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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 Comfort Inn Millennium, 2756 Laurens Rd at I-85.

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## A Message from our President

*Ken Walker*

The Carolina Foothills Cluster was a huge success, and the GKC shows were exceptional. Glen and Sandra Amorosia did an outstanding job coordinating the staffing and presentation of the "AKC Pet Disaster Relief" trailer. A highlight of Friday's show, Master Trainer Doug Wannamaker and K9 Officer Ricky were presented with the AKC "Certificate of Appreciation". The spectators showed overwhelming support for these officers. We were fortunate to have AKC VP Doug Ljungren on hand to make this presentation. Mr. Ljungren was responsible for creating this program to honor these heroic working canines. Finally, the sportsmanship and support exhibited in the Obedience trial show what the dog fancy is all about. Thank you to everyone who showed up to work on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday. Our shows would not have been such a success without our member's efforts. Finally, a huge thank you to Cluster Chair, Kris Harner.

Now that the show is behind us, we need ALL members to volunteer to help at this upcoming match and RDO Day. Scott Demauex and Jamie Hootman are planning an outstanding community event for Sept 24th. I promise you there is a job with your name on it. Please contact Scott or Jamie and ask how you can help make this event a success.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at Tuesday's membership meeting.

Ken

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## Yearly Dues *Ken Spiegel*

Don't forget, to pay your yearly dues. All members should have received an invoice in the mail. You can pay in person at Tuesday's meeting, mail them in the return envelope provided, or pay online at our website.

**Members who have not paid by September 1st will have their membership terminated and will need to re-apply for membership.**

If you did not receive your invoice, please let me know. [kspiegel@greenvillekc.org](mailto:kspiegel@greenvillekc.org) or call: 864-409-0922

**Greenville Kennel Club – Membership Meeting Agenda**  
**Tuesday August 16, 2016 7:30PM**  
**Comfort Inn Millennium 2756 Laurens Rd, Greenville, SC 29607**

- Welcome Guests / Roll Call / Brags - Ken Walker
- Minutes of July Membership Meeting – *Gloria Askins*
- Report of the President – Ken Walker
- Report of the Corresponding Secretary – *Dawn Demauex*
- Report of the Treasurer – *Ken Spiegel*
- Report of the AKC Delegate – *Linda Ayers Turner Knorr*

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Club Hospitality – *Jeanette Stribling*
- Program – *Necia “Sam” Metzger* – No program this month. September guest speaker: *Dr. Natasha Jaskiewicz, BS, DC, CAC*
  - Sunshine – *Becky Ward*
  - Website & Newsletter – *Ken Spiegel*
  - Membership – *Bev Crosby*: Membership Applicants: 2<sup>nd</sup> reading & vote Jamie Clute, Trish Mitchell, Joyce Hetager & . Heather Moran (if in attendance).
  - Training Coordinator – *Bob Vandiver*
  - Publicity – *Bob Vandiver*: AKC K-9 award.
  - Law Enforcement – *Blake Roulette*
  - Historian – *Ruth Turner*
  - Report of the Show Chair – *Kris Harner*
  - Obedience / Rally – *Bev Crosby*
  - Vendors – *Nancy Vandiver*
  - Specialties – *Sue Dwelly*
  - Trophies & Annual Awards – *Dawn Demauex*:
  - Match – *Jamie Hootman*:
  - RDO Day – *Scott Demauex*
  - Nominating Committee: *Ken Spiegel*

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Constitution & By-Laws – Ken Spiegel / Gloria Askins
2. New Obedience Equipment – Bev Crosby

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Board voted to recommend a \$6,000 donation toward the upcoming Greenville County Sherriff's Office K-9 Workshop with the understanding that going forward we prefer to limit our contributions to community oriented projects.
2. Board defined what constitutes an “Active” member who will be entitled to receive Annual Awards (formerly Trophy Cups), free items such as catalogs at our shows and discounted event tickets (such as Christmas Party). Active members will be those who attend two (2) Membership Meetings per year (other than the Christmas party & picnic) OR who work a total of four (4) hours at club sponsored events. (Note: Two (2) hours of work may be substituted for one (1) club meeting).

3. Next Board Meeting: Monday, September 12, 2016 at 6:30 pm at **Stax Omega 72 Orchard Park Drive, Greenville, SC**. Any member is welcome to attend, however if you have business you would like the Board to address, it must be submitted in writing at least one week prior to the meeting. Meeting minutes are published on the Club's website.



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## **Members' Brags**

### **Sam Metzger**

CH Joys & Metzgers Celene Went Best of Opposite for two pts toward her grand championship at the Greenville shows on Friday.

### **Erica Medved**

Our German Shepherd, Blitz, went WD on Thurs and BOW on Fri and Sat at our Greenville shows.

### **Shirley Shannon**

Shandell Make My Day, Clint, (LC Chihuahua) won RWD to a 5 point major on Saturday from the puppy class.

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## Show Highlights

On Sunday July 31 at GKC's Obedience trial, a really sweet lady and her Shih Tzu reminded us what dog sports are about, and about the true meaning of sportsmanship. Our member, Jan Keith brings her dog Rebel to one trial a year. Jan is very hard of hearing, and the ambient noise at the trial makes it even more difficult. But she comes anyway, because she just loves to show Rebel. And Rebel adores her!

