SHORTHAIR TALES

MAY/JUNE 2007

Newsletter Of the Katahdin GSP Club of Greater Portland

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

May/June Newsletter

Life seems to get a little slower as we move into Summer. Fewer planned activities with dogs and more opportunity to play. I put in some ponds last Fall and my dogs seem to think that they are solely for them. Naturally some frogs have also discovered the ponds, so we have quite a ballet of dogs and frogs leaping about. After all the pollywogs I see in there turn to frogs, it should get even more chaotic!

We were all disappointed by the cancellation of the Hunt Tests in April. Unfortunately that was beyond our control. Hopefully the fields will be dry in the Fall and we will be able to have a well attended event. In any case, it is always a good time. Blue Seal has been marvelously supportive and has held their sponsorship through to the Fall Hunt Test. We really appreciate their interest and support.

We would like to send out newsletters by email, but recognize that not everyone would like them that way. Please let us know if you would like to continue to receive a hardcopy newsletter by contacting either Pat or Deb. If not, if we have an email address for you we will send it to you that way next time.

The next meeting will be at Peg and Lou Gagnon's on July 15th at 2PM. Hope to see you there.

Pat

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THE GIRLS SAY

DONT FORGET TO ENTER OUR SUPPORTED **ENTRY** WITH SWEEPS AT THE CARROLL **COUNTY KC** SEPT. 8TH **NORTH** CONWAY, NH ITS A **BEAUTIFUL LOCATION AND** MINUTES FROM NICE LOGGING. **FOOD AND** SHOPPING MALLS

COVER PHOTO

IS PAT RUSSELS' NEWEST ADDITION FROM HER RECENT LITTER "MOREY" BIRDLANDS MORE THAN YOU KNOW

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Katahdin German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Greater Portland was held on Sunday May 27, 2007 at the home of Pat Russell. In attendance were Tom Dwyer, Peg Gagnon, Lou Gagnon, Fred Newcomb, Lynn Milewski and Pat Russell. The meeting commenced at 2:35 PM.

President's Report: The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as printed in the last newsletter. Pat expressed her disappointment that the Spring Hunt Test had to be cancelled. She had received a large number of entries and hopes that all those who hoped to attend the Spring test will come to our Fall test. She thanked all those who had volunteered to help at the test — without volunteers we can't make our events a success.

Secretary's Report: Our new Secretary, John Manni, was unable to attend. Pat reported on the final dues received for the year. Anyone who has not sent in their dues is unfortunately no longer a club member.

Treasurer's Report: Steve was unable to attend, so the Treasurer's report was tabled until the next meeting.

Election of New Members: No new applications were received since the last meeting.

Show Committee: A discussion was held about the Boston show versus the Fitchburg show. Fitchburg is sporting dogs only, has more room and

individuals don't incur the high costs they have when attending the Boston show. Lynn Milewski very generously offered to make a quilt for one of our future raffles. It will be a marvelous addition and should draw a lot of interest. We will be collaborating with Granite State GSPC on June with the Match with the Carroll County Club, and also doing a show with Carroll County in September.

Hunt Test Committee: The tests scheduled for April 28 and 29 were cancelled by HELDCA due to high water. Pat has spoken with our sponsor, Blue Seal, and they are willing to wait and sponsor the Fall test. We sincerely appreciate their patience and generosity. A discussion took place of choosing dates for the Spring hunt test next year, since we have been rained out twice recently. When it gets closer to choosing dates we will have further discussion. There is a lot of interest in holding the AKC Hunt Test seminar – we need to schedule a time.

Team Shoot: We do not have a report yet, but apparently was a great success.

Club Championship: The Club Championship will be held August 25th.

Training Days: All agree that we want to have more of them.

Rescue: Nothing new to report.

Old Business: Alison found the missing banner! We don't have a report yet on its condition.

