



# TARTAN

GORDON SETTER CLUB, INC

*Tidings*

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## Congratulations!! 2007 TarTan Specialty winners!



**Best of Breed:** Ch. Brodruggan Black Knight



**Winners Dog:** Windcrest Movin' Out



**Best Of Opposite Sex:** Ch. Kingpoint Woodsmoke Echo, JH



**Winners Bitch and Best Of Winners**  
Gordon Hill Phoebe

### TarTan Highlights

- Gordon Favorites
- November New Titles
- Meet The Staff!
- Book Review
- Health Clinics
- AKC Seminars!!

### ATTENTION:

**EVERY** owner entering the 2008 GSCA National Specialty in Gettysburg or at the 2008 GSCA National Championships their animals will have to be **AKC DNA CERTIFIED**. These AKC DNA certification kits are available through the AKC or through Candice Bell. It will take 6-8 weeks to receive confirmation that the AKC has completed the process. We recommend this being done **NOW**.

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### Wiggles and Giggles: Dog Show Humor

- **Angulation**- Degree to which dog handlers will bend over backwards to impress judges.
- **Balance**- Ability to hold coffee, danish, leash, treats and entry form all at once.
- **Force Fetch**- Dog drops the toy under furniture, scratches at the carpet until you're forced to "fetch" it.
- **Blind Retrieve**- When you can't see the toy under the furniture.
- **Hock**- A way of financing your dog shows by the use of jewelry such as wedding rings
- **CGC**- Canine Gastrointestinal Catastrophe {aka GAS}

### Meet the Staff

Laura Bedford:

I got my first Gordon in 1973, went to my first show in 1975, and had my first litter the same year. I have been active in conformation, obedience, field trials and hunt tests. I'd love to try agility, but I haven't the coordination. I have finished dogs on the bench and in the field, have put several CD's on dogs many years ago. My 3 dogs now are very poorly behaved, but quite loveable. I have been a member of TarTan since 1975.

I am married to Steve, and have a daughter, Emma, in her junior year in college (in London this year!), and a son, Nat, in 8th grade. Oh, and a cat, who really rules the roost."

Ellen Shanahan, Rescue Chair

I have had a Gordon or two or three in my life since 1963. My first Gordon was Gordon Hill Kimmer, bred by Muriel Clement. In 2001 I got a Gordon puppy from Donnah and Mike Brnger in Maine and got bitten by the dog show bug. Our wonderful Bonnie, CH Brynbar's Good Golly Miss Molly CD JH, has given us two wonderful litters. In addition to conformation, our dogs compete in rally, obedience and hunt tests. Our Gordons Bonnie, Angus and Rory share the house and soon the farm in Great Barrington, Massachusetts with 4 English setters, an Irish, and a border collie, plus five horses and a barn cat. We have adopted dogs from our local humane society through the years, as well, and stepping forward to chair TarTan Rescue seemed a natural progression. It is truly an honor and privilege to assist our rescue dogs in finding new homes where they will be loved and cared for, for the rest of their lives, and I appreciate all the efforts of club members who are always ready to help with the various steps in the process!

### **Gordon Goodies:**

#### **BANANA MUTT BREAD (Compliments of Kristi Boehm)**

**3 ½ cups flour (whole wheat, white, or a blend)**  
**2 very ripe bananas**  
**2 eggs**  
**1/3 cup molasses**

**In a mixer bowl, beat bananas and eggs until well mixed and smooth, add molasses and mix some more. Add flour a little at a time. The final batter will be sticky. I used a cookie press and made long strips, then cut it with kitchen shears once they came out of the oven. Bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes. They will look like unleavened bread, and smell wonderful.**

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### **annual work day**

At the HELDCA hunt test grounds at Sharp's Farm in Hopkinton NH

Will be held on:

Sat. April 5, 08 at 8:30 am.

It generally lasts about four hours. Any members that can come give a hand to help maintain these great grounds would be greatly appreciated.

The rain/snow date in case of inclement weather is Sat. April 12.

