



## UPCOMING EVENTS

BANQUET-1/11/2009

SPECIALTY- 3/20/2009

HUNTING TEST-  
4/11/2009

WC/WCX- 4/12/2009

AGILITY TRIAL- 8/15-  
16/2009



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**The 2008 DFWMGRC Annual Awards Banquet will be held January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009.**

**The location will be MACARONI GRILL in Grapevine beginning at 6:00pm.**

To make your reservation... Please CIRCLE your selections from the form included below.

**.Be sure to circle a SALAD and a MAIN COURSE (either Pasta, Chicken or **Seafood**) and a DES-SERT. Menu choices on page 35.**

**Return with your check made payable to DFWMGRC in the amount of \$ 29.00 per person to:**

**KATHY FELIX**

**5717 TRAILS EDGE COURT**

**ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76017**

**Remember to take and save photos for the photo contest! You can enter one category (puppies, humorous, serious, children, rescue) . Professionally taken photos are not eligible)**

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## DUES

Dues are currently due.

Family \$25

Individual \$20

Junior \$15

Dues are considered delinquent after February 1. Late dues may result in ineligibility for trophies and plaques at year end.

Send to Linda Miller, 10807 Pinocchio, Dallas TX 75229

## BRAGS

### AGILITY

#### DENTEX AGILITY CLUB 12/5

Open Standard Preferred - Q, 1st Leg, 3rd Place

CH Ducat Rock Me On The Water NAJ NJP CGC ("Whiskey") (Farmer/Todd)

#### December 6th

EX B JWW-Q

UUD Aero-jett's Speaker of Tales UDX RE SH OA AXJ NF WCX

Open Standard Preferred - Q, 2nd Leg, 2nd Place

CH Ducat Rock Me On The Water NAJ NJP CGC ("Whiskey") (Farmer/Todd)

#### December 7th

Ex B JWW Preferred Q 2nd Place  
REMUDA'S ONE MORE LAST CHANCE AX, AXJ,MXP,MJP (FELIX)

EX B JWW-Q

UUD Aero-jett's Speaker of Tales UDX RE SH OA AXJ NF WCX

#### Wichita Falls Obedience Training Club ( 3 DAYS )

Dec 12

Novice Fast Preferred Q 1st Place ExB Standard Preferred Q 1st Place

REMUDA'S ONE MORE LAST CHANCE AX, AXJ,MXP,MJP (FELIX)

Dec 13

Novice Fast Preferred Q 1st Place  
REMUDA'S ONE MORE LAST CHANCE AX, AXJ.MXP,MJP (FELIX)

Dec 14

Novice Fast Preferred Q 2nd Place  
REMUDA'S ONE MORE LAST CHANCE AX, AXJ,MXP,MJP (FELIX) **TITLE !!!**

## CONFORMATION

#### Slidell Dog Fanciers Association, Sunday, December 7, 2008

Best of Breed, Group 1

Ch. Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (R&P Caldwell, R Gear)

#### Northwest Arkansas Kennel Club - December 6, 2008 -

Winners Bitch/Best Opposite Sex  
Mohrgold You're In My Heart (Degan)

#### Northwest Arkansas Kennel Club - December 7, 2008 -

Reserve Winners Bitch  
Mohrgold You're In My Heart (Degan)

12-18 Second place

Gracious Glds Lightning Strikes Mohrgold (Degan)

#### BRANDON KENNEL CLUB OF MISSISSIPPI, Saturday, December 13, 2008

Best of Breed, Group 3

Ch. Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (R&P Caldwell, R Gear)

#### BRANDON KENNEL CLUB OF MISSISSIPPI, Saturday, December 4 2008

Best of Breed, **BEST IN SHOW** and...

**SDHF**

Ch. Glengowan's Great Balls of Fire (R&P Caldwell, R Gear)

OBEDIENCE:

#### December 7, 2008 - NW Arkansas Kennel Club - Fayetteville, Arkansas

Utility B - First Place HIGH IN TRIAL  
Sunsplash Ute StartYourEngin (Zing) (Sally & Bruce Sherman)

#### December 14, 2008 - Brandon KC of Mississippi - Jackson Mississippi

Open B Second Place , Utility B Third Place  
HIGH COMBINED  
Sunsplash Ute StartYourEngin (Zing)(Sally & Bruce Sherman)

## Names (s)

### **SALAD**

Choice of House Caesar or Garden with sweet Italian vinaigrette dressing.

