

TARTAN

GORDON SETTER CLUB, INC

Tidings

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Coming Soon To A FT Area Near You!

Spring Hunt Test

What a winter we have had! Although the end of last October some of us experienced a very nasty snowstorm that caused extensive damage, the rest of the fall and most of the winter has been rather uneventful.

Soon spring will be upon us and with it comes the spring hunt test season. This year our hunt test will be held on April 28th & 29th and TarTan will be trying something different.

After watching the success some other pointing breed clubs have had by joint venturing with another club and clustering four hunt tests in a single weekend, TarTan has decided to give it a try.

We will be joining forces with the Irish Setter Club of New England (ISCNE) for this hunt test extravaganza. We will also be trying out a brand new location!! We're holding this spring's hunt test at Markover Hunting Preserve in Danielson, Connecticut.

This is a site that we could get very used to I think. Markover has over 350 acres of great bird cover and a stocked man-made pond on the property. There is a magnificent clubhouse complete with a kitchen, outdoor grille, indoor toilet facilities, a gorgeous stone fireplace and ample seating in the living room area. We could get very spoiled here! There are also two bunk rooms that sleep six. Each club will be making three bunks available for those interested, contact Ralph Schmid for details.

Markover has been very accommodating to our clubs and has even allowed us to utilize their 4-wheel drive utility vehicle to shuttle judges, bird handlers, birds, etc. to the bird fields. We will have two courses working simultaneously, the Junior course and the Senior/Master course.

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Spring Field Trial

The TarTan Gordon Setter Club will hold its Spring Field Trial on Saturday and Sunday, April 14 - 15 at the Dr. John Flaherty Field Trial Area in East Windsor, Connecticut. Premiums lists will be emailed to members in early March; the first date that we can accept entries will be March 12. Larry Clifford will again serve as our field trial Secretary.

Our stakes will be as follows: Open Gun Dog, Open Derby, Amateur Gun Dog, Open Limited Gun Dog, Open Puppy, and Amateur Walking Derby. All you folks with puppies and young dogs, please remember that judgment of Puppy stakes doesn't consider bird work, and that puppies 6 months of age and under 15 months may enter. Derby stakes are open to youngsters 6 months and under two years of age. Even though horseback handling is allowed in Open Puppy and Open Derby, the pace is set by the walking handler. Amateur Walking Derby is a walking stake, with birds released and the same standard for judgment as Open Derby. If you have passed a junior hunter, your dog has the required ability for the Derby

standard. Please remember that we have a horse wrangler with sedate and peaceable mounts for anyone who wishes to handle their dog or just to watch some braces. If you plan to enter, send in your entries to arrive at the opening date because our entries are limited to the number of dogs that can be run in the available daylight hours. If you think you would like to come, but aren't sure – send in your entries anyway – you can always scratch before the closing date with no penalty. And remember, we can always use help from new folks and novices – and there is no better way to learn than by helping.

The judges' dinner will be held Saturday night in the clubhouse. We hope lots of you will come and make a weekend of it. Questions? Contact Chair, Susan DeSilver at 1647 Middletown Ave., Northford, CT 06472. Phone (203) 484-4738 or Secretary, Larry Clifford at (603) 463-7951.

Submitted by Susan DeSilver



True, Ivy, Berry and Ginny are ready to hit the bird field!



Front of Lodge

On Saturday, April 28th, TarTan will start off the day with the first braces leaving the breakaway at 7:00AM. At or about noontime, we will be taking a short break and then ISCNE will start their hunt test. On Sunday, April 29th, the clubs will swap their start times. Both clubs will be limiting the number of entries accepted in order to complete in daylight hours. Quail will be released for all levels and Chukar for Senior/Master.

We have a very impressive line-up of judges, but I will not give that away here. Our premium can be found on our web site. Download it and check it out!

