



TARTAN

GORDON SETTER CLUB, INC

Tidings

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Fidelco Walk Great Success!!



We had 11 people and their dogs participating in the Fidelco Walk this year representing TarTan Gordon Setter Club. !

TarTan Highlights

- **Upcoming Picnic!**
- **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**
- **Fidelco Feature Article**
- **Annual Elections**
- **New Titles!**
- **GSCA Field Trial**

Our biggest group yet!

We had Laura and Steve Bedford with "Shane", Phyllis & Jerry Lundy with "Link", Becky Weber & Charlotte Smith with Nancy Smith's "Allie", Stephanie Mogollon with her 2 friends and "Hubble", and Ginette & Tami Desrosiers with "Gunner".

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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The weather was perfect for the walk and the new venue at Manchester Community College was beautiful..The Starbucks coffee tent and live music added a festive touch that the crowd seemed to appreciate.....There were also free donuts, bagels & dog treats.

Inside "Tidings"

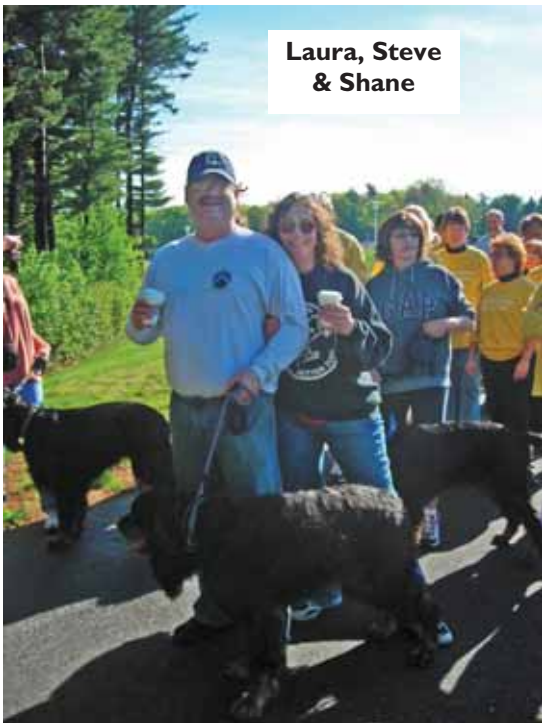
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Ginette, Tami & Gunner



Jerry & Link



Laura, Steve & Shane

Our dogs were not too happy with the Honor Guard's drums but they behaved pretty well ..and it was thrilling to see the large group of Fidleco dogs leading the walk. A wonderful event for a worthy cause and we hope to have an even bigger group representing TarTan next year!



Stephanie & Hubble



TarTan's annual August agility trials will be held on Sat and Sun Aug. 9 and 10, 2008 at American K9 Country in Amherst NH.

This site is indoors and air conditioned.

For site info check out www.americank9country.com any questions contact trial chair
Maureen McLatchy pinebirch@juno.com or 603-878-3155

The trial opens on June 11 and will fill to capacity on opening day. Premium is available on the secretary's website www.pawprinttrials.com which has directions to the site etc.

Damon Kennels is proud to announce the arrival of 10 pups born on May 13, 2008.

There are 6 boys and 4 girls.

Sire is Ch NCM's Tradition of Heavenly (Ch. Heavenly Last Dance x Ch. NCM's Witchcraft.

Dam is Damon's Olympic Gold (Ch. Trisetter Ebonie Nirvana x Ch. Damon's Times Square).

