

BGSC Newsletter

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EDITORS NOTES

Its fall and those that hunt are already out in the woods and the Gordon's that are taken along are happily trying to find birds for their owners. I was invited to attend the National Gordon Setter Owners 2011 National Grouse Hunt, otherwise known as "grouse camp" this year and was able to attend. I had an awesome time and so did my Gordon – Tamhas. He learned that hunting in the grouse woods is totally different than running in a Hunt Test or a Field Trial. It was a great learning experience for both of us. It was well attended by members of BGSC and there were lots of grouse and woodcock shot over the 4 days that I was there. We had awesome dinners at the home of Holly & Phil Wachuta on Friday & Saturday evenings with the main dishes being provided by Mark Fuessinger from Philadelphia and Chuck & Lori Kolar. Others in attendance during the 4 days were Jean & Rob Webb from Ohio, Clyde & Betsy Sippel, Chris Rhoden, and Krista & Josh Kolar. In the future if you get invited and have the opportunity to attend by all means go.

The holiday season is fast approaching so I hope that everyone has a wonderful holiday season and a fabulous new year!

As usual, 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

BGSC MEETING MINUTES

Badgerland Gordon Setter Club
Meeting – Pine Island, Portage, WI
Saturday, August 27, 2011 – 8:37 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by VP Clyde Sippel at 8:37 p.m. Members in attendance, Steve and Jenny Gibson, Chris and Connie Rhoden, Clyde and Betsy, Phil and Holly, Peggy DaValt, Janet Gomez, Beth Hintz, Chuck and Lori Kolar. \$7250.02 – Checking Account Balance as of July 31, 2011. This does not include the Field Trial from today.

Pine Island has lots of bills to pay and the tractor needs fixing.

Janet Gomez and Connie Rhoden approved to accept minutes as published.

Old Business

Field Trial – Janet negotiated with judges from VA and they came here really cheap. More money for entries.

Website

Need a space for testing the site. Resolved by the Board Meeting. Peggy will work with Jenny to get this working.

Badger Kennel Club Dog Fair –

Booth is paid for per Connie. First weekend in November. Taking two booths this year. We can advertise our rescue dogs.

Fun Field Day -

March of 2012. R & R Ranch in Marshfield. Some members show up. Date solidified in November at the Board meeting. Not breed specific. All-breed pointing. Connie often posts it on Delphi.

Rescue

Chuck Kolar had a puppy that is “guarding.” Ernie was looking at the dog in Mosinee which did not happen. He was going to look at a pup.

Resource guarding problems. If this doesn't work out. Then Chris has to get it on petfinder. If Ernie isn't going to work out, then get her on Petfinder. Lulu is the dog.

Second dog, this week, is Ebony (sponsored) by Mosinee. Lynn Vander Wall. She is going on vacation for 10-11 days. Dog has been there 3 weeks. She has issues with other dogs. 6 years old. Kennel dog. In fact female. She came to Lynn, a groomer, a guy wanted to sell her on Craig's list. Lynn didn't want her to be a brood bitch somewhere. She now needs to be placed. Barker. Controlled with a collar. When she goes nose to nose. Not good with kids.

Radix Kennels in Black Earth. Mailbox is perpetually full. Lynn will drop the dog at a shelter if she doesn't get it out of there before she goes on vacation. She needs to be worked with. The guy that had her said she'd probably hunt. Two prior homes. Lynn is the third home. Needs to be fully evaluated. Kathy Hubbard should be contacted. Ebony Holly W. makes a motion to call Kathy Hubbard. Phil seconded. Janet will take care of it early in the week.

Supported Entry –

Marshfield, WI - We had a good turnout and Peg O'Neill donated prizes.

Elections –

Nominees.....for officers.

Steve is coming off the Board for Badgerland.

- President – Jack
- Clyde VP
- Marte – Secretary
- Connie – Treasurer
- Chuck Kolar
- Jenny Gibson nominated for the other open Board position.

Nominations as submitted.

Breeder Listing – GSCA Website on line.

Hunt Test Conflict – Pine Island and AKC specific. Possibility that Connie may not be able to be the Hunt Test Secretary.

New Business

No new business.