ISCNE has been great to work with and the cooperation between the clubs has been very reassuring. ISCNE will be handling the kitchen both days and the rumor is that they have some world class culinary wizards that will be tempting our pallets.

For those of you with RV's there is limited parking for self-contained units. We believe we can get ten RV's in comfortably. I know, we have never had that before, but if you don't think big...well, we won't have to worry about that, because this is going to be the greatest hunt test ever, a don't miss event.



Lounge seating and fireplace

Ralph Schmid and the hunt test committees of both clubs have been working tirelessly on this event for the past six months and that even included a field trip to Markover by the hunt test committees of both clubs to familiarize themselves with the grounds and establish the courses. Details have been checked and double checked and having two clubs has proven beneficial as we have acted as sounding boards for each others ideas. So if you have a dog you think has the right stuff, enter him/her. If you don't have a dog that's ready, then come anyway, you'll have a great time and see some wonderful bird dogs in action.

Submitted by Jim MacWalter



Kitchen



Four-unit Kennel Area

~ MEMBERSHIP NEWS ~

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Interests: Agility, Dog Shows, Hunting Tests, Obedience

Mark Your Calendar NOW For The TarTan Picnic!

Hey, its time to start thinking PICNIC!!!

This year's TarTan picnic will be Sunday, June 24th at Flaherty Field Trial Area.

We will start the festivities at 9:00am with bird work. Get there early and beat the heat of the day. Our intrepid "bird guys" will be giving their usual invaluable advice to beginners and veterans alike. Our main focus being FUN, FUN, FUN, for our dogs, we will have a LOT of fabulous games thought up by our doggie games queen Val, so start sharpening your dog handling skills.

Now for the favorite human event, LUNCH!

This year we are going totally pot luck, with the club providing beverages. We always have such mouth-watering dishes provided by club members that there is never enough room on our plates, and who hasn't said "I wish that I knew how to make that." So the new twist to lunch, is that we ask everyone who brings a dish to bring 10 copies of the recipe (unless it is a secret) to share with the admiring crowd. Pixie will be bringing her famous peanut butter dog cakes for her friends. Put it on your calendar. We will see YOU there!

Robin Marshall, Picnic Chair



The American Kennel Club's Inaugural Conference on Canine Legislation

By Jay Kitchener, AKC Legislative Liaison

The American Kennel Club's Inaugural Conference on Canine Legislation brought together an elite group of 48 state federation delegates and legislative liaisons on January 28-29, 2012 in Raleigh, NC. It was my privilege to represent the Gordon Setter Club of America, the Tartan Gordon Setter Club of New England, and the Federation of Maine Dog Clubs at this landmark conference.

AKC "gets it"

I was very impressed by the Government Relations staff. These folks completely understand the important differences between reasonable animal welfare and radical animal rights. They understand that "animal rights" is not a partisan issue, but an issue that impacts lawmakers on both sides of the aisle. They understand that education is the key to defeating the legislation backed by national animal rights groups and their supporters, and toward that end, the Government Relations staff put together a world-class conference that exceeded all of my expectations.

Active dog exhibitors and breeders themselves, the depth of professional experience of the Government Relations staff is as impressive as their hands-on dog experience. With backgrounds in law, legislation, lobbying, and advocacy at both the state and federal levels, this young staff has come together under the Government Relations banner in the last few years. It's clear to me that the AKC "gets it" when it comes to fighting the threat posed by the animal rights movement to our traditions of owning and breeding dogs because this Government Relations team truly is the best and the brightest. We're fortunate to have them working for us.

Above the fray

Director of Government Relations Sheila Goffe set the appropriate tone for the conference by reminding us that the AKC has been America's expert on dogs for 127 years. There are a lot of expectations and responsibilities that come with that position. After all, we are ladies and gentlemen showing our dogs to ladies and gentlemen in the nation's second oldest organized sport. While the animal rights movement seeks to inflame discussion with emotional rhetoric and misinformation, Sheila stressed that her staff will always "remain above the fray." This does not mean, however, that Sheila and her staff are not ready to roll up their sleeves and get to work. These experienced professionals are ready to help at a moment's notice.