Select one from the following:

### **PASTA**

**PENNE RUSTICA** Baked shrimp, grilled chicken, smoked prosciutto and penne pasta in a cheese sauce.

**PASTA MILANO** Bowtie pasta, grilled chicken, sundried tomatoes and mushrooms in roasted garlic cream sauce.

**LAYERS & LAYERS OF LASAGNA** The ultimate in lasagna. Nine generous layers of seasoned beef, spicy Italian sausage and pepperoni with melted Parmesan, mozzarella and provolone cheeses, then baked to bubbly perfection in our brick oven.

**FETTUCCINE ALFREDO WITH CHICKEN** Fettuccine pasta, cream, butter and Parmesan cheese with grilled chicken.

### **CHICKEN**

**CHICKEN SCALOPPINE** Chicken breast, mushrooms, artichokes, capers & smoked prosciutto in lemon butter with pasta.

**PRIMO CHICKEN PARMESAN** Tender chicken breast hand-breaded with Parmesan cheese and garlic, sautéed and then baked with oven-roasted tomato asiago sauce and mozzarella cheese. Served over a generous portion of imported capellini pasta.

**HONEY BALSAMIC CHIKEN** Grilled chicken with honey balsamic sauce. Served with sun-dried capellini pasta and grilled broccoli.

### **SEAFOOD**

**SHRIMP PORTOFINO** Shrimp, mushrooms, pine nuts, spinach & lemon butter with pasta.

**GRILLED SALMON** Grilled salmon filet with a honey-teriyaki glaze.  
Served with spinach orzo pasta.

### **DESSERTS**

**SMOTHERED CHOCOLATE CAKE** Topped with homemade ganache and sprinkled with pecan pieces.

**TIRAMISU** An Italian tradition of ladyfingers soaked in espresso liqueur, then layered between rich mascarpone cream.

**LEMON PASSION** Citrus cake soaked in a sweet cream, topped with lemon mousse and finished off with our fresh Italian whipped cream and caramel.

## Newspaper Policies

If you would like a brag in the newsletter, please send it to [jfric@aol.com](mailto:jfric@aol.com) or [psych-dog@worldnet.att.net](mailto:psych-dog@worldnet.att.net).  
If you would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail (pdf. format) contact the editor at the above address(es).  
If you move, please forward your new address to us directly as well as to the club membership chair.  
If you do not receive a newsletter, please contact us directly.  
Newsletters are usually available also on the WEB site within a day or two of publication.  
All contributions of articles, pictures etc. are welcome

## Deadline is the 25th of the month

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**Advertise your Business in the Newsletter  
or do you know someone who might like to?**

**Now accepting Business Card size Ads**

**For only \$50.00 for 1 year**

**Mail a check payable to DFWMGRC**

**WITH YOUR BUSINESS CARD TO**

**Linda Miller**

**10807 Pinocchio**

**Dallas, Texas 75229**

**Sorry, Ads for the Sale of dogs or Stud services,**

**Litter listings or sales of litters**

**Can not be accepted**

**DFWMGRC HAS THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY AD-  
VERTISING**

## SLATE FOR 2009 BOARD

President: Donna Todd

Vice President: Kathy Felix

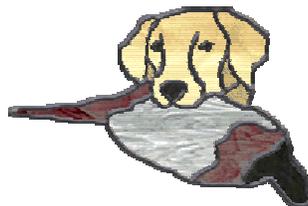
Treasurer: Lesley Pettengil

Recording Secretary : JJ Allen

Corres. Secretary: Patti Branch Caldwell

Members at large: Linda Miller

David Brown



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## UUD Rockcreek's Morgana le Fey UDSH OA OAJ AJP OAP WCX

**9/24/1994-12/1/2008**

She fought a 5 pound hematoma when she was ten and finished her OA 5 weeks after surgery. She fought copper toxicity in the liver, a disease common in Bedlington Terriers, but she could not fight the aggressive leukemia which seemed to arise overnight. We say good by to a dog who had a "personality", who had her own way of doing things, who taught us how to train a dog who does not like hunting, who gave great fronts and finishes, but who decided she had had enough of obedience and would not go down in the ring, only right outside the ring, and who was still running agility at age 11. She is probably busily bossing around her other friends at the bridge. We will miss her.