Holly W. Chris Rhoden – make motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy DaValt

Secretary Protem

MEMORIALS

KATHY GEB

We lost a friend, dog show cohort, and wonderful artist. Kathy was a very talented artist and gave us many beautiful pieces to remember her by. She seemed to have a smile at the ready whenever you saw her at a show. There is a bit less sparkle in the Gordon Setter world now.

Marte Wetzel

MEMORIALS (cont'd)

CH. GLEN OAKS CHEROKEE ROSE CD, RN, SH, NA, NAJ

What can I say about my little left over girl? So talented! Lots of titles, wonderful wins, a hunter to the end! I'll miss the snuggles and belly rubs the most.

CH. GLEN OAKS MONTANA BLUE

"Tana Banana", that's what Sharon called you from day one. The dog that thought she was a cat, lying on the back of the couch. What a silly girl, the sweetest one around.

Say "Hi" to your mom, ladies. Love you both!
Marte Wetzel

NEW TITLES

GCH. U-CH. AMETHYST SOONER OR LATER A MARTINI
Sooner finished her Grand Championship this summer with wins in Duluth. She was Best of Opposite Sex on July 14th and Select Bitch on the 15th, 16th, and 17th. She also took BOB on the 17th of September in Manitowoc and BOS on the 18th. Sooner is owned by Martha Martini and Greg DaValt.

CH. U-CH. ROCKY KNOLL'S RESPECTABLE KNIGHT
CGC

Knight finished his AKC Championship on July 31st in Waukesha. He was Winner's Dog and Best of Winners on Saturday and Sunday the 30th and 31st of July, for 2 more majors. He took Winner's Dog the week before at the Gordon Highlander's Specialty in Elkhorn for a 5 point major. Knight was Best in Sweepstakes at the Des Moines Specialty on September 9th. Knight is owned by Beth Hintz.

CH. GILROY GUTHRIE OF MACRAE

Gilroy was RWD on the 19th of August in Marshfield and then finished his title on the 27th and 28th of August in Lake Elmo, MN. He was WD and BOS on Saturday and WD, BOW, and BOB on Sunday. Gilroy is owned by Drieke van Giffen and C. & C. Sarkinen.

CH. HONEY CREEK GONE NUTS 4 PEANUTS-N-CRACKERJACK

Jack was Winner's Dog and Best of Winners on August 19, and Winners Dog again on the 20th, in Marshfield, WI. Jack finished his title with a with a specialty Winner's Dog and Best Of Winners in Shelton, WA, on the 24th of September. Jack is owned by Ed & Kathy Geb.

GCH. TAMDHU STELLAR EXPLOSION

Nova was Best of Opposite Sex on the 16th of July in Duluth, MN. She took BOS on Saturday the 30th and Select Bitch on Sunday the 31st of July in Waukesha. On the 17th of August she was BOS again in Marshfield, WI. And took Select Bitch on the 11th of September in Des Moines, IA. Nova is owned by Chris & Connie Rhoden.

CH. BREACAN'S PERFECT SCOTCH MARTINI

Cluny finished his Championship on September 9th in Des Moines, IA, at the GSCA Specialties. He took Winner's Dog at both, the morning and afternoon specialties. On his way to finishing his title, he was RWD on July 14th; WD, BOW, and Best Puppy and Puppy Group II on July 15th; and WD & BOW on July 16th, all in Duluth, MN. Cluny is owned by Pat Larson and Martha Martini.

GCH. U-CH. GLEN OAKS' AFTERGLOW O' AMETHYST, JH, RN

Flame was Select Bitch in West Bend on July 3rd, and again on July 14th in Duluth. On the 15th she was BOS. She won Select Bitch on the 21st of August in Marshfield. Flame was Select Bitch at the first specialty in Des Moines and BOS at the second one, September 9th. Flame finished her Grand Championship title on the 25th of September with a BOS win. Flame is owned by Laurie Carlson and Peg DaValt.

CH. GLEN OAKS AUTUMN'S AMBER GLOW

Amber was RWB on July 30th in Waukesha and WB on the 31st for a major. She took WB on Sunday, the 21st of August in Marshfield, and finished her title in Sheboygan with WB, BOW, and BOS on Saturday, September 24th and WB & BOW on Sunday the 25th for another major. Amber is owned by Marte Wetzel and Lynne Summers.

