



TARTAN

GORDON SETTER CLUB, INC

Tidings

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Sea Gems Black Diamond Buckeye, RN "Dylan"



Rally Obedience is a sport in which you walk through a course of signs (stations) stopping at each one and performing the required behavior. It became an AKC titling event in 2005, although it had been around the APDT circuits a few years prior. I became involved with Rally because 2 of my obedience club members were going through their AKC testing to become Rally judges. So when January 2005 came along, we all knew the ins and outs through these 2 women.

Rally is not as structured as regular obedience. You may talk, praise, clap, pat your leg, point to encourage your dog without touching them. The judges encourage this and wants to make it fun for the dogs. The course is timed only to use as a tie breaker and you get 1 "do over" if your dog does not get it the first time. Novice Rally is all on leash with about 15 stations.

Dylan is my most recent Novice Rally titleholder at 9 months old. According to the AKC, he is the youngest Gordon to achieve this title to date. What is really amusing is that I was not going to enter him at one point because I did not feel he was ready. But, Bill convinced me to do it. He said "What is the worst that could happen.....him not qualify? It is all on leash."

We entered Dylan in his first breed shows in Secaucus, NJ at the Garden Specialties show (what used to be the Combined). It has now evolved into a 4 day event including Obedience and Rally. Not knowing how Dylan would react to the ring and commotion was a concern. I wanted to make the ring experience a positive one. As we approached the Rally ring, I had a treat in my hand (outside the ring) trying to keep his focus. The good thing was that Rally was the second day, so he was more comfortable with the environment. As we started into the course, his focus started to wane. So I used what I know would get his attention..."Do you want a cookie?" He started looking at me again and I praised him throughout the course. I also used my finger as a focus point as I wanted him to think I had food. By the end of the course, I was really proud of how he handled himself. He did qualify with a 98 out of 100 and a tie for 4th place. At almost 8 months and his first show, I just wanted a good experience. Not bad for a puppy with the attention span of a gnat. After that performance, it encouraged me to go further to get his title.

TarTan Highlights

- Upcoming Picnic!
- MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL
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- Member Introduction
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- Field Trial Results

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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Wags and Brags:

Ch. Halcyon Joyous Ultima Thule, CD, RN, JH, BBB earned her **SENIOR HUNTER title** this past weekend at the Nutmeg Weimaraner Club Hunt Test April 5 & 6th!!

Thule is owned by - Anita Lustenberger, Laura Bedford and Candice Bell

**CH. HALCYON JOYOUS ULTIMA
THULE CD, RN, SH, BBB**
MR. WALTER CRUZ, TRAINER/HANDLER



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 send your stories, thank you letters, or memorials to our production Staff

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DOGSTEPS, A New Look

by Rachel Page Elliott
Doral Publishing
\$19.95

Using cineradiography, or "moving X-rays", Ms. Elliott moves forward in her study of canine movement since her first publication of Dogsteps in 1973.

She goes over commonly used terms of a dog's anatomy, provides comparative anatomical diagrams, describes the different gait patterns, and other topics relating to good structure. Going over the foundation of structure and movement and the importance of angulation will give readers a lot of insight into how their dog moves and what muscles are important. I found the section on toplines, necklines, and tailset extremely helpful in understanding correct movement. This is a useful guide with excellent diagrams and drawings for both new and veteran dog owners.

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!

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2008 TarTan Supported Entries

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

Northwestern Connecticut

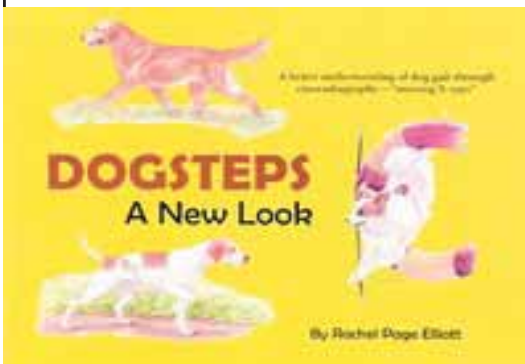
Kennel Club

September 2008

All information will be updated as it becomes available.