*Janet and John Frick*

CH AMIGOLD ON A WING N A PRAYER CD MH WCX VCX\*\*\* DDHF OS

5-4-97—11-7-98

In November of 2008 I lost my lodestar and heart dog at 11 ½ years of age--way too young!--to what we think is a strange form of hemangiosarcoma. Since that day my hand has reached out countless times to touch his head--and has come back empty. It's so hard to accept that this dog--my gentle, sweet, kind, funny, talented, handsome boy--is gone where I can no longer touch him.

Sabre was nothing I ever expected and everything I ever wanted in a dog. He was briefly famous for being the first AKC bench champion to obtain all age AKC field trial points (in multi-breed stakes, no less, and more than one, to boot) in over 26 years—not since his great great grandfather, Quar, had any golden accomplished that. In fact, I was assured by many older and wiser pundits that *no* other golden could ever accomplish that again—we had split the breed too wide open. So that was a heady rush when it actually happened—my whole breeding program has been based on trying to produce a true dual golden—but it wasn't the real story.

The real story, you see, was the total joy and fun of owning and running and being beside this furry goofball. Because Sabre had that kind of personality—the ultimate gentleman in a tuxedo and tennis shoes; polite and polished but ready to accelerate out for a bird (or a cookie) at breakneck speed over any obstacle in his path, and then ready again to go splash in the water fountain after the formal dance was over.

Sabre never met a person or dog he didn't like. He was a goodwill ambassador for the breed, and never seemed to have a bad day. His intense desire for the retrieve and pin point marking forced many a lab devotee to admit to grudging admiration. The last field trial judge who called him “Fluffy” at the line ended up with mud clods on his face when Sabre dug in and launched off the line for the flier. It was a quietly satisfying moment to watch the judge wipe his face and say, “well....” (we Jammed that Amateur stake of 68 entries—mostly labs--by the way).

Was he a perfect dog? Not in the slightest. His passion for the retrieve combined with a bit of a hard head led to the most retrieves of poison birds of any all age retriever in the universe (or so I believe). Ed Aycock commented that he was the only dog he's ever seen literally climb up a mesquite tree to fetch a poison duck hanging there. He was handsome, and a very good specimen of the standard, but his head wasn't classic and his ears were, well, let's say, well represented. But he was solid, balanced, light on his feet, and could move all day long easily both in the show ring and in the field.

Was a great dog? I'd like to think so. He took the combination of rugged good looks with the fire of a hard going retriever and married them perfectly. Calm and gentle when not on the retrieve line, it was hard to believe how tough he could be in the field. He left nothing behind when he left the line, unless it was remembering how to cast away from a poison bird. It was so hard to pull him from the field at age 5 to grow coat and show him (it took a year, and I had to grit my teeth at how long it took to get the field stains and wear and tear out of his coat and turn it into what we insist on having in the show ring today. “*Hard working condition*” as set forth in the standard does not seem to apply to the outer layer.).

Today's field trials are physically tough on the big dogs, and Sabre had lots of bone and mass to move around out there. Pounding out for 300 and 400 yard marks 4-6 times a week started to take a toll when he reached 8 years of age, and when I noticed some pastern limping, I pulled him from the field. Yes, I could have medicated him and kept him out there to try and reach that AFC goal, but that was not the deal he and I made when I first held him at one minute of age, wet and squirming in my hands. So he came home, and had been home with me, every day, for the last three and a half years, snoring in my bed, playing with the new pups (he was the best dog in the world with puppies; he would roll over and let them have their way), going for walks, swimming, and learning tracking. Five days before his death he retrieved a few ducks and ran a 120 yard track. Life was good, even if it was to be cut short.

When he went into surgery that dreadful night, I held him tight and told him I loved him, and he owed me and the rest of the world nothing, that he had done all that we had asked plus three hundred times more, and that wherever he went, part of my heart would go, too. Those were the last words he would hear on this side of the Bridge. Despite his obvious pain, he thumped his tail and squinted his eyes at me. So I know he heard me and was telling me, in his doggy way, that he loved me too, and that he forgave me for all the times I had sent him away to field training, away to bench showing, away, away, so much time away from my side, so he and I could prove to the world that we *don't* have to have a split in this breed.

His legacy lives on now in his talented kids and in my memories. I am so blessed, so very blessed, to be able to say I once loved, and was loved by, a truly great dog. All I can do is hope that others honor his legacy by remembering the purpose and

truth of this wonderful, majestic, outstanding breed of which we are the caretakers and garden tenders. Choose wisely, friends, in your breedings and your actions. These are *retrievers*.

