

Badgerland Gordon Setter Club Newsletter April 2011



BGSC CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4/30 & 5/1/11 AKC HUNT TEST – OPEN TO ALL POINTING BREEDS -CANCELED (4.24.2011)

Held at Pine Island Trial Grounds in Portage, WI

8/19 & 8/20/11 SUPPORTED ENTRY

Held in conjunction with the Marshfield All Breed Shows in Marshfield, WI

8/27 & 8/28/11 FIELD TRIAL-OPEN DERBY & AMATEUR GUN DOG OPEN TO ALL POINTING BREEDS; OPEN GUN DOG, OPEN LIMITED GUN DOG, & OPEN PUPPY LIMITED TO SETTERS ONLY.

Held at Pine Island Trial Grounds in Portage, WI

BGSC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

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MEETING NOTICE

The next meeting will be held after the Hunt Test on April 30th. This will be held at Pine Island Grounds in Portage, WI. We will be voting for officers and one board position. If you can't attend and would like to run for an office just let one of the officers or board members know. We will also be discussing the help needed for our August Field Trial. We need lots of help to make this event successful so please consider volunteering. If you can help but won't be at the meeting please contact either Janet Gomez or Chris Rhoden. (**Ed. Note:** HUNT TEST canceled due to wet grounds. Meeting to be held by teleconference call.)

DIRECTIONS to the GROUNDS

I-90/94 to I-39 North to Hwy 33 East towards Portage, WI. Take the first left (Fairfield Rd.). Go 5 miles to the 2nd gravel road to the left to headquarters.

EDITORS NOTES

Well, the calendar may say that it's spring but the weather – at least the weather here in northeastern Wisconsin sure isn't very spring like. I'll be heading south on April 30th – going to the Irish Setter Club of America's National Specialty show in Oklahoma City. I'll miss the Hunt Test for the first time in over 15 years but sure am looking forward to some warm weather.

I'd like to thank Marte Wetzel for all her help accumulating the New Titles & Wags and Brags then sending them to me for the Newsletter. It saves me a lot of time and work. Thanks Marte.

Janet

NEW MEMBERS

John & Melody Dian
419 W. Oak St.
Frederic, WI 54837

Gordon Setter named Maggie

Nanette Johnson & Richard Rusch MD
2675 Buckingham Place
Brookfield, WI 53045

MINUTES

Badgerland Gordon Setter Club
Winter Walk Feb. 26, 2011

Meeting called to order by President Jack Johnson

Treasurer's Report
Connie Rhoden reported that we have \$ 7634.00 in the bank at this time.

OLD BUSINESS:

Membership list - We are not planning on publishing the list. If anyone wishes to have a copy of the membership list, they can contact Connie Rhoden or Steve Gibson.

Field Trial - We need a chairman on the committee. We need to pick a format to run the trial. AKC has now come up with another option, flexible, along with the fixed and unlimited. Janet Gomez recommends choosing the flexible. Are we going to continue to run the all setter trial? Discussion about opening Open Limited Gun Dog, Open Derby and/or Amateur Gun Dog Stakes to all breed. Janet Gomez motioned to make Open Derby and Amateur Gun Dog stakes all breed, while keeping Open Gun Dog, Open Limited Gun Dog, and Open Puppy closed to setters only. Jack Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Web Site - Jenny Gibson has been working on it and has a draft on her laptop for us to take a look at. She needs input and pictures for the content. The plan is to connect the new Web Page to both Gordon Setter Web Rings. The Web Site Host was hacked in early February and lost his servers. The site has been moved to a new server and is back up and running.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dog Fair - Connie Rhoden moved to plan on reserving two booth spaces for the next Dog Fair in November of 2011. Peg DaValt seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Hunt Test - The German Shorthaired Pointer Club is holding their National Specialty in Oconomowoc the end of April and they are having a National Hunt Test on private grounds north of there the same weekend as our Tests. AKC has told us That there is no conflict, due to it being open only to Shorthairs. This will probably cause our entries to be down.

Fun Field Day - March 19, 2011

This will be held at the River Ranch, south of Marshfield. We will start the day with Sporting Clays in the morning and training for the dogs to follow.

Supported Entry - August 19, 29, & 21, 2011

This will again be the weekend of the Marshfield shows. Marte Wetzel will contact Bob Gleason about the prize list.