Karol Paduch

Supported Entry Chair



New Titleholders – NO NEW TITLE HOLDERS THIS MONTH

Mountainview is pleased to announce the following breeding:

Sandpiper Dicar's Rumor For Shore (Ch.Sandpiper's Shore Enough x Ch. Sandpiper's Catch the Wave, JH) x Ch. Mountaiview's Greta Garbo (Ch. Noah's Ark Gallahad of Avalon, JH x Ch. Mountainview's Mimosa). Sire's prelim hip x-rays look good. Dam's hip x-rays OFA GOOD and thyroid NORMAL. Sire is major pointed. Puppies are due around June 1st. Inquires most welcome. Contact Shareen Brown at 845-855-9085 or e-mail at gsetter@comcast.net Please visit www.mountainviewgordonsetters.com

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I start all my puppies with obedience basics as soon as they come to live with us. Sit, down, come, stand, stay, it becomes ingrained in their long term memory and is useful in everyday life. Puppies are really sponges....they absorb a lot of what is given them. So don't be afraid of overloading their learning. But make sure the training sessions are short...5-10 minutes. Treats and toys are a great help in achieving their focus early on. Remember to use what is at your disposal and if they are not paying attention do something to get it even if you have to jump up and down. If they respond to certain words, use them. You have to be the best thing out there and as long as their focus is on you, they will not be afraid.

A rally course includes 10 to 20 stations, depending on the level. Scoring is not as rigorous as traditional obedience. Communication between handler and dog is encouraged and perfect heel position is not required, but there should be a sense of teamwork between the dog and handler. The main objective of rally is to produce dogs that have been trained to behave in the home, in public places, and in the presence of other dogs, in a manner that will reflect positively on the sport of rally at all times and under all conditions

The titles offered at each level are Rally Novice (RN), Rally Advanced (RA), and Rally Excellent (RE). Each one is earned by earning three qualifying scores (legs) at three obedience trials. The advanced title Rally Advanced Excellent (RAE) is earned by qualifying ten times in both Advanced and Excellent at the same trial.

Rally Basics

Tracy Murch Newest Member of the TarTan Rescue Team: Permanent Home Coordinator

I got involved in dogs many years ago when I decided to leave my teaching job in NH (much to my mother's horror) and moved to Kentucky where I went to work as a trainer and groomer at a kennel that imported German Shepherds to be trained as personal protection dogs. It was during this time that I met a breeder of show golden retrievers and entered the world of conformation. I spent the next years showing goldens in both conformation and obedience and then helped my mother show her miniature pinschers.

I knew that I needed to get back into what others perceived as a "real job" so moved back to New Hampshire and went back into education. As my last and favorite golden began to age, I knew I wanted to continue showing dogs, but really wanted to find a breed that would be easy to owner handle. After looking into many breeds I settled on Gordon Setters and purchased Dory. Through Dory, I discovered the world of hunt tests. It was a case of the blind leading the "thank goodness she has natural talent" as we began hunt training. My husband, son, and I have been very busy working with Dory. When I finally felt secure enough with my own ability I entered Dory in her first hunt test where I met many TarTan people. They could not have been nicer and at that time I decided that I would get back involved with the club. I had joined when I first got Dory, but didn't get very involved.

After receiving my TarTan newsletter I saw that there was a need for a "permanent home coordinator." Seemed easy enough.....but I call it trial by fire. After a brief conversation with Ellen, I soon began receiving emails about the need to set up a home visit with a family in NY. Not knowing what exactly it was that I was supposed to do, I decided I needed to jump right in with both feet. With the help of many rescue members we were able to coordinate the visit and I am happy to report the dog is still a happy member of his new home. What a great feeling!

ATTENTION MEMBERSHIP!

The Board of directors and the newsletter staff would like feedback pertaining to the offering of an e-mailed PDF version of the newsletter. This newsletter would be in full color and e-mailed when the paper version was sent to the printers. Members who opted for the PDF version would no longer receive a paper copy unless they specified that they wanted both. If there is enough interest the PDF version could start as early as next month's newsletter!

Feedback, thoughts and opinions on this matter can be e-mailed to Jeff Martin at martijef@fairpoint.net

TARTAN GORDON SETTER CLUB

2008 - 2009 MEMBERSHIP DUES and DONATIONS

Renew Now and Beat the Rush - Membership Year Begins and **Dues are Due by July 1st**. Dues are \$20.00 for each member or \$25 for a family membership.

Send to: Membership Chairman
Doris Viguers
43 Eden Trail
Bernardston, MA 01337

Please fill in your name and address below and enclose with your dues. Please also consider a donation to Gordon Setter Health and Genetics, TarTan Scholarship Program, or another program. Prompt payment will save the club the expense of extra notices.