Godspeed, my own Sabre T. We'll keep the lights on for you.

Terry Thornton  
Amigold Retrievers  
December 2008

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**CATALOG ADVERTISING - NOW IS THE TIME!**

Plan your ad for our Independent Specialty catalog!  
Your New titleholder, a new puppy,  
that special dog are all of interest to other Golden people.

Full Page (one photo) \$50.00

Half Page (one photo) \$45.00

Additional picture in ad (full page only) \$10.00

Quarter Page (no photo) \$25.00

Memorial Page (owner's name, dog's photo, name  
and DOB/DOD only) \$40.00

Deadline for ads (must be received by) is  
Wednesday, January 28, 2009 so don't delay!

Send your ads to:

Sherri Farmer  
3616 Parker Road  
Wylie TX 75098

Original pictures must be submitted with ad copy.\*\*

Please put a Sticker on the back of each picture with your name and  
address so the photo can be returned.

Sorry, we can only have black and white ads. If you send me color,  
I will redo it in grayscale. Be sure to send a check as well.

Electronic copy and/or pictures can be accepted ONLY with MY prior permission.

Contact me directly if you want to do this. I will have to have pictures in  
300 dpi only – and that does not mean a lower quality picture  
that is re-saved in 300 dpi. That will not produce a nice ad.

I have attached a form on the WEB for your use to help me keep track of your submissions.

Fill it out and return it with your copy, picture and check. DO NOT SEND it to Onofrio.

**ADVERTISING FORM - SEND WITH YOUR PICTURE AND CHECK**

Litter listings and/or planned breedings cannot be accepted.

\*\* A picture that has been scanned and printed on a color printer is not an  
original picture. Pictures printed on a home printer cannot be accepted.

DFWMGRC, Inc. MINUTES OF GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
@Donna Todd and Sherri Farmer's House November 18, 2008

SPEAKER

Roberta Kirby – Massage for your Dog – She is a canine sport massage therapist.

RECORDING SECRETARY

The reading of the minutes were waived and seconded.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

The nominating committee of the GRCA would like to receive a slate of officers. Patti Caldwell has a list of positions to be filled or may go to the GRCA website to view positions there.

This was Ann Burke's 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. Patti read her membership application, and Ann was asked to leave the room. She was voted in as a new member by a show of hands.

The club has several applicants who have not come to meetings, and Patti Caldwell will write them and invite them to come to meetings.

TREASURER REPORT

The club currently has \$4,300 in the checking account. The club has paid the 2009 Agility deposit, the 2009 Specialty deposit, and the JH/SH Hunt Test to the AKC.

VICE PRESIDENT REPORT

Kathy Felix passed around a sign up sheet for sponsorship of a trophy for the 2009 Specialty. Kathy said that the club will have the banquet in January at the Macaroni Grill in Grapevine on Sunday, January 11, 2009.

The club's Holiday Party will be at Lesley Pettengil's house on Sunday, December 14, 2008, from 4:00p to 7:00p. Everyone should bring a gift for the exchange, and a food dish.

STATISTICS COMMITTEE

Janet Frick announced the committee will meet and verify all information.

SPECIALTY REPORT

Patti Caldwell reported that everything is on track for the 2009 Specialty. The judges are in place, and the club is doing 3 clinics – heart, eye and echo. We will need a lot of volunteers. This will be a big fund raiser for the club. She will have a sign up sheet in February.

Members should start gathering things for the raffle. Donna showed the stain glass that will be raffled off in a separate raffle. The stain glass will be at the Christmas party for the members to view.

NEW BUSINESS

All members should give their nomination for the Sportsmanship Award to any Board Member.

Terry Thornton asked that anyone that would like to have their puppy be the model for a sculpture that will be placed in a park to let her know.

Janet Frick reminded all members that would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail to please let her know and give her the e-mail address where you would like to receive the newsletter. Sending the newsletter via e-mail saves the club money, and the pictures are in color. Any brags should be sent to Janet so she can include them in the newsletter.

Everyone agreed that Sherri Farmer has done an outstanding job on the club's newly designed website.

Sherri Farmer is in charge of the ads for the 2009 Specialty.

Donna asked if there were any ideas for speakers at the meetings.

Donna announced that the 2009 dues will remain the same as in 2008.

Donna asked if the club members are interested in a "Fun Day" for the members and their dogs, and a photo day was discussed with a professional photographer.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12p.