AmCh. Lor-Mor's
Gabriel of Kobe x Lor-Mor's
Rosalinda Br: R. & L. Mangum
Ow: Virginia Holland

Regular Classes

Judge William Bergurm

Winners Dog:

Cherie's One Of a Kind,
12\16\94, Am\Can.Ch.
Cherie's Hinghlander O'Hannibal
(BIS) x Cherie's Rose Bokay

O'Kamenal, Br: Sherrie Harper,
Ow: Kathy Johnston & Sherrie
Harper

Reserve Winners Male:

Pendleton's Sir Sedrick,
12\18\93, Am.Ch. Rebelrun
Thunder Road x Mi-Tu's
Angelica, Br\Ow: David & Pat
Foose

Winners Female:

Nyusha Vladlen, 4\24\95,
Am.Ch. War-Rah's Masterpiece
x Channela Labska Cesta ,
Br\Ow: Yuliya Stankevich

Reserve Winners Female:?

Best of Breed:

AmCh. Rio's Go For The Gusto,
10\07\95, Am.Ch. Rio's Texas Hi-
Riser x Am.Ch. Rio's Stormy
Pywakit, Br: R Rosarai, Ow:
Eileen Bruington & Ekarat
Sangkunakup

Best Opposite:

Am.Ch. Yangtze's Victorious,
9\12\93, Am.Can.Ch Yangtze's
Bodacious x Tu-Sha's JB
Fletcher, Br: G. & A. Dunlop,
Ow: C.Feldman-Bartnick &
M.Bartnick

Best Puppy in Specialty

Rainbows Sunrise On Rainier,
7\10\97, Am\Can.Ch. Cherie's
Hinghlander O'Hannibal (BIS) x
Am.Ch. Dynasty's Elusive
Bambi, Br: B.Lewis, Ow: George
& Carole Marten

We have a **New Member** joining
us, but she is no stranger to the
Chow World. **Joyce Hayes**,
J'Hays Chows, has been a
Chow supporter for many years.

A big Thank You to **Jessica
Bjoring**, CCFC member from
Sweden for sharing some of her
great Chow drawings with us, I
think you
will enjoy
these
humorous
little Chows



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