Please make checks payable to: TarTan Gordon Setter Club

TarTan Gordon Setter Club

2008 -2009 Membership Dues

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Telephone No: _____

_____ please check if any there have been any changes.

Membership Dues \$_____ **Donation to Gordon Setter Health and Genetics \$**_____ **Donation to TarTan Scholarship Program \$**_____ **Donation to TarTan Rescue \$**_____ **Other Donation \$**_____ **Please specify**_____ **Total Enclosed \$**_____

I am willing to help out with the following committee(s) and/or events:

- _____ Adoption/Rescue
- _____ Field Trial
- _____ Hunting Tests
- _____ Obedience/Agility Trials
- _____ Picnic and Match
- _____ Public Education
- _____ Rollicking Good Times (fund-raising)
- _____ Supported Entries
- _____ Newsletter

Other talents/services you can offer: _____

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

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Please send acknowledgement to:

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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 _____.

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

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

1. Jani Wolstenholme, Newport RI. "In memory of Phil Nelson". Phil was a long time professional dog show handler and a very special friend to so many of us and our beautiful dogs. He will be sadly missed.
2. A donation from the Sacramento Valley Dog Fancier's Association, California through the generosity of long time Gordon Setter enthusiast Barbara Gaffney (Balarran Gordon Setters), Woodland, California.

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

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

FEATURED DOGGIE YUMMY!

Hair On A Doorknob
 (help hair to grow and be conditioned)
 1 lb peanut butter
 1 lb honey
 1 lb Mirra Coat Special or Diaglo (powder) or Bio Coat
 1 pint Lavitamin, Lixatonic or Linatone

Mix it all together until it becomes a gooey mess, then refrigerate or freeze the entire mixture. Once chilled you can roll it into balls. (either teaspoon sized or tablespoon sized depending on the size dog)

You can separate them into batches in zip lock bags and freeze

- small dogs should get 1-3 of the teaspoon size daily
- large dogs get 1-3 of the tablespoon size daily

Cindy Fitzgerald

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!!

TARTAN RESCUE NEWS

Below is a letter sent to our new Permanent Home Coordinator from our latest adopters!!

Desi, now named Brodie is doing fine. He settled right into the house as though he'd always been here. Our other dog, Maggie seems to like him and lets him drink from her water bowl. He loves being outside and would stay there all day if he could. Unfortunately, no one's home from 8:30 until around 3:00 at least until towards the end of June, so he'll have to be patient.

He's very sweet and quite cute and we all like him a lot. He needs to learn to walk better on a leash but that will come hopefully.

Thanks for helping us adopt him, we're glad to have him!

Do You Remember... ?

As you read in your previous Tidings, the editors are introducing a new column, which premieres in this issue.

We hope you enjoyed reading Cindy Fitzgerald's reminisces about showing in a New England monsoon both entertaining and evocative of similar events! If so, won't you please share with all of us? If, as in Cindy's case, a photo is available – great! If not, they we'll just use our imaginations!

Please remember, your story may be funny, serious, educational, informative (perhaps sharing memories of influential members who are no longer with us) or other things/events that are an integral part of TarTan.

We look forward to receiving and sharing your remembrance.

-TarTan Super Raffle-

Prize winner will get a week in September '09 at Eden House in Bar Harbour Maine.

Tickets will be sold at: the Picnic, by mail, and at the TarTan Specialty in October.

The drawing will be held at the Specialty.

Tickets will be \$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.

The proceeds will go to the Health and Genetics Committee.

The prize is being offered by Gary and Betsy Cabit.

There are pictures of the house on their website you may request raffle tickets from Robin Marshall or Cindy Fitzgerald via email or snail mail

Cindy Fitzgerald, PO Box 155, Goshen, CT 06756 Email:

wdsmke85@aol.com

or

Robin Marshall, 61 Middlefield Rd. Peru, MA 01235 Email:

rpix05@aol.com

ADOA

The American Dog Owners Association maintains a website with interesting and up-to-date information regarding dog ownership and current legislation affecting our dogs and us as owners. They have an email newsletter you can get by signing up and also have the following info available:

- About
- Legislation
- Events
- Press & Media
- Photo Gallery
- Donate/Join!
- Contact Us
- Responsible Ownership
- Education & Advocacy
- Login/Register
- Blog
- California, AB 1634
- eStore

With much threatening legislation pending, you may wish to avail yourself of this website: www.adoa.org

TARTAN ANNUAL PICNIC AND MEMBERSHIP MEETING



Everyone mark your calendars!!! TarTan's annual Picnic and Membership Meeting will be Sunday June,22 at the Flaherty Field Trial area in East Windsor CT.