If you call them, they will come

Regressive canine legislation has increased ten-fold in the first decade of the 21st century from about 100 state and municipal-level bills in the year 2000 to over 1200 state and municipal-level bills last year. Most of the legislation is almost identical in its wording and it's backed by the same controversial national groups.

Not knowing where these proposed laws will appear next, the Government Relations staff can't possibly keep track of all of the legislation, especially at the local or municipal level. That's where the role of state federations, legislative liaisons, and individual dog owners becomes very important. It's up to each of us to pay attention to what's happening in our communities, and to communicate with each other and with the Government Relations staff.

While not knowing where these laws will appear next is a disadvantage, the fact that these laws

are often identical in their language from place to place means that the Government Relations staff is practiced at mounting a response to them and--most importantly — they are practiced at empowering local dog owners to respond effectively in their communities.

The importance of empowering local dog owners and clubs at the grassroots level was a clear theme at this conference. The Government Relations staff can't do the work for us in our communities, but they'll help us with increasingly sophisticated resources ranging from an online "tool box" to a professional political action committee.

That's not to say that the Government Relations staff won't come to your state if necessary. They will. A delegate from Illinois told me privately that director Sheila Goffe, a Siberian Husky breeder and exhibitor, forfeited her entry at the Siberian Husky National in order to fly to Springfield to testify before the legislature on a crucial bill. Legislative Analyst Sarah Sprouse traveled to California to meet with legislators in Sacramento. She's hosted educational "lobby days" in California, Pennsylvania and Texas. Senior Policy Analyst Phil Guidry was to fly to Maine until a winter storm cancelled the event.

Speakers stress grassroots involvement

An impressive slate of speakers stressed the importance of grassroots involvement in educating, inspiring and empowering concerned dog owners in our clubs and communities.

One of the most memorable speakers was a young woman from the National Rifle Association. Suzanne Anglewicz holds a law degree and works for the NRA's Institute for Legislative Action. Her duties require her to speak to groups of college students around the country. Suzanne shared that her recent appearance at Harvard University was standing room only, but not one student was there to protest her organization. Instead, many

students stated that while they may not own a gun, they support the second amendment and wanted to learn more. Suzanne said, "College students want to learn about the issues, and they turn out in droves when I go to speak to them on campus."

North Carolina state senator David Rouzer offered a legislator's perspective to the group. Senator Rouzer stressed that for the most part, elected officials are ordinary people who are very approachable and they want to hear from constituents. Senator Rouzer said, "Nothing is more effective to an elected official than a personal e-mail from a constituent on any topic at any time." Of course, there's a right way and a wrong way to write an e-mail to a legislator, and Senator Rouzer shared examples of both.

AKC in the mainstream media

AKC Director of Communications Lisa Peterson came to Raleigh from her offices in New York City to speak to the group and conduct hands-on media training. Lisa is an experienced media professional and she shared many tips with us. One of Lisa's memorable stories was about appearing on Fox News' controversial Bill O'Reilly Show. Known for his aggressive interview techniques, Bill O'Reilly skewered Lisa with questions on national television. Lisa was prepared for this and she was able to answer his questions while remaining calm, cool and collected. Lisa's professionalism and knowledge of the issues impressed Bill O'Reilly very much, and an interview that began as a hostile interview ended with mutual respect and friendship between them.

Saving the best for last

Government Relations Director Sheila Goffe had a surprise for us and saved it for the end of this intensive two-day conference. The lights went dim in the conference room, and we watched a short video

produced by AKC on the giant screen.

