

December 2012

Greenville Kennel Club News

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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



We always should remember the reason for season. In all our giving, remember those in need and all our special four- legged friends.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year to all.

May God bless each of you and yours, now and always.

Blake

Hello to my fellow members.

It's almost Christmas, the best holiday of all. A time to enjoy family gathering, and great food.

Outstanding Sportsmanship Award



GKC President **Blake Roulette** was presented the AKC Outstanding Sportsmanship Award for 2012 by AKC Delegate **Linda Knorr**, at the Christmas Party on December 4th.

Club Hospitality*Sharon Spiegel*

Kim Pittman, Executive Director of the Greenville Humane Society, will be coming to speak to us at our January 15th club meeting. She will have an interesting presentation about their new facility and all the dogs and cats they help to find homes for. Come and meet Kim.

Item for Sale*Lynn Cone*

I have a Marchioro Ithaca Clipper 5 Rolling crate plus wheels and removable wire bottom plus handle and two compartments on the top for sale. It is the size of a #300 Vari Kennel... New ones sell for over \$200 I am selling this for \$150. If interested please let me know as soon as possible before I put it on another dog list, it is airline approved.

Lynn Cone
Raelyn Wheatens

Sunshine Committee*Becky Ward*

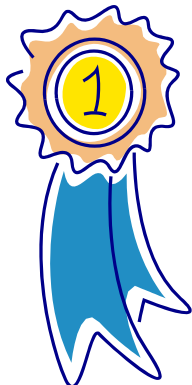
If you hear of a Member that is ill or just in need of a kind word of support, please contact Becky at (864) 288-6206 or email at wardbk@charter.net. Remember, a simple word spoken in kindness can make a world of difference for a friend in need.

**Members' Brags****Ken and Margaret Norkett**

At the Winston-Salem shows Dec 7-9th, Cresteds Wesann's Evening Song was WB on Saturday for 2 points and Ch Wesann's Well Hello Again was Select on Friday and Sunday for 2 majors towards his GCh.

Whippet Ableaim Route Sixty-Four was Select on Friday for a major towards his Gch and Gch Wesann's River of Dreams was BOB on Sunday.

Members' Brags - Continued

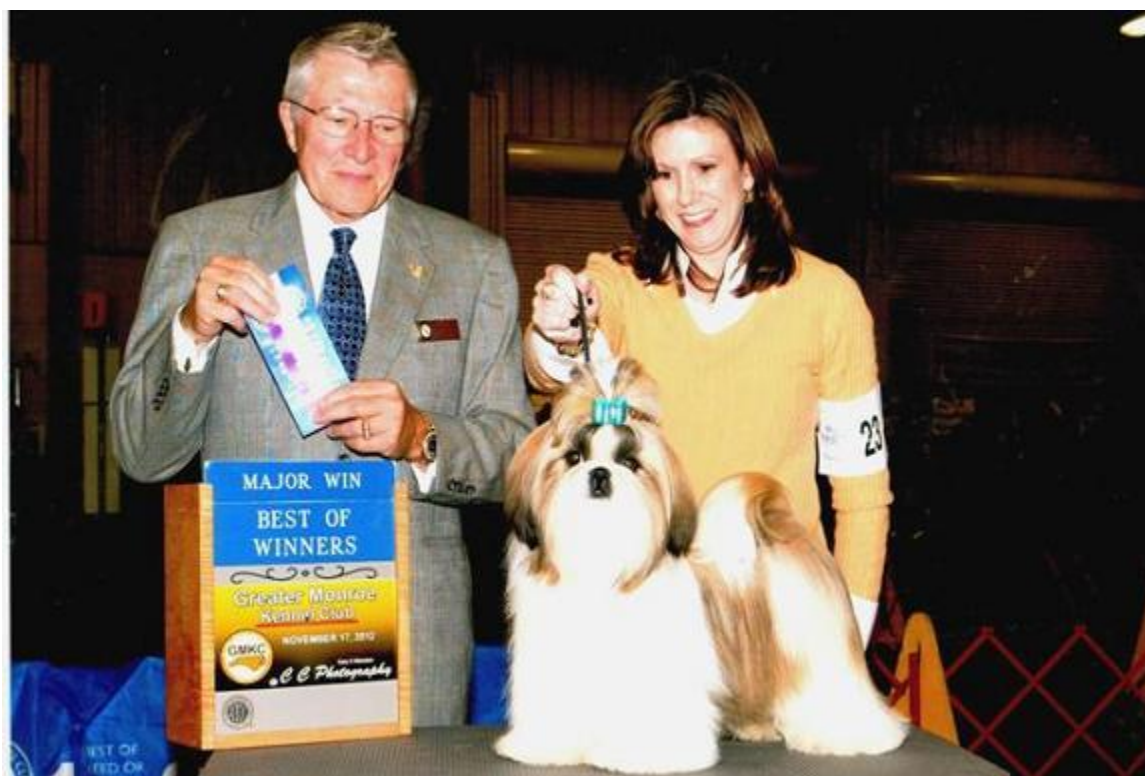


Debbie Miller

I would like to announce that "Gator", Ch. Demi's I'll Be With You Again, finished his championship in Savannah on November 30th.

