



UPCOMING EVENTS

Holiday Party-12/14
Specialty- March 20, 2009
Hunting Test- April 11,
2009
WC/WCX- April 12, 2009
Agility Trial- Aug 15-
16,2009



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NOVEMBER MEETING

November 18

6:30-social

7:00-meeting

**Sherri and Donna's
3616 Parker Rd
Wylie TX 75098**

Massage for your dog-Roberta Kirby

In 1999 I started doing agility with my PBGV. A luxating petella caused shoulder problem in Ollie. The chiropractor/acupuncturist told me what to do to keep him going. That is when Canine Sport Massage started. In 2001 I took a course in canine massage. Shortly after, Sarah Kitchen and I started working on dogs at agility trials. It was very new to the area and slow to start. I come from a horse background so form and function are very familiar to me. Massage is important for all competitive dogs confirmation, obedience, agility and hunting. I hope to give you some pointers that you can take home and work on your dogs.

Take 75 North to the Parker Road Exit. Drive all the way to 1338. Turn right and then left again on Parker. Go past the sonic and look for the mailbox on the left. The house is down the long driveway past the yellow house.

2009 DFWMGRC proposed Slate of Officers.

President : Donna Todd
Vice President: Kathy Felix
Treasurer: Lesley Pettengill
Corres. Sec: Patti Caldwell
Recording Sec: JJ Allen
Member at Large: David Brown
Member at Large: Linda Miller

Statistics

It is time to start gathering your statistics for trophies and awards. Rules and Applications are available on the club WEB site.. <http://dfwmgrc.org/Trophies.htm>

Remember that wins and titles count from Nov 1-Oct. 31. Statistics are due by 11/15/2008. (Plaque stats have to be in by Dec. 31, although the plaque year ends Oct.31)

Mail to Janet Frick , 465 Bee Caves, Lucas 75002

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE HOLIDAY PARTY

Dec. 14 at 4 P.M. at the home of Leslie Pettengill in Sachse

BRAGS

CONFORMATION

Greater Humble Area Kennel Club Inc.(2)
10/05/2008

Best of Breed

Ch. Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (Caldwell)

Tyler TX Kennel Club, Saturday, October 11,
2008

Best of Breed

Ch. Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (Caldwell)

Winner's Dog and Best of Winners

Glengowan's Light My Fire (Longinotti)

Golden Retriever Club of America National Spe-
cialty 9/23/08

Sweepstakes

3rd, 15-18 month bitch class:

WyndeHill-Tempo's Razzle Raindrops
(Meddaugh, Littleton, Brown)

Bell County KC, 10/18/08

WD, BOW: Tempo's Magical Mystery Tour
(Knapp, Meddaugh, Brown)

Travis Co. KC, Sunday, Oct. 26:

Best of Breed, Group 2.

Ch. Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (Caldwell)

October 5, 2008 Garden State Golden Retriever Spe-
cialty, North Branch, NJ

2nd in Open

Tempo's G'Day Sunshine At Razzle (Meddaugh)

Travis County KC - 10/26/08

Major RWD

Regatta's Magnificent Obsession -
(Cavness, Gullede, Crowley)

Travis County KC - 10/26/08

Open Bitch - 2nd

Regatta's Racing Genoa -
(Gullede)

AGILITY

DFWESSA Agility Trial - Sat., October 4, 2009

Novice Jumpers Preferred - Q, 3rd Place,
CH Ducat Rock Me On the Water NAP CGC
(Whiskey) (Farmer/Todd) **TITLE!**

DFWESSA Agility Trial - Sun., October 5,
2009

Open Jumpers Preferred - Q-1st leg, 3rd
Place

CH Ducat Rock Me On the Water NAP CGC
(Whiskey) (Farmer/Todd)

Novice JWWP - First Place, Q

Ch. Ducat Tender Is the Night (Deagan) **Ti-**
tle! !!!

October 18, 2008 - Bell County Kennel Club -

Excellent B JWWP - First Place Q

Ducat-Watermark River Seanan (Deagan) -

OBEDIENCE

Bell County Kennel club October 18

Nov B Rally Obedience Q (1st Leg)

Camlin's Once More With Feeling (Felix)

October 10, 2008 - Belgian Tervuren Club -
Canton, TX

- 1st Place - Open B - HIGH IN TRIAL

Sunplash Ute StartYourEngin ("Zing")(Sally &
Bruce Sherman) This is Zing's Fifth High in
Trial and puts her in the GOLDEN RE-
TRIEVER OBEDIENCE HALL OF FAME!

Things We Can Learn From Our Fellow Fur-ricans

Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joy ride.

Allow the experience of fresh air & the wind in your face to be pure ecstasy.

When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.

When it's in your best interest, practice obedience.

Let others know when they've invaded your territory.

Take naps & stretch before rising.

Run, romp & play daily.

Eat with gusto & enthusiasm.

Be Loyal.

Never pretend to be something you're not.

If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.

When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by & nuzzle them gently.

Thrive on attention & let people touch you.

Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.

On hot days, drink lots of water & lay under a shady tree.

When you're happy, dance around & wag your entire body.

No matter how often you're scolded, don't buy into the guilt thing & pout... run right back & make friends.

Bond with your pack.

Delight in the simple joy of a long walk

How to Make a Puppy Pie

Take one puppy, roll and play until lightly pampered, then add the following ingredients.

1 cup patience

1 cup understanding

1 pinch correction

1 cup hard work

2 cups praise and 1 1/2 cups fun

Blend well.

Heat with warmth of your heart until raised or until puppy has doubled in size.

Mix with owner until consistency is such that owner and puppy are one.