Only 90 seconds in length, what we saw was so powerful that when it ended we sat in stunned silence, some of us in tears, for a few seconds. Then, so much spontaneous cheering erupted in the conference room that the hotel security staff stopped in to make sure everything was okay. This short and powerfully moving video brilliantly summarizes the threat to dog ownership from regressive legislation and the controversial national groups that support it. This unforgettable video makes the case and issues a call to action that no one will be able to ignore. This video will be released to national media markets very soon, and it is the most powerful and effective thing the AKC could do for us. It is so powerful and effective, that it will change the debate at the national level when it is released later this year. Be sure to watch for it in your area.

Thank the “big dogs”

As often happens at conferences, some of the best ideas are not part of the program. One idea that came from conversations over lunch was the idea of thanking the “big dogs” at AKC for devoting resources to the important issue of canine legislation. Please consider having your club write a short thank-you note or e-mail to the president, chairman and board of the AKC. Please thank them for devoting their time, attention and resources to this critically important issue of canine legislation. They clearly “get it” and we need to thank them for it.

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Donations to the AKC/CHF TarTan Gordon Setter Donor Advised Fund

The American Kennel Club/Canine Health Foundation (AKC/CHF) TarTan GS DAF Fund was specifically established to sponsor health research for our breed. It is through your generous and continued support we are able to subsidize qualified researchers investigating genetic disorders affecting the Gordon Setter. Donation forms can be found in the TarTan Tidings, or downloaded at the TarTan web-site www.tartangsc.org Contributions are tax deductible. This month's donors are:

“Stella” Wilshere

In appreciation of Jerold Bell, DVM.
Thank you for all your help in keeping me healthy

Anonymous

In loving memory of:
Kingpoint Woodsmoke Decision
“Lena”

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In memory of “Makai” beloved friend of
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In memory of:
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All Breed Health Clinic

(OFA stickers for discounted submission fees will be available)

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9:00 am

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Bolton MA 01740

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Dr. William Greentree, DVM

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Integrative Animal Health Center

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Appointments by pre-registration only. Visit our website at:

www.rruff.org for a registration form or more information.

Deadline for pre-registration is April 9, 2012

For questions contact: health_clinic@rruff.org or

(978)429-4059.

Tentative Schedule of 2012 National Events

Sunday, May 6, 2012:

- ◆ Obedience Trial/ Rally Trial (indoors)
- ◆ Veteran Sweepstakes (indoors)
- ◆ Welcome Cocktail Party
- ◆ Silent Auction and On Site' Raffle 'Kick Off'

Monday, May 7, 2012:

- ◆ Puppy Sweepstakes
- ◆ Agility Trial (off site/ indoors)
- ◆ GSCA Judges' Education Seminar
- ◆ H&G/Breeders Education Seminar

Tuesday, May 8, 2012:

- ◆ All Regular Dog Class Judging
- ◆ Junior Showmanship Judging
- ◆ All Non-Regular Dog Class Judging

- ◆ Senior Handling Extravaganza
- ◆ GSCA General Membership Meeting
- ◆ MidEvent Dinner, Awards presentation and BINGO Night !
- ◆ Conclusion of Silent Auction

Wednesday, May 9, 2012:

- ◆ All Regular Bitch Class Judging
- ◆ All Non-Regular Bitch Class Judging
- ◆ Best of Breed/ Best Bred By/ Best Puppy/ Stud Dog/ Brood Bitch
- ◆ VISA Raffle Draw
- ◆ Raffle and Silent Auction pick ups
- ◆ Thank You For Coming Pizza Party

Thursday, May 10, 2012:

- ◆ Hunt Test

Premiums Lists/ Contacts/ Deadlines:

REMEMBER-Your Dog's DNA # must be on each entry

Premium lists for all events can be found on our National website and Facebook page and will be mailed as a package **BUT** entries need to be mailed separately to the proper secretaries::

Online entries for Conformation, Obedience & Rally **ONLY** will be available. Details can be found in your premium.

Please note EARLY Deadlines !!!!