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603-966-6050

**Got a favorite Gordon Goodie or a special treat you would like to share? Send your Recipe Ideas and Suggestions to Karol or Jani for publication in the Newsletter!!**



Please make plans to join us at the Annual Banquet on Saturday evening, February 16th. Once again, the site will be the wonderful Storowton Tavern in West Springfield, Massachusetts. A guest speaker, familiar to so many of us, Diane Dargay, will fill us in on Flyball, we will be hosting an auction of "valuables," and, of course, the annual awards will be presented

*Join us, won't you?*  
**TARTAN GORDON SETTER CLUB**  
**ANNUAL BANQUET**  
 Saturday, February 16, 2008

Storowton Tavern  
 1885 Memorial Drive  
 West Springfield, Massachusetts

Welcome our guest  
**DIANE DARGAY**  
 as she speaks about Flyball!

Cocktails at 6:00 pm  
 Dinner at 7:00 pm  
 Buffet dinner: \$18 for members  
 \$28 for guests  
 Cash bar

Presentation of Annual Awards  
 (form on reverse)

Send checks, made out to Tar-Tan GSC, to:  
 Laura Bedford, 11 Shafer Road, New Hartford, CT 06057  
 Deadline: Saturday, February 2, 2008  
 Questions? Phone 860-489-9908 or email: [ksalyonsdog@aol.com](mailto:ksalyonsdog@aol.com)



**Best of Opposite in Sweeps:**  
 Sandpiper Sound Waves



**Best In Sweeps:**  
 Sandpiper Dicar's Rumor For Shore



**Reserve Winners Dog:**  
 Woodsmoke Five O'Clock Whistle

## Rescue News

### **It has been fairly quiet in rescue, but we may have a new boy soon.**

Hades is 9 years old, and his owner can no longer keep him. He was purchased from a pet store and has no health issues. We don't know if he gets along with cats or not, but he does get along with dogs of all sizes and children. The owner described him as 9 years young. Hades will come into rescue to be neutered and then placed in a foster home while we evaluate him and find a suitable forever home for him.

If anyone can help in any way with Hades, please email Ellen Shanahan at [tartanrescue@hotmail.com](mailto:tartanrescue@hotmail.com) . Thanks, as always, for your support!

### **HEALTH CLINICS**

#### **2/9/2008: Lima/Elida, OH**

Lima Animal Hospital and Lima Animal Hospital Rehabilitation & Play Center, 2909 Elida Rd., Lima/Elida, OH 45805; Lima Animal Hospital and Lima Animal Hospital Rehabilitation & Play Center; Contact: April Schneider, telephone 419-331-1456, email [a.schneider@wcoil.com](mailto:a.schneider@wcoil.com), fax 419-331-5598; Pre-registration required; deadline, day before clinic. Hips x-ray OFA \$80.00; OFA prelims \$60.00; Elbows x-ray OFA \$80.00; OFA prelims \$60.00; Hips & Elbows x-rays OFA \$100.00; Thyroid blood panel OFA \$80.00

#### **2/16/2008: Greenville, SC**

Carolina First Center (Formerly Palmetto International Expo Center), One Exposition Ave., Greenville, SC 29607 Contact: email [eyespi20@wctel.net](mailto:eyespi20@wctel.net) with Health Clinic in the subject line. Pre-registration is recommended. Heart (Jacobs) auscultation \$35.00 Eyes (Ward) CERF \$25.00; Hearing (Hughes) BAER \$55.00; Patellas luxation \$25.00; Microchip (AVID) \$25.00

#### **2/29/2008: Mount Airy, MD**

Belquest Kennels, 18745 Penn Shop Rd., Mount Airy, MD 21771 Contact: Vicky Creamer, telephone 301-831-7507 or 410-795-8395, email [belquest1@aol.com](mailto:belquest1@aol.com) Heart auscultation; Eyes CERF; OptiGen blood draw

Your TarTan Gordon Setter Club supports and promotes "**Open Health Registries**". **PLEASE** remember when submitting forms to OFA to initial the box authorizing release of **ALL results**.

**Lynn Tenny** has graciously updated the TarTan web-site. Membership should visit our web-site often at

**[www.TarTanGSC.org](http://www.TarTanGSC.org)**

Also, now listed on our web-site is a link to **ALL Canine Health Clinics throughout the United States**.

**AKC/CHF TarTan Gordon Setter Donor Advised Fund:**

Thank you friends and members of TarTan for your generous contributions to, and continued support of the AKC/CHF TarTan Gordon Setter Donor Advised Fund.