Contact Carmen & Gail Paludi. 603-491-1291 or cpaludi@gsinet.net

New Titleholders – March 2008

CONFORMATION:

Ch Woodsmoke Five O'Clock Whistle (D) March 15, 2008
(Ch Gordon Hill Seagem Sportster JH x CH Kingpoint Woodsmoke Echo JH)
Br: Cindy Fitzgerald & Elizabeth Wilshere Ow: Earl Smith & Nancy Smith & Cindy Fitzgerald

PERFORMANCE & FIELD:

Field Champion

FC Falcons Wingspan (B) March 22, 2008
(FC Milomix Benito x NAFC FC AFC Falcons Jess)
Br: Patricia Sanborn & NM Ow: Patricia Sanborn

Rally Novice

Sea Gems Black Diamond Buckeye RN (D) March 20, 2008
(Ch Springrun Quailrun Firethorn Uproar x Ch Sea Gems Rolling Thunder)
Br: NM & NM Ow: William Dargay & NM & Diane Dargay

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Submitted by Karol Paduch
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Dog Mysteries:

While I haven't read all of these authors, I have enjoyed Susan Conant's tales of Holly Winter and her Alaskan malamutes, Rowdy and Kimi, over the years. Beginning in 1989 with A New Leash on Death to 2008's Creature Discomforts - Holly and her dogs solve some complex mysteries in and around the Boston area.

Other authors who come highly recommended by mystery-loving friends are:

Carol Lea Benjamin (Am Staff)
Lauren Berenson (Poodle)
Melissa Cleary (Alsatian)
Patricia Guiver (Pekingese)
Virginia Lanier (Bloodhound)

Are there other authors TarTan members might recommend? Please let us know!

Jani

Membership News:

We have one new membership application:

Silberfarb, Peter & Anne
Regular members

287 Bragg Hill Rd.
Norwich, VT 05055-9401
802-648-1753

They were endorsed by Cindy Fitzgerald and Anita Lustenberger

They own: do not own a Gordon yet
They are interested in everything

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!

Karol: Trilogygordons@aol.com
Jani: vger4@verizon.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

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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.



Tartan Gordon Setter / Canine Health Foundation
DONOR ADVISED FUND
For the Health of Our Breed

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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.)

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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_____.

Thank you friends and members of TarTan for your generous contributions to the
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 or In Memoriam

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!

Satin Balls (to put weight on a dog)

10 lb of hamburger meat
 1 jar wheatgerm
 1 large box of oatmeal (uncooked)
 1 1/4 c vegetable oil
 10 eggs

Mix it all up and form into meatballs....supplement as needed (to add weight) with regular food

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

Thanks to our super 'Many Hands Make Light Work' Rescue Committee, our most recent rescue was a quick turn around....

A few weeks ago, Ellen got a call from a young family with some personal problems that needed to have their 4 year old Gordon re-homed.

With a few telephone calls and lots of positive input from many members, Coleen Banks and myself ended up going to meet and pick up Ceana. When asked, Coleen and her husband Chris, did not hesitate to agree to foster Ceana. Diane Cady and Donna Grant had also been contacted and were waiting in the wings in case more help or transport was needed.

It turned out that the first potential adoptive home we thought of for Ceana was not to be, and Tracy Murch and Ellen and I put our heads together for another contact. With the TarTan Supported entry in Wrentham coming up the next weekend, we put together a blitz and contacted and processed potential adopters Pat and Doug DeRosa from RI.

They had owned Gordons for years, were retired, currently had a much loved 10 year old male, named Angus, and wanted to add another Gordon to their family.....PERFECT as they were very close to the shows and agreed to come and meet Ceana.

Well, except for Coleen getting quite teary eyed, everything went beautifully....the DeRosa's brought Angus and it turned out that he and Ceana were from the same breeder and also got along famously. Pat and Doug took Ceana off for some alone time and next thing you know they were buying her a new leash !!!!! They came to our TarTan Potluck luncheon and had some of Jim and Joyce MacWalter's strawberry shortcake and raved over Donna Grant's broccoli slaw and then packed Ceana and her HUGE dog bed (thanks to Coleen and Chris) into their car and homeward bound !!!!

An email a few days later from Pat sealed the deal. They have re-named her 'Callie' and even though she has a 5 am wake up call in her doggy head, they still love her and are looking forward to many happy years.

Do You Remember... ?

As you read in your previous Tidings, the editors are introducing a new column, which premiered in a recent 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: wdsnke85@aol.com

or

Robin Marshall, 61 Middlefield Rd. Peru, MA 01235 Email: rpix05@aol.com

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!!!!