Good Sportsmanship Award

It is time to submit your nominee for the Good Sportsmanship Award to any board member.



DFWMGRC
Minutes of the Membership Meeting
September 15, 2008

12 members present

Donna Todd called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

President's Report – Donna announced that the club is preparing a basket to donate to the National to be raffled. Judy Word, Lynda Williams, Nancy Crowley, and Rita Robins are putting the basket together.

Treasurer's Report – Linda reported that we have \$11,942.53 in the general account. She has renewed the liability insurance and has looked into different companies since the insurance costs approximately \$900 per year. She said the insurance companies she has checked with won't insure us since we use guns and live ammo.

New Members – Patti said we have 3 new members who have satisfied the requirements to be elected into the club: Pam Richcreek, and Judy and Mark Word. Each of these applicants has attended two meetings after submission of their membership applications. There was a 15% quorum present as required by the rules, so a vote was taken on these applications. The applicants left the room. A motion was made and seconded to accept their membership applications. The motion carried unanimously.

Nominating Committee: Donna asked for a chairperson for the nominating committee. Mark Word was nominated and voted in unanimously. He will appoint a committee and get the nominations to Donna before October 1.

OLD BUSINESS:

Agility: Sherri Farmer reported that the agility trial netted \$5,488 in profit. A discussion was held about holding another trial in 2009. Everyone agreed that it is a good idea. Sherri said she would contact her committee and start the process.

Conformation: Patty said there is a new class that is supposed to be included starting January 1, 2009 – Owner/handler/no pros – "Amateur Owner Handler." Also, she said that we need to add the following obedience classes – Graduate Novice, Graduate Open and Versatility as non-regular classes.

Donna Todd said she talked to Denise Tetro of FWKC regarding rally. Denise is looking for a person to take over the 'general chair' for Rally so it can be offered.

Patty also said if anyone wants to donate prizes for the all-breed shows that weekend, they are due November 1.

Patty announced that Luke Allen will be the photographer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Hunt Test/WC-WCX: It was announced that we will host a Hunt Test and WC/WCX on the weekend of April 16, which is also Easter weekend.

Holiday Party: Lesley Pettengill will host the Holiday Party. More information will be forthcoming at a later time.

AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day: Was held September 13, 2008 at Pets West in Aledo. Even though that was the day of the expected hurricane, the event was a success. Much appreciation is due to Kathy Felix for organizing it, and to the people who filled in at the last minute for the "Dallas" people who were leery of driving that far in that type of weather – John and Rhonda Knapp and Pat Ingram.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

REMEMBERING THE GOLDEN NATIONAL

GOLDEN NATIONAL (or, do I still have butter dripping down my arm from eating all the lobster?!?) For those of you who were not able to attend the GRCA National in Rhode Island this year, these are a few of the events that took place. Hopefully, it will excite and encourage you to make plans for next year's National hosted by our neighboring club – Central Oklahoma GRC! If you did go, maybe this will bring back a fond memory. One of the best things, in my opinion, was having all the conformation rings, vendors (including our own Judy Word), seminars, banquets – everything – at the host hotel! The Yankee GRC members must not have slept for the last three years getting ready – it was all so incredibly organized! The Welcome Dinner was a great way to begin the week by spending time with old friends and meeting new ones. The perfect ending of the evening was the Parade of Champions with hardly a dry eye in the place when the 16- year-olds crossed the stage, especially the one who still was having a wonderful time and acted like a puppy. There was good seating all around the rings and a great announcer made numbers easy to keep track of in our catalogs. The weather cooperated for the first few days of judging, but unfortunately rain – lots of rain – came in for Friday and Best of Breed on Saturday. It didn't seem to bother anyone – hey, we were at the National! There were wonderful raffles every day and everyone – and I mean everyone – who saw our Club's basket commented that it was the biggest and the best --- it really did have the WOW factor thanks to Nancy Crowley and everyone who helped her! The Top Twenty was fabulous --- it's always fun to see everyone all dressed up and the dinner was delicious. The impressive art auction items were generously donated and auctioneer Michael Faulkner, with expertise and a sense of humor, raised a lot of money for the Golden Retriever Foundation. Of course, the highlight of the evening was the cheering for the Top Twenty dogs, their owners, and handlers. The judges decision and the People's Choice Award went to Treasure.

Two of our members deserve a huge thank you - Judy Word for ALL her work to make this event so successful every year and Cathy Meddaugh for the beautifully decorated banquet room including outstanding handmade table decorations which were given away. It was disappointing how few people attended the Annual Meeting. For those of us who attended, we learned of all the many, many GRCA committees and the hard-working members who do the work. We met the GRCA officers, many awards were given out for individuals and groups who truly go above and beyond, and the trophies were awarded to all the winners from last year. The speaker from AKC enlightened us on how to effectively contact legislators, primarily in the area of animal rights. A silent auction for art work was conducted and door prizes were won by lucky attendees. After Best of Breed judging (again won by Treasure), there was a light dinner, desserts and drinks while we applauded this year's winners. It was a pleasant ending to another National and time to congratulate friends and say goodbyes. While others packed up and went home, we spent extra time. As incoming Western Director, Dick had an all-day meeting Sunday (what a way to spend his birthday), we had a relaxing and fun day Monday in Newport, and finally came home Tuesday night. It was a week to remember – from smiling at the puppies in Sweeps to the breathtaking sight of all the champions in the ring at once led by the bagpiper. It's always fun and interesting to see again, or meet for the first time, all the people that we read on the internet links and see in the GRNews. It gave me a tremendous amount of pride for the caring people in the GRCA and DFMGRC. Mostly, I came back with a renewed appreciation for the Golden we all love so much!

Patti Caldwell