

2010 Specialty Show

I was thrilled to see that our show (in conjunction with the cluster) pulled 5 point majors! Our all-breed obedience and all-breed rally pulled in big numbers as well. Overall the show ran very smoothly. All of our judges were pleasant and the show ran smoothly.

There are several people that were very helpful in making the show run smoothly and successfully. First of all I'd like to send a HUGE "THANK YOU" Elinor Posey for stepping up to the plate and being out Obedience and Rally Chair. Obedience and Rally ran without any complaints and everyone seemed pleased with us hosting the days events.

Next, a huge "THANK YOU" to Valerie Marshall for running a successful and profitable raffle table! With very little cost to the club, we managed to sell \$439.00 in raffle tickets.

To everyone who sent in items to Valerie (or me) as donations for our raffle—THANK YOU! Sometimes you do not realize that there

by Penny Lites

are things that you have sitting around that you do not want or use and it could be something special to someone else. We appreciate your donations!

I'd also like to say "THANK YOU" to the various people who volunteered to help steward at the obedience and rally rings. It costs us \$75.00 per steward when we have to hire someone—we managed to save quite a bit by having club members pitch in and help that day.

A very special "THANK YOU" to Jim and Jayne Cassella!!!! Anytime we need help, they are there for us. With club members like this, it enables us to hold these events—it takes manpower! Thank you to the Cassellas for ALL you do!!

We are already planning our next specialty. Any comments are greatly appreciated to help improve our show.

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MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT ON CLUB MEMBER

By Mary McElroy

I am married to Paul McElroy. In July, we will celebrate our 25th anniversary. We have 2 daughters. Catherine is 20 years old and is majoring in Genetics at the University of GA. Anna is 17 and is a junior at North Gwinnett High School where she plays on the soccer team. We live in a subdivision in Suwanee. My 86 year old mother lives nearby. I am a 2nd grade teacher. Paul and I both graduated from Berry College in Rome, GA and I got my Masters in Education at Mercer in Atlanta. Last October, Anna and I completed a Half Marathon for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Paul is currently in remission from Leukemia. We currently have 6 dogs. My kennel name is Amate' which is a Latin command to "Love it" and I do love everything about my dogs.

My love of animals and the outdoors goes back to my favorite place as a child – my granddaddy's farm. My best memories

are things like feeding a lamb from a bottle because the mom was not able, or being chased by the hog when I got a little too close. However, I was a good rider and was invited to exercise the horses at Berry whenever I wanted.

as well bred. Sadie had severe hip dysplasia. She was however, a wonderful ambassador for the golden temperament. Sadie helped me raise my two daughters. Many times, Catherine used her for a chair or a pillow or even a step stool. Sadie was very loved and lived to be 14.

When we were ready to get another puppy, I knew that I would rather spend money on a healthy puppy than to spend money on pain meds. I began my search for a golden and found Kathy Smith.

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BRAGS!

In January, Leah & Jim Smith adopted a new senior golden retriever named Shelby.

She is about 10 years old. She has become a great addition to our family and a much needed playmate for Libby. Congratulations Leah and Jim!

Kathee West is proud of her girl Honey (My Buddy's How Sweet It Is At Liberty) earned her RN at the Greenville show and her CCA at Sandlapper. She also delivered a litter of 8 puppies in April.

Mary McElroy's boy Buzzy is now Am/Int. CH Amate' Fly Me To The Moon. On his first weekend out with a handler he was WD/BOW in Atlanta for a 3 point major! Then in February in Greenville he was WD/BOW. On March 13 Buzzy picked up 2 more majors to finish his championship in San Antonio, TX. At the same show he was bumped up as a special and was BOB!! Mary is now working on titles on the other end of his name in both field and agility.

Mari Magmer's boy Canon (Ajan's Reason To Believe RN) picked up a major! He now needs one more major to earn his championship!

Collette Jaynes has several brags—her girl Abby (Jazzin's Advice Line) had back to back WB wins in Greenville, SC. Abby was also WB in Tucson, AZ. Then Abby was 1st in AmBred at the Pacific Rim Specialty—there were 165 goldens entered! Collette has several brags on her Clumber Spaniels—Sassy (CH Jazzin's Ducking The System) was WB and 1st Award of Merit at the 2010

Clumber National and new champion. Her boy Truman (Ch Jazzin's The Duck Stops Here) was WD/BOW at a supported specialty for a 5 point major to finish in Albany, OR. Her boy Ryder (CH Cannonbrook's Red Ryder) was Best Veteran at the National with 16 veterans entered. Her golden Avery (CH Jazzin's Hot Tabasco Sauce CDX, NA, NAJ, JH, WC, VCX) was BOS Veteran at the St. Louis Specialty. Congratulations, Collette!