There will be **FOOD**, TarTan will provide hot dogs, hamburgers and drinks. Club members are invited to bring their favorite salads, side dishes or desserts.

There will be **FUN**, an all age super fun match with Anita Lustenberger as judge, photo contest, bird training and games for the dogs. A chance to visit with old friends and new club members. Human and canine members of all ages are invited to attend.

There will be **Function**, our annual elections and membership meeting will be held. Microchipping will be available as well as CHIC GS DNA blood draws. If you need a chip this is the time to do it. If you haven't had your dog's blood drawn for CHIC GS DNA please plan to do it now!

Festivities will commence at 10:00am!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Directions to Flaherty:

Rt 91(North or South) Take exit 44

Turn Right onto Rt 5 South

At the 4th light turn Left onto Tromley Road

(Corner House Restaurant on the left, East Windsor High School on right)

Go 1/3 mile...Turn into driveway on Left...State owned Field Trial sign on right.

Birds will be available for some field training. To reserve your bird(s) call Robin Marshall at 413-655-8943 or email rpix05@aol.com. **Reserve yours today!!!!**

Bring your friends, your dogs and don't forget your picture for the photo contest! See you there!

Here is the new point schedule, effective May 7, 2008:

Effective 5/07/08 & 5/14/07	POINTS	Dogs					Bitches				
		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Div (1) CT; ME; MA; NH; NY; RI; VT 2008		2	3	4	5	7	2	4	6	8	11
	2007	2	3	4	6	9	2	4	6	8	13
Div (2) DE; NJ; PA 2008		2	4	5	9	15	2	4	6	11	23
	2007	2	3	4	8	16	2	5	7	14	26
Div (3) DC; KY;MD; NC; TN; VA;WV 2008		2	3	4	5	6	2	4	5	6	9
	2007	2	3	4	5	6	2	4	6	7	11

Note that Ohio has been removed from Division 2.

TarTan Spring Field Trial

The TarTan Spring Field Trial was held on April 12 - 13 and the weather forecast was grim, but for once, they were wrong. The promised washout on Saturday happened between 3 and 7am - and except for excessive warmth on Saturday afternoon, we were truly blessed.

As always, special thanks go to Larry Clifford, who is a great secretary, a great help, and who always remembers what I forget and always maintains good cheer. Many thanks to our judging panel: Kevin and Jeanne Culver, veteran Gordon trailers Jim D'Amico and Ken Kohles, and John Malone.

Ralph Schmid and Candice Bell ran the absolutely awesome TarTan kitchen throughout the weekend and were great help with the clean-up. Our excellent Judges' Dinner on Saturday night was provided by firehouse chef, Jim Blaschke and Brenda, with sumptuous brownie dessert donated by Gwynne McDevitt. The bounty was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Jane deCasteja was chief line marshall and kept the trial running smooth as silk. Bird planting and marshaling duties thanks to Ken Kohles, Pat Sanborn, Susan, Gregory, Debby Friedus, Gwynne McDevitt, Dianne Tuttle, Steve Bedford, Karolynne McAteer, and Keith Culver. Jim D'Amico was a great help getting us going in the morning with first bird liberation and picking up pieces at the end of the day. Special thanks to Nat Bedford for his hard work in the bird room and to Susan Gregory for scrubbing pans. Jim Blaschke remains the best firehouse chef and best after trial clubhouse detailer. Thanks again to all the wonderful help and support we get from all folks inside and outside our club and our breed.

Susan DeSilver, Chair

Open Limited Gun Dog (18 all breed starters) Judges: Kevin

Culver & Jim D'Amico

1. VZ
2. GSP
3. ES
4. Sojourner Charger (Chisena)

Open Derby (9 all breed starters) Judges: Ken

Kohles & John Malone

1. Gordon Hill Rothsay of Bute (deCasteja and DeSilver)
2. Doubledee Daisy of Stoney Ridge (McDevitt)
3. GSP
4. Jericho (D'Amico)

Amateur Gun Dog (9 Gordon Setter starters) Judges: Jeanne &

Kevin Culver

1. Sojourner Rocket (Chisena)
2. DC Gordon Hill Odyssey (DeSilver)
3. FC Doubledee Falcons Whata Deal (McDevitt)
4. Withheld

