



President's Message

Hello Carolina Working Group Members,

2016 is going to be an awesome year for our club! We have a new board (see side-bar) that has the energy to drive this club forward to be the premier Group Club of the South. Don't hesitate to contact any of them with your ideas and offerings of support.

In 2016 we will hold 2 concurrent back to back shows on Friday afternoon June 3rd and Saturday afternoon June 4th. This will give working dogs 6 chances to win over 4 days and should bring us a great entry, so SPREAD THE WORD! There are flyers on pages 11 & 12 that you can send to friends. Judging panels are being assigned to breeds as this newsletter goes out. This is a big undertaking so please give support to those that are heading up sections, and if you can, volunteer to join our premier team!

Vicki East is our Show Chair and needs many hands as she is also hosting a Cook Out after our Saturday show. You can contact Vicki at: (336) 854-0741 (home), (336) 339-2261 (cell), or email: veast0416@aol.com. Please give her all your support! **Crystal Brooks is handling trophies:** please support your breed's trophies, and consider adopting a breed that is not covered. She can take your orders via email (brookscdh@gmail.com) or

2016 OFFICERS

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 Board Members: Judith Coates,
 Crystal Brooks, Laura Rader,
 Dave Roberts, Louise Schmidt

phone (828) 228-4959, and can help you decide what and how much is within your budget!

Judith Coates with the help of potential member, Jodi Labombard, is hosting the 2-day raffle. Send any raffle items you might have to Judith and let her know if you can watch the tables at some time over the 2 days. One of the perks is that you will get prime grooming for free if you are helping them out! Contact Judith at: (704) 243-3281 (home), (908) 625-1249 (cell) or email: ferncrestrott@yahoo.com

Laura Rader is updating our website! <http://www.carolinaworkinggroup.org/> Please see page 4 for more info.

Dave Roberts is preparing our clubs page on the new AKC Marketplace <http://marketplace.akc.org/> that will be linked to our website, FB page, etc. Contact David A Roberts at: (540) 222-1256 (home), or winwiz123@gmail.com

Please send any items for our Facebook page to Matt Townsend by phone at (336) 380-1090 or email: mattandsusan2000@gmail.com, or me, at (919) 362-7777, or cathy.rubens@gmail.com! Go there to see judges, and for updates - share the information with your specialty clubs! Check out the candid photos, you might find yourself there: <https://www.facebook.com/CarolinaWGA/?fref=nf>

And lastly, we need volunteers for the following:

- Someone to be our face at the NC Federation of Dog Clubs
- Chair some events
- Ways and Means
- Someone to come up with ideas for Programs for our 2016 meetings (see page 5 for a list of the upcoming meeting dates).

So come on in from the cold and jump in, get involved and be a part of our club!
cathy rubens

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General Meeting Minutes Aug 15, 2015

Meeting called to order at 2:33p.m.

*No Quorum

Members: Bob Busby, Mary Gentlesk, Connie Alexander, Anne Taylor, Vicki East. Cathy Rubens, Sherry Harmon, Mike Harmon, Ed Brown

Guests: Donna Otero, Dave Roberts

Minutes: No minutes from last meeting.
Annual CWGA Picnic

President's Report:

* 2 Concurrent Specialty Shows to be held in 2016..

*New show chairman for 2016 is Vicki East.

*If you are a member of a specialty club inquire about a supported entry or specialty at our shows.

*Thanks again to everyone that helped make the show in 2015 such a success.

*Laura Rader is our new web person.

Recording Secretary's Report:

*No report.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

*No report.

Treasurer's Report:

*Balance in bank: >\$xxxx

COMMITTEES

AKC Liaison:

* No report.

Show-2015

*Appears the profit on our 2015 show will be approximately \$3000.00 even though entries were down.

Show-2016

*Dates of shows are June 3rd & 4th, 2016. These two shows will be held concurrently with the all-breed shows on those days.

*Veteran Sweeps to be held on Friday.
Puppy sweeps to be held on Saturday.

*Bob Busby to negotiate contract with MB-F,Inc.

*All-Breed shows will hire more working dog judges in order to expedite judging.

*Will look at utilizing some of our member judges.