Attention Membership:

Karol Paduch has put together an exciting and innovative e-mail list for the club!

For those of you who may have missed the first e-mails announcing it's launch, the e-mail group is designed to allow our members a way to coordinate shows and build majors here in the Northeast!

The group is going strong with great results and conversations going on! If you would like to join the group please e-mail Karol at

trilogygordons@aol.com

GSCA/Mason-Dixon Field Trial April 25 – 27, 2008

The GSCA/Mason-Dixon Field Trial Was held April 25 to 27, 2008 at the Norman G Wilder Wildlife Management Area at Petersburg, Delaware. Under the leadership of chairman Gwynne McDevitt, all possible eventualities are anticipated and planned in advance. In spite of her abiding attention to details the event got off to a stumbling start when Gwynne's red Dodge truck suddenly went dead on the side of Route 13 awaiting a tow truck with an apparent fuel pump malfunction. Fortunately, the trailer with the dogs and horses had already been dropped off at the grounds. Without the red truck to serve as a dog wagon, how would the dogs get to the starting line? Into the vacuum stepped Marianne Goodwin with her minivan, and the show went on without missing a beat.

Delaware weather for the trial followed the old East Coast adage that if you aren't happy with the weather, wait a minute and it will change. Friday was sunny and hot – too hot for some of the dogs, which resulted in handlers picking up dogs early to avoid heat fatigue. Saturday was cooler and dryer, whereas Sunday was much more favorable for dogs and people with low-hanging clouds, a good breeze, and just a hint of rain every now and then.

In her efforts to accommodate all entries, the three-day event was jam-packed and left no slack time, and none was needed. Gwynne had solicited helpers and assigned duties so that one stake would end and another would begin without delay. In addition to Marianne Goodwin and Steve Pacinelli, who ferried dogs back and forth and filled bird bags along with Lisa Miller, many thanks must go to Sandy Fisher who planted birds or marshaled during all three days. She got some relief from Jim D'Amico, Pat Sanborn, Ken Kohles and John Ward. Of course, field trial secretary Brenda Harvey was kept busy with paperwork and serving as scout for Gwynne who had dogs in most stakes. Much appreciation has to go to Jammie O'Donnell who volunteered to use his truck to tow Gwynne's horse trailer back to Pennsylvania on Sunday night.

The judges' dinner was held in the club house, which is undergoing some renovations and upgrading. Gwynne arranged to have the dinner catered by Jimmy's Grille, and a fine dinner it was with fried chicken, Virginia ham, chicken salad, boiled red potatoes, sweet potato pudding, lima beans and dumplings, followed with an outstanding assortment of delicious pies and cakes. Gwynne expressed her gratitude to the fine panel of judges including Jim and Kathy Kuhns, Greg Nickolson, Brian Maloney, Clint Sails, Debbie Freidus, and Lisa Miller who attentively evaluated the assorted performances. Breakfast and lunch were provided by Jim and Barbara.

The Open Limited Gun Dog Stake on Friday brought out pro trainers with Jesse Chapman, accompanied by Dan Tenaglia, Jean Webb and Rob, and Jim Heckert, and numerous serious amateurs. It was won by Clint Sails' impressive vizsla.

Saturday began with the all Gordon Open Gun Dog Stake with 15 entries. Russ Chesina's Charger won the stake with a strong and mannerly performance. Second place went to Loch handled by Jesse Chapman and owned by Jane DeCasteja. Third was taken by Pat Sanborn's Strider handled by Jesse Chapman, with fourth going to littermate Rocky owned by Ken Kohles and handled by Jim Heckert.

Open Derby drew a field of twelve entries spread across six breeds.

The largest stake of the trial was Amateur Gun Dog with 15 braces. The stake began Saturday afternoon and completed Sunday morning. The judges had many strong performances to evaluate and selected Steve Hendrikson's classy English setter as the top dog.