Entries for Conformation/Obedience/Rally :

Specialty Secretary: Cathy Hill –
44-33 244th Street, Douglaston, NY 11363
718.229.0901
chill@nyc.rr.com

Specialty/Obedience/Rally Deadline: April 4, 2012

Entries for Agility:

Agility Secretary: Noreen Bennett- Pawprint Trials
1 West Street, Belchertown, MA 01007
Noreen@pawprinttrials.com

Agility Deadline: March 31, 2012

Entries for Hunt Test:

Hunt Test Secretary: Elizabeth Wilshere
85 Hickory Road, Torrington, CT 06790
860.489.6503
Devonwood4@aol.com

Hunt Test Deadline: April 4, 2012

Remember to check the National Website Page, the National Facebook Page, the Tidings and the GSCA News for updates

- You asked for it, you got it. You can now pay for many items (reservations, raffle tickets, catalog ads, memory shells, trophy donations, etc) with your credit card via PayPal. Please note: There is a small handling fee added to cover the cost of the PayPal processing fees. Also, you must still send in your reservation forms. (A link to the forms is provided at the end of the checkout process)

<http://www.tartangsc.org/2012-GSCANationalSpecialty/all-in-one-order-form-paypal/>

*Coming in March—TarTan Supported Entries
New England Sporting Group Association
March 17 & 18, 2012
Fitchburg, Massachusetts*

*Coming in April—Spring Field Trial
April 14 & 15, 2012
Dr John Flaherty Field Trial Area
East Windsor, Connecticut—see cover story for details and contacts*

*Coming in April—All-Setter Symposium
April 14 (Rain date April 15)
Camp Newhaca, Tolland, Connecticut
Grooming, handling, field work, pot luck lunch—Flyer will be emailed soon*

*Coming in April—Hunt Test
April 28 & 29, 2012
Danielson, Connecticut—See cover story and page 15 for details
Download Premium List at www.tartangsc.org*

*Coming in May—GSCA National
May 6 through 10, 2012
Warwick, Rhode Island—details on previous page and pages 12 & 13
“Gordons Aweigh On Narragansett Bay”
Premium List may be downloaded at www.tartangsc.org*

*Coming in June—Supported Entry—Ladies Dog Club
June 2, 2012
Crackerbarrel Fairgrounds, Wrentham, Massachusetts
Judge Mr Jeffrey Pepper (FL) & Sporting Group
Closes May 16; Entry fee \$32.00
Premium list at www.infodog.com*

*Coming in June—TarTan Picnic
Sunday June 24, 2012
Dr John Flaherty Field Trial Area
East Windsor, Connecticut—see story on page 3 for details*



2012
 GSCA National Specialty
 Agility Trial
 Hunt Test
 Warwick, Rhode Island
 May 6 - 10, 2012

Gordons Avenue on Narragansett Pt

Catalog Ad Page Size
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 11 Shafer Road
 New Hartford, CT 06057-3413
 860-489-9908
halcyondog@mac.com

Electronic submission preferred. Properly formatted ads in .tif, .jpeg or .pdf are acceptable. Photos must be of high quality (300 dpi). If submitting by mail, please mark photos on the back with name of dog, name and address of owner. All copy must be either word processed or clearly printed.

Rates are as follows:
 Full page ad, black and white: \$35
 Full page ad, color: \$65

Boosters: \$2 (please write Booster copy on the back of this page)

Advertising Deadline: 3/30/12

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of the month**

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In Memoriam



TARTAN GORDON SETTER CLUB, INC. NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The TarTan Gordon Setter Club, Inc. has applications available for one (1) \$1,500 (US) scholarship for the 2012-2013 academic year.

Applicant requirements:

- ◆ Owns a Gordon Setter or
- ◆ Is the child or spouse of someone who owns a Gordon Setter
- ◆ Will be enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher learning for the 2012-2013 academic year
- ◆ Major field of study shall be related to Animal Sciences (including, but not limited to, veterinary, zoology, wildlife management, ecology, behavioral science, etc.) or Comparative Medicine (including, but not limited to) microbiology, pathology, biotechnology, genomics, molecular genetics, etc.)

