



# The Guardian

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Time seems to fly. It is hard to believe that this is my tenth issue of the Guardian. In my first issue as Editor I stated that my goal would be to bring you a Newsletter that does not require hours of reading but rather would bring you snippets of information with a link or two for more extended information. In retrospect we were slow in getting started but we are still on schedule. The board has appointed a committee to study how to make the website better and more robust.

The Annual Awards Banquet will be here before you know it and Mary is getting things ready. Be sure to get your reservation to her.

In this issue and in the past issue the information has been listed about the 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. Now that I know that I can only say that we all need to be doing more with our dogs. Make them better GS citizens. Be watching for training opportunities at our club meetings.

**Dogs are welcome to come to club meetings but they must be on lease and well behaved.**

The GSDC Atlanta club website is slowly moving forward. It is now timelier than in the past with information about training, the board, committee reports, articles (forthcoming), shows, the match 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 would like to have someone on the list send their email contact information to: ([cbattaglia@mindspring.com](mailto:cbattaglia@mindspring.com)).

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

Carmen Battaglia

## **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The club has elected the following class to serve the 2010-2011 term**

President - Joan B. Turner  
Vice President/Training Director - Elaine Leroy  
Secretary - Joye Evans  
Treasurer - Sara Wolfe  
Member at Large - Betty Ann Fredricks  
Guardian Editor - Dr. Carmen Battaglia

### **PROGRAM FOR AUGUST:**

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

You will not want to miss this program.

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### **CLUB UPDATES:**

1. **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

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

5. **FREE LITTER ADVERTISING** on the GSDC Atlanta Website for 90 days. If you have a litter contact Scars Hardie to list your litter.

6. **IRS:** Club is on track regarding the possibility for 501 (c) 7 status change.

**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 signed in on the sign in sheet including President Joan Turner.**

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**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 Rd., Sharpsburg, GA 30277

**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**

**\* 2013 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2 – MONDAY OCTOBER 15.**

Three great events:

1. The GSDCA National 2013\*
2. The GSDCA 2013 Centennial celebration \*
3. The 2013 WUSV World Championship Trial \*

\* The locations and final dates are pending.

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**TRAINING CLASSES:**

The class starts – September 7<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:edbleroy@bellsouth.net) or Joye Evans (770) 438-2285 or  
Email [jevans@hardinconstruction.com](mailto:jevans@hardinconstruction.com)

Stacey Pollio will manage the basic/CGC class test.

**AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB NEWS**

**GRAND CHAMPION - NEW 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 - GSDC OF ATLANTA**

Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

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## **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.**

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**NOTE: Stacey Pollio conducted a CGC Test on May 26. Seven GSD's were certified. Congratulations to everyone who participated.**

## **CLUB OFFICERS:**

**President Joan Turner 404 -285-4152**

**Vice President/Training Director - Elaine Leroy 770 – 504-1218**

**Treasurer Sara Wolfe 770 - 579-2548**

**Secretary Joye Evans 770 - 438-2285**

**Member at Large - Betty Ann Fredricks 770 - 461 0714**

**Guardian Editor Carmen Battaglia 770 - 998-3679. <http://www.gsdcatlanta.org/>**

**Past President Mary Gattone 770 - 922-2172**

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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 - 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

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#### **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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**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS** is on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to issue.

#### **COMPLIMENTARY GUARIDAN**

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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