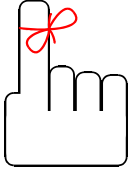




Ay Chihuahua!!

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JUST A REMINDER!!!

CHRISTMAS PARTY!!!

GRAB BAG & HOLIDAY CHEER!!!

~ FOR OUR FAVORITE TIME OF THE YEAR ~

Sunday, December 14, 2003 @ 1:30 pm
VCA Kaneohe Animal Hospital, 2nd floor
45-608 Kamehameha Hwy, Kaneohe

On Kamehameha Highway, between Zia's Restaurant, and Kaiser Clinic, and located across from Foodland Market. Please park next door at the Kaiser Clinic

Please join the Chihuahua Club of Hawaii in celebrating the Christmas season with fellowship and fun for both our Chis and humans. Please bring a \$5.00 grab bag for your Chihuahua, a snack to share with human club members, and drinks for you and your Chihuahua.

Christmas Wishes Drive

If you are able to, we would appreciate the donation of items to the Hawaiian Humane Society. We will be collecting these at the meeting and will take it down to the Society. Welcome items are: dog/cat shampoo, new toys, combs, brushes, bath size towels, dog biscuits, nail clippers, film-35 mm (200/400 asa), Polaroid 600, and laundry detergent. (New items only, not used)

If you have any questions, please call Claire at 595-3765 or email the Club at cchawaii@hotmail.com

~VERY IMPORTANT!!! ~
AKC BREEDER COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS

The American Kennel Club (AKC) conducted inspections of various dog breeders here in our State in September and October 2003. A Club Member who is a breeder of Chihuahuas, and who was inspected by the AKC brought this to the Club Board's attention. This breeder member thought that our Club Board was responsible for the AKC inspection. The Club is reporting on this situation in this Club newsletter, because the Board does not want the Chihuahua breeders in this State to have any misconceptions about the Club's concerns regarding Chihuahua breeders in the State. We have included in this newsletter the entire text of three letters. One is from the breeder member to the Chihuahua Club of Hawaii board regarding the concern that the AKC inspections may have been instigated by the Club Board. The second letter is from the Club board to the AKC. The third letter is from the AKC to the Club Board.

A note to all Chihuahua Breeders here in the State—

The Chihuahua Club of Hawaii does not have a policy regarding specific Chihuahua breeders in the State. However, we support educating members about breeding and breeders in general and are concerned about animal welfare. If the Club is presented with evidence that the breeder is not operating in compliance with the AKC Rules and Regulations, and/or there are significant and verifiable customer complaints against any Chihuahua breeders within or outside of the Club, the Club will notify the appropriate agencies within the State of Hawaii and/or the American Kennel Club, as necessary. If the Club notifies any agencies or the AKC, the Club will also make a good faith effort to notify the breeder about the matter at the same time. If you are a breeder and you have a problem with the Club, please contact us directly to discuss your concerns.

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LETTER FROM THE BREEDER MEMBER TO THE CLUB BOARD

Note: The breeders name has been withheld.

"November 12, 2003

Dear Chihuahua Club,

Included with my renewal membership check, is a copy of my AKC Care & Conditions Report, done by AKC Inspector Robert James on 10-01-03. As you can see, I passed with no problems. I was told, certain Chihuahua Breeders were singled out for this because of a request made by your Board. The handful of us under such scrutiny—all passed, but were quite hurt as to why we were targeted.

Yes, some of the Breeders do operate as a business and do depend solely on breeding as a way to make a living—but that is not against the law, as long as it is done in the humane manner they have proved now to the AKC to be doing. Please remember, those operating with a business license, would have the option of recourse to the Club, should they find out it has caused them harm. The consequences of slander and defamation of character can be very serious.

Let's all try to work together for the good of the dogs, and the betterment of the breed; not against each other. This State is too small for those kinds of actions..."

LETTER FROM THE CLUB TO THE AKC

November 20, 2003

Mr. Steve Robinson
Director of Inspections and Investigations
American Kennel Club Operations Center
5580 Centerview Drive
Raleigh, NC 27606

Dear Mr. Robinson,

We have received a letter from one of our Club members, along with a copy of an AKC inspection report, as attached. The Club member is informing us of the inspection, but also expressing a concern that the Chihuahua Club of Hawaii had made a request that various Chihuahua breeders in our State be inspected. After receiving this letter on November 19, 2003, the Club Secretary emailed the AKC, and also called the AKC North Carolina office and spoke to Marsha. Marsha confirmed that the Chihuahua Club of Hawaii did not make a request to the AKC for Chihuahua breeders in Hawaii to be inspected. Marsha indicated that the inspections were completely routine in nature, and were not instigated by our Club or any private individual.

We are writing you this letter to request that the AKC confirm this in a written letter back to the Club. We would greatly appreciate having a letter to this effect in order to allay any concerns among our Club members and in general around the State. We also wish to note that if it ever becomes necessary for the Club to make a concern known to the AKC of any practices not in accordance with the AKC rules and regulations, that the Club would also notify the breeder that the AKC has been contacted.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to call Janet Yoda, President or Lorene Maki, Corresponding Secretary, at (808) 226-0703. Our mailing address is below. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

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**LETTER FROM THE AKC DIRECTOR OF INVESTIGATIONS AND INSPECTIONS
TO THE CLUB BOARD**

November 25, 2003

Ms. Lorene Maki
Chihuahua Club of Hawaii
P.O. Box 4545
Kaneohe, HI 96744

Dear Ms. Maki,

This is in response to your correspondence dated November 20, 2003, regarding your request for written information regarding inspections in Hawaii.

