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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



Dear Members:

It's that time again, our monthly get together. I hope everyone has made plans to attend.

We have had good times at our past meeting and wonderful speakers and greater snacks (thanks Sharon). As we plan for this meeting, also make your plans for our May picnic, a time of good food, and better fellowship with your fellow members. This is a good time to be able to renew relationships with older members and get to learn more about our newer members.

The club grows and becomes better with each month, and the hard work of all members. Thank you to everyone that has contributed to the growth and success of our club, Keep up the great work.

Until we see each other,

Blake



Sunshine Committee

Becky Ward



The GKC would like to extend our sincere sympathy on the death of **Fred Barclay**'s brother and **Libby Barclay**'s brother-in law in March. Fred and Libby Barclay are longtime members (but do not attend meetings now).

Also a very Happy Springtime and get well wishes to **Carroll James** and **Hazel Ayers**. We are thinking of you and praying for you to get better.

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 <u>wardbk@charter.net</u>. Remember, a simple word spoken in kindness can make a world of difference for a friend in need.

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Spring Fling!



Join the Greenville Kennel Club at our Spring 2012 All-Breed & Rally Match at the lovely Pavilion Park 559 E Suber Rd, Greer on Saturday, April 21, 2012. Park opens at 8:30 am and judging begins at 11:00 am.

Mail Entries to: Lynn Cone, Match Chairperson, 1094 Burdette Road, Gray Court SC 29645 email <u>raelyn6@bellsouth.net</u>

EVENTS: AKC Sanctioned Match Puppy 3-6, 6-9, 9-12, Adult Junior Showmanship Rally Novice, Advanced, Excellent

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Membership Committee

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Please welcome our newest member:

(Inadvertently left out of last month's issue)

Marron, Fran Cell: 973-335-4514 128 Ladson Lake Lane Simpsonville, SC 29681 RandieSC5@aol.com Kennel Name: TCB Type: Regular Breeds: Italian Greyhounds Member Year: 2/2012 Activities: Conformation: Exhibitor; Breeder



Sharon Spiegel

Our picnic will be held again this year at:

Butler Springs Park, 301 Butler Springs Rd., (off E. North St. west of Howell Rd.) **Tuesday, May 15th from 6:00 PM until dark**.

All members and their families are invited and leashed pets are welcome. We will be grilling hot dogs and hamburgers, provided by the club. Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. RSVP with number attending & item to share by May 11th.

Call Sharon Spiegel at 409-0922 mrsdogmom@bellsouth.net





Members' Brags

Corrine Johnson DSQD Springers

My Springer bitch, DSQD Razzle Dazzle, got her CD at the Concord circuit. Razz qualified all four days with two firsts, one second and one fourth. Her scores were 195,188,196 and finally a 197.5.

Ken & Margaret Norkett

Kemar's Independent Thought (Whippet) was Best Puppy in Show Saturday in Charlotte and Winners Dog on Sunday.

His brother, Ch Wesann's River of Dreams was Select both days.

Janet Phillips

Shannon Down I Like to Move It SC, RE, CGC, BN, earned her CD title at the DOCG show! She also won HIT for the hound group on Saturday.

Kari Hill Charthill Scotties

Charthill Scotties has several recent wins to celebrate.

Scottish Terrier Club of Greater Atlanta: GCH Charthill Top Billing, Rocky, won Best of Breed Charthill Charisma, Kady was Winners Bitch and Best of Winners. This finished her championship with all majors. She was Winners Bitch at the speciality last year when she was just under 9 months old.

Charthill Live Wire, Spikey was Winner Bitch at the following shows: Tuscaloosa Kennel Club and both Birmingham Kennel Club shows

At those same shows, Rocky was Best of Breed every day and also won a Group 4



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Details from Your Delegate

Linda Knorr



Chairman's Report April 2011

-- Join Us in the AKC Conversation --

This isn't so much a Chairman's Report as it is a little straight talk among friends. And I intend it to be the first of many.

We are fortunate that my predecessors, Ron Menaker and David Merriam, had the foresight to carefully plan for a financially sound American Kennel Club. Your Board and Staff developed and are executing a plan for this year that will allow the AKC to be in the black and still maintain the deep resources of our reserves and endowment.

The challenges we have been addressing seem to occupy all of our conversation, but I assure you, they do not occupy all we are doing. Beyond the challenges, there are exciting opportunities in every area of everything we do. It is our opportunities, those we have in hand today and those we will innovate tomorrow, that hold the true future of the AKC - and they require attention from us all.

Our potential for successful growth encompasses the 100 million Americans who own a dog - purebred or mixed breed. Today, we only scratch the surface of those who make dogs an important part of their lives. We are concentrating on three major areas in order to engage, excite, and enroll more of them into the world we all hold so dear.

At the core is our advocacy for the purebred dog, which is the gateway to so many defining aspects of the AKC. The discernibility of the purebred dog in form, purpose, and temperament is undeniable - and desired by millions of people. Responsible breeders need our support, encouragement, and recognition. The AKC Breeder of Merit program is an example of how we put that commitment into practice - it is no surprise the Fancy has enthusiastically embraced the program. Our successful "AKC Meet the Breeds®" events in New York and Orlando bring purebred dogs to the public in an entertaining and educational format. We will continue to explore ways in which we can bring this event in some form to more people. An exciting new initiative is the re-imagination of our website, which draws more than 1.5 million unique visitors each month. The new website will serve as an important and useful resource for breeders, puppy buyers, owners, exhibitors, clubs, judges, and the general dog-loving public. And, yes, it will be much easier to navigate.

Details from Your Delegate -Continued

Our sport is evolving to be more inclusive and inviting than ever before. There are plans in place to create greater ease of entry into each of our sports and compelling reasons to continue participation. We have conducted significant research to understand the needs of our exhibitors and have subsequently created innovative new programs aimed at growing participation in every sport. Some are completed, some are being pilot tested today, some will be launched soon, and some are still being developed. Most importantly, the quest for continuous invention, while still maintaining our heritage, is unwavering. These initiatives include the 4-6 Month Puppy competition, the new Grand Champion achievement levels, the Owner Handler Series, the soon to be launched Open Shows, the "My Dog Can Do That!" introduction to Agility and Rally, the Coursing Ability Test for all dogs, and others.

Our commitment to improving our sport includes event process improvement as well. Our new Competition Management System will provide faster, easier, and more flexible service to clubs and exhibitors in Conformation, Companion, and Performance events. There is a current pilot test being conducted and we will be rolling out aspects of the program later this year, with even more to come.

The third major opportunity is community impact in support of dogs, dog ownership, and responsible dog breeding. This area encompasses initiatives to enhance the image of breeders and purebred dogs, expand our efforts for responsible dog ownership (including potential new additions to our successful CGC program), and continue our involvement with legislative issues, with a greater emphasis on legislator education and proactive community support. Importantly, our commitment to improving the health and welfare of dogs is unparalleled and will continue with fervor.

We can accomplish all this and much more if we make one further commitment - to all work together to achieve all that we must. There is ample proof that when the Fancy, Staff and the Board band together with common purpose, we are an unstoppable force. I personally commit to open better lines of communication with all AKC constituents, to solicit new ideas from everyone to advance our mutual opportunities, and to better serve our clubs, exhibitors, breeders, judges, and owners. I ask for your support of our mutual goals with the same positive, passionate spirit you all bring to our sport every day.

I always appreciate hearing from you - please contact me at <u>atk@akc.org.</u>

Sincerely,

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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**, <u>Eyespi20@WCTel.net</u>

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 April 17, 2012

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