



The Guardian

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No question about it, time really does fly. It is hard to believe that this is my eleventh issue of the Guardian. My first issue as Editor began with the statement that my goal would be to bring you a Newsletter that does not require hours of reading but rather snippets of information with a link or two for more extended information. We got off to a slow start and we are a little behind schedule. The board has appointed a committee to study how to make the website better and more robust. Your ideas would be appreciated.

The Annual Awards Banquet was a success. Those who were there enjoyed the fellowship and the opportunity to renew old acquaintances. Awards were given and we were on our way home by 7:00 PM.

One of the highlights was our club Versatility program. I must confess I did not know that the program is cumulative, which means as you accomplish things with your dog, it adds to your dog's record of versatility. We need to do a better job letting our members know about this feature so more of us will participate. I can only say that we all need to be doing more with our dogs. We can all make them a better GS citizen. Be watching for training opportunities at our club meetings.

The board is trying an experiment through January 2011. Dogs will be welcome at club meetings but they must be on lease and well behaved.

The club website is slowly moving forward. It is timelier than in the past with better information. Now you can find board and committee reports, articles (pending), show and match results etc. If you miss something or are wondering about it try the website <http://www.gsdcatlanta.org/>

Complimentary copies of the Guardian will be sent to all new puppy buyers, friends or potential members. If you want someone added to the list send their email contact information to: (cbattaglia@mindspring.com).

Visit the club site and see some of the new features. Thanks for reading along.

Carmen Battaglia

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRAGGS

On July 17th, 2010 at the Greater Shelby Kennel Club, - Adelgard's Guilty As Charged v Tsali RN CGC HIC CHIC (Gilli) Handled by Lenny Brown, went Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, and Best of Breed under judge Arlene Rubenstein, Group One under judge Carol White-Moser, AND BEST IN SHOW under judge Joe Tacker. Gilli now has 9 points/both majors.

Breeders: Ann and Nolan Saunders

Owner: R. Suzanne Kinman

Gillis is a THIRD generation Best In Show winner - GV Multi BIS Ch Scoop, BIS Ch Yancy and now BIS Gilli!!!!

MICROCHIPS

Those who need microchips should contact Mary Gattone. She has been able to get the AKC chip for \$6.00.

PROGRAM FOR AUGUST:

Program will feature a continuation of structure and movement. This program depicts why good structure is needed for utility, performance, herding, and obedience and conformation dogs.

You will not want to miss this program.

CLUB UPDATES:

Total Membership: 62 voting members

CONFORMATION JUDGES / 2011

James A Moses

Douglas Crane

OBEDIENCE – RALLY JUDGES / 2012

Christina Stoner

Minta Williquette

MATCH JUDGES / 2011

Andrea Washburn

Pauline Moon

AUDIT COMMITTEE FOR 2009-2010: Nancy Harper, Mary Gattone, Suzanne Kinman

FREE LITTER ADVERTISING on the GSDC Atlanta Website for 90 days. If

you have a litter contact Scears Hardie to list your litter.

MINUTES OF CLUB MEETINGS:

The minutes will be posted on the website. <http://www.gsdcatlanta.org/>

NEW MEMBERS: none

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS: Ruth Neil

GUESTS: John Pollio, Catherine Gilbert, Ruth Neil

17 members attended the meeting

2010 GSDC Atlanta Show – October 2-3.

Location: Conyers, Georgia

Show Chair: Stacey Pollio, if you can help call Stacey (404) 353 0588.

Show Secretary: Kathy Gross, 91 Orr Road, Sharpsburg, GA 30277 phone:
678- 480-1822 Email address: atlgdsshowentry@att.net.

Trophy Solicitation: Andrea Washburn

Hospitality: Barbara Stamper/Laura Petry

Catalog Sales: Ruth Neil

Ring Steward Conformation: Lee Jewel

Ring Stewards Obedience – Volunteers needed, call Joye Evans at 404-391-1490

Ring Steward Rally – Volunteers needed, call Joye Evans at 404-391-1490

Event Committee: Carmen Battaglia (Chair), Stacey Pollio, Nancy Harper, Joye
Evans, Joan Turner

2010 Judges:

Conformation Judges: October 2 - D. Ardoin; October 3 – B. Hefner

Obedience Judges: October 2 - Anthony Cherubini; October 3 - Sharon Crossman

Rally Judges, October 2 - Sharon Crossman; October 3 - Antony Cherubini

Future Show Dates:

2011 GSDC ATLANTA SHOW – OCTOBER

2011 GSDC ATLANTA - MATCH - To be determined

2013 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2 – MONDAY OCTOBER 15.

Three great events in two weeks:

1. The GSDCA National 2013 in Philadelphia
2. The GSDCA 2013 Centennial celebration in Philadelphia
3. The 2013 WUSV World Championship Trial in Philadelphia

TRAINING CLASSES:

The class starts – September 7th, 2010

Location: 3301 Windy Ridge Parkway Parking Garage main level.

Offerings: Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Classes have been added. Rate: \$10.00

Obedience and Rally classes.

Start Time: 8:00 p.m and continue for 8 weeks.

Pre-registration is strongly requested

Rates: \$25 member; \$75 non-members. Petsmart rates \$125.

Contact: Elaine Leroy, edbleroy@bellsouth.net or Joye Evans (770) 438-2285 or
Email jevans@hardinconstruction.com

Stacey Pollio will manage the basic/CGC class test.

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB NEWS

GRAND CHAMPION CONFORMATION TITLE

Effective: May 12, 2010 the Grand Championship competition began. How does a dog earn the Grand Champion title? See the April issue for details.

CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month, EXCEPT IN THE MONTHS OF JULY, OCTOBER AND DECEMBER. Location: The Atlanta Humane Society, 981 Howell Mill RD, Atlanta, Georgia at 8:00 PM. Visitors welcome.

DIRECTIONS TO CLUB MEETINGS

Address: Humane Society at 981 Howell Mill Road NW Atlanta, Georgia 30318. Specific directions are on the GSDC of Atlanta site (<http://www.gsdcatlanta.org/>) which you can find with this link.

CLUB OFFICERS:

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Past President [Mary Gattone](#) 770 - 922-2172

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Hearts & Flowers - Jan Eason 770 -963-4975

Herding - Helen Chamblee 770 - 466-0157

Library - Joan Turner 404 - 285-4152

Internet - [Scears Hardie](#) <http://www.gsdcatlanta.org/>

Audit – Mary Gattone, Nancy Harper, Suzanne Kinman

Website – Scears Hardie 404-219 4803

Equipment - Barbara Stamper 770 - 922-0969

Obedience - Elaine Leroy 770 – 504-1218

Regional Challenge – Stacey Pollio 404 – 353 0588 (call Stacey)

Versatility - Joye Evans 770 - 438-2285

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING IN GUARDIAN

Don't miss this opportunity to list your litter which is FREE. Only a small charge for Breeder and Stud Dog listings. You can advertise stuff you want to sell at

<http://www.gsdcatlanta.org/> Contact: [Scears Hardie](#)

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COMPLIMENTARY GUARDIAN - A complimentary will be sent to puppy buyers, friends and prospective members upon request. Contact [Mary Gattone](#) 770-922-2172 and give her the contact information.

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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

The AKC has always opposed breed bans on the basis that there are no bad dogs, just bad owners.

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