At the Atlanta Specialty show Kathy Smith and Penny Lites' girl Lamb Chop (Pendery N' Goodtime's Ewe'R Kidding) was WB/BOW for a 4 point major! She just needs her other major to become a champion. Also, Kathy Smith's boy F.Lee picked up a JAM at the Atlanta Specialty. Also, Carole Amos & Kitty Cathey Carney have a very special brag—their girl Dinah (CH Pekay's Diners Card) was Best Veteran! You've got to love those veterans!!!

Congratulations to everyone for all their wins—I know there are more that were not submitted so I apologize to those that I might have missed.



SPECIAL NOTE

If you are NOT signed up on our Yahoo site and receiving emails from the Yahoo site, please contact me to have your name added.

The Yahoo site is an easy way for club members to send emails to the entire club and a place where member photos can be posted.

If you do not know how to set up a Yahoo ID, please feel free to contact me and I will be glad to help you.

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Jump Into Agility

Our Agility Fun Day at Canine Capers was a great success! Thank you to Terri & Paul Everline for putting this together along with Elizabeth Downey for all her hard work. Also, Mari Magmer did a tremendous job of organizing our raffle table—we had a few items that brought in some money for our club. Overall it was another successful event and hopefully we introduced some dogs to agility that will continue in this venue.

If you are interested in getting involved in agility, contact Terri Everline with our Agility Committee to give you more information. Her email is: agilebay@bellsouth.net

Message from the President

As all of you know by now we will be hosting the 2011 GRCA National in October of 2011. This involves a TON of work that we are already way behind on, but with an extremely talented and knowledgeable person like Collette Jaynes (our General and Show Chair), we can do it! I say that, but it is not Collette's responsibility to do everything—she can only do so much and we need YOU!! At our February meeting we discussed various jobs that we will need help with for this to make it successful. If you were not at the meeting, please review the minutes from the meeting and see if there is an area that you excel in and sign up to be on that committee.

Next I would like to tell you one area that I am responsible for and maybe you can help there as well. I am the Fundraising Chair and that means I need to bring in as much money as possible to make this happen. Collette has had some great ideas and other clubs that have hosted previous nationals have given us some ideas and I thought I would let you know what we will be doing and if you have any ideas, I am open to hear them and will welcome them.

For one thing we will be going after corporate sponsorship. This is not always easy, but if you hit the right companies and explain the benefits, it can happen. Some examples of corporate sponsors are as follows but not limited to these:

Home Depot
Kroger's
Coca Cola
UGA Vet School
Atlanta Braves
Atlanta Falcons
AT&T
NASCAR
Bush Beans
Dyson Vacuum
Delta Airlines

If you know of any company that you think I should call on or if you have an "IN" with any corporation, please let me know.

Another thing that we will be doing is a cookbook like Colorado is doing. We will be contacting some famous southern chefs to see if we can get some southern recipes to put in here making it more appealing to a vast market. We will soon be sending out info on how you can submit your recipes and be able to get credit in the cookbook. This is an area almost everyone in the club can contribute without much time so start looking through your recipes. Collette has a photographer lined up to shoot photos for the cookbook. The name of the cookbook will be G.R.I.T.S. of course—Golden Recipes In The South.

Another idea that was suggested was to have a garage sale. I think late summer would be a good time so start saving up things that would be great to donate and more info will be forthcoming on it.

One suggestion at our recent meeting in Perry about the National was to have a "DONATE NOW" button on the website. This way people can donate money in any amount—we can drive people to the site to send in their donations. We are looking to take that a step further such as if someone donates over a certain amount, then they will get an ornament (possibly peach shaped) maybe with their name on it and use it on a Peach Tree at the National. All those that donated enough to have a peach can take their ornament home with them from the national.

From this point forward any event such as a dog show, agility trial, or dog seminars etc, we should be

using this as a time to raise money. One suggestion that another national host club did was to sell lollipops for \$1. This added up to over \$800 for them so you may want to let me know of events that you are attending and if you would be able to sell items to raise money in your spare time. Every little bit helps.

As you know there will be special raffle items that Collette will be working on. Some of these items will be fantastic and should raise a good amount of money so be on the lookout for those ideas in the near future.

Our goal is to raise anywhere from \$30,000 to \$50,000 for this national. Please remember that any profit made from the National (after paying off all debts) will go straight into our club checking account, which will enable our club to grow! Please put on your thinking caps and see if you can come up with any great ideas to help us reach our goal!

As always, thank you for your support of our club and for your questions, comments, and concerns. We have a wonderful club with a lot of talented people—let's utilize that!

Penny Lites

TROPHIES

Thank you to all of you that donated to our trophy fund! Our goal was achieved—we had enough in donations to pay for our beautiful trophies.

With the hard economic times we realize how difficult it is to make donations. We plan on changing our trophies for next year—we will search and find nice trophies that are not as expensive and may go back to the old way for trophy donations, which is by having members donate to each individual trophy.