Open Puppy drew a field of ten entries and exhibited some fine prospects for the future.

The final stake of the trial was Amateur Limited Gun Dog with eleven braces and 20 starters. Daylight was fast fading when the last brace was completed with the winning nod given to the pointer Tony's Redneck Bear.

Thanks again to Gwynne for her efforts to put on a tip-top trial with good judges, good food and good camaraderie.

John Ward, Maryland

2008 TarTan Supported Entries

**Northwestern Connecticut
Kennel Club**
September 2008

All information will be updated as
it becomes available.
Karol Paduch
Supported Entry Chair

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

<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.
General Membership Meeting Minutes
Saturday, February 16, 2008 – West Springfield, MA.

President Larry Clifford called the meeting to order at 7:50 pm

Welcomed everyone to the banquet and commented on the good turn out.

A sheet for attendance was circulated and 34 members signed.

A quorum was certified.

Motion was made by Robin Marshall to accept the Minutes of the last meeting as published. Candice Bell seconded the motion and all voting members in attendance voted affirmatively.

Officers' Reports:

President: Larry Clifford-No report

Vice President: Laura Bedford-No report

Secretary: Cindy Fitzgerald-Just a reminder that AKC DNA numbers will now be required for all entrants at the 2008 GSCA National Specialty. Candice Bell has some kits available.

Treasurer: Nancy Smith – Balance in our general account is currently \$18,086 with the \$5,000 plus raised for Health and Genetics by the recent agility trial. That leaves a balance of \$12,241.95 with our club insurance of \$600 due and the dinner expenses for this evening to still pay out.

Committee Reports:

Agility: Maureen McLatchy – Reported that our February agility trial went great and that plans for the August 9 & 10, 2008 were coming along. Just a reminder that they will be indoors in New Hampshire, making it easier for our chair and committee.

Archives: Karen Gatchell- No report but a big thank you from the club to Jim and Joyce MacWalter for being TarTan's 'unofficial' photographers. Pictures are sent to the newsletter and to the website and then Jim burns a CD which we send to Archives.

Awards: Coleen Banks-Forthcoming

Banquet: Laura Bedford –Great turnout, new room, TarTan gave new 'TarTan Rocks' magnets to each person here .

ByLaw Review & Revisions: Robin Marshall-Robin reported that we have received limited responses from the membership to our newsletter pleas and the committee has a meeting planned where we will insert all the suggestions and edits and then it will be presented to the Board for their comments.

'08 Spring Field Trial: Susan DeSilver reported that the dates will be April 12 & 13, 2008. Paperwork and judges have been approved by AKC but she is still in need for committee members and general help to run the trial successfully. The Fall field trial will be the last weekend in October.

'08 Spring Hunt Test: Ralph Schmid reported that the dates are April 26 & 27, 2008 in Hopkinton, NH and that things are moving along except they still need a few more judges.

Health & Genetics: Candice Bell reported that new updates are now on the website thanks to Lynn Tenny, especially a link to all the health clinics in the USA. She also wanted our members to know that TarTan will be hosting a booth at the 2008 GSCA National Specialty to collect DNA for the CHIC repository and asked that all TarTan members who might be in attendance volunteer to help out. Candice and the committee thanked Maureen McLatchy for donating over \$5,000 from the proceeds of the February agility trial to our AKC/CHF TarTan Gordon Setter Donor Advised Fund. This fund has allowed us to contribute to research for our Gordon Setters, currently helping to fund Dr. Dennis O'Brien's grant request for studies to locate a DNA marker for autosomal recessive, lethal, neurological disease in Gordon Setters. The CCA project has been fully funded but there are ongoing petitions for PRA and Juvenile renal dysplasia, although to date no researchers have signed on.

Inventory: Laura Bedford reported that she had inventory here and available which included our new 'TarTan Rocks' magnets. She is looking into flannel shorts and pants like we offered at the Sturbridge National.

Library: Phyllis Lundy reported that she had the tapes here and available for sign out.

Membership: Dorie Viguers –No new members.