Open Gun Dog (16 all breed starters)

Judges: Ken Kohles & John Malone

1. GSP
2. GSP
3. Milomix Roy (D'Amico)
4. VZ

Open Puppy (8 all breed starters)

Judges: Jeanne & Kevin Culver

1. GSP
2. GSP
3. Jericho (D'Amico)
4. Doubledee's Dexter (McDevitt)

Amateur Limited Gun Dog (13 all breed starters) Judges:

Jeanne Culver & John Malone

1. NFC/FC/AFC Sandy Creek Skedaddle (Kohles)
2. GSP
3. VZ
4. DC Indian Sky Gordon Hill Scout (DeSilver)

<p style="text-align: center;">The South Windsor Kennel Club and New England Dog Event Services</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DATE: June 21, 2008</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TIME: 9:00AM</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">You're invited to our AKC Judges' Seminar for Hunt Tests for Pointing Breeds</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Are you a Hunt Test Judge?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Would you like to be a Hunt Test Judge?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Do you want to know more about Hunt Tests?</p> <p>Then join us at the AKC Judges' Seminar for Pointing Breed Hunt Tests.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	<p style="text-align: center;">LOCATION: American International College Springfield, Massachusetts</p> <hr/> <p>Seminar cost is \$45.00 per person including lunch. For more information, contact Rick Theodore New England Dog Event Services PO Box 68 Westfield, MA 01086 413-562-8800 - 800-940-4776 info@nedogs.com</p>

**Celebrate Columbus Day
By Joining Your
Fellow Gordon Setter Exhibitors at the
2008 Independent TarTan GSC Specialty
Monday, October 13, 2008
Rotary Pavilion, South Windsor, CT.**

Breed & Junior Showmanship: Mrs Patricia Mowbray-Morgan
Puppy Sweepstakes: Ms. Susan Tapp
Obedience & Rally: Ms Elizabeth "Tibby" Chase

Trophies will be lovely North Carolina Pottery
Special prizes for Junior Showmanship Classes – Savings Bonds

**TarTan will again be hosting their super raffle and delicious luncheon
And who will not enjoy New England's famous fall foliage !!!!**

Show Chairman: Robin Marshall Obedience Chairman: Phyllis Lundy
Raffle: Cindy Fitzgerald & Liz Wilshere Hospitality: Karol Paduch
Catalogue Ads: Laura Bedford Trophies : Beth Beatty
Grounds: Larry Clifford/Richard Dwyer
Show Secretary: New England Dog Events Services – info@nedogs.com

Whether you have an entry or not, it is ALWAYS a great day to enjoy watching our beautiful Black and Tans and spend time with friends and family....
Meeting new friends or reminiscing with old ones !



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 ; 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.

The Annual Election of Officers and Board of Directors will be held at the TarTan Picnic and General Membership Meeting on June 22, 2008 at the Flaherty Field Trial Area in East Windsor, CT..

This year's Nominating Committee consisted of:

Chairman: Richard Dwyer, Anita Lustenberger, Shareen Brown, Ralph Schmid and Steven Bedford
 Alternates: Deb Freidus and Deb Burke

The proposed Slate for the 2008 Annual Election is as follows:

President; Lawrence Clifford, MA.
 Vice President: Laura Bedford, CT.
 Secretary: Cindy Fitzgerald, CT.
 Treasurer: Nancy Smith, CT.

Board Members: Ellen Shanahan, MA. and Robin Marshall, MA.

Board Members Richard Dwyer, NH and Anita Lustenberger, NY terms are not expired.

Respectfully Submitted:
 Cindy Fitzgerald
 TarTan GSC Secretary

TarTan Bylaws 1; ARTICLE IV- CLUB YEAR, VOTING NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS SECTION I. Club Year.

a) Fiscal Year: The Club's fiscal year shall begin on the 1st day of July and end on the last day of June next following.

(b) Installation of Board of Directors: The elected Officers and members of the Board of Directors shall take office immediately following the election and each retiring officer shall turn over to his successor in office all properties and records relating to that office within 30 days after the election.

SECTION 2. Voting. At the Annual Meeting, Regular Club Meetings or at a Special Club Meeting voting shall be limited to those voting members in good standing who are present at the meeting, except for the election of Officers and Directors and amendments to the constitution and bylaws which shall be decided by secret written ballot. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted. The Board of Directors may decide to submit other specific questions for decision of the members by written ballot by mail..