Rescue - We were contacted about a dog near Barron. The dog was moved to Minnesota

Officer and Board Nominations -

Connie Rhoden nominated Betsy Sippel for the open Board position. Peg DaValt seconded the nomination.

Connie nominated Steve Gibson for Vice President. Jack Johnson seconded.

Other nominations remain as they are now.

President: Jack Johnson

Secretary: Marte Wetzel

Treasurer: Connie Rhoden

GSCA Breeder Referral- There have been several questions as to how the Breeder Referrals work through GSCA. Peg DaValt is the GSCA Liaison for this area and she has been contacted by many Gordon Setter breeders in the area, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, and Missouri. There doesn't seem to be any contacts coming our way. We would like ideas to present to the GSCA Board on more equitable options. Peg is gathering information to present to the Board. Steve Gibson made a motion to recommend that the breeder list be put back up on the GSCA Web Site. Betsy Sippel seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Betsy Sippel handed out the 2010 awards.

Chris Rhoden made a motion to adjourn.

Steve Gibson seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Marte Wetzel, Secretary.

Members in Attendance at the Meeting: Dawn Mozgawa, Kate Mozgawa, Dawn & Mike Trebatoski, Holly Wachuta, Chris & Connie Rhoden, Janet Gomez, Clyde & Betsy Sippel, Steve & Jenny Gibson, Jack & Ben Johnson, Heather & Greg Kelly, Peg DaValt, Beth Hintz, Frank & Marte Wetzel.



TARTAN GORDON SETTER CLUB, INC. NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The TarTan Gordon Setter Club, Inc. has applications available for one (1) \$1,500 scholarship for the 2011-2012 academic year.

Applicant requirements:

- Owns a Gordon Setter or
- Is the child or spouse of someone who owns a Gordon Setter
- Will be enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher learning for the 2011-2012 academic year
- Major field of study shall be related to Animal Sciences (including, but not limited to, veterinary, zoology, wildlife management, ecology, behavioral science, etc.) or Comparative Medicine (including, but not limited to) microbiology, pathology, biotechnology, genomics, molecular genetics, etc.)

The application can be downloaded from the TarTan GSC Inc. website: www.tartangsc.org

or is available from:

TarTan GSC Inc.

c/o Ginette Desrosiers

32 Baggs Hill Rd.

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The deadline for submitting completed applications is May 31, 2011.

CONDOLENCES

Tamdhu Upland Classic JH "Gauge"

6-15-1999 to 4-01-2011

You were out of my very first litter I bred. My first boy - my buddy - my "puppa". Words can't express how sad I feel. May you join the others in the fields at Rainbow Bidge . You will be missed.

Chris & Connie Rhoden

NEW TITLES

CH. Bit O' Gold Good Golly Miss Molly, JH

Molly finished her Championship on March 5th at the Wisconsin K. C. Show. She took Select Bitch on Sunday the 6th to start her points for her Grand Championship. Molly is owned by Steve and Jenny Gibson and Peg Nowak.

WAGS AND BRAGS

Shadowdancer Autumn Allure

Lanie took WB & BOS on Jan. 29th, at the Park Shore K.C. Show in Illinois. She then took WB, BOW, and BOB on Sunday the 30th. She was WB on March 6th in Milwaukee for a major and took WB again March 26th in Chicago. Lanie is owned by Kendra Pannhausen and Carol Ervin.

Lyric N Amethyst Outlandish Knight

Brodie took his first point on Feb. 21st in Denver with WD, BOW, and BOS. He also was awarded WD, BOW, & BOB on April 1st in Scottsbluff, NE. Brodie then took WD and BOW on April 9th & 10th in Brighton, CO. Brodie is owned by Erin Percival, Peg DaValt, and Laurie Carlson.

Arrowood's Only Blue Skies

MaGee was RWD on March 5th in Milwaukee at the Wisconsin K. C. Show. MaGee is owned by Dawn Mozgawa.

Breacan's Perfect Scotch Martini

Clooney was RWD on March 5th in Milwaukee. He took WD, BOW, and BOS for a major on March 23rd in North Carolina. He was WD again on the 25th for another major. Clooney is owned by Pat Larson and Martha Martini.

WAGS AND BRAGS Continued

Gaelwynd Amethyst Rayne for Breacan, JH

Rayne took RWB on March 5th in Milwaukee. She added 2 more majors to her totals on her trip to North Carolina. She was Winners Bitch all 5 days and also took Best of Winners twice and Best of Opposite Sex twice. Rayne is owned by Pat Larson and Peg DaValt.