*Carol Brown to help with stewards

*Judith Coates to be in charge of the raffle. Need members to donate items and help man the tables. Looking at having the raffle up for 2 days.

Membership:

* No report

Website:

*No report.

OLD BUSINESS

*No old business

NEW BUSINESS

*No new business.

*Motion made to adjourn meeting made by Bob Busby. Seconded by Sherry Harmon. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Vicki East

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 6, 2015

Attendees

Members: Cathy Rubens, ,Debbie Miller, Sherry Harman, Mary Gentlesk, , Linda Fowler, Dawn Hitchcock, Judith Coates, Bob Busby, Jay Juster, Kathy Toomey

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Minutes: Sherry Harmon made motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting. Seconded by Kathy Toomey. All approved.

President's Report:

* Old website is gone and we have a partial payback CWGA.

*Nominating committee members are: Doreen Luhrs, Crystal Brooks, Bob Busby, Peter Gaeta

Recording Secretary's Report:

*No report.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

*AKC approvals placed on the board's discussion list.

Treasurer's Report:

*Emailed. Balance in bank is \$xxxxx

COMMITTEES**AKC Liaison:**

* No Report.

Show-2016

*Judges are hired

*Show application has been paid.

Membership:

*No new applications.

OLD BUSINESS

* No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

* Show 2016-

*AKC Market Place- Bob Busby made the motion that the club pay AKC \$99.00 to have our show advertised on the Market Place. Kathy Toomey seconded. All approved.

*Club to consider using Dixie Stewards. Cathy Rubens to negotiate contract.

Motion made by Bob Busby to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Kathy Toomey. Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vicki East

(minutes recorded by Cathy Rubens in my absence)

Board of Director Meeting Minutes December 2, 2015

Attendees

Members: Cathy Rubens, ,Debbie Miller, Sherry Harman, Mary Gentlesk, , Linda Fowler, Dawn Hitchcock, Judith Coates, Vicki East, Kathy Toomey

Meeting called to order at 7:33 p.m.

Minutes: Judith Coates made motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting. Seconded by Linda Fowler. All approved.

President's Report:

* Contract from Dixie Stewards has been received. Need for 2 days instead of 1 day. Still have questions about how club will be charged if show runs over BIS of all breed club. Cathy to get this clarified with Marilyn Currey of Dixie Stewards. Tabled until next meeting.

Nominating Committee Report

*No additional nominations for officers or board of directors have been received. Nominations are officially closed. New BOD takes office in January.

Recording Secretary's Report:

*No report.

Corresponding Secretary's Report:

*No report.

Treasurer's Report:

*Emailed. Balance in bank is \$xxxxx. Paid insurance bill of \$854.50. Deposit of \$435.00 membership renewal money.

COMMITTEES**AKC Liaison:**

* No Report.

Show-2016

*Preparations for the shows in 2016 are moving along on schedule.

*Crystal Brooks is the Trophy Chair. Trophies and rosettes are being purchased from Hodges

*Badges. Vicki East made motion to pay Hodges Badges \$40.00(one time fee) to do a dye set – up for the CWGA logo to use on ribbons, trophies, etc. This dye set would then be on file with Hodges for future use. Seconded by Judith Coates. All approved.

*Judith Coates is doing the Raffle for the club at our show. Raffle will be set up for 2 days. Will need volunteers to man the table and sell tickets. Members need to make baskets and/or donate items, give money to purchase items for baskets.

Membership:

*New application for Constance Rego. Motion made by Judith Coates to accept Constance Rego's application. Seconded by Vicki East. Application will be voted on at the general membership meeting in Winston Salem at the Forsyth Kennel Club shows.

OLD BUSINESS

*Need to find a member who would be willing to administer the AKC Marketplace for the club.

*Any annual awards needs to be given to Linda Fowler.

NEW BUSINESS

* None.

Motion made by Cathy Rubens to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Vicki East. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Vicki East

Help our Webmaster!

Please send information regarding trophies, baskets, volunteers, meeting dates, list of people who will talk about their breed at scheduled meetings, updated membership list, request form for the specialty clubs, etc. If you have a form or document in a pdf file that you want on the website, please send it to her and she will post it on the website. If you have a link from AKC or somewhere else please send it to her and she will post it on the website. She needs your website url and contact information for so this can posted, too. Contact Laura at: (704) 276-3038 (home), (704) 477-8684 (cell), or catsquarerader@aol.com.