SECTION 3. Nominations, Elections and Ballots. No person may be a candidate in a club election who has not been nominated in accordance with these bylaws. A Nominating Committee shall be chosen by the Board of Directors not later than the first day of February. The Committee shall consist of five members and two alternates none of which shall be candidates for office. All members and alternates on the committee shall be voting members in good standing, no more than two of which may be members of the current Board of Directors. The Board shall name a chairman for the Committee. The Nominating Committee shall be responsible for the conduct and preparations necessary in the case of a contested election. The Nominating Committee may conduct its business by mail, electronic medium or telephone conference call.

(a) The Nominating Committee shall nominate from among the eligible members of the Club, one candidate for each office and for each position on the Board of Directors and shall procure the acceptance of each nominee -if so chosen. The Committee should consider geographical representation of the membership on the Board to the extent that it is practicable to do so. The Committee, not later than March 1 next following, shall then submit its slate of candidates to the Secretary, who shall have said report published in the following Newsletter, so that additional nominations may be made by the members if they so desire.

(b) Additional nominations of eligible members may be made by written petition signed by five voting members in good standing and accompanied by the written acceptance of each such additional nominee signifying his willingness to be a candidate and a brief resume outlining the nominee's qualifications. Such nominations from members must be received by the Secretary not later than April 15 next following. No person shall be a candidate for more than one position.

(c) If no valid additional nominations are received by the Secretary on or before April 15, the Nominating Committee's slate shall be declared elected, effective at the annual meeting by means of the Secretary casting a single vote for the election of the unopposed, slate. No further balloting will be required.

(d) If one or more valid additional nominations are received, by the Secretary, on or before April 15th, the Secretary, or an independent professional firm designated by the Board) shall, cause to be published in the May edition of the Club's newsletter a listing all of the nominees for each position, in alphabetical order, along with a brief resume of the candidates qualifications.

(e) In the event of a contested slate of candidates, the election of Officers and Directors shall be held at the annual meeting by secret ballot. The time allotted for the election shall be published in the newsletter prior to the annual meeting and shall provide sufficient time to allow all members wishing to vote, to do so. The nominating committee shall be responsible for the conduct of the election, the preparations necessary and shall serve as an election committee as listed herein. Ballots must be clear and impartial with the candidates listed in alphabetical order in each office section of the ballot. Members will be checked against the current list of voting members, as provided by the membership chairperson, given a ballot to be marked and shall return the ballot to be placed in a ballot collection box. Ballots shall be counted once each member has had the opportunity to vote. Once the voting has been closed at the annual meeting no more votes may be accepted. Those voting members not able to attend the annual meeting may request an absentee ballot from the nominating chairperson not later than 30 days prior to the annual meeting. Said absentee ballot shall be the same ballot as will be used by members attending the annual meeting. Dual envelope procedures shall be followed for all absentee ballots. The Nominating Chairperson shall provide a ballot, together with a blank envelope and a return envelope addressed to the nominating chairperson marked "Ballot". So that the ballots may remain secret, each voter, after marking their ballot shall place and seal the ballot in the blank envelope which in turn is then placed in the return envelope. Each voting member must then legibly sign the outside of the return envelope. Absentee ballots must be received by mail prior to the date of the annual meeting to be valid. The nominating Chairperson shall then carry the ballots unopened to the annual meeting. Absentee ballots shall be checked against the current list of voting members and the list of members who voted in person at the annual meeting. Once the ballots are checked for privilege and duplication, they shall be removed from the outer envelopes by the nominating chairperson, who then gives the ballots in the blank envelopes to one of the other election committee members, who shall remove the ballots from the blank envelopes and place them in the ballot collection box to be counted along with the ballots cast by the members voting at the annual meeting. Voting shall be restricted to those voting members in good Standing with the Club as of the date of the Annual meeting. The ballots shall be counted by a committee of at least three persons and shall be chaired by the nominating chairperson; no person who is a candidate for office shall serve on the election committee. The results of the election shall be announced at the annual meeting and published in the following month's newsletter. (f) The nominated candidate receiving the greatest number of votes for each office shall be declared elected. In the case of a tie for any office the Board of Directors, by a majority vote, shall determine the issue or may call for a runoff election in the undecided slot. If any nominee, at the time of the election, is unable to serve for any reason, such nominee shall *not* be elected and the vacancy so created shall be filled by the new Board of Directors in the manner provided by Article 111, Section 5.