The American Kennel Club (AKC) routinely conducts inspections of dog breeders located throughout the United States that register 7 or more litters or customers that conduct 25 or more registration transactions annually. The inspection includes dog records, on-dog identification, DNA collection, dog and kennel conditions. These inspections are designed to ensure the health, safety and welfare of dogs registered with the AKC, and to protect the integrity of the AKC registry. The AKC is the only dog registry in the world that has an inspections staff that routinely conducts inspections to monitor compliance with their rules and regulations.

The AKC conducted inspections of customers in Hawaii during September and October 2003 who met inspections criteria. None of the inspections conducted in Hawaii during this time were complaint generated. Thank you for your inquiry.

Steve Robinson
American Kennel Club
Director, Investigations & Inspections

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NEXT MEETING

*FEBRUARY 8, 2004
LOCATION AND TIME TO BE
ANNOUNCED*

~We will be voting for new officers~

If anyone is interested in helping the Club and serving on the Club board, please let us know as soon as possible. We will be voting for new Board members at the February meeting. We welcome volunteers.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ December 7, 2003—Hilo Obedience Club All Breed Obedience Trial at Edith Kanaka'ole Multi-Purpose Stadium in Hilo.
- ◆ **December 14, 2003—Club Meeting, Christmas Cheer and Grab bag.**
- ◆ January 10, 2004—Ilio O Hawaii Recognition Dinner at the Ala Moana Hotel.
- ◆ January 10-11, 2004—Obedience Training Club of Hawaii Agility Trial at Enchanted Lake Playground.
- ◆ January 17-18, 2004—West Oahu Kennel Club All Breed Shows at Barber's Point Elementary School Playground.
- ◆ February 14-15, 2004—Orchid Island Dog Fancier Club All Breed Dog Shows at Edith Kanaka'ole Multi-Purpose Stadium, Hilo.
- ◆ February 22, 2004—Obedience Training Club of Hawaii All Breed Trial at Thomas Square.
- ◆ March 6-7, 2004—Hawaiian Kennel Club All Breed Shows at Blaisdell Exhibition Hall.
- ◆ April 4, 2004—Toy Fanciers Specialty Show at Thomas Square.
- ◆ April 17-18, 2004—Windward Hawaiian Dog Fancier's Assoc. All Breed Shows at King Intermediate School.

- ◆ April 24-25, 2004—Valley Isle Kennel Club of Maui All Breed shows and Obedience Trials.
- ◆ May 2004—Pet Expo, Hawaiian Kennel Club Puppy Match.
- ◆ May 16, 2004—West Oahu Kennel Club B Match at Barber's Point Elementary School.
- ◆ August 2004—West Oahu Kennel Club All Breed Shows at Barber's Point Elementary School.
- ◆ September 4-5, 2004—Hawaiian Kennel Club All Breed Shows at Blaisdell Exhibition Hall.

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DOGGY RECIPIES

Chi-liver Cake

1 pound of chicken livers
1/4 cup salad oil
1/2 cup water
3 or more cloves of garlic
2+cups of flour
(optional goodies that you can add-bacon bits, grated cheese)

Place liver, oil, water, garlic and the optional goodies in a blender or food processor, and liquify them. Pour them into a bowl, add flour until you have a stiff but sticky batter. Pour into greased pan. Bake at 350 degrees for at least 1 hour. After 1 hour cut a small slice and if any pink is showing, return it to the oven for about 15 minutes more- it's important that it be well done.

Oatmeal Wheat Germ Biscuits

3 c Whole wheat flour
3 c Oatmeal
1/2 c Regular wheat germ
6 T melted bacon drippings or margarine
1/4 c Molasses
1 c evaporated milk
1 c water

Mix dry ingredients together. Add remaining ingredients and blend until well mixed. Dough will be stiff. Chill for 1/2 hour. Take rounded teaspoons of dough and roll into balls. Flatten and place on a lightly greased cookie sheet. Bake at 300 degrees F for 1 hour.

SOURCE: December 1986 issue of Gazette Magazine, p.73, and from Butch's Biscuit Book by Patricia Lehman.

Bowser Bagels

2 1/2 cups white flour

** see below for wheat allergies**

1/2 cup whole wheat flour

1 tsp. vegetable oil

1 egg

1/4 tsp. baking powder

1/2 tsp. baking soda

1 cup finely chopped vegetables (carrots, spinach, broccoli, zucchini) (one kind or mixture of any)

1 Tbsp. minced garlic

3/4 cup water

Combine all dry ingredients and mix in wet ingredients. Knead by hand; form into balls (approx. 1 1/2 - 2 inches in diameter). Flatten dough balls, poke a hole in the center and form into bagel shape. Place on lightly greased baking sheet. BAKE at 350* for 45 - 55 minutes. Cool completely on a rack. Should make about 1 1/2 dozen bagels.

*** For variety try Fruit Bagels- instead of vegetables use 1 cup of chopped frozen cranberries, blueberries, or fresh chopped apples or grated orange peel. (alone, or a combination of any).***

** for dogs with known wheat allergies use Kamut, Spelt and or Rice flours** (available at Health Food Stores)

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~ PLEASE VOLUNTEER!!!! ~

The Club really needs your support to keep the Club thriving and healthy. It has been very hard to keep the meetings and activities going. We really need to have people help out with the meeting arrangements, games, and activities. Please help keep this club together. Call us at ph. 261-3275, and let us know what you can do to help out.

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****Breeder Section****

NOTE: The Club does not endorse any particular breeder, and reserves the right to pull any ad for any reason. If you would like to place an ad, please contact the club, as noted above. The Club has more information on our website under "Finding a Chi."

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