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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



Dear Members:

Just a reminder that our next meeting is our picnic and this will be a non-business meeting, but a time of fellowship and good food. This provides time to get to know our newer members better and renew old acquaintances. We have a great place and I hope everyone has made plans to attend and made reservations with Sharon for a fun time.

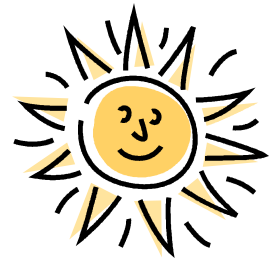
Before too long, you will be receiving, by email, notification of the names of our nominating committee and if you would like to be considered for one of the elected position in the Club, please let a nominating committee member know. Also if you would like to serve on the nominating committee let a Board member know.

See you at the picnic.

Blake

Sunshine Committee

Becky Ward



For those who have not heard, GKC Member, **Hazel Ayers**, passed away on April 27th. The club would like to extend condolences to Linda Knorr on the loss of her mother and to all of the family.

Linda has started a scholarship for a Veterinary student at the University of Georgia in Hazel's name.

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 an AKC lure coursing trial in Fairborn, Ohio (April 28 & 29), Yali (Highveld's Ishta Devata) won the open class on Saturday and Sunday for two 5 point majors. Her sister, Bindi (FC Highveld's The Middle Path, SC), won Best of Breed both days so she earned 10 points towards her LCX title.

Karen Van Marm

I finally have a brag.

We just got a new blue merle Smooth Collie, named "Becca". DOB: March 14, 2012. We plan to bring her to the picnic. See you all there!

Laura Tate

Taterz Bulldogs

GCH Jaylou's Plum Jersey Girl gave birth to four healthy puppies on Friday, May 4, 2012.

Scott and Dawn DeMaue

Flat Coated Retrievers

Ch. FlatOut Causin A Commotion (Shooter) was Select Dog (in a huge supported entry) on Saturday @ the Oconee River Kennel Club Show; FlatOut Double Edge Sword (Sabre) was Amateur Owner Winner on Saturday. Sabre was Amateur/Owner Winner on Sunday and went on to win Reserve Winners Bitch. Also on Sunday Shooter was awarded Best of Breed and finished his Grand Championship!! I was very proud that he began his journey for Grand Championship @ the Oconee Club Supported shows last year with his very first select ribbon and finished it there this year after just a very few times out in between!

Tim & Lana Dorn

Bahari Siberians

At our SHCGA 1st Specialty in Perry, Snofyre- Bahari's Eat M'O Chikin - Mo won WB for her 1st 5 point major. Mo is owned by Ginger & Jay Aldrich

At our SHCGA 2nd Specialty in Perry, GCH CH Snofyre's Secret Rendezvous-Diamond won an AOM. Tim did a great job handling both of Ginger's dogs at our Specialty.

Walkinsville shows - Snofyre- Bahari's "Book'em", Danno - Token won WD/BOW. He only needs 1 single to finish his AKC championship.

Members' Brags - *Continued*

Sam Metzger

Fr Bulldog, "Jagger" owned by Sam Metzger was BOB both days at Myrtle Beach KC with a Gr 4 & a Gr 2. He also took BOB both days at Oconee River KC.

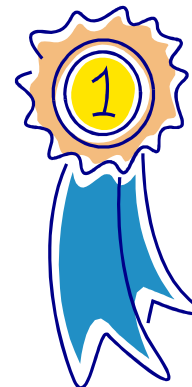
Trevor Butler

TCB Marlord Italian Greyhounds

Just to let everyone know that the KENNELS are finished at our new house now and anyone wanting to drop over and take a look are welcomed.

Ken & Margaret Norkett

Whippet Ableaim Route Sixty-four was WD at the Oconee River Kennel Club show Sunday, May 3rd for a 3 point major under Houston Clark.



Details from Your Delegate

Linda Knorr



Chairman's Report May 2011

-- AKC Breeders a Labor of Love --

One of the founding fathers of the American Kennel Club was William G. Rockefeller; his family is featured prominently throughout the history of the AKC. The Rockefellers had a family creed that formed their guiding principles. Visitors to New York will find it carved in granite at the entrance to the winter skating rink/summer restaurant area of Rockefeller Plaza. Included in the creed is the following principle: "every right implies a responsibility; every opportunity, an obligation; every possession, a duty." While I would venture that the vast majority of us don't know a Rockefeller today, I believe we embrace the sentiment of the Rockefeller creed when it comes to our dogs. And nowhere is it more evident than among the breeders who are members of AKC Parent Clubs.

Through knowledge, passion, and determination, these breeders not only help preserve breed type, but improve the health, temperament and quality of their respective breeds as well. Responsible breeders serve as canine ambassadors, opening their homes to prospective owners, matching puppies with suitable families and bringing the AKC into their puppy owners' lives. But the most noticeable accomplishment of our breeders can be seen in homes throughout America, in the happy and healthy family pets that bring joy and rewards beyond measure to their families. In fact, 90% of the dogs from all AKC registered litters are not bred, nor are they entered in any AKC event. Families have experienced not only a well-bred puppy, but also a supportive breeder who is there to provide advice on every issue imaginable throughout their dog's life. It simply is what our breeders do and do so well.

The American Kennel Club values the hard work and importance of those who maintain and improve the future of purebred dogs; the Breeder of the Year award and the Breeder of Merit program were created to recognize these achievements. However, AKC's commitment to our breeders goes far beyond recognition. The AKC has a number of supportive programs for breeders.

The AKC website (the exciting re-imagination is coming this summer) is a deep resource for breeders, with help for all breeders. For the novice or infrequent breeder, there is solid information to help them through that somewhat scary, yet magical, experience. The first-time breeder's resource covers everything from planning a breeding to whelping a litter to puppy care. We've made registering a litter easier through our online litter registration service. And by using your My AKC Account, a lot of the work is done for you. We developed AKC Online Record Keeping as a centralized area to maintain dog and litter records, your puppy owners and co-owners information, and the ability to quickly print pre-filled records – all free for AKC breeders.



Details from Your Delegate *-Continued*

Breeders have told us that a constant flow of useful information is a crucial necessity in their quest for continuous improvement of their breeding programs. In response to that need, we created the AKC Breeder Newsletter, a free quarterly publication covering nutrition, breeding techniques, health concerns, genetics, and informative interviews with respected AKC breeders. If you haven't seen it lately, check out the latest issue (and back issues as well) on the AKC website under the "Breeders" tab.

Health is an important focus point for all responsible breeders. Even our most strident detractors are compelled to admit that AKC Parent Club breeders are dedicated to producing healthy puppies. Our commitment to health and our breeders led to the establishment of the AKC Canine Health Foundation. The AKC/CHF produces a series of podcasts on a variety of health issues called Genome Barks. All of the podcasts are available through the AKC website. In addition, the AKC and the AKC/CHF launched the Breeders Symposia in 1994 targeted to both novice and experienced breeders.

Breeding, as exemplified by the Rockefeller creed of responsibility, obligation, and duty, and as practiced by our Parent Club breeders, is a labor of love – for dogs. Our breeders are not only at the core of what we do, they are a powerful force in creating the public's perception of all we do. We are now developing a new social media strategy to help tell our story – our breeders and their stories will be a part of that. At the heart of those stories is that the difference between a purebred dog and a well-bred purebred dog is just this: an AKC breeder. How can you top a story like that?

As always, please feel free to contact me at atk@akc.org.

Sincerely,



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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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**The next meeting of the GKC
is on
June 19, 2012**

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