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Donation: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Your kind gift honoring the memory of a special friend, recognizing an occasion or achievement, will assist us in reaching our goal of a genetically healthy breed of Gordon Setter.

- In honor of       In memory of       For the special occasion of:

(\*Be sure to make clear whether honoree is a person or a dog. Thank you.)

Please send acknowledgement to:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this form, along with your check made payable to:

**AKC/CHF TarTan Gordon Setter Donor Advised Fund**

Candice Bell  
 4 Stepping Stone Drive  
 Broad Brook, CT 06016

All donors and memorials will be acknowledged by letter and will be listed in the TarTan Tidings Newsletter.

If you do not wish recognition in the Tidings, please check here \_\_\_\_\_.

**Donors to the AKC/CHF TarTan Gordon Setter Club Donor Advised Fund**

- Rosanne Alicata, Wendy Hollerna, Nancy Walsh of Kensington, CT, donating "In Honor of TarTan Club Member Constance Fraser"
- Jerold and Candice Bell of Broad Brook, CT, donating "In honor of, and tribute to Walter Cruz"
- Beth Beatty of Pinnacle, NC donating "In memory of CH Celtic Arlyss Scott's Grey", owned and loved by Col. Rhonda Cornum USA
- Ms. Candace Lawhorne and Ms. Catherine Tinaglia of Lynchburg, VA. donating "in memory of Conobtra's Just Another Meg VCD2, MX, MXJ" owned and loved by Louise Mowbray, Advance, NC.
- Mr. Larry Clifford and Family, Ipswich, MA donating "in memory of Constance Bernardin".

**TarTan extends condolences to Col. Rhonda Cornum, Ms. Louise Mowbray, Mr. Adam Bernardin and Ms. Jamie Donelson, on the loss of those so dear to them"**

## 2008 TarTan Supported Entries

### **New England Sporting Group Association (1)**

Saturday, March 15, 2008

Fitchburg, Massachusetts

Judge: Lorraine W Bisso (LA)

Group: Dr Donald Sturz Jr (NY)

### **New England Sporting Group Association (2)**

Sunday, March 16, 2008

Fitchburg, Massachusetts

Judge: Debra Davis (MI) Provisional

Group: Mrs Bisso

Entry Fees: \$28.00

Closing Date: Noon, Wednesday February 27, 2008

Superintendent: MB-F, Inc [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)

NESGA will also offer Puppy and Veteran Sweepstakes, which will be judged by Ms Robyn Haskin (NY) on Saturday and Andrew Batey (WA) on Sunday.

### **Sanctioned B Match**

Saturday March 15, 2008

To follow Best of Breed at the New England Sporting Group Association Dog Show

Royal Plaza Trade Center, Fitchburg, MA

Registration 1pm-3pm \$6.00 for first entry, \$3.00 additional entries

FMI Contact: Match Chair Olga K. Evelyn, P.O. Box 8, Storrs, CT 06268 (860)-428-2699

### **Ladies' Dog Club**

Saturday, May 31, 2008

Wrentham, Massachusetts

Judge: W Everett Dean, Jr (VA)

Entry Fees: \$25.00

Closing Date: Noon, Wednesday May 14, 2008

Superintendent: MB-F, Inc [www.infodog.com](http://www.infodog.com)

### **Northwestern Connecticut Kennel Club**

September 2008

All information will be updated as it becomes available.

Karol Paduch

## **Happy Birthday and Retirement to: Jani Wolstenholme**

One of our Managing Editors for the TarTan Tidings not only celebrated a birthday this month but she also embarked on a new and exciting phase in her life. Please take the time to send your warm wishes and congratulations to Jani:

“I had a very emotional day yesterday, my last work day, but am looking forward to this new phase of my life!  
And choosing Feb. to retire was a birthday present to myself!”