The application can be downloaded from the TarTan GSC Inc. website; www.tartangsc.org ;

or is available from:

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c/o Ginette Desrosiers

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The deadline for submitting completed applications is May 31, 2012.

2012 National Bulletin Board

OFA CHIC GS DNA Repository

DNA for future genetic research will be collected at the 2012 GSCA National Specialty Events. Individuals interested in enrolling their dogs in this program are requested to **pre-register** their dog(s) with Candice Bell at fh2ovet@aol.com . All paperwork will be mailed to you for completion prior to the National. Please bring the completed forms with you at the time of the draw. The cost will be \$10 per dog for blood samples and \$5 per dog for cheek swabs. **Checks are to be made payable to : OFA.**

Blood draw/swab times will be announced and posted in the Hospitality room.

The GSCA Health & Genetics and Breeders' Education Committees are pleased to offer a seminar on Monday evening, May 7, 2012 (Time TBA) -

'Progressive Retinal Atrophy and Inherited Disorders in Gordon Setters' will be presented by Jerold S Bell DVM, Clinical Associate Professor, Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine

Dr Bell will be discussing rcd-4 PRA, and the breeding management of hereditary disorders in Gordon Setters.

We hope everyone will join us for this informative and important seminar for the betterment of our beloved Black and Tans.

Check your Welcome bag at the National for information on exact time and location

Judges Education Seminar will be offered Monday afternoon, May 7th

For information please contact Chairman Gary Andersen

glandersen@cox.net



IMPORTANT Tenting/Grooming/Electricity Information



The Town of Warwick has extremely strict Fire Codes regarding tenting.

Because of this, our grooming tent has to have rigid spacing with specific measurements to meet their code and allow us to receive a permit.

Grooming space under the tent will be on a **reserve** basis with assigned 10 x 9.5 spaces. These spaces will be for crates, tables and chairs and may be shared/set up per your choice.

We will also have to bring in a generator for electricity.

Electricity will be on a reserve/pay basis at a \$75.00 charge for the week. You may (and are encouraged to) share spaces and electric although each electric reservation will only have one splitter available.

Anyone planning on using our generator (or their own) should bring a 100 ft extension cord in order to meet the fire code restrictions.

Please make sure to fill out and mail in the reservation form so that we can adequately plan our space and get the fire marshall to 'sign off'.

Grooming Space and Electric Hook Up Reservation Form

Please let us know if you would like grooming space reserved under the grooming tent. Spaces are 10'x 9.5'.

Name: _____

Contact Info: _____

_____ phone _____ email

How many spaces will you need?: _____

Arriving : _____

I will have my own generator: _____

Name (s) of people you would like to be set up next to (if any): _____

Electricity is available for \$75.00 for each splitter for the duration of the event beginning Sunday, May 6 through Wednesday May 9, 2012.

Yes I would like an electric hook up _____ My \$75.00 is included (Check made out to GSCA)

Please send this form and your check (if you require electricity) to:

Cindy Fitzgerald, PO Box 155, Goshen, CT 06756

If only reserved grooming space is required, without electric, you may email the form to: wdsinke85@aol.com

Whether you are planning on using our electric or bringing your own generator, you must have a 100 ft extension cord.

2012 National Meal Info

Sunday, May 6, 2012 -

Welcome Cocktail Party - at Veteran Sweepstakes Gala

Complimentary Appetizers/ Cash Bar- Silent Auction display

Tuesday, May 8, 2012 -

MidEvent Dinner with Awards and **BINGO NIGHT**

Our only formal gathering...please join us for an evening of fun and entertainment with the possibility of winning fabulous prizes !

