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HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!



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Happy 13th Birthday



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Club Meetings Meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month, except July and December , at The Atlanta Humane Society, 981 Howell Mill RD, Atlanta, GA at 8:00PM. Visitors welcome.

Upcoming Meetings:

February 7, 2009

March 9, 2009
Planned Program:

American vs German GSD
Is there a difference?
Peggy Kurz & Mary Gattone

The club would like to thank Nancy and Ron Mulvaney for hosting the club Christmas Party at their home. The party was well attended and a great time had by all.



Texas A&M EPI Study

Dr. Leigh Anne Clark/Texas A&M University-Canine Genetics Lab said that as of her count on Tuesday, Jan 27, 2009, they need 49 more blood samples of positively EPI confirmed GSDs.

If you have a GSD and have not submitted a blood sample, Please consider doing this. If you ask your vet to draw the blood sample and explain it is for EPI research, most vets will not charge you. Also, at this time, if you are willing to donate a blood sample from a GSD with EPI ... Dr. Clark will pay for the Fed Ex shipping charge. The following are the instructions for your vet to do the blood draw:

****BLOOD CONTRIBUTION INSTRUCTIONS FOR EPI RESEARCH***

*To participate in contributing a blood & serum sample to the EPI Research being done at Texas A&M. Please share these instructions with your vet. The blood is used to isolate DNA and the serum to carry out a cTLI test:

1. Dog will need to fast 12 hours before the draw.
2. Draw approximately 10ml blood into syringe
3. Fill purple-top with 5-6mls
4. Invert the tube several times after filling
5. Fill red-top tube with remainder of blood
6. Spin blood to separate serum
7. After separation, transfer serum to second red-top tube
8. Please make sure tubes are clearly labeled
9. Return samples in a Styrofoam cooler with a freezer pack.
10. Do not ship on a Friday.
11. Ship standard overnight via Fed Ex:

TAMU - College of Veterinary Medicine
Attn: Leigh Anne Clark (Murphy LAB)
Room 215 VMS bldg.
College Station, TX 77843-4467

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CROSS POST TO THIS EMAIL TO GSD CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS, FRIENDS AND FAMILIES THAT YOU KNOW OF WITH GSDs (German Shepherd Dog). BLOOD SAMPLES FROM GSD WITH EPI ARE NEEDED!!!

If you are interested in participating, please contact Dr. Leigh Anne Clark. Please be sure to use the email address lclark@cvm.tamu.edu

Bragz & Newz!!!

Rivendell's Vancouver (Ch. Jezra's Daytona x Ch. Rivendell's On The Money HSAs) wins 1st place Rally Advanced A at the GSDC of Atlanta, Griffin Kennel Club and Kennesaw Kennel Club. Owner Joye Evans.

MA BIF Melana-Greenwood's Maya (Sel Ch. Greenwood's Achilles x Ch. Melana's Pandemonium ROM) wins WB, BOW & BEST OF BREED under Don Jones at the Clemson Kennel Club on January 3, 2008 to finish her CHAMPIONSHIP!. Owners: Bill & Denise Groenewald and Melissa Campbell.

Melana's Mojito (Ch. Greenwood's Hektor x Ch. Melana's Pandamonium ROM) was WD & BOW from 12-18 class under Ken Rayner at the Conyers Kennel Club on January 31, 2009. Breeder/Owner: Melissa Campbell.

Barick's Tina Turner (Heartstar's Rock It v Barick x Gem-N-I Missmic Top Design) wins Back-to-Back WB under Ken Rayner at the Conyers Kennel Club on January 31, 2009 and at the Lawrenceville Kennel Club on February 2, 2009. Tina was handled by the incredibly talented Junior Handler, Taylor Petry. WAY TO GO TAYLOR AND TINA!!! Breeder/Owner: Barbara Stamper.

Sel. Ch. Shoal Creek's Sangria v Barick wins BOB and Group 1 under Helen Gleason and onto BEST IN SHOW under Chris Walkowicz at the Manatee Kennel Club on January 14, 2009; BOB & Group 4 at the Conyers Kennel Club on January 31, 2009 and BOB & Group 1 at the Lawrenceville Kennel Club on February 1, 2009, Owners: Ed Farrell, Barbara Stamper and Lee Jewell.

Upcoming Events!!