Jani



## NEW TITLES - November 2007

### CONFORMATION:

#### Champion

**Ch Holly Hollow's Ebony Fantasy JH (B) November 23, 2007**

(Ch Holly Hollow's Eastwind Echo JH x Ch Holly Hollows Hakuna Matata)

Br: NM Ow: Lawrence J Clifford & NM

### PERFORMANCE & FIELD:

#### Junior Hunter

**Holly Hollow's Ebony Fantasy JH (B) November 4, 2007**

(Ch Holly Hollow's Eastwind Echo JH x Ch Holly Hollows Hakuna Matata)

Br: NM Ow: Lawrence J Clifford & NM

**Woodsmoke Stella By Starlight JH (B) November 3, 2007**

(Ch Gordon Hill Seagem Sportster JH x Ch Kingpoint Woodsmoke Echo JH)

Br: Cindy Fitzgerald & Elizabeth Wilshere Ow: Elizabeth Wilsere & Beth Beatty & Cindy Fitzgerald

#### Master Hunter

**Braxfield Back In Black MH (D) November 18, 2007**

(Ch Triseter Ebonie Nirvana x Ch Halcyon Braxfield Reminisce JH)

Br/Ow: Jerold S Bell DVM & Candice Bell

#### Agility Fast Open

**Pinebirch Just Jake RA JH MX AXJ OF (D) November 11, 2007**

(Ch Woodsmoke's Just Looking CDX RN JH OA AXP NAJ AJP x MACH Pinebirch Southern Promise CD RE JH MXP2 MJP2 NFP)

Br/Ow: Maureen A McLatchy

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## ANNUAL PICNIC!!!!!!

The TarTan Annual Picnic and Annual Membership Meeting and Elections will be held Sunday, June 22nd. The picnic will be held at Flaherty Field trial area and will begin at 10:00. There will be a fun match, bird work and games and lots of food. The club will again provide drinks, hamburgers and hotdogs and members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share.



### NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

#### **Boehm, Kristi - Supporting member**

5010 Fox Hollow Blvd.  
Spring, TX 77389  
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kristi.boehm@sbcglobal.net

She was endorsed by Jani Wolstenholme and Candice Bell

She owns: South Sea's Tautahi Laka wh 1/12/07

Sire: Channah Private Eye (NZ CH)

Dam: Am/Can/Intl CH Karrelene's Anail O Muir JH

She is interested in Dog Shows, Hunting Tests, Obedience, and Meeting other owners.

#### **Gordon, John & Elizabeth - Regular members**

255 Frost Hill Rd.  
Marlborough, NH 03455  
603 876-3798

egordon@ne.rr.com

They were endorsed by Cynthia Fitzgerald and Elizabeth Wilshere

They are looking for a Gordon but had one for almost 15 years

They are interested in Agility and Meeting other owners.

#### **Rozanski, Elizabeth - Regular member**

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North Grafton, MA 01536  
508 839-2943

elizabeth.rozanski@tufts.edu

She was endorsed by Ellen Shanahan and Doris Viguers

She does not own a Gordon

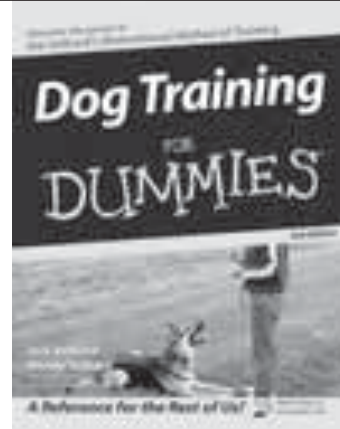
**The Spring TarTan Hunt Test date will be April 26th and 27th at Sharpe's Farm in Hopkinton, NH.**

### TarTan Field Trial

<b>When:</b>	April 12 & 13
<b>Where:</b>	Flaherty Field Trial Area East Windsor, CT
<b>Trial Chairman:</b>	Susan DeSilver, (203) 484-4738
<b>Trial Secretary:</b>	Larry Clifford



DOG TRAINING FOR DUMMIES by Jack Volhard and Wendy Volhard  
 Hungry Minds Inc.  
 ISBN 0-7645-5286-4  
 Approximately \$21.99 U.S. at most major bookstores and online



**Cheat Sheet:**

This book teaches basic dog training tips on:

Leadership

Sit on command (after only one command!)

Down on command

Recall

Safety - yours and his

Sit Stay - not jumping on people

For someone who wants their dog to know and follow basic obedience commands, take their dog anywhere and have them behave, and for those who want to move on to obedience competition, It teaches us how to understand the canine thought processes from instinctive behaviors (prey, pack, and defense drives) to behaviors learned as they mature (crate training, housebreaking, counter surfing, etc.).