TarTan Gordon Setter Club, Inc.
Rescue Foster Questionnaire- Updated 10/22/2007

With the reformatting of the TarTan GSC Rescue, we are attempting to develop a 'Foster Availability' spreadsheet to be used as a reference for our committee. This spreadsheet will assist the Foster Coordinator in finding the most suitable, available foster home for our rescues. We intend this spreadsheet to cover ALL aspects of rescue and foster; identification of potential rescue, transport of rescue, foster care (short term as well as indefinite term) and possibly home visits for prospective homes. We are also attempting to include in this spreadsheet, kennels and veterinary care for those times that a foster (or our regular veterinary caregivers) are unavailable. Please answer all the questions and return this form in the stamped/self addressed envelope:

(To Cindy Fitzgerald, P.O.Box 155, Goshen, CT.,06756)

Cindy will be making follow up calls to insure that all information available is documented. This form will also be uploaded onto our website and can be answered in that venue as well. Even a one day transport or an overnight foster is an important addition to our spreadsheet, so please give us your honest answers....

Step 1: Personal Identification:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone #: _____ **Evening Phone #:** _____

Email address: _____ **Cell #** _____

In an effort to expand our resources, we would like to build relationships with local kennels and veterinary providers for those emergency times when a foster or our regular caregivers are unavailable. Therefore, if you have knowledge of a reputable kennel or all breed foster provider in your area, please list their information below:

Please also list any local veterinary facility which you would feel comfortable referring one of our foster animals to:

Step 2: Extras:

Would you be able to groom/bathe a rescue dog ___yes___ no

Do you have any canine obedience/behavioral training:

(If yes, please describe) _____

Step 3: Initial Animal Identification:

Are you available/willing to confirm whether a potential rescue animal is indeed a purebred Gordon Setter: ___yes___ no

Hours you are available _____

Step 4: Rescue Transport:

Are you available/willing to transport an animal from a shelter/etc to a foster

provider: _____yes_____no

Days and hours that you are available_____

Miles/time you are willing to travel:_____

Would you be available/willing to serve as a 'link' in a long distance

transport:_____yes_____no

Step 5: Foster Care:

Would you be available/willing to house a foster animal for a period of time:

o Short Term (overnight/weekend/few days)_____

o Longer term _____

What limitations would come into play with a foster:

o Do you have other animals:

Dogs:_____ Cats:_____ Birds:_____

Farm Animals:_____

o Do you have children/older relatives living at your home:

Under 10:_____ Over 10:_____

Older relatives:_____

o Do you have a fenced yard:_____

Height of fence_____

Kennel run _____covered?_____

o Are there physical limitations to your housing:

(Particularly useful to know for older rescues)

Stairs_____ Inside/outside_____

Un Carpeted floors_____

o Crating facilities: _____

o Does your town/city have limitations to # of pets

Yes_____ No_____ (If yes#_____)

Step 6: Willing to do Potential Adoptive Home Visits:

TarTan Video Lending Library

- Best Foot Forward (obedience)
- AKC Breed Standard
- AKC Hunt Tests (pointing dogs)
- AKC Hunt Test Gunners Safety

All Tapes are in VHS Format

Anyone interested in borrowing tapes should contact:

Phyllis Lundy
(860) 429-0710 or Glundy@snet.net

2004 National Specialty Set:

- Regular Classes 6-9 dogs through winners dog
- Regular Classes 6-9 bitches through winners bitch
- Best of Breed
- Veteran Sweeps Part I & II
- Sweepstakes & Jr. Showmanship
- Non-regular classes including Veterans, hunting, field trial dog/bitch, stud dog/brood bitch, brace.

ICSB
International Canine Semen Bank

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ICSB Mobile - Delaware

At our clinic Friday - Saturday - Sunday

State-of-the-art, fully equipped laboratory - 85% conception rate

\$295.00 - Base Fee - Includes paperwork, collection, evaluation, freezing (up to 4 vials), and 1st year storage fee

\$200.00 - Subsequent collections of dog already stored at ICSB - up to 4 vials (2 collections available this clinic - Friday & Sunday)

\$60.00 - semen collection and evaluation

For other fees and discounts, please see web site.

Bring: Copy of AKC Registration
Tattoo or Chip # information
DNA profile

Send deposit check of \$50.00 made out to ICSB to reserve a spot.