Newsletter: Karol Paduch, Jeff and Jessica Martin, Ellen Shanahan- Karol just mentioned that the membership needs to continue to send information to the newsletter for publication. Everyone commented on what a good job Jeff is doing. Jani agreed with Karol to keep those stories, articles, jokes, recipes and book reviews coming.

Nominating Committee: Richard Dwyer- Chair

Committee: Anita Lustenberger, Shareen Brown, Steve Bedford, Ralph Schmid Alternates: Deb Freidus and Deb Burke

The slate and all voting instructions will be published in the newsletter. The election will take place at the annual meeting and picnic on June 22, 2008.

Picnic: Robin Marshall that it is scheduled for June 22, 2008 at the Flaherty Field Trial Area in East Windsor, CT. Last year's venue seemed to work so we will plan on having a fun fun match, games, bird work and lots of food. A flyer will go out at the beginning of June and reminders will be in the newsletter.

Public Education: Position open

The Fidelco Walk seemed to fall into this category and the members present were asked if they would still be interested in attending. There were many affirmative responses so TarTan will again participate. It will be held May 17, 2008 at Manchester Community College.

Rescue: Ellen Shanahan- Robin Marshall reported that we currently have a 9 year old in rescue. Jim MacWalter went to the initial ID and took photos.

Scholarship: Candice Bell reported that the application was on our website and ads had been placed in both the TarTan Tidings and the GSCA newsletter. To date we have had no applicants but the deadline is not until May 31st.

'08 Specialty: Robin Marshall reported that the show committee is in place and all judges have been contacted and hired. Obedience and Rally judge will be Elizabeth 'Tibby' Chase, Puppy Sweepstakes will be Susan Tapp from NJ and Breed and Junior Showmanship will be Patricia Mowbray-Morgan longtime Gordon and Irish Setter breeder from MA..

Supported Entries: Karol Paduch reported that TarTan will again be supporting the entry both days at the New England Sporting Association Shows in March in Fitchburg, MA. They offer both puppy sweepstakes and a special gundog class.

Trophies: Beth Beatty- No report but Cindy said that she would again be getting NC pottery for trophies.

Website: Lynn Tenny reported that she had recently updated the Health & Genetics links and that she would like to solicit the members for new pictures so she could change the slide show.

Delegates Reports:

Flaherty: Susan DeSilver reported that there had been a falconry group at the grounds last weekend which was very interesting and that there will be a work party on June 14th where the project will be residing the horse barn. All hands welcome. She also thanked TarTan for their generous donation towards getting Rich Garini into the Hall of Fame (and his picture on the wall in the clubhouse).

HELDCA: Maureen McLatchy reported that the fall hunt test will be the first weekend in November as usual and that they had a scheduled work party for March 5th.

GSCA Liaison: Jane Matteson- No report.

Old Business:

PANE pamphlet- discussion about what this would entail. A few members are working on making a TarTan pamphlet (similar to the one that PANE-a pointer club-has)

New Business:

Eden House Raffle: Robin Marshall explained that the Cabits (TarTan members) had donated a week at one of their vacation houses in Bar Harbor, Maine to benefit the AKC/CHF TarTan Gordon Setter Donor Advised Fund. She and Cindy have tickets which are \$10 each or 3 for \$25 for a week in September 2009 with the raffle culminating at the 2008 TarTan Specialty.

Next General Membership Meeting will be June 22, 2008 at the Flaherty Field Trial Grounds in East Windsor, CT at noon. Bill Fralick made a motion to have the meeting adjourned. Susan DeSilver seconded, all voted in favor and President Larry Clifford called the meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

TarTan Supported Entry Results**Ladies' Dog Club****Wrentham MA****Saturday May 31, 2008**

Judge: Mr W Everett Dean Jr (VA)

Open Dogs [5, 1 ab]6-9 Months Puppy Dogs [1]

1 **Grtscoats Hero At Moonstone** (Ch Grtscoats Demolition Man x Ch Grtscoats Cats Pajamas) Br D & E Salyer, Ow Deborah Cournoyer