Jack and Wendy Volhard give insight into predicting certain events like jumping on people, and how to anticipate and correct those behaviors we don't want. They explain what our expectations should be and how to get there. One of their reminders states: "The well-trained dog obeys because he has been trained. This does not mean you and he can't have fun in the process, so long as the end result is clearly understood. When you say 'come', there are no options, even though he may want to play a little longer, and even though you don't have a cookie."

There are chapters on training savvy, dealing with "doggie don'ts" (barking, chewing, etc.), nutrition, how to choose a dog for your lifestyle, surviving puppy hood, and housetraining (crate-training). The rest of the book is devoted to those who wish to go further into obedience competition. For those who are really new to dogs, there are chapters devoted to tricks, sporting activities (agility, hunting tests, lure coursing, etc.), basic commands every dog should know, as well as one on ten reasons why dogs do what do (sniffing parts of our anatomy, lifting legs, eating grass, etc.).

One important training exercise is the simple remaining in play, or "stay" command. Early on in training Ronan, I used the "long down" as a way of not only reminding him that I'm the boss, but also to teach a little calming technique for a very active puppy. This book starts by showing us how to work the long down or long sit into our everyday training. It can, and should, be done with older dogs too, particularly rescues or foster dogs. It's a non-violent way of establishing leadership.

Having trained with the Volhards in the 1980s, attending five of their week-long camps, and using their technique to train all three of my Gordons, I can attest to the proven system of understanding your dog and then training accordingly. Whether you want a competitive obedience or agility dog, or you just want your Gordon not to embarrass you in public, this very basic training book is for you. I highly recommend DOG TRAINING FOR DUMMIES.

Jani

### CALL TO MEMBERSHIP:

Have you read a book you think would be useful to others? Did a certain book or author make a difference in your life, training approach or outlook on life and you would like to share that with others?

Send your book recommendations along with a review of the book and author in 500 words or less to our editors!

**Report to the TarTan Gordon Setter Club Board of Directors on the  
2007 National Parent Club Canine Health Conference**

by Jerold Bell, DVM – representative of the TarTan GSC at the conference

The 2007 National Parent Club Canine Health Conference was conducted by the AKC Canine Health Foundation in St. Louis, Missouri on October 19–21, 2007. There were twenty-four presentations on a wide range of health and genetics topics. A summary report of the presentations is available on the CHF website at: <http://www.akcchf.org/pdfs/whitepapers/CHFSummaryReport2007.pdf> DVDs of the presentations will be provided by the CHF to the member clubs in early 2008.

The conference opened with a presentation by Dr. Matthew Breen from North Carolina State University. Dr. Breen spoke about the human/canine connection, and how advances in both human and canine genome research help our understanding of common diseases. Dr. Heidi Parker of the National Human Genome Research Institute showed how the ancestral relationships between dog breeds help facilitate research of complex traits and diseases. Dr. Anita Oberbauer from the University of California-Davis presented a genetics primer discussing genetic and breeding terminology, and Dr. Jerold Bell from Tufts University talked about breeding in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. As custodians of their breeds, reputable breeders must take advantage of genetic testing and open health registries to deliver healthier dogs to the American public.

Mr. Eddie Dziuk, Chief Operating Officer of the Orthopedic Foundation for Animals spoke about the new initiatives at CHIC, the Canine Health Information Center ([www.caninehealthinfo.org](http://www.caninehealthinfo.org)). The CHIC database, which includes OFA statistics, now contains health testing information on over 40,000 dogs. The CHIC DNA repository, which collects breed DNA for future research, now has DNA stored on over 4,000 dogs (over 200 of which are Gordon Setters collected primarily through the efforts of TarTan). The latest initiative by the OFA is the establishment of on-line health surveys for breed clubs. The OFA will host electronic health surveys for breed clubs on their website.

There were several presentations on health management. Dr. Margaret Root-Kustritz from the University of Minnesota spoke on canine reproduction and the effects of neutering and spaying. She cited the positive effects of decreased prostate disease in males and mammary cancer and pyometra in females, but also cited negative effects such as obesity, urinary incontinence, and some controversial studies that show a slightly increased risk for some cancers in neutered and spayed dogs. Dr. Christine Petersen from Iowa State University spoke on current infectious diseases. We must continue to remain vigilant against brucellosis, tularemia, leptospirosis, canine

influenza virus, and leishmaniasis. Dr. Gail Czarnecki-Maulden from the Nestlé Purina Research Center spoke on probiotics; live beneficial bacteria that live in the intestinal tract. Dr. Brian Zanghi from Nestle Purina spoke on the proper nutritional requirements for active, exercising, and working dogs.