GCH U-CH SHADOWDANCERS CELESTIAL
CAITLYN

Caitlyn finished up her Grand Championship title with a BOS award on August 6th and Select Bitch on the 7th. She was Select Bitch at the Nodrog Specialty on September 24th and took BOS on the 25th at their second day of Specialties. Caitlyn also took BOS on the 1st of October in Monroe, MI. Caitlyn is owned by Ed and Carol Ervin.

NEW TITLES (cont'd)

GLEN OAKS BLACK LIMOUSINE CGC

Roadie finished her CGC title on September 26th in Madison. She also took RWB on Oct. 23rd in Loves Park, IL at a UKC show. Roadie is owned by Marte Wetzel. Beth Hintz and Peg DaValt took her to her class and got her CGC title for me. THANKS!

ALAINN'S FIRST LADY RN, MH, CGC

Ceilidh finished her Master Hunter title on October 1st and 2nd at the GSPCW tests in Ottawa. She also put a leg on her RA title on the 16th of July, in Oshkosh. Ceilidh is owned by Ron and Gwen Pfeil.

ALAINN'S WILDWOOD RING OF FIRE JH, CGC

Cash earned his CGC on October 20th. He qualified for 2 legs on his JH at the GWP Hunt Tests on September 3rd and 4th at Ottawa. Cash received his 3rd leg on October 2nd and finished his title on October 22nd and 23rd with 2 more qualifiers at Ottawa. Cash has also done well in the show ring with RWD, Best Puppy and Puppy Group III on September 24th, and WD on September 25th in Sheboygan. Cash is owned by Gwen Pfeil.

WAGS AND BRAGS

GCH. U-GCH. GLEN OAKS RIVER BREEZE SHIRAZ

River split the four shows in Duluth by taking Select Dog on the 14th and 16th of July and BOB on the 15th and 17th. He was BOS on the 23rd of July at the Gordon Highlanders Specialty and then took Select Dog at the next day's Specialty. The following weekend of all breed shows gave River 2 more BOB wins and the 3 day weekend in August at Marshfield was 3 more BOB wins with a Group III on Friday and a Group IV on Sunday. The two Specialties in Des Moines on September 9th, saw 2 more Select Dog awards. September 24th and 25th gave him 2 more BOB wins in Sheboygan. River is getting close to his Silver Level Grand Championship, and is currently ranked number 2 in our breed. River is owned by Marte Wetzel, Gail Godding, and Peg DaValt.

MOONSETTER JUST ONE LOOK

Conall was WD and BOW on the 14th and 17th of July in Duluth, MN. He also took RWD on the 16th. The weekend of September 9-11, gave Conall RWD at the second Specialty and again on the 11th at the all breed show in Des Moines. The 8th of October, Conall was WD and BOW in

Hutchinson, MN and on the 9th he was RWD. Conall is owned by Heidi and Olivia Moon.

MARTINI'S FLIRTIN WITH THE STORM

Rainbow took RWB on the 14th and 15th of July in Duluth, MN. She was RWB on September 17th and WB on the 18th in Manitowoc, WI. Rainbow is owned by Tom and Martha Martini.

U-CH LYRIC'N'AMETHYST UNQUENCHABLE FIRE CGC

Q took Winner's Bitch on the 15th of July in Duluth, MN. She was WB again on August 17th in Marshfield, WI, and RWB on the 25th of September in Sheboygan, WI. Q is owned by Laurie Carlson and Peg DaValt.

AMETHYST MARTINI'S ON ICE

Splash was Winner's Bitch on July 17th in Duluth and WB and BOW on the 17th of September in Manitowoc. She took RWB on the 18th in Manitowoc. Splash is owned by Martha Martini and Greg DaValt.

CH. BIT O' GOLD GOOD GOLLY MISS MOLLY, JH

Molly took Select Bitch on the 30th of July in Waukesha, WI. She was also Select Bitch on the 19th and 20th of August in Marshfield, WI. Molly is owned by Steve and Jenny Gibson and Peg Nowak.

SHADOWDANCER'S SKYHIGH WALKABOUT

Walker took WD on August 6th and WD and BOW on August 7th in Marshall, MI. On October 1st he was WD in Monroe, MI and on the 2nd he took RWD. Walker is owned by Carol Ervin.

SHADOWDANCER'S SUNRUNNER SPIRIT

Sunny was RWB on Saturday the 6th and WB and BOW on the 7th of August in Marshall, MI. She also took WB and BOW on the 1st of October in Monroe. Sunny is owned by Carol and Ed Ervin.