**Sherry Harman, Treasurer
wants to remind everyone to
PLEASE
send in your
MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL NOW!!!**

REMINDER: WE WILL BE HOLDING A **2-DAY RAFFLE!**
Send any raffle items or fully made baskets to Judith Coates! Also, please let her know if and when you would be available to sell raffle tickets and watch over the table. One of the perks is that you will get prime grooming for free if you are helping them out! Contact Judith at: (704) 243-3281 (home), (908) 625-1249 (cell) or email: ferncrestrott@yahoo.com

Announcements

North Carolina Federation of Dog Clubs

From: "Steve Wallis stephenmwallis@bellsouth.net [NCFDC]"

The NCFDC is pleased to announce the scheduling of a presentation by NAIA founder and President, Patti Strand. Patti will speak at the Jim Graham building on the NC State Fairgrounds on Friday March 25, 2016. We are very pleased Patti could fit a North Carolina appearance into her busy schedule. Her subject will be "Saving Purebreds Challenges and Opportunities - The important and changing role of purebred dog enthusiasts." Please pass this information on to your club members at your next meeting and invite them to attend. Patti's presentation will be during the Tarheel Circuit shows and will begin after Best in Show.

Regards,

Steve Wallis

2016 Meetings

(exact dates/times TBA)

March 31-April 3 — Concord, NC

June 4, Saturday night following SKC Concord, NC, annual awards and BBQ at Vicky and Billy East's motor home!

July — Greenville, SC

August — Greensboro, NC

November — Winston-Salem, NC

December — Winston-Salem, NC



BRAGS!



A breeders dream... this is what it's all about my friends ...Genworks Lebenswerk AKA "Dieter", co-Bred By Mary Gentlesk of Genworks Rottweilers and Cathy Rubens of Silverhill Rottweilers, completed initial training and certified with handler CWO Neal Williams USA (Ret.) 15 Sept 2015 as TAD-SAW Service dog Team number 0434 and also as Vietnam Veteran Service Dog Team VV0058. Dieter will begin training to pull his handler in a wheelchair after his 3rd birthday. In late February he will be flying in the cabin with his handler, to Washington, DC and in March, they will be visiting members of both the US House of Representatives and the US Senate and their staff to discuss veterans issues (in particular those with spinal cord injury). Like his predecessors he will become a great ambassador for his breed. Dieter was born Feb. 17, 2013, and is out of Yumbo X Coco.

For more on this wonderful team, go to <http://www.akc.org/news/rottweiler-leads-disabled-vietnam-vet-to-washington/>





BRAGS!



From Vicky Jones:

I showed my 6 month old Alaskan Malamute puppy - ***VYKON'S IXA HEART OF THE MATTER*** - in her very first shows at Clemson KC last weekend. Not only did she win **back-to-back 4 point majors (WB,BW & BOS) but won BEST BRED BY EXHIBITOR DOG IN SHOW!!!** The Bred-By competition is a really special event at these shows - the show chairman told me that the club members donate a lot of money for special prizes in memory of a beloved club member. Baby Penny won a total of \$225 in cash & a huge shadowbox framed rosette. I was truly over the moon with this win!



Penny's grandmother Elvira - Multiple BISS BGCh. ***VYKON'S KUMATA HEARTS ON FIRE RE,CGC*** - also won **SELECT** at the **Alaskan Malamute National week Regional** in Massachusetts in November. She was shown to this win from the 8-10 Veteran Bitch class. In addition, she **finished her Rally Excellent title with a first & second place win.**





BRAGS!



From Kathy Toomey:

MBIS, MBISS GCH Old Mission Lucid Dream, HOF handled by Doug Toomey and owned by Sallie Cummings and Kathy Toomey, co-owners Barbara Hainline, Tricia Smallwood and Stephanie Blades (breeder)

was **Best of Breed** at the **Great Dane Club of America National Specialty** in October 2015 in addition to being awarded **OFA Champion of Health** at the same show. She has been retired by her breeder/owner.