Golden Rescue in Georgia

by Leah Smith

Here are the numbers for our local rescues:

GRRRA—Dogs rescued in 2010—64

GRRRA—Dogs adopted—44

GRRRA—Heartworm positive--11

The GRRRA is holding a dog wash at the Camp Woof Norcross location on May 22nd. The event will run from 11am to 4pm. They could use help washing dogs and cutting nails. Please mark your calendars and help give back to rescue!!

Another local lab and golden rescue club is holding an event the same day; however, it is at night so you should be able to make both!!

2nd ANNUAL CRABAPPLE PUB CRAWL!!!!

DATE: Saturday May 22

TIME: 5pm until close (registration from 5 to 9pm)

REGISTRATION FEE: \$20—benefitting Atlanta Dog Squad. Pre-register online to receive a commemorative T-shirt.

Details coming soon at www.atlantadogsquad.org

REMINDER:

Please do not forget that Leah will be more than happy to take items for rescue such as blankets, food, leashes, bowls, bedding, toys, ANYTHING that you no longer use. Below are the websites for two of the local Golden Retriever Rescues where you can make a donation.

ADOPT A GOLDEN ATLANTA:

www.adoptagoldenatlanta.com

GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE OF ATLANTA:

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

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Kathy convinced us that we really wanted a show puppy instead of a pet. We took Daisy home. Daisy became Catherine's Jr. Showmanship dog and the two of them went to the Eukanuba National Dog Show together. I worked with Daisy on obedience and we tried field training. Daisy and I went on to get a triathlon in the Eastern Regional Show that our club held in Perry. Daisy is my best friend and the most fun that I ever had.

In March, Daisy's son, Buzzy finished his AKC Championship. He is my first homebred champion. Buzzy is from our first litter. Catherine and I put several points on him from Bred by Exhibitor. I got a Bred by Exhibitor Best in Show at the International show in 2008 and a Bred By Group 1 at the Clemson show this year. I am currently working with him on agility and we are playing with bird wings and bumpers. My goal for him is a VCX.

I love the versatile golden. I enjoy taking agility classes twice a week with 2 of my dogs. I also enjoy obedience classes when I have time. I show my own dogs in conformation but also love watching a handler show my dog so he can look his best. And there is nothing more beautiful than a golden doing what he is bred to do – retrieving.

Because of my dogs, I have wonderful friends and a hobby that I love. I get to snuggle puppies and celebrate beauty.



Pendery N' Goodtime's Ewe'r Kidding "Lamb Chop"
 Winner's Bitch / Best of Winners at the AGRC Specialty
 Owned and bred by Penny Lites and Kathy Smith

We are always looking for pictures for the newsletter.

Please feel free to submit pictures in any venue or even cute candid shots. We will do our best to be able to include them in the newsletter.

Submit to:
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POSTERS FROM THE SPECIALTY

Let's hope that next year we do not have to print one of these posters.

IN MEMORIUM

BISS CH Highmark Torn Between Two Loves OD "TORY"

Owned by Maura Phelan and Linda Willard

BIS BISS AM/CAN CH JBG's Holy Guacamole "MOJO"

Owned by Collette Jaynes, Maria Franklin, and Dawn Daley

"GOLDIE" and "ANNIE"

Owned by Leah and Jim Smith

Glenwan's Gone With The Wind "TARA"

Owned by Wanda Jacobson

"COVEY"

Owned by Lynne and Michael Flater

Pekay's Grant My Wish "GRANT"

Owned by Kitty Cathey & Dan and Karen Kaiser

Starquest Beach Baby Boomer CD, CDX "BOOMER"

Owned by Eileen and Jim Retel

BISS CH Starfire's Shootin' The Breeze "GABBY"

Owned and bred by Maria and Paul Franklin

CH Elan's Tennessee Moonshine "TIPSY"

Owned by Maria and Paul Franklin

SR Lycinan Lucia Bell JH, CD, WCX, CGC "LUCIA"

Owned by Diane Petruso, Adored by Buddy and Janet Reneau

TROPHIES FROM SPECIALTY

Thank you to ALL of you who donated to the trophy fund! Because of you we were able to offer beautiful trophies to our winners.

2010 TROPHY PATRONS

PLATINUM PATRON

(\$100 AND UP)

DONATION INCLUDES AN EMBROIDERED KENNEL LEAD

Penny and Eddie Lites
Eileen and Jim Retel
Jim and Jayne Cassella
Carole and Bob Amos
Paula and Joe Petelle
Kathleen West
Kathy and Richard Smith
Collette Jaynes and Alan Bedford

GOLD PATRON

(\$50.00 - \$99.00)

Kitty Cathey Carney
Marie and Darryl Cordell
Donna Alvermann
Nancy Regan Leddy and Family
Julie and Ron Bell
Janet and Buddy Reneau

SILVER PATRON

(\$20.00 - \$49.00)

Leah Smith
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Susan Droke
Mari Magmer
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Jan Moore
Elinor Posey

**Thank you to the above club members for their support
of our 2010 Specialty!!**