ROCKY KNOLL'S SWEET BLACK ANGEL CGC

Emma brought home 2 RWB on the 19th and 20th from Marshfield, WI. She had a great weekend at the Loves Park, IL, UKC shows. She was WB at both of the Saturday shows and took RWB at the first show on Sunday and WB and BOB at the second show with a Group II. Emma is owned by Kyle Bahr and Beth Hintz.

ARROWOOD'S ONLY BLUE SKIES

MaGee took RWD on August 20th and WD and BOW on the 21st in Marshfield. McGee is owned by Rob and Dawn Mozgawa.

WAGS AND BRAGS (cont'd)

CH. SHADOWDANCER'S LOOKIN SIRIUS
Russ was Select Dog on the 27th and 28th of August in Lake Elmo, MN. He took BOB on the 18th of September in Rochester, MN, and was Select Dog on the 8th and 9th of October in Hutchinson, MN. Russ is owned by Karl Reimer and Carol Ervin.

ADAIRA ALVIE OF MACRAE RN, CGC
Adaira took Winner's Bitch on August 28th in Lake Elmo, MN. She is owned by Drieke van Giffen and C. & H. Moen.

CH. MOONSETTER BALWYN SURESHOT
Aisling was Select Bitch at the second specialty in Des Moines, IA on September 9th. Aisling is owned by Olivia Moon.

LYRIC 'N' AMETHYST RISING O' THE MOON CGC
Crescent was Best of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes at the Des Moines Specialty and then went on to take Winner's Bitch and Best of Winners in the second Specialty of the day. She also took RWB in Sheboygan on the 24th of September. Crescent is owned by Laurie Carlson and Peg DaValt.

TARTANA UPTOWN GILBERT BROWN
Gilbert was Winner's Dog on September 24th and RWD on the 25th in Sheboygan, WI. Gilbert is owned by Holly Wachuta.

RAVENS CRAIG ROWAN OF MACRAE
Raven was Winner's Bitch on October 8th and 9th in Hutchinson, MN. Raven is owned by Drieke van Giffen and JoAnn and Byron Holston.

MYTHODICAL TEAGAN RED HUNTER JH
Teagan (an Irish Setter) took WB for her first point on Sunday, September 11th in Kenosha, WI. Teagan is owned by Krista Kolar and Cassie Allen.

There are also a few additional Brags from some of the relatives!

CH. AMETHYST'S HURRICANE MASON
Mason took WD, BOW, and BOB on August 18th in Washington at the Rainier Sporting Dog Association. He also took a specialty WD and BOW on September 24th to finish his Championship. Mason was bred by Peg DaValt and is owned by Karin McKee DVM.

GAELOWYND 'N' BRYNADDA SCARLET
Scarlet was WB on the 14th of July and RWB on the 16th in Duluth, MN. She picked up another WB in Waukesha on the 30th of July and went home from Marshfield with WB and BOW on the 20th of August and RWB on the 21st. Scarlet is owned by former member Bethany Loos DVM and Karen Kennedy.

LYRIC'S AMETHYST ON FIRE
Blaze is back in Wisconsin from Colorado for a short time and doing a few shows while she is here. She was RWB on Oct. 22 at one UKC show and took WB at one show on the 23rd. Blaze was bred by Laurie Carlson and Peg DaValt and is owned by Robert Robella.

BADGERLAND GORDON SETTER CLUB FIELD TRIAL August 27 & 28, 2011

We had a larger entry this year and with the cooperation of Mother Nature we were able to start early Saturday and finish by the mid afternoon on Sunday. We ended up with 3 point majors in Open Gun Dog and Amateur Gun Dog. I'd like to give a huge thanks to my committee members – Chris & Connie Rhoden, Clyde & Betsy Sippel, and Steve Gibson & Jenny Gibson. Without you the trial wouldn't have been the success that it was. The bird planters did a great job as usual. I'd also like to thank the kitchen crew (Connie Rhoden, Betsy Sippel, Jenny Gibson, Peg DaValt, and Beth Hintz) for all their work and the great food. Gary (the AKC Rep) who was with us both days up gave us nothing but compliments in how we ran the trial. I know that I missed thanking somebody and I'm sorry if I did but know that if you were in any way involved thank you. The results follow.

