

May 2013

# Greenville Kennel Club News

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Greenville Kennel Club Meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:30PM.

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## A Message from our President

*Blake Roulette*

Dear members,

It is time for fun and good food at our May picnic. I hope everyone has let Sharon know you are coming and bringing a food dish. We always have a great time and the fellowship is

unbelievable. A time to get away from all of our work each month and relax with our fellow club members. Ken always grills great dogs and burgers. Please be there and enjoy the beginning of summer with your friends.

Until then, may God keep you safe.

*Blake*

## Annual Picnic

*Sharon Spiegel*

Don't forget, our annual club picnic will be held on Tuesday, May 21st at Butler Springs Park again from 6 pm until dusk. We are asking everyone to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. The club will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and sodas. Leashed dogs are most welcome. Sharon will bake sweet potato muffins just for them. Bring a lawn chair too. The shelter is covered in case of rain, and restrooms are nearby. We always have a good time with our fellow club members and their dogs. No business meeting in May.



**Publicity Committee***Trevor Butler*

Please contact **Trevor Butler** to submit any news from the past or old photos to be given to the local media for publicity about our club and upcoming show.

[IGSATTCB@aol.com](mailto:IGSATTCB@aol.com) or 973-335-4514.

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**Airline Crate Needed***Lisa Jumper*

**Lisa Jumper** is in need of an IATA type 500 crate (extra-large). If you have one available or know of someone who does, please contact her at:

[lijmpsc@aol.com](mailto:lijmpsc@aol.com) or 864-593-8649

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**Position Wanted***Karen Van Marm*

I am looking for a part time position as a groomer/kennel helper in a show kennel/grooming shop. I have been a professional groomer (and show dog breeder) for 30 years, had my own successful grooming shop/show kennel/boarding kennel back in Ohio.

Please contact:

**Karen Van Marm**

(864) 895-7631.

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**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](mailto:wardbk@charter.net). Remember, a simple word spoken in kindness can make a world of difference for a friend in need.

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## Members' Brags

### Scott and Dawn DeMauex

FlatOut Double Edge Sword (Sabre) won the Amature Owner Handler Birch class at the 2013 Flat Coated Retriever of America National Specialty in Conyers, Georgia

### Ingrid Christensen

MAHA Saturday 5/11/13-  
GCH Elessar's Bush Bunny JC- BOB and Group 3, New Bronze GCH  
Silvershadow's War Admiral- WD for a 3 point major

MAHA Sunday 5/12/13-  
Ch Odi et Amo Senta Whatever Elessar- BOS and new GCh  
Senta Odi et Amo Native Son Elessar- WD/BOW for a 4 point major

### Karen Van Marm

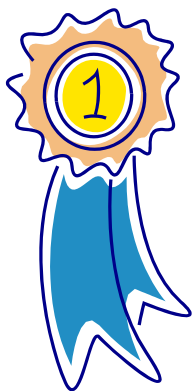
KARE'S EMORY PINE WHO'S THAT LADY (Becca) Smooth Collie  
Collie Club of Northern New Jersey, 1st in 9-12 Puppy and RWB to a 5 pt major.  
Collie Club of America, 2nd Placement in 12-18 month Bitches

### Bev Crosby

Standard Poodles

My puppy girl, Summer, aka Legend's Summer Storm at Calisun, was shown in the American Bred class at the Poodle Club of America Nationals the end of April. She had only been shown maybe 5 times prior to that, so all I was hoping for was for her to show well, not be frightened, or act like a silly puppy. Competing in a class of 21, made up of mostly adult dogs in full coat, she was given a class placement! A nice surprise!!! Now, I hope she's ready to start winning at regular shows.

Also, my boy, Joshua, aka CH Aris Calisun Stand and Deliver, is more than halfway to being a Top Producer! He just got his sixth champion get!



## Junior Scholarships

Nineteen outstanding students from 14 states have been awarded American Kennel Club® (AKC®) Junior Scholarships for 2013. The scholarships - ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000 - are offered annually to high school, college and graduate school students.

Applicants were evaluated based on academic history and involvement in the sport of purebred dogs with special consideration for those who were active in AKC clubs and events. In addition, applicants were required to submit an essay describing their future involvement in purebred dogs and with the AKC.

Included was the winner of the GKC's February 2013 Junior Showmanship Competition:

**Kylie Soafer** (Roswell, GA) is a high school senior. She has competed in Juniors with Weimaraners and Great Danes and is also a breeder.



**Hot Car Safety**

When the summer outside temperature is this, the temperature inside cars can reach this.