From Memory Armstrong:

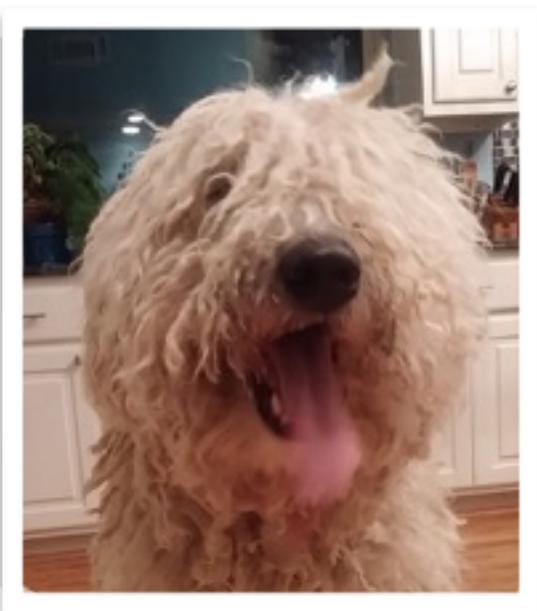
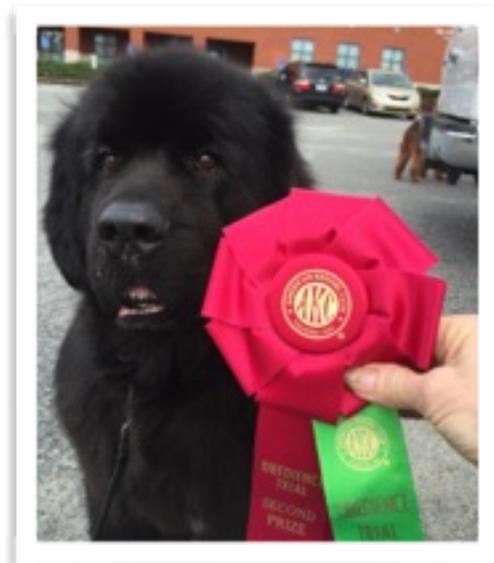
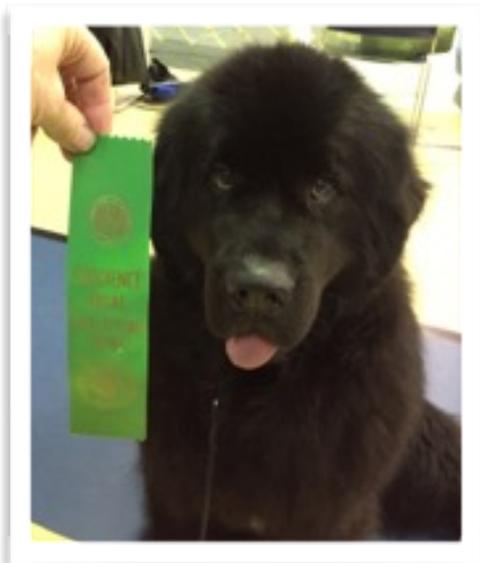
Equiss Scarletoak Double Dipped aka Tosca was ***Best Veteran at Eukanuba*** on December 13, 2015.





From Pat & Judi Randall:

GCH Cru's Instant Karma RN, aka Karma, bred and owned by Pat & Judi Randall, earned her first 2 Novice legs, including a 2nd Place at the Greater Columbia Obedience Club trials January 9 & 10!



From Christine Evans:

Ibis Icicles finished her championship in Winston-Salem on Nov 7th. She is the **4th champion for her sire**, the Harmans' BIS BISS GCH CH Meadow View Officer N A Gentleman. One down, one to go as her litter sister *Ibis I Was Lost* is still at the shows.

(as you can see, she is just so thrilled...!)