GCH U-GCH Glen Oaks River Breeze Shiraz

River took BOB and a Group IV on March 5th in Milwaukee. He was Select Dog on March 23rd & 26th and BOB on March 24th, 25th and 27th at the North Carolina shows. River is owned by Marte Wetzell, Gail Godding, and Peg DaValt. River again made the trip to the Westminster K. C. Show in February. Marte, Beth and Peg drove to New York this year. We had a good trip. River showed on Sunday at the Combined Specialty and made the cut in breed. On Monday River had a Siesta Day while Marte, Beth, and Peg went into the City to do a little sight seeing. We met up with Marte's goddaughter Gwen and toured the NBC Studios. We had a great lunch at Carmine's and snooped around Times Square. Tuesday we took the boy to "The Garden" for the show. Carol Burgess from Texas spent the day with us and we also met up with Peg's friend Sally Bair from Pennsylvania.

Gaelwynd 'N' Amethyst Cleanin' The Ice

Zamboni was RWD on March 23rd at the shows in North Carolina. Zamboni is owned by Madison Kennedy and Peg DaValt.

CH U-CH Glen Oaks' Afterglow O' Amethyst JH, RN, CGC, TDI, R.E.A.D.

Flame was BOB on March 23rd in North Carolina. She also took BOS on the 24th and 27th. Flame is owned by Laurie Carlson, and Peg DaValt.

Alainn's First Lady Ceilidh, SH, RN

Ceilidh qualified for her first leg of her Master Hunter title on March 26th. She added another leg on April 17th. Ceilidh is owned by Ron and Gwen Pfeil.

Moonsetter Grand Savoy

Darcy was WB and BOS both days of the Kennel Club of Yorkville, IL shows, April 9th and 10th. Darcy is owned by Heidi Moon and Denise Dunham Schiele.

FDA Consumer Alert: Buying Pet Medications Online

According to a consumer alert issued recently by the FDA's Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM), buying pet medications through online pharmacies can be risky. FDA regulators have documented cases at both domestic and foreign internet pharmacies of unscrupulous practices including:

- Sale of unapproved pet medications
- Sale of counterfeit pet medications
- Sale of expired pet medications
- Dispensing drugs without a prescription

The CVM is especially concerned about pet owners who are buying two prescription veterinary meds – NSAIDS (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs) and heartworm preventives – online.

The CVM warns that these drugs can be dangerous when administered to pets without guidance and monitoring by a licensed veterinarian who has evaluated the need, use and safe dosages for the dog or cat receiving the medication.

According to DVM Newsmagazine:

"If consumers opt to use an Internet pharmacy, the FDA wants them to pick a pharmacy accredited through the Association of Boards of Pharmacy's Vet-VIPPS (Veterinary Verified Internet Pharmacy Practice Site) program. Outsourced prescription management services used by veterinarians offer another credible pharmacy source, FDA says."

The FDA's [consumer alert](#) lists several red flags to look out for when dealing with online pharmacies, including:

- *No prescription required for prescription veterinary medicines.* These businesses are breaking the law, plain and simple. Under the Federal Food Drug and Cosmetic Act, pharmacies cannot sell prescription drugs without a valid prescription from a licensed veterinarian. If a business is willing to break the law, they probably shouldn't be trusted for any reason.
- *No licensed pharmacist available.* You should always be able to speak with a pharmacist about the drugs you're purchasing for your pet.
- *No contact information.* Legitimate online pharmacies list a physical business address, customer service phone number or other contact information.
- *Not licensed by the State Board of Pharmacy.* Online U.S. pharmacies should be properly licensed in the state where the business resides. You can get contact information for each State Board of Pharmacy at the [National Association of Boards of Pharmacy](#) (NABP) website.
- *Prices are dramatically lower than average.* If an online pharmacy's pricing looks too good to be true in comparison to prices charged at other online pharmacies or by your veterinarian – there's probably a reason.
- *The medication you receive isn't what you ordered or looks different from the medication your pet normally takes.* Don't give the medication to your pet, and contact the seller immediately.