75°	-	118°
77°	-	123°
81°	-	138°
90°	-	143°
94°	-	145°

Too hot to leave a dog in the car:  
**70°**





## Details from Your Delegate

Linda Knorr

### April 2013 Chairman's Report

-- *Making a Difference for Canine Health and Well-Being* --

At the March Delegates meeting, Article III of the American Kennel Club Bylaws was amended to include the following: "The objects of the Club shall be to advance canine health and well-being..." Someone unfamiliar with the AKC might see this as a beginning. In fact, nothing could be further from the truth. Instead, this amendment signals the commitment each of us has to the never-ending journey begun decades ago by our responsible breeders and breed Parent Clubs - a journey that is making a difference for dog health and well-being, but one that is not truly understood by the public.

Probably the most well-known product of the journey is the AKC Canine Health Foundation, which was instituted by the AKC in 1995 and is the largest funder of exclusively canine health research in the world today. Since its inception, the AKCCHF has funded almost 600 grants, totaling nearly \$30 million – all addressing the health needs of dogs during their lifetime by focusing on all aspects of their physical, emotional and social well-being. What is not known by many people is that over 30 years ago the AKC was the first and the principle funder of the research that developed the vaccine for canine parvovirus, thus saving thousands of puppies' lives around the world.

There is no doubt that responsible breeders - in their efforts to protect, preserve, and improve their breeds with every litter - embrace the advances in health screening and tests. These breeders apply their understanding of the science of genetics by utilizing the screening and testing protocols designed to aid in the selection of a sire and dam. Today there are a number of health registries that support breeders in that selection process, including the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals (OFA) and the Canine Eye Registration Foundation (CERF). In addition, the AKCCHF and the OFA created the Canine Health Information Center (CHIC). Working with participating Parent Clubs, CHIC provides a centralized health database used as a resource for breeders of purebred dogs to research information on the health issues prevalent in specific breeds.

The AKC recognizes our breeders' motto of "Breed to Improve," and offers significant information to help them achieve their ongoing quest. CHIC is but one of the many examples of available information and opportunities for advancing knowledge for the AKC breeder. The AKC offers breeders information via the website and the quarterly AKC Breeder Newsletter - covering a wide range of topics of interest to breeders. The AKCCHF hosts the National AKC Parent Club Canine Health Conference, affording dog breeders the opportunity to meet, learn, and share ideas with some of the most sought after researchers and experts in their fields. The latest addition to AKC programs helping breeders is the AKC Breeder-to-Breeder Workshop coming to the AKC/Eukanuba National Championship in Orlando this December. This will be a free workshop open to all AKC breeders. Pre-eminent expert AKC breeders will share the thinking behind their successful breeding programs in a learning experience that is sure to deliver "news you can use."

The improvements we are seeing in the health of our dogs are a direct result of responsible breeders' commitment to utilizing today's science.

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**Details from Your Delegate***- Continued*

Our AKC Breed Parent Clubs are strongly committed to the journey of improving the health and well-being of their breeds through educational outreach and funding research studies. Virtually every Parent Club's website includes a prominent health section supporting health awareness and education in their breed, identifying beneficial screening and testing protocols, and reporting on funded studies. In the aggregate, AKC Parent Clubs have contributed millions of dollars to fund research studies - many already yielding the science to change lives.

As George Bernard Shaw said, "We are made wise not by the recollection of our past, but by the responsibility for our future." By adding "health and well-being" so prominently into our Bylaws, we are re-affirming our commitment and our responsibility to ensure that every AKC dog can be a better dog and a quality pet. Our collective commitment to protecting, preserving, and improving the dogs we breed is vital and strong.

While we continue our mission, we must address a crucial issue: The fastest way to improve the lives of dogs is to connect knowledgeable puppy buyers with responsible breeders who register with the AKC. Unfortunately, we know that is not always the case. Not every dog breeder shares the motto "Breed to Improve," and not every puppy buyer knows how to discern those that do from those that don't.

It is imperative that we have a better informed, more knowledgeable puppy buyer – particularly in regard to health and well-being. In the spirit affirmed by Nelson Mandela, educating puppy buyers is the most powerful weapon we can use to change the destiny of dogs. We are aggressively committed to being at the forefront of that education.

And it is imperative that we have a way for responsible breeders to identify themselves and their litters. Certainly, our 10,000-member Breeder of Merit program is one way for the public to identify breeders who certify that applicable health screens are performed on their breeding stock as recommended by their breed's Parent Club. However, not every responsible breeder meets all of the Breeder of Merit requirements around sport participation. A manageable way of identifying all AKC breeders who certify that applicable health screens were performed is a necessary goal in our desire to help buyers find healthy puppies.

In light of the importance of improving the health and well-being of all dogs, the Delegates acted wisely by writing the commitment to both into the Objects of the AKC Bylaws. While this is a reaffirmation of our beliefs and actions for the last 100+ years, it shall be addressed with energy – much like Yul Brynner's pronouncement from Cecil B. DeMille's epic film *The Ten Commandments*, "So let it be written; so let it be done."

Your comments and suggestions are most welcome [atk@akc.org](mailto:atk@akc.org).

Sincerely,



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. The June meeting location is to be determined. 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  
June 18, 2013**

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