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Greenville Kennel
Club Meetings are
held on the 3rd
Tuesday of each
month at 7:30PM at
the Quality Inn at
Hwy 385 &
Pleasantburg Dr.

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A Message from our President

Blake Roulette



Merry Christmas to everyone.

I hope each of you gets what you need and want for Christmas.

I also would like to remind everyone to remember those less fortunate than us.

Remember the season is for giving and try to remember those that are in need and keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

Have a Merry Christmas with your family. Give something extra special to your dogs this Christmas.

Have a Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year.

Blake

Margaret Norkett receives AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award



GKC Recording Secretary and longtime member, **Margaret Norkett** is awarded the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award by AKC Delegate, **Linda Knorr** (L) and GKC President, **Blake Roulette** (R) at the GKC Christmas Party on December 13. 2011.

Hospitality Committee

Sharon Spiegel

Join us at our Jan 17th club meeting as we welcome Paws2Care. Sherry Anderson is bringing 4 therapy dogs for us to meet. The group members go to hospitals, nursing homes, etc. to comfort sick children and the elderly. See how your dog might be able to become a certified therapy dog.



Sunshine Committee Becky Ward



Becky Ward's husband, **Kelly**, is in the hospital recovering from hip surgery and a heart catheterization. Becky reports: "If everyone would just keep us in their prayers that would be great and much appreciated. Otherwise, all is well with me and I hope all our members are well and have a very Merry Christmas!"

Karen Van Marm reports: "I received shoulder surgery for a torn rotator cuff and bicep on December 6th. I am recovering nicely and have 8 weeks of physical therapy. Sorry I missed the club's Christmas dinner. Hopefully I'll be there next time."

If you hear of a Member that is ill or just in need of a kind word of support, please contact Becky at (864) 288-6206 or email at wardbk@charter.net. Remember, a simple word spoken in kindness can make a world of difference for a friend in need.

Members' Brags

Robert and Catherine LeBlond

Highveld Rhodesian Ridgebacks

At the RRCUS supported show in Winston-Salem, Highveld's The Middle Path under Claudia Orlandi won Winner's Bitch for a 4 point major. Her brother, Highveld's Star Born Mawazo, SC on the same day/same judge won Winner's Dog and Best of Winners.

In Camden the following weekend, Highveld's Middle Path earned her Senior Coursing title (a noncompetitive title that means a dog has run successfully 4 days) and won Best of Breed and Best in Field. On Sunday she finished her Field Championship by once again winning Best of Breed.

DC Highveld's Machame Zahra, SC RN NA OAJ earned her open jumpers title in Pendleton over the Thanksgiving weekend which qualified her for her Versatility Certificate from our National Club. She is 8 and a half years old!



Tin-Man Tibetan Spaniels

"Rebel" GCH Ambrier's Tin-Man Johnny Reb 2nd Award of Excellence Eukanuba National Championship #3 Tibetan Spaniel - Breed Ranking #1 Tibetan Spaniel Dog - Breed Ranking

"Desiree" GCH Ambrier's Tin-Man Feel My Desire
4th Award of Excellence - Eukanuba National Championship

"Jekyll" GCH Ambrier's Tin-Man My Jekyll Doesn't Hyde At TuQute 5th Award of Excellence - Eukanuba National Championship

Ann and David Maltby

Our white Standard Poodle Armani, now Ch. Baybreeze Armani En Tour received his championship at the December 1st. show in Savannah, Ga. He has 2 back to back 3 point majors, another 3 point major, 3 single points and finished with a 4 point major.

Needless to say, we are thrilled with our boy.

Roger Brown

Roger Brown and Laura Mauldin's Afghan Hound, Zipper, won Winners Dog, Best of Winners, Best Bred By Exhibitor, and Best of Breed over Specials for a 5 point major, to finish his Championship, at the Sand and See Afghan Hound Club Specialty Show, in Florida.



Members' Brags -Continued

Kari Hill

Charthill Scotties

We have several things to be thankful for this holiday season. On Dec 10th we had a litter of 3, 2 girls and a boy. This litter was conceived thru surgical implant. The sire is CH Charthill Empire Maker, ROMX - Alexander and the dam is GCH Charthill Midnight Silver, Paloma.

We also had 8 dogs invited to the AKC Eukanbua/National Championship show. We decided to take Ch Charthill Top Billing, Rocky. He finished his championship from the Bred By Class in 2010. He made his debut as a Special and won an Award of Excellence.



Beverly Krautler

Menusha Mini Bull Terriers

2011 AKC/Eukanuba National Championship GCH CH Menusha's What Little Girls R Made Of Awards: Best Bred By in Breed/Variety 2nd Award of Excellence

Owner/Handler/Breeder: Beverly Krautler Menusha Mini Bull Terriers



Details from Your Delegate

Linda Knorr



Chairman's Report December 2011

- Highlights of 2011 -

It was a pleasure to be with many of you in Florida this weekend as we enjoyed the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship, AKC Agility Invitational, AKC National Obedience Invitational and the surrounding festivities. We hope you enjoyed the incredible series of events that unfolded over the weekend.