Dr. Ebenezer Satyaraj from Nestle Purina presented research on the role of nutrition on the immune system. The gut houses 60-70% of the immune cells in the body, and Dr. Satyaraj discussed how dietary proteins influence levels of the bodies immune response. Dr. Ron Schultz from the University of Wisconsin discussed the immune system, and canine vaccination protocols. He discussed the core vaccines - distemper, adeno, parvo, and rabies – that should be given to every dog. Optional vaccines such as leptospirosis, bordatella, and Lyme should be given based on individual risk. Current research is centering on duration of immunity (DOI) studies. In healthy dogs, immunity to the core vaccines after a dog's first annual booster likely lasts more than three years. As vaccine companies conduct DOI studies, vaccine labeling will reflect longer revaccination schedules.

There were several presentations on specific genetic diseases. Dr. Richard Goldstein from Cornell University reported on his research into hyperparathyroidism in the Keeshond. A dominantly inherited gene causes the disease, and a genetic test is now available. Dr. Simon Petersen-Jones from Michigan State University discussed his research into two diseases. Ocular melanosis in Cairn Terriers is caused by a dominant gene. Progressive retinal atrophy (PRA) in the Cardigan Welsh Corgi is caused by an autosomal recessive gene. Dr. Petersen-Jones also discussed research that restored sight to congenitally blind Briards that have the same disease as children with Leber's congenital amaurosis. Because of this successful research, human clinical trials are now underway. Dr. Peter Muir from the University of Wisconsin discussed his theory on whether cruciate ligament disease could be a form of rheumatoid disease.

Several experts presented information on stem cell research. Dr. Rick Vulliet from the University of California-Davis presented an overview of stem cell research in man and animals. Stem cells can repair and regenerate damaged tissue. These can include heart cells, spinal cord, muscle and tendons, bone, and lung tissue. Dr. Mark Oyama from the University of Pennsylvania discussed how stem cells from other parts of the body can be placed in the heart and incorporated into the heart muscle. Dr. Jaime Modiano from the University of Minnesota discussed how cancer can be caused by cancerous stem cells. This can explain how cancer can keep returning after treatment, due to a stem cell population that can restore a cancerous line of cells.

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**Report Continued**

A focus on canine cancer included several presentations. Ms. Rhonda Hovan of the Golden Retriever Club of America talked about cancer at the breed level. It is estimated that 60% of Golden Retrievers die of cancer at an average of 11 years of age. She discussed the importance of tracking breed statistics, collecting DNA and samples, and funding breed specific research to help improve breed health. Dr. Douglas Thamm from Colorado State University spoke on the importance of early diagnosis and treatment to combat cancer. Advances in chemotherapy, radiation, cancer vaccines, and surgery are allowing longer and more comfortable cancer survival times. Dr. Matthew Breen returned to speak about the Canine Comparative Oncology and Genomics Consortium (CCOGC), and the development of a national canine cancer biospecimen repository. This cooperative effort will allow parallel research on the same cancer cell lines, so that researchers can pool their research results and see more rapid progress. Initially, the consortium plans to collect 3,000 tissue samples of canine osteosarcoma, lymphoma, and melanoma; all cancers shared with humans.

Updates from the American Kennel Club were presented by Chief Operating Officer John Lyons, and Director of Public Education Larry Sorensen. The AKC Veterinary Outreach program shares information and fosters collaboration between the veterinary community and dog clubs. AKC legislative analyst Phil Guidry discussed AKC's Legislative Affairs department, and the need for vigilance against breed-specific legislation and legislation that unfairly restricts the rights of dog owners and breeders. He urged dog owners, breeders, and clubs to be aware of and involved in the legislative process, and to get to know individual legislators.

Dr. A. Duane Butherus, Chairman of the Grants Committee for the Canine Health Foundation spoke about the over \$20 million in research granted by the AKC-CHF. He closed the conference, thanking the major sponsor – Nestle' Purina - for their continued support.