9-12 Months Puppy Dogs [2]

1 **Sandpiper's Orion Night Beacon** (Ch Sandpiper's Brynbar For Damn Shore JH x Ch Sandpiper's Catch The Wave JH) Br J Beattie & M McLoughlin DVM, Ow Kirstie Whittall & Janice Beattie

2 **Bran Linn Braxfield Magic Man** (Ch O'Burke Maccabee x Ch Bran Linn Heirloom) Br/Ow Nikki Maounis & Candice Bell

12-18 Months Dogs [1, 1 lbs]Bred By Exhibitor Dogs [1]

1 **Damon's Olympic Conquerer** (Ch Triseter Ebonie Nirvana x Ch Damon's Times Square) Br/Ow Carmen & Gail Paludi

- 1 **Blackburn Sir Launcelot JH** (Ch Hcask Splbnd Gone With The Win JH x Ch Tartana Dame Tinka Belle JH) Br/Ow Jane DeCasteja
- 2 **Ahoy's Pride Of The Glens** (Sandpiper's Shore Enough x Ch Ahoy's Iona Of Skye) Br A Treadwell, Ow Mr & Mrs James MacWalter
- 3 **Windcrest How U Doin'** (Ch Brodruggan Black Knight x Ch Windcrest Gold Dust Woman) Br S Scovil & D Sweeney, Ow Linda Hosking
- 4 **Sassenach Roads Scholar** (Rokeena Swagman x Ch Sassenach Limited Edition CD) Br J Brown, Ow Jani Wolstenholme & Judith Brown

Winners Dog – Damon's Olympic Conquerer

(5 points) to finish

Reserve Winners Dog – Blackburn Sir Launcelot JH

ICSB
International Canine Semen Bank

www.icsb-mobile.com

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



America's 10 Most Unwanted

According to the NAPCC, these 10 names top the list of plants that are poisonous to animals.

1. **Marijuana** – All parts, whether dried or green.
2. **Sago Palm** – All parts, but seeds contain the most toxin.
3. **Lilies** – Should be avoided by all pet-friendly gardeners.
4. **Tulips/Narcissus** – The bulb portion contains toxins.
5. **Azalea/Rhodendron** – All parts.
6. **Oleander** – All parts.
7. **Castor Bean** – Seeds or “beans” are highly toxic.
8. **Cyclamen** – Roots are more toxic than other parts.
9. **Kalanchoe** – All parts.
10. **Yew** – All parts.

In An Emergency

If your dog ingests a potentially poisonous substance, it's always better to be safe than sorry. Call your vet or the National Animal Poison Control Center (NAPCC), **888-426-4435**. Be prepared with as much information as possible about the toxin (plant name and description, label information, and so on) and have a credit card handy (a consultation fee may be charged).

Always keep hydrogen peroxide or syrup of ipecac in your first-aid kit to induce vomiting if necessary. For information about the NAPCC, including a list of poisonous plants, visit www.aspca.org/apcc

The above information is from the June 2008 AKC GAZETTE

Please join us in welcoming a new Newsletter Contributor! James "Jay" Kitchener

James "Jay" Kitchener joined Tartan in 1997. He lives on the coast of Maine with two Gordon girls, Holly Hollows Lady Caledonia, aged 10 years, and Duurstede's Ticket of Tri-Sett, aged 11 months. Jay has been a member of GSCA for about the same period of time. Jay is serving his third consecutive term as president of his all breed club, the York County Kennel Club of Maine, Inc. He's a delegate to the Federation of Maine Dog Clubs, Inc. and serve as Chair of the Standing Committee on Canine Legislation in the Federation.

In the coming months, Jay will write about canine legislation in each of the New England states, provide an overview of the organizations sponsoring the legislation, and provide helpful tips for anyone who might like to become involved in the legislative process.

We at the newsletter are looking forward to sharing Jay's insight and articles with you soon!!