Breed _____

Age of dog _____

of Collections (1 or 2) _____

Other procedure(s) desired _____

Can you come on Fri ____ Sat ____, Sun ____?

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Time Preference: _____

(8-10, 10-12, 12-2, 2-4, 4-6)

Total amount enclosed: _____

(Make checks payable to Newtown Kennel Club - NKC)
Bring/send a copy of AKC registration and tattoo or microchip # for each dog.

Permanent identification is not a requirement for testing. However, if your dog does have a PI (chip or tattoo) it will be checked immediately before testing to take advantage of OFA's new "Verified Permanent Identification" policy.

Please respond by **July 13th** to:

**Jane Wooding
2 Hemlock Trail
Redding, CT 06896**

For additional information:

Jane: 203-938-1199 Fran: 203-270-3481
hnjwooding@aol.com frp 83@aol.com

**EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
AVOID THE PAPERWORK HASSLE**

Ifby 7-13, you send us a copy of the AKC registration form for each of your dogs being brought to the clinic and indicate on each registration the test(s) that dog will be having and each dog's microchip # or tattoo

Then we will fill out all your paperwork and have it waiting at the desk for you.

SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2008

**ANNUAL
HEALTH
CLINIC**

**NEWTOWN
KENNEL CLUB**

**BETHEL VILLAGE SQUARE
ANIMAL HOSPITAL**

BETHEL, CT



Again this year, OFA is supporting our clinic by offering half price fees for all OFA submissions originating from this clinic.

CERF

Cost: \$30

Dr. Eric Ledbetter Cornell University

Age: At least 7 weeks
 Bring: Copy of AKC registration
 Tattoo or Chip # information (required for CERF registration)
 Copy of prior exam if abnormal

_____ # dogs _____ breed

_____ total cost

DNA

Cost: \$35
 AKC's DNA Certification Program

Dr. Frances Paulin Bethel Village Square
 Animal Hospital Bethel, CT

You will receive a DNA Certificate from AKC in about 6 to 8 weeks.
 Bring: Copy of AKC registration
 Tattoo or Chip # information

_____ # dogs _____ breed

_____ total cost

HEARTWORM TEST

Cost: \$15

Dr. Frances Paulin Bethel Village Square
 Animal Hospital Bethel, CT

Results within 30 minutes.

_____ # dogs _____ breed

_____ total cost

CARDIAC

Cost: \$30 For Auscultation
 \$175 for Color Flow Doppler

Dr. Aaron Wey, DACVIM Cardiology, Latham, NY

Testing meets requirements for OFA certification.
 Limited registrations - Overflow cardiac testing on Saturday afternoon - July 19th.

Can you test on Saturday? _____ Yes, _____ No
 Age: Over 12 months for OFA certification

Bring: Copy of AKC registration
 Tattoo or Chip # information

_____ # dogs _____ breed

_____ total cost

BAER

Cost: \$40 all dogs over 6 months of age
 \$35 all dogs under 6 months of age
 Litters: \$35 each for 1st 4 puppies, then \$25 each

Dr. Ellis R. Loew Cornell University

Age: At least 6 weeks (call for exceptions)
 Testing meets requirements for OFA certification

Bring: Copy of AKC registration
 Tattoo or Chip # information
 Copy of breed club test form if available

_____ # dogs _____ breed

_____ total cost

MICROCHIP

Cost: \$35 (Includes registration with AKC/CAR - Companion Animal Recovery)

Dr. Frances Paulin Bethel Village Square
 Animal Hospital Bethel, CT

Age: At least 6 weeks - call for exceptions

_____ # dogs _____ breed

_____ total cost

THYROID TEST

Cost: \$50 (If submitting to OFA, separate check made out to OFA, \$7.50 per dog)

Dr. Frances Paulin Bethel Village Square
 Animal Hospital Bethel, CT

Complete panel & analysis from Michigan State Meets requirements for OFA certification
 Age: Over 12 months for OFA certification
 Results mailed to you in approximately 4 weeks

Bring: Copy of AKC registration
 Tattoo or Chip # Information
 Results of previous testings if any

_____ # dogs _____ breed

_____ total cost



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, Sutherlin, 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!



"Junior dishwasher with an attitude!
Ma.... where are the dirty dishes?"

The puppy is Dasher
(Indian Sky Xmas Dasher) owned by Shelley & Warren Goess