



The Guardian

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Mark your calendar for July 9th. There will be no meeting in July, instead we will combine the club Awards Banquet and the Club picnic at Andréa Washburn's home. Pauline Moon will gather the awards info and will order the plaques. Andrea will coordinate food with help from Connie. Directions and a map are posted on our website. www.GSDCatlanta.org. Andrea's address & phone # are : 263 Lynn Dr, Fayetteville, GA 30215 (770) 460-6776

Who was elected to serve for 2011-2012? No candidates ran against the slate so here is the new board that will work to promote the German Shepherd breed and our club:

President – Joan Turner,

Vice President – Elaine LeRoy

Treasurer – Sara Wolfe,

Secretary – Erika Tracy

Member at Large – Betty Ann Frederick,

Guardian Editor – Carmen Battaglia

Benefits to Membership. It begins with our meetings, shows, training classes and club function. Don't forget that you can place your dog's picture on our website free for one year. The photo can be from any placing at an AKC event. Just send me the show photo, name of dog, owner, breeder and or handler in the picture. You can tell everyone about your "Braggs and Achievements". Then there is free advertisement of your new litter for ninety days. Just send me what you want to say along with the email addresses of your puppy buyers and I will send them complimentary copies of the Guardian. This also includes your friends and any potential member. If you want someone added to the mailing list send their contact information to: (cbattaglia@mindspring.com).

The cost of a paid advertisement is now \$12/year to advertise your stud dog, kennel or anything else.

Visit our club website site and see some of the new features. (www.gsdcatlanta.org).

Links, If you are a GSDC Atlanta member and you would us to post a link to your website please contact us at cbattaglia@mindspring.com. Subject : LINKS

Pauline Forman's bitch, (Kelly) took two 4 point majors this week end and now needs just 2 points to finish. Congratulations to Pauline.

Thanks for reading along.

Editor

MICROCHIPS -

Need microchips? Contact Mary Gattone 770 922-2172. She has a supply of AKC chips for \$6.00/chip.

PROGRAM FOR: JULY 2011 – Club Awards Banquet and Pic.

MINUTES OF CLUB MEETINGS: The minutes will be posted on the website.

<http://www.gsdcatlanta.org/>

In accordance with Section 4 of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, Inc.'s Bylaws as shown below, the nominating committee presented the following slate for the Board of Directors - term of July 2011 – June 2012 at the April 2011 meeting:

NEW MEMBERS: June - None

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS: None

TRAINING CLASSES:

Training classes – Started April 26

Classes – each Tuesday

Location: 3301 Windy Ridge Parkway Parking Garage main level.

Start Time: 7:30 p.m

Offerings: Rally and Obedience classes plus Canine Good Citizen (CGC) Classes.

Rates: \$25 member; \$75 non-members. Petsmart rates \$125. Rate for CGC \$10.00

Contact: Elaine Leroy, edbleroy@bellsouth.net who will manage the basic/CGC class test. or [Joye Evans](mailto:jevans@hardinconstruction.com) (770) 438-2285 or Email jevans@hardinconstruction.com

FUTURE EVENT DATES:

1. July 9, 2011 Club Awards Banquet and picnic – At home of Andrea Washburn
2. Nov. 11, 2011 – Show, Friday, GS conformation; all breed obedience and rally
3. Nov. 12, 2011 – Show, Sat. GS conformation; all breed obedience and Rally
4. Nov. 13, 2011 – Show, Sun. GS conformation; all breed obedience and rally
Show Location: Patriot's Park, Appling, Georgia (Augusta area)
5. Oct. 20, 2013, GSDCA Centennial and World Trial. Three great events in two weeks:

a. GSDCA National 2013 in Philadelphia

b. GSDCA 2013 Centennial celebration in Philadelphia

c. 2013 WUSV World Championship Trial in Philadelphia

- Oct. 09, 2013. Wed. GSDCA Conformation concluding with BOB competition on Saturday the 12th .
- October 11, 12, 13. , GSD Friday, Sat and Sun Performance events
- October 12 and 13 World teams arriving
- October 14 and 15. Mon & Tues. World teams practice at stadium
- Oct 16. Wed. World Competition begins.
- October 20. Sunday - Conclusion of WUSV events

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

Here is a message from the chair fo the GSDCA/WDA 2013 World Trial

“The magnitude of this event will require the help of many volunteers. Board members for both GSDCA and GSDCA-WDA have expressed their commitment to supporting this event. I have received many calls from members offering their support as well.

We are looking for any and all volunteers in all areas, including the following: hospitality, translation, field setup, security, transportation, web design and support, data and entry processing, sponsorship. We expect more volunteer needs to be identified as we move forward.

I ask all of you who can assist with any aspect of this event to please email me at 2013WUSV@gmail.com. I am finalizing the various committees that will be responsible for running this event and I would like to include you.

As the Chair of the 2013 WUSV World Championships, updates will be published in each of the upcoming issues of The Complete German Shepherd Dog.

Together we will make this an event our organizations will be proud of!

I look forward to hearing from you”.

Dan Yee
2013 WUSV Event Chair

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB AND LOCAL NEWS

CHANGING YOUR DOG'S FOOD

A gradual switch of your dog's food over a period of

four days helps minimize intestinal upsets. This same gradual switching of formulas should be done any time you change your dog's type of food.

Day 1: Fill your dog's bowl with 75% old food and 25% new food.

Day 2: 50% old food, 50% new food.

Day 3: 25% old food, 75% new food.

Day 4: 100% new food.

CLUB MEETINGS - held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 8PM, EXCEPT FOR JULY, OCTOBER AND DECEMBER. Visitors welcome.

DIRECTIONS TO CLUB MEETINGS

Location: 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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COMMITTEES

Club Phone - Andrea Washburn, (770) 245-0514

Hearts & Flowers - Jan Eason, (770) 963-4975

Herding - Helen Chamblee, (770) 466-0157

Library - Joan Turner, (404) 285 - 4152

Internet/website – Carmen Battaglia, (770) 998 - 3679

Audit – Mary Gattone, Nancy Harper, Andy Carolus

Equipment - Barbara Stamper, (770) 922- 0969

Obedience - Elaine Leroy, (770) 504 -1218

Regional Challenge – Stacey Pollio, (404) 353 - 0588

Versatility - Joye Evans, (770) 438-2285

Awards - _____

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Litter free advertisement is free for 90 days. Your dog's show picture is free for one year.

Paid advertisements for stud dogs, kennels and breeders are \$12/year

Breeders of Merit are listed FREE on the websites of the: American Kennel Club, German Shepherd Dog Club of America and German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta

For more information contact me: cbattaglia@mindspring.com.

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.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS is on the 15th of the month prior to issue.

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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