Wednesday, May 9, 2012-

Thank You For Coming **Complimentary Pizza**

Breakfast items will be available each morning in the Hospitality Room

Luncheon - 'On Your Own' basis with the hotel providing a luncheon concession

The Event Committee has made a conscious effort to reduce expenses by offering two complimentary evenings as well as complimentary breakfasts. We have also reduced the cost to individuals by covering a portion of the Tuesday evening meals.

Unfortunately, the originally planned NE Clambake was simply too expensive to host. We will, however, make sure that an extensive list of local eateries that serve New England fare is made available in case anyone would like to go out for dinner after Dr. Bell's talk on Monday evening.

Hospitality and Meal Reservations:

Name: _____

Contact Information (email or phone): _____

Complimentary Welcome Party ; # coming _____

Complimentary Thank You For Coming Pizza Party: # coming _____

Complimentary Hunt Test Brunch # coming _____

MidEvent Dinner :

Includes spinach salad, vegetable, potato, NY cheesecake, Coffee & tea

Chicken Saltimbocca (\$38.00) x ____ = _____

Salmon (\$40.00) X ____ = _____

Roast Prime of Beef (\$44.00) x ____ = _____

Total: _____

Check made out to *GSCA*

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15 John Street

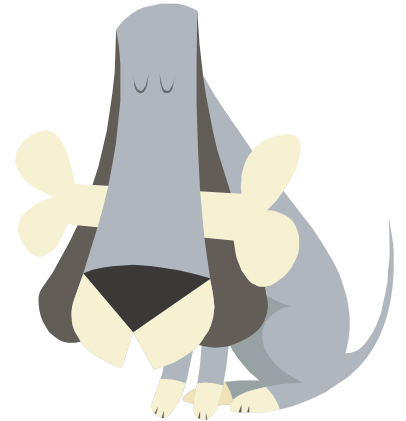
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DOGGIE YUMMY of the MONTH!

Apple Cinnamon Drops

Submitted by Donna Traeger



1 large apple
1/4 cup honey
1/2 cup of water
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon 1 cup oatmeal
1 1/2 cups whole wheat flour
1/8 cup whole wheat flour

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 ° F (180 ° C).

Core, slice and mince the apple (use a food processor if you have one). In a large bowl, combine the minced apple bits, honey, water, cinnamon, and oatmeal. Gradually blend in the wheat flour, adding enough to form a stiff dough.

In a small bowl, add 1/8 cup wheat flour. Spoon the dough by rounded teaspoon onto ungreased baking sheets, spacing about 2 inches (5cm) apart. Using the bottom of a glass dipped in the wheat flour (to prevent sticking), flatten each spoonful of dough into a circle. Adjust the size of the drops based on how big a treat you like to feed your dog.

Bake for 30 minutes. Remove from oven and flip each cookie to brown evenly on both sides. Reduce oven temperature to 325 ° F (180 °C). Return to oven and bake for an additional 30 minutes.

Let cool overnight.

Makes about 3 dozen crunchy cookies, depending on how big you make them.

*Puppies and kids
have a great time
at the picnic!*



ISCNE & TTGSC Joint Hunt Tests



Senior and Master Bird Field

The Irish Setter Club of New England and the TarTan Gordon Setter Club, cordially invite you to their first annual double-header AKC hunt test on April 28th & 29th 2012. To be held on the beautiful 350 acres of Markover Hunting Preserve in Danielson, CT. Four hunt tests in two days. All levels will be offered, Junior, Junior Advanced, Senior, Senior Advanced, Master and Master Advanced.

Entries will be limited due to time constraints, so please get your entries in early.

No entries will be accepted via telephone or email. All entries must be mailed to the respective show secretaries.

Please see respective club's web site for premium information

Markover Web Site.... www.markover.com

Irish Setter Club of New England Web Site...www.iscne.org

Junior Bird Field



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*“If I stand here ‘til
I’m completely
covered with snow,
then Lillie won’t be
able to find me and
boss me around...”*

*Photo of Ronan in
the January
snowstorm from
Jani Wolstenholme*



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