From Dr. Karen Becker's Website

Raffle to Benefit GSCA National Rescue

Hand-crafted Gordon Setter Quilt designed to showcase the beauty, versatility and dignity of our Gordon Setters

- ★ Custom quilt designed, created & donated by Mary Thorsted
- ★ Sleeve attached to Back for wall-hanging
- ★ Brilliant array of colors in 100% cotton batik material



Hand-crafted Gordon Setter Quilt Raffle Ticket Order Form

raffle tickets _____ x \$5. each (or five for \$20) Check (payable to GSCA—Rescue) enclosed for \$ _____

Email address _____ Send raffle tickets to:

Name _____ Phone # (____) _____

Street Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Mail form (or facsimile) to: Cathy Harris, 6233 S Cook Dr., Centennial, CO 80121

Questions? Call or contact Cathy at cathy1231@msn.com or 720/482-1122

In loving memory -

BIS Puppy Ch. Clansmen 'n' Amethyst Hi Ground (Asti)

(Can Ch. Clansmen Cardhui x Am/Can Ch. Dixieland's Country Lace)

June 8, 1999 to March 25, 2011

"For the heart that is free,
life is a celebration of beauty,
a festival of the spirit." --Edward Cunningham



"Asti" shown winning her Best in Show Puppy Award - Oskhosh, WI
May 20, 2000 (Judge Jane Rappello - Photo by Booth)

There are many times in my life that I have said good-bye to my beloved Gordon Setters. On Friday, March 25, 2011, I had to say good-bye to Asti. The saddest part of saying good-bye to her was that I wasn't physically there with her. I was, again, on the road. I knew that she wasn't doing well, but before I left for North Carolina, she was eating, playing in the yard with Zamboni or River or Drifter and was in good spirits. I asked my dear friends, Ron and Gwen Pfeil, Alann, to care for her while I was gone. The day before I left, Asti quit eating. As those of us who have loved dogs, that is often the sign they give us that their time here on earth is fleeting.

Asti was SO many things to me and my breeding program. I so HAVE to celebrate her life and not beat myself up for not being with her. I gave her to the best doggie hospice people that I could. Gwen said that Asti played with Aidan and Ceilidh and enjoyed hopping up on the couch and sharing bread and being hand-fed, and walks outside with Ron and Gwen. She even ran after a bird and pointed it. She had a fabulous spirit and a joy of life. She was special always.

Sleep well, my dear Asti Rasti. You were an amazing girl. You helped me to grow and to learn to be who I am today. You journeyed with me from puppyhood to motherhood to old age....and you did it with such style and grace. Your children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren will live on in you always.

Thank you for the legacy you left me. I so loved you, Asti. May you run forever free and cruise counters for bread!!

Love,
Peggy, Twister, Drifter, Zamboni, Crescent and Dazzle – (Asti's great-grand-daughter)

To read more about Asti, please see her memorial on my website:

http://www.gorsetr.com/Asti_Memorial.htm

In loving memory -

Tamdhu Upland Classic – “Gauge”

(Joyous Halcyon o’ Steadfast x Ch. Tartana Ravenwatch Rachel MH, CGC)

June 15, 1999 to April 1, 2011

"Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole." ~Roger Caras



Having been in dogs for years, there are always stories to share with one another and interesting synchronicities that happen along the way. Connie Rhoden bred her “Rachel” to a dog named “Cal” and on June 15, 1999, those puppies were born. Connie opted to keep Gauge for her puppy. He eventually became her best buddy and fondly known to her as “Geeker.”

Exactly one week before Gauge was born, my “Asti” was born in Canada and eventually came to live with me in WI. Ironically enough, Gauge left this world exactly one week after “Asti.” I was just amazed how these two “special” dogs to both Connie and me left us with such preciseness and closure.

I had the pleasure of taking Gauge, along with Marte Wetzel, to the land of Fargo, ND in June of 2004. It was the year of massive rainfalls. I believe that it rained from the moment we arrived, until the moment we left. Gauge earned a major while out there and showed his heart out (despite the conditions). Marte and I believed that we had sprouted webbed feet, there was that much water!! Word of caution: always bring boots and raingear....ALWAYS.

While Connie never was able to finish Gauge, he was always her champion. She loved him to the very end and sadly said good-bye. A new litter of puppies were in her home and while she lost Gauge, new puppy breath will help fill the void left by Gauge.

Sleep well, Gauge. May you and Asti both enjoy life at the Bridge where you both will be running free!!

Your friends at Amethyst,

Peggy DaValt, Twister, Drifter, Zamboni, Crescent and Dazzle

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