*In Memory of
BIS BISS GCH Meadow View Officer N A Gentleman
"Major"*

October 9, 2004 ~ October 13, 2015

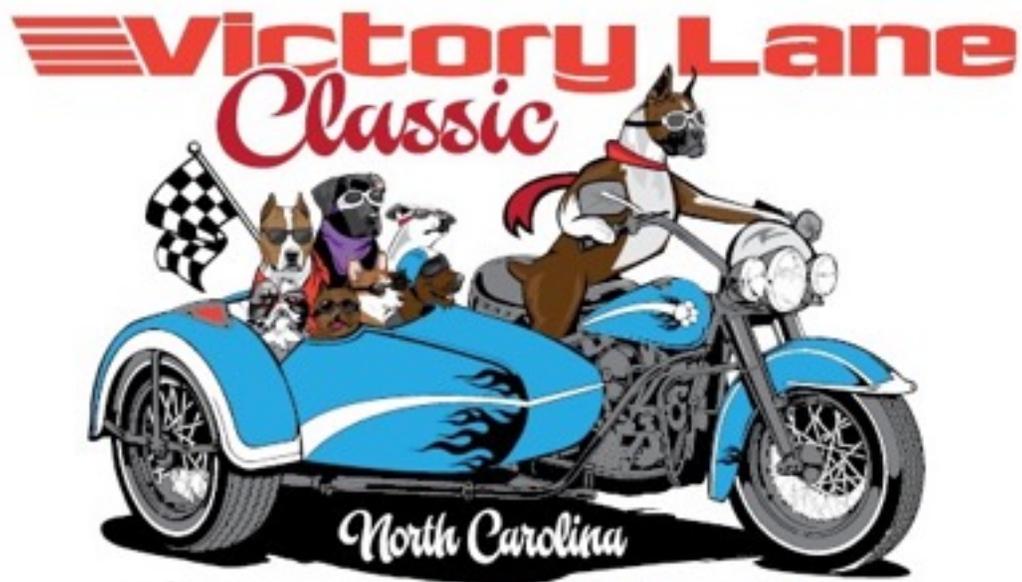


*Silently we grieve
And brush away our tears
The memories you left behind
Will last throughout the years*

Bred and always owner-handled by Sherry & Mike Harman
Co-owner Janet Cupolo

Major was a wonderful boy and was loved by many. Most show people remember him lying on his mat waiting to be shown, on his back with his feet in the air. He loved the attention that he received and was a wonderful ambassador for the breed. We miss him more than words can convey.





On Their New Dates

"Nothing Could Be Finer than to be in Carolina"

4 All-Breed Dog Shows,
Combined Specialities
2 Group Shows

★ One Location ★

Thursday, June 02, 2016

Greater Hickory Kennel Club

Friday, June 03, 2016

Fayetteville Kennel Club

Carolina Working Group Assoc.

Saturday, June 04, 2016

Salisbury NC Kennel Club

Havanese Club of America

Carolina Working Group Assoc.

Sunday, June 05, 2016

Salisbury NC Kennel Club

American Rottweiler Club

Barn Hunt ★ Dock Driving ★ Weight Pull
AKC "My Dog Can Do That"
Health Clinics Saturday

Cabarrus Arena & Events Center

Hwy 49, Concord, NC

*pending AKC approval

Don't Miss! Victory Lane Classic



UPDATE: **

- 4 All-Breed Shows
- Carolina Working Group concurrent Friday and Saturday afternoon, giving working breeds 6 chances at winning!
- Havanese Specialty on Saturday
- Rottweiler Specialty on Sunday.

June 2-5, 2016

Cabarrus Arena & Events Center, Concord NC

ESTEEMED JUDGES

Vicki Allenbrand, USA

Carol S. Brown, USA

Warner Cespedes Arias, Costa Rica

Linda Berberich, USA

Rick Blanchard, USA

Richard Bohannon, USA

Carrie Chase, USA

Linda Fowler, USA

Peter Gaeta, USA

Celeste Gonzales, USA

Peggy Hauck, USA

Shelley Hennessy, USA

Sandra Pretari Hickson, USA

Cheri Hollenback, USA

Kim LeBlanc, Canada

Ron Menaker, USA

Vldimir Mihaljcic, Serbia

David Miller, USA

Thomas Parrotti, USA

William Rodriguez, Costa Rica

Cathy Rubens, USA

Sally Yancey, USA



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Barn Hunt * Dock Driving * Weight Pull

AKC "My Dog Can Do That"

Health Clinics Saturday