### **Congratulations Smith and Walter Cruz!!!**

On November 18 at Pointer Associates of New England's fall hunt test at Flaherty, the Gordon Setter world welcomed another Master Hunter -

Braxfield Back In Black, MH (Ch Triseter Ebonie Nirvana x Ch Halcyon Braxfield Reminisce JH). Smith was piloted to his new title by his trainer and best friend Walter Cruz, and is Walter's first Gordon Setter Master Hunter. Smith's breeders and owners are Candice and Jerry Bell.

This is a huge accomplishment for Smith and Walter and we would like to say how proud we are of both of them!



**Master Hunter Judge, Walter Cruz, Jerry Bell and Smith**

**Got a story?** Want to thank someone in the club for their help? Maybe you want to remember a past beloved Gordon or an old friend, if so please sent your stories, thank you letters, or memorials to our production Staff

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## **TARTAN GORDON SETTER CLUB, INC. NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

**The TarTan Gordon Setter Club, Inc. has applications available for two (2) \$750 scholarships for the 2008-2009 academic year.**

**These scholarships will be awarded nationally, to an owner, or child, or spouse of someone who owns a Gordon Setter, who is in college and enrolled in Animal Sciences (such as, Ecology, Zoology, Wildlife Management, etc.) or Comparative Medicine (such as, Pathobiology, Molecular Genetics, etc.) or is in a Veterinary college.**

**The application consists of four one-page essays. There is no age limit for applicants.**

**The application can be downloaded from the TarTan GSC Inc. website; [www.tartangsc.org](http://www.tartangsc.org) ; or is available from TarTan GSC Inc., c/o Candice Bell, 4 Stepping Stone Drive, Broad Brook, CT 06016; (860) 749-8348.**

**The deadline for submitting completed applications is May 31, 2008.**



AKC HUNT TEST SEMINAR

(Seminar for Pointing Breed Judges and Pointing Breed Hunt Test Participants)

SPONSORED BY THE KATAHDIN GSP CLUB SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2008 8:30-4:30 KITTERY  
TRADING POST EXIT 1 ROUTE I-95--KITTERY, MAINE

Presenter: GARY SADLER, AKC Field Rep and GSP Breeder

Learn about the new 2008 AKC Hunt Test regulations

Fulfill a requirement for AKC Hunt Test judge application

Update your AKC Hunt Test judging accreditation

For more information contact Sandra Kretz at mariahgsp@aol.com (preferred) or 508-358-4419

\$45 covers all materials and a fabulous lunch

Please arrive by 8:00 for registration as we will start promptly

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently an AKC judge? Yes No

Are you applying for judging approval? Yes No

Make Check for \$45 payable to Katahdin GSP Club and mail to Sandra Kretz, 58 Sedgemoor Rd.,  
Wayland, MA 01778 Deadline February 20, 2008.

**Saccarappa Obedience Club, Inc.**

Proudly presents an: AKC Obedience & Rally Seminar

March 22nd and 23rd, 2008

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Learn the Rules for Obedience and Rally! Get Answers Straight from the Source!

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Registration Closes on February 16, 2008

Limited Registration—50 Participants

Saturday—Obedience 8:30—4:30

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Continental Breakfast, Lunch and an Afternoon Snack are included

This is an auditing seminar only please leave your dogs at home, Only SOC member dogs will be used for demos.

\$70.00 for both days \$40.00 for Saturday or \$35.00 for Sunday.

Please send Name, Address, Phone Number and E-mail with checks payable to Saccarappa Obedience Club (SOC)  
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**Candid Photos and Videos Needed for the TarTan Archives**

If you have any of the following, please consider donating them to the TarTan Archives:

Any candid photographs of the 2007 National Specialty at, Olympia Resort in Oconomowoc, WI or the National Championship and Field Trial. Cloverdale Farm, Sutherland, Virginia. Please send photos to archives on a CD if possible. (High resolution images provide the most flexibility for future use.)

Videos of past TarTan specialties or parts of the specialties. (If you can burn a copy to CD or DVD, that'd be great, but ask Karen what format she'd prefer.)

Thanks for your help!

Karen Gatchell, Archives PO. Box 449, Moody, ME 04054  
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