Along the way to his title, he was awarded 3 majors and Puppy Best In Show at 9 months old. This is the 3rd champion for his sire.

And, my 2nd champion to finish in 2012, both boys finished at 10 months old with Michelle Jones of Anderson, SC.



2012 TITLE HOLDERS

If your dog finished a title in 2012 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 2013 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 **2012 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 7, 2013

Details from Your Delegate

Linda Knorr



Chairman's Report December 2012

-- The True Essence of AKC Breeders --

Eleven years ago, Ron Menaker, Dennis Sprung, and the good folks at Eukanuba created the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship and made celebrating our breeders an integral part of the event. In 2003, they added the Best Bred-By-Exhibitor competition and every year since then, many of our sport's top breeders compete in the Bred-By-Exhibitor competition.

In fact, 30% of the more than 4000 dogs entered in conformation this weekend are entered in the Bred-By-Exhibitor competition. And they aren't here just to compete; they take the time to educate the public about their breed at the AKC Meet the Breeds® over the course of the weekend.

In addition, the Breeder of the Year Award recognizes one prominent AKC breeder from each Group who has made a great impact on a specific breed. At the end of the presentation Sunday night honoring these seven breeders, one will be chosen as 2012 AKC Breeder of the Year.

Certainly, this emphasis on the role of breeders is a clear statement:

There is no doubt that the American Kennel Club respects and supports our breeders.

And that commitment will grow even stronger next year. I have been working with Dennis, AKC Staff, and the Parent Club and the Health Delegate Committees, and I am pleased to announce the initiation of our first Breeders Workshop at next year's AKC/Eukanuba Championship show.

This free workshop will be by breeders and for breeders, and will feature what I call "news you can use."

There is also no doubt that the public loves what our breeders bring into the world – puppies, bred for type and to be sound in body, mind, and spirit. Look at any social sharing site and puppies are always a big part of the conversation. On You Tube alone, there are over 729,000 videos garnering billions of views.

There is also no doubt that, while the public loves puppies, not all of the public loves breeders.

Unfortunately, many see our responsible breeders in a very different light than reality – a misconception that is as incorrect as it is offensive. A misconception promoted by a few and accepted by too many. And because of this extraordinary disconnect between perception and reality, there is a continuous onslaught of restrictive laws with the sole purpose of eliminating all breeders – including our responsible breeders.

All of us will continue to fight anti-breeder legislation, but we must do more.

There is also no doubt that we must change the conversation about our responsible breeders.

From unabashed lies to the truth.

From a cloud of doubt to clarity of trust.

From rumors and innuendo to factual reality.

From expediency in law-making to right judgment.

Details from Your Delegate *-Continued*

To accomplish this, we must have unity and dedication of purpose. In addition to all that AKC does now to add to the conversation, we will do more – especially by engaging the general public.

We have powerful communication resources with our newly re-imagined website, our database of millions of people, our robust Facebook and Twitter following, and our professional and passionate public relations team led by Lisa Peterson, a proud AKC Breeder of Merit. We will utilize those resources to reach out to the public consistently, frequently, and convincingly about the true essence of our responsible and dedicated breeders.

But that is only part of the job. We need your support to take the message into your communities, where the voters are who can impact our future. You are the force that brings together, and then unleashes, the true power of the American Kennel Club.

Our breeders represent everything we are today and everything we will be tomorrow. This weekend we will celebrate them and know that our destiny is in good hands.

There are many reasons to look forward to the Holiday Season, but anyone who has bred a litter knows there is something extra-special that arrives each year – the Holiday cards and notes updating you on the puppies you bred that are now part of other families.

Both the photos and messages are heartfelt expressions of how lives were made better by the addition of that dog. The arrival of those cards serves as a powerful reminder of the important role responsible AKC breeders play in bringing the joy of a dog into people's lives.

As always, your comments are welcome – atk@akc.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alan Kalter". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Alan Kalter
Chairman



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Established in 1939 Greenville Kennel Club An AKC Member Club

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**,
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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 15, 2012**

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