We are all aware of the trying economic times and their effect on so many aspects of our lives these days, and yet I can say unequivocally that we have a great deal to be thankful for as dog lovers and as members of the wonderful community we know as "the fancy." In 2011 we saw many exciting developments in our sports and in our organization's educational programs.

Many devoted dog fanciers got their start in the obedience ring, so it is fitting to begin a summation of the year's highlights by acknowledging a special milestone in that challenging and rewarding sport: In 2011, AKC Obedience celebrated its 75th anniversary. As one of our foundation sports, Obedience remains today what it was created to be - a proud demonstration of our dogs' instinctual capabilities and talents as companions, and the embodiment of the human-canine bond.

Our cherished traditions in Conformation saw an infusion of new enhancements in 2011. In April of this year we introduced the Grand Championship Achievement Levels to spotlight our highest achievers in the conformation ring. Over two thousand dogs have earned bronze, silver, gold and platinum Grand Championships to date.

We also conceived the AKC Owner Handler Series, a competition specifically designed to celebrate the joys of showing one's own dog. The series will comprise competitions at several dog shows across the country and will culminate with an award for the year's Best Owner/Handler. We feel this is an exciting way to recognize the hobby exhibitor and inspire more people to become involved in our sport.

In unwavering support of our breeders, who remain the backbone of our Registry and the sport of purebred dogs, AKC continued to provide enhanced services through our Breeder of Merit program. Now with more than 6,900 breeders participating in this important program, we are delighted to see growing numbers of breeders joining us in our quest to ensure the growth and integrity of our Registry.

In the world of AKC Agility, we introduced two new titles, the "Time to Beat" titling class and the Preferred Agility Champion title. By creating ongoing enhancements to Agility, we have seen the sport rise to new heights: In 2011 AKC logged its one millionth agility entry. Of course quantity cannot be outdone by quality. I am proud to say that our AKC agility team representing the USA won many accolades including a gold medal at the Agility World Championships in France this year.

Details from Your Delegate

Continued

It has been said by many a Performance fancier that there is nothing quite like the thrill of witnessing a dog do what it was originally bred to do. Naturally, most of our performance activities are designed for specific breeds, with function and instinct in mind. But in 2011, the AKC Performance Department gave all dogs and their owners an "equal opportunity" program with the new Coursing Ability Test. This introductory lure coursing event is a fun, healthy activity open to all breeds and offers three new titles.

Adding another link in the chain of the human-canine bond, AKC brought our new Therapy Dog program to fruition in 2011. So far more than 1600 dogs have achieved our new therapy dog title which proudly recognizes those dogs who bring comfort and love to so many people in need.

AKC clubs did an incredible job of spreading our message about the joys of owning a purebred dog and the importance of responsible ownership. Together with our parent clubs, AKC welcomed over 40,000 people to the Javits Center for AKC Meet the Breeds. Sponsored by Pet Partners, the event was a record-breaking success, thanks to our hardworking clubs and staff.

Clubs remained hard at work educating the public year round, with a terrific showing in September with our largest set of Responsible Dog Ownership Days to date. More than 600 RDO Day events were celebrated locally and a record-breaking number of Canine Good Citizen tests were a key part of the program. We are so grateful to our clubs for all your hard work and support.

I wish you all a healthy, happy holiday season. Here's to another year of great shows, quality dogs and wonderful friends. And please remember to watch the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship on television if you couldn't make it to Orlando. The show will be broadcast on ABC during Superbowl Weekend, on February 4th.

Sincerely,

Ron Menaker Chairman

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2011 TITLE HOLDERS

If your dog finished a title in 2011 you are eligible to receive a pewter cup with your dog's title and name engraved on it. If your dog already has a cup, and you received a second title on the dog during the year (i.e. a Grand Championship or another Obedience/Agility title) we will engrave your existing cup with the new letters.

All cups will be displayed at the February 2012 GKC Show.

Please fill out this form and send it to:

Kari Hill 8 Wildwood Rd. Greenville, SC 29615 charthill@yahoo.com (864) 616-8882

Or you may enter this form online at the GKC Website. Login with your username and password, and click on **2011 Title Holders**.

Owner's Name:	 	
Dog's Name:		
Title Achieved:		
Date Achieved:		

Please print information so your dog's name is engraved correctly.

To be eligible, you must have attended at least 5 Greenville Kennel Club meetings in the past year. All AKC titles are eligible, and titles will be confirmed in the AKC Awards Book. If you did not attend the required number of meetings, we would still like to know the dogs that you finished so that we can publish it in the newsletter. Also, you can buy the cup if you didn't come to enough meetings.

Please fill out one form for each dog that achieved a title. DEADLINE FOR FORMS IS January 14, 2012

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The Greenville Kennel Club meets every 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Quality Inn at Hwy 291 and I-385. Meetings start at 7:30PM. The Board of Directors meets every other month.

For more information on our meetings or scheduled programs, please contact the Recording Secretary, **Margaret Norkett**, <u>Eyespi20@WCTel.net</u>

All items to be included in the newsletter are due on the Wednesday before our monthly meeting.

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The next meeting of the GKC is on January 17, 2012

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