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Bred By Exhibitor Bitches [2]

- 1 **Woodsmoke Stella By Starlight JH** (Ch Gordon Hill Seagem Sportster JH x Ch Kingpoint Woodsmoke Echo JH) Br C Fitzgerald & L Wilshere, Ow Liz Wilshere, Cindy Fitzgerald & Beth Beatty
- 2 **WP Mistress Of The Dark Pines** (Ch Holly Hollow Rem'b'r Sam's Sons JH x Ch Highland's Glenlivet Jubilee JH) Br B Toupin & S Adams-Conley DVM, Ow Susan Adams-Conley DVM

Open Bitches [6]

- 1 **Sandpiper's Firethorn Wave Review** (Ch Firethorn's Denver Bronco x Ch Sandpiper's Catch The Wave JH) Br J Beattie, M McLoughlin DVM & K Keefe, Ow Janice Beattie & Mary McLoughlin DVM
- 2 **Loch Willowdale's Mystery Lass** (Ch Killicranke's Baker St Mystery x Ch Hollyhollow Ebony Fantasy) Br L Clifford & S Linhares, Ow Lawrence Clifford
- 3 **Arrowood's Blue Mist** (Ch Braxfield Man In Black x Ch Arrowood's Evening Mist) Br/Ow Ardys McElwee
- 4 **NCM's Heavenly Heart's On Fire** (Ch Heavenly's Last Dance x Ch NCM's Witchcraft) Br L Summers, Ow Carmen & Gail Paludi

Winners Bitch – Woodsmoke Stella By Starlight JH (4 points)

Reserve Winners Bitch – Sandpiper's Firethorn Wave Review

Best of Breed & Group 2 – Ch Brodruggan Black Knight

Best of Winners & Best of Opposite Sex to Best of Breed - Woodsmoke Stella By Starlight JH (5 points)



Kristi Boehm's puppy bitch "Laka" (South Sea's Tautahi Laka) won Best in Sweepstakes at the GSCA Specialty in Hutto, TX on Sunday April 27, 2008, under Sweeps Judge Eleanor Campbell. Laka was entered in the 12-18 month class.

Bred and owned by Kristi, Laka is out of Am/Can/Intl/Natl CH Karrelene's Anail O Muir JH (Stormy) by Multiple BIS NZ CH Charnnah Private Eye (Marlowe). As a singleton puppy, Laka honored her parents and breeder by winning her first major at 6 months and 8 days of age with her 2nd major coming at 12 months.

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

Karol: Trilogygordons@aol.com

Jani: vger4@verizon.net

BIS Can. Ch. Sassenach King of the Castle
Sire BISS Ch Sandpiper's Castles by the Sea
Dam Can Ch Sassenach Ringwraith Sureshot
Breeder Judith Brown

This was Edward's US debut in the ring as an adult (he's just three) we had been away from dog shows for several months, due to my health. Remembering how nice the Sunbelt Gordon Group were I thought that it would be a nice way to test the water getting back into the ring without too much stress. For once I actually arrived at the show with a fully groomed dog that only needed therapy brushing for me. I get really wound up before going in the ring. It was a thrill to win the bred-by class, and in the winners line up I tried to keep my cool. When Edward was pointed to for winners it was great, I could relax we had our first major. I had barely got to the marker at ringside when a cell phone was thrust into my hand with Jani Wolstenholme on the other end, wondering what had happened. Kristi Boehm is quick on the draw there.

Back into the ring with the specials and what a lovely line up that was. The judge worked us all, looking at movement, fronts, free stacks. When I was pulled out of the lineup to the front I thought that I had BW as I had seen it done stateside before, great I thought. It seemed a little surreal when I was pointed to for the breed. It took a few seconds for it to sink in that Edward had taken the breed from the classes at a Specialty. Talk about Cloud 9. I knew this lad was special when he was just a few weeks old and he seems to be proving it too me.



Judith M Brown
Sassenach Gordon Setters
Okotoks, Alberta, Canada

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!

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



Nothing is better than snuggling with a good friend after a hard days work!

Cait With her pig.