

SACJA presents  
**Chow & Chin Judges Education Seminar**  
**Jan 14, 2018**

Time: 11:00 am - 2:15 pm  
at Auburnmist Kennels of Wendy & Keith Petkau  
Dewinton, AB. (minutes from Calgary)

Join us with **Dr. Gail Forsythe** who is one of two Chow breeders from Canada who has been given the honour to mentor judges and new breeders alike by the AKC Chow Chow Club Inc. Her Japanese Chin are top producing, top winning dogs in Great Britain, Canada, the USA, Italy and Norway.

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**Kurt Williams** who is the breeder of Am Can PGCH Padow's Twilight "Embrey" In a New Moon at Asans, the first Platinum Grand Champion Chow in the USA. Come meet this dog and listen to some expert advice from both of these long time knowledgeable breeders. Come meet this magnificent dog!

Learn how to evaluate the Chow and Chin with a brief history and discussion of function by defining what makes a good Chow and Chin. Key points to watch for and much more.

*Don't miss this important afternoon!*

**DEADLINE to REGISTER: Dec 31, 2017 11:59 PM**

**Seminar fee: Members - \$10 Non-Members - \$20 for both breeds**

*Includes a Powerpoint file for the Chows which will be emailed to you*

Location:

GPS is: 226152 – 80th Street East  
Foothills, Alberta, T1S 3W4

Register by emailing Shirley Hubenig at [dogsinaction@shaw.ca](mailto:dogsinaction@shaw.ca)

Any questions please contact Merla Thomson  
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The Southern Alberta Judges group is pleased to host an afternoon seminar on the

## **Chow Chow and Japanese Chin**

at the Auburnmist Boarding kennel just south of Calgary, off Hwy #2.

We are very fortunate to host the breeder of the **Top Winning Chow Chow in the USA in 2011, 2012 and 2013 and the #1 Chow in Canada, 2016** at our seminar!! We are also pleased to introduce Mr. Kurt Williams, Padow Chow Chows, from Las Vegas, NV and his **AKC MBISS Platinum Grand Champion & CKC BIS Ch Padow's Twilight Embrey in a New Moon at Asans (Embrey)**. Embrey is the first Chow to attain AKC Platinum status. He won the USA National Specialty two years in a row: 2011 and 2012 and breed at Westminster in 2013; always owner handled. Mr. Williams has bred Chows since the 1980's; consistently producing AKC specialty winners and countless Champions in both rough and smooth variety.

The Chow Chow and Japanese Chin seminars will be presented by Dr. Gail H. Forsythe, Lionheart [1975] CKC Perm. Reg'd, breeder of Chow Chows (25 years), Pekingese (15 years) and Japanese Chin (10 years). She has bred many Best in Show Chows, Pekingese and World Dog Show winning Japanese Chin. Lionheart dogs have over 140 championship titles from 10 countries. Dr. Forsythe is an All Breed Judge who has travelled the world judging and successfully exhibiting World Winners and Canadian National Specialty winners. Dr. Forsythe is a lawyer with a Doctorate from Duke Law School, USA. She is president of the Japanese Chin Club of Canada Inc. and past vice president of the CDJA. She served on the CKC Appeal and Discipline committees for approximately 20 years.

In 2017, Gail judged the Italian Chow Chow Club's 30th Anniversary show that saw a record entry of 200 Chows. She judged the USA Chow National in 2009 and has judged the breed in many countries around the world. Another point of interest is that Dr. Forsythe is one of two Canadian breeders approved by the Chow Chow Club Inc. (USA) to mentor judges and breeders; quite an honour! Dr. Forsythe's Chin presentation was accepted and used in Finland to educate judges in

that country; it will be presented to British judges in the UK, in March, 2018.

The Chow presentation will focus on the breed's distinctive traits and how to examine and select the most correct example of the breed when judging. It will compare the CKC breed standard with the AKC and FCI; building your confidence to judge in different countries. You will also learn first hand the fine points of the amended Japanese Chin breed standard, effective January 2, 2018, as confirmed by the CKC. The correct version of the Chin standard can be seen on the CKC website. It replaces the incorrect version that the CKC erroneously distributed to judges in November, 2017.

You will also meet the Japanese Chin, MBISS English Ch & Cnd Gr Ch Sleepyhollow Raphael ShCM JW CHIC, aka "Damage", Crufts Best of Breed two years in a row, and #1 Chin in the UK 2013 & 2014. Damage won the toy group at the prestigious British Windsor All Breed show with over 2,000 toy entries. He won 22 Challenge Certificates in the UK before his retirement in Canada in 2015; where he was #1 Chin 2015. Damage's sire was the Canadian export, Lionheart Mi Izanagi, a littermate to the female 2011 World Winner in France and a male BIS winner in Finland. He will be accompanied by the World Winner Chin Female, who was Best of Breed in Helsinki; and a Champion import from Japan, who is titled in 4 countries.

We have lots to learn and hope you will join us on Sunday, Jan 14th, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Each seminar will be 90 minutes plus a 15 minute break; concluding at 2:15 p.m. It meets the CKC's time requirements for credit toward your judging.

We have access to the American Chow Chow illustrated breed standard. If you want a copy, please write me by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017 to order your copy in time for the seminar. The cost is \$22.00 CND.

Kind regards

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