New Business: None

The next meeting will be held at 2:00pm July 157th at Peg and Lou Gagnon's house. The meeting adjourned at 3:45pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Pat Russell, Acting Secretary WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHO
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MAILED (HARDCOPY) OR EMAILED TO
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PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL WITH YOUR
PREFERENCE

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IT WILL HELP US MAKE SURE NO ONE
GETS LEFT OUT

ALSO, IF YOU HAVE INTERESTING
ARTICLES/STORIES/PICTURES OR
CLIPS TO ADD PLEASE EMAIL OR MAIL
THEM TO ME
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ITS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP
TIME
COMING UP SOON
AUGUST 25, 2007
WATCH OUR SITE FOR TIMES
CLASSES AND RULES

ANYONE INTERESTED IN HELPING, DONATING TO FOOD OR RAFFLE, PLEASE CONTACT DEB AT BEARMT@GROLEN.COM

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FUN!

Central Aroostook Kennel Club is having a fun match on Sunday, August 5th: Breed, Jr. Handler, Puppy Sweeps, Obedience, Rally-O and Agility Fun in Presque Isle Maine. Contact Mel Berube (207)764-1259 or melton8@verizon.net

A TRAINING TIP

THE ROLLED UP NEWSLETTER:

A rolled -up newspaper can be an effective training tool when used properly. For example, use the rolled up newspaper if your dog chews something or has a housebreaking accident. It should be employed only when you can not correct the dog with proper timing ...because YOU were not supervising him. Take the rolled-up newspaper and hit YOURSELF on the head six times, as you repeat the phrase, "I forgot to watch my dog. I forgot to watch my dog." Be consistent with this technique. After several corrections you will become conditioned to watch your dog.

This is the only time a rolled-up newspaper should be used in training. If your dog laughs at you when you do this, praise him.

from DOG TALK, Training Your Dog Through a Canine Point of View, by John Ross and Barbara McKinney.

BRAGS

I do have to brag about Birdlands Sweet Lilia of the Valley. Her dad is Birdlands Rudy of the Valley and mom is Millbrooks Sweet Georgia Brown. She is an awesome pup that is now training for the show ring. Lilia is doing well and is learning quickly. She is full of sweetness and very loving. First show will be September in No. Conway.

Lynn Milewski

From Deb Broad

At our first show of the year in April, "Flashy Girl" Bear Mtn Still Flash Frozen, took Best of Winners.

At our second and third show her brother "Mr Freeze" Bear Mtns Been Frozensolid, took Winners dog and Best of Winners...... Mr Freeze also was Best of Breed at the Granite State Gsp club first "B" match and in the afternoon was Best of Breed/Group 1 at the Carroll County KC all breed match......... They both took me to another show recently, where together, Freeze took Best of Winners again and sister Flash took Winners Bitch.......

They are out of our "frozen" litter by A/C Ch Longacres Blue Ridge Walker, CGC, TT "Luke" and Ch Bear Mt Blue Ridge Paradox "Kerry".

Upcoming Events

August 25 - Katahdin club champ.

Sept 8/9 KGSPC supported entry with CCKC

Sept 29/30 - Katahdin hunt test

other club's test dates:

Tartan = Nov 3/4 hunt tests

GSetter = Sept 8/9 hunt test

Brits = Sept 22/23 hunt test

MV NAVHDA = Sept 15/16 tests, Aug 18, July 29 training days.

shows:

7/28 Providence Cty KC, RI

7/29 Newtown KC, Springfield MA

8/4 Pioneer Valley KC / Nutmeg GSPC, MA

8/5 Cheshire KC, Keene, NH

8/17-18-19 Fitchburg MA 3 day Cluster

8/30-31 & 9/1-2 Central Maine KC, Union, ME

9/14-15-16 Falmouth MA 3 day cluster

9/22-23 Goshen, CT

for more info on events go to: www.infodog.com

NEW LITTERS

Check out the Katahdin web site for additions and updates on pups available.

www.Katahdingsp.org

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TO:

Saturday - August 25, 2007 Sharp's Farm, Hopkinton, NH

As always, this is open to Katahdin Gsp club members and their dogs. Field events will be based on the AKC hunt test format. The Puppy and Intermediate classes will be run on the junior hunter course, while the Club Championship class will be run on the senior/master test course. Any dog that has completed its Senior hunter title must compete at the Club Championship level.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY FORMS

Owner	Phone/Email	
Address		
Dogs Name		
Level/ Puppy (to 18 months)	Intermediate	Championship
Name	Phone/Email	
Address		
Dog Name	Birth Date_	Sex
Level/Puppy (to 18 months)	Intermediate	Championship
Handler/Address		
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