Feb 28	Newnan KC Match (B-OB, Obedience & Rally)
Feb 28 & Mar 1	Tampa Bay GSDC
Mar 15	GSDC of Atlanta B-OB Match
Mar 20 & 21	GSDC of Raleigh
April 4	Ft Myers GSDC
April 9, 10, 11	Perry All Breeds
April 12	SE Futurity/Maturity

Our condolences to George and Alice Carnahan for their loss of
Wolfsong Alexandra Danilova RN, TC, HIC, CGC, Registered Therapy Dog, OFA H/C & CERF
April 2, 1998 - December 5, 2008



Pre-registration Requested

German Shepherd Dog Club Of Atlanta, Inc.

Sanctioned B-OB Match
 Sunday March 15, 2009
 Parker Road Park
 1400 Parker Road
 Conyers, GA 30094

Lee Jewell—Match Chairperson
 6654 Vaughn Rd
 Canton, GA 30115-9266

Call 770-345-4310 or e-mail gemni3549@aol.com for information
 Registration is from 10:30 am until 11:30 am with judging starting at noon.

Conformation/Showmanship Judge: Ken Cunningham
 Obedience / Rally Judge: Elaine LeRoy

Entry Fee: \$ 5.00 per class per dog. Make check payable to GSDC of Atlanta, Inc.

Dog's Name: _____
 Sex : (circle one) Dog Bitch Birth Date : _____
 Sire : _____
 Dam : _____
 Breeder : _____
 Owner : _____
 Address _____

Circle Class or Classes Entered

Conformation (divided by sex)		Obedience	Rally Obedience	Jr. Showmanship
<u>Puppy</u>	<u>Adult</u>	Pre-Novice	Novice	Junior
3-6 Months	Novice	Novice	Advanced	Intermediate
6-9 Months	Open	Open	Excellent	Senior
9-12 Months		Utility		

I understand that the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta assumes no responsibility for losses, damages or injuries incurred by exhibitors or their dogs during any portion of this event and that the undersigned individual(s) shall hold harmless and indemnify the German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta, it's officers, members or assigns from any and all liabilities that may ensue by virtue of this match and it's participants and observers.

Directions To Match Site: 1400 Parker Road, Conyers, GA 30094

From Interstate 20, take exit 82 (GA Highways 138 & 20) and go south. Turn right onto Iris Drive. Turn left onto Parker Road (beside the Conyers Welcome Center). Turn left at the red light (Parker Road) and the building/park is on the left.

ALL DOGS MUST BE CRATED OR ON A LEASH AND IN THE CARE OF AN ADULT.



Club Use Only	
Payment: Cash	
Check # _____	Arm Band # _____

GSDC of Atlanta



Host of the 2009 Southeast Futurity

Sunday April 12

Georgia National Fairgrounds

Perry, GA

Judge: Jamie Walker

Show Secretary

We Are Our Own Superintendent

Entries Close March 7th with the Show Secretary:

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Canton GA 30115

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Friday April 10

Supported Entry Augusta Kennel Club

Judge: Kathleen Steen

Saturday April 11

Supported Entry Atlanta Kennel Club

Judge: Carmen Battaglia

The Kennel Club Shows are superintended by Onofrio

Regional Futurity Chair

Margaret (Peggy) Kurz

14030 Cogburn Road

Alpharetta GA 30004

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Host Hotel/ I-75 Exit 36


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478-987-2585

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All rooms down and out

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WELL BEHAVED DOGS ARE MADE NOT BORN



The German Shepherd Dog Club of Atlanta will offer dog obedience classes starting Saturday, February 7 at 11:00 a.m. at 3301 Windy Ridge Parkway Atlanta, GA 30339.

Classes meet once a week for 8 weeks, each class lasting one hour. They will be held on the top level of the Hardin parking deck unless inclement weather forces the class to move to the lower level. The price of the class for the public is \$75. The rate for club members is \$25.

Is your Christmas puppy's behavior driving you wild?? Let us help you civilize your wild child in our puppy class!! Topics covered - housebreaking, basic training, and behavior training.

Does your dog drag you on leash, run away when called, jump on company, and do other things that embarrass you in front of others? Join our basic class and let us help fix your problems!

Learn about AKC's newest titling class!! Your instructor will help you learn the rules and exercises to have fun at a dog show and bring home ribbons!!

Three different classes will run simultaneously each week. The three classes offered are:

- Puppy (must have had second round of vaccines)
- Basic Obedience (sit, down, come, controlled walking, stand)
- Introductory to Rally (must have completed a basic obedience class to enroll in Rally)

A Canine Good Citizen test will be offered to enrollees on the last class day.

All breeds and ages are welcome to attend. All dogs must have proof of current vaccines, including Bordetella. If you would like to enroll or have questions, please contact Scars Hardie at (404) 219-4803 or by e-mail to: gsdtraining@gmail.com.

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