Janet Gomez, Field Trial Secretary

OPEN GUN DOG JUDGES: Kathy Shannon & James Brigham

- 1st Pouncefoot Promises To Keep (IS)
Owners S. Salt/K. Ruff Handler Greg Dixon
- 2nd APK's O'Floin Greased Lightning (IS)
Owners M&T. Jacobson Handler Greg Dixon
- 3rd Seattles Autumn Breeze (ES)
Owner/Handler Don Clemons
- 4th Mythodical Russell Hail Gandalf (IS)
Owners Camden & Cassie Allen
Handler Cassie Allen

OPEN PUPPY

Judges: Stewart Thomas & William Zwettler

- 1st Washington's White Nelson (ES)
Owner/Handler Mark Johnson
- 2nd Tamdhu XLV MVP (GS)
Owners Chris & Connie Rhoden
Handler Chris Rhoden
- 3rd Backwoods Ice Hot (GS)
Owner/Handler Greg Dixon
- 4th Tartana Porci Creed Kestral (GS)
Owners Jean & Robert Webb, & Chuck & Lori Kolar
Handler Jean Webb

OPEN LIMITED GUN DOG

Judges: Kathy Shannon & Philip Wachuta

- 1st Mythodical Russell Hail Gandalf (IS)
Owners Camden and Cassie Allen
Handler Cassie Allen
- 2nd FC 2x NAFC Cobb's Golden Kernal (GS)
Owners Paul Jaeger & Linda Sanders
Handler Greg Dixon
- 3rd Allard Aristokrat (IR&WS)
Owners Jean & Robert Webb, Rhonda Cormum, &
Cheryl Mika Handler Jean Webb
- 4th Withheld

OPEN DERBY

Judges: Stewart Thomas & William Zwettler

- 1st Backwoods AMF (GWP)
Owners Greg Dixon & Liz Barrett-Dixon
Handler Greg Dixon
- 2nd Big Oaks Sweet Thing (GWP)
Owner/Handler Vern Grimsliid
- 3rd Withheld
- 4th BP's Last Call (BRIT)
Owner/Handler Robert Powell

AMATEUR GUN DOG

Judges: James Brigham & Philip Wachuta

- 1st Crimsons Dont Bogart That Joint (VIZ)
Owner/Handler Bill Stapleton
- 2nd PJ Wildfire's Little Bud (GSP)
Owners Joe & Annette Vicari
Handler Joe Vicari
- 3rd Scannon's Ayasha Miley(ES)
Owner/Handler H. Scott Kaufmann
- 4th WZ's Golden Lace Starr (BRIT)
Owner/Handler William Zwettler

Telltale Signs of Aging - How to Keep Your Pet More Youthful...

Just as with humans, companion animals show signs of age as they get up in years. You may notice your dog getting up more slowly after a nap. Your pet may startle when you come up behind him. As they grow older, pets encounter problems getting around, decreases in eyesight and hearing and other age-related changes. No matter your pet's age, you should discuss any behavioral or physical changes you notice with your veterinarian first, to rule out an underlying condition. If it turns out the problems are a natural result of getting older, don't despair. There are many, many things you can do as a pet owner to help your senior dog adjust to the changes brought on by aging and continue to enjoy an excellent quality of life.

One of the best ways to keep your pet in good shape throughout his life is to focus on what I call the three pillars of health: species-appropriate nutrition; a sound, resilient body; and a balanced, functional immune system.

If you're suspicious your pet isn't hearing as well as he used to, observe his behavior. Signs of diminished hearing can include sleeping more soundly than usual or seeming to ignore noises that used to bring him running, like the squeak of a favorite toy or the whir of an electric can opener. If you're convinced your pet's hearing isn't as sharp as it once was, make an appointment with your veterinarian to rule out medical problems that could interfere with hearing. Understand that your pet may lose some or all of his hearing as he ages, so it's important to have a few tricks up your sleeve to help both of you adjust to the situation.

Some degree of incontinence, usually urinary, is fairly common in aging pets. If you're noticing urine dribbling in an aging companion animal, of course the first thing you'll want to do is have your cat or dog seen by your veterinarian. Older pets can develop weak pelvic floors or poor bladder tone, which can result in urinary incontinence. Also, if your dog, for example, has signs of canine dementia, she might just forget to let you know she needs to go out. Her bladder overfills and there can be dribbling.

Dr. Karen Becker

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