Jan and Rebel competed in Preferred Novice on Friday and Saturday but did not qualify. The Judge, Mina "Mike" Willaquette challenged us to find a way to help Jan achieve her goals with her dog. Rebel did exactly what he was supposed to, but Jan misheard a few of the instructions. On Sunday Judge Aimee Kincaid suggested to Jan that she have someone beside her to repeat the judge's directions. Jan was happy to do that but did not have anyone with her. So Aimee told us that if we could find someone not competing in the class who was not a member of our kennel club, that would do the trick. I knew just who to ask—an experienced obedience competitor, who has the biggest heart of anyone I know - Barb Mina from the Dog Obedience Club of Greenville. I only found out when I asked her that her husband has cochlear implants to hear - how perfect was that?! She was more than glad to help! More than that, she understood what Jan needed.

During Jan's run, the crowd watching grew steadily, all of us not so silently cheering her and Rebel on! It was so moving to watch! The cheers upon hearing "Exercise Finished" at the pair's qualifying completion of their Preferred Novice run would've rivaled the most exciting OTCH celebration. Not only did they qualify; they took fourth place! There were tons of hugs, lots of teary eyes, and so many congratulations! I was thrilled to have played a small part!

It's easy to get so caught up in the busy-ness of training and competition that we forget what it's really about—celebrating the bond between dogs and humans and demonstrating what can be done when we work together. Thank you, Jan and Rebel, for reminding us of that! Thank you to Judges Willaquette and Kincaid for helping us figure it out. And a special thank you to Barb Mina for her big heart and her expertise! They all made a great team!

Most of all - CONGRATULATIONS to JAN and REBEL! Well done!

Bev Crosby



*Jan, Barb Mina, and Rebel*



*Jan, Rebel, and Judge Aimee Kincaid*

Show Highlights - Continued



*L/R. AKC Delegate Linda Ayers Turner Knorr, AKC Vice President Sports and Events Doug Ljungren, AKC Reunite Co-Chairs Glen and Sandra Amorosa, Judy Cheshire, GKC President Ken Walker, AKC Vice President Legislative Affairs Sheila Goffe, Greenville County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Patrick Donohue*

*Kate Hodges Interviewed by Fox Carolina News Crew*



*GKC Corresponding Sec. and Trophy Chair, Dawn DeMauex*



*Long time vendors, Barbara & Gunner Gersbach (The Czech Connection) who are retiring this year.*



*Becky Ward and Lisa Jumper with a Handsome Stranger*

## Show Highlights - Continued



**Presentation of GKC's \$2500 contribution to the AKC Canine Legislative Support Fund**

*(L/R) Linda Ayers Turner Knorr, Kris Harner, Sandra Amarosia, Gloria Askins, Ken Walker, AKC VP Legislative Affairs, Sheila Goffe, Ken Spiegel, AKC VP Sports and Events, Doug Ljungren*



## Details from Your Delegate

Linda Knorr



### Excerpt from “Lines from Linda” in the August issue of Showsight Magazine

On the very last day of the month my very own Greenville Kennel Club celebrated as AKC Vice President of Sports and Events Doug Ljungren was on hand to join our President Ken Walker in presenting the Canine Officer Certificate to the Greenville County Sheriff’s Department K-9 Ricky with his Master Trainer Doug Wannamaker. President Ken Walker spoke in the group ring sharing with the crowd, “For more than 15 years the Greenville Kennel Club has supported our Greenville County Sheriff’s unit with donations towards training, equipment and K-9 Officers. We are honored to have AKC Vice President of Sports and Events Doug Ljungren here with us today, as he has been instrumental in making this program possible. Congratulations to Ricky, the most recent K-9 officer funded by the Greenville Kennel Club.”

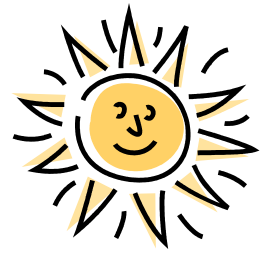
Former GKC President Blake Roulette currently serves as our Law Enforcement Liaison in South Carolina. Roulette urges clubs across the country to realize the importance of relationships between AKC clubs and Law Enforcement agencies in today’s challenging times.



*(Left to right) Greenville Kennel Club: President Ken Walker, Sgt. Patrick Donohue, Master Trainer Doug Wannamaker, AKC Canine Officer Ricky, AKC VP Sports and Events Doug Ljungren and AKC Delegate Linda Ayers Turner Knorr. (Photo by Dave McCurley)*

# 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 [wardbk50@yahoo.com](mailto:wardbk50@yahoo.com). Remember, a simple word spoken in kindness can make a world of difference for a friend in need.

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The next meeting of the GKC is on August 16, 2016

Established in 1939 **Greenville Kennel Club** An AKC Member Club

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For more information on our meetings or scheduled programs, please contact the Recording Secretary, **Gloria Askins**, [askgja@gmail.com](mailto:askgja@gmail.com)

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

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