



## President's Message

Hello Carolina Working Group Members,

I hope you enjoyed your holidays! Now that we are in a new year, don't forget to pay your dues!

In November, our first A Match was held in conjunction with the Concord Speedway Classic. This fun event was held flawlessly and was approved by AKC. I cannot say enough good things about how our members come together and support each other to have a successful event.

This past December we had great food and a fun gathering at the Winston Salem shows for our club's annual holiday event. The weather cooperated and we enjoyed visiting by the East's motor home! Thank you goes out to Vicki East for coordinating our party, again.

Jay was kind enough to set up and man an information table which generated some new guests at our meeting and new member applications. Several of our board members have been brainstorming ideas to entice new members to our club. Please, if you are willing to aid us in this, we can use your ideas and energies.

Now on to 2013!!! I am so excited; our website is coming together so very nicely, thanks to Bob Vandiver. <http://carolinawga.com/>

Jay Kuster and his team have been very busy setting up for our second A Match. We will be discussing the timing of this and our FIRST POINT SHOW (yes, it is within our grasp!) at the meetings in Greenville, SC on Feb 16<sup>th</sup>. Remember that these shows close Jan 30<sup>th</sup>, so make plans to attend!

PLEASE contact Jay ([jaySKuster@hotmail.com](mailto:jaySKuster@hotmail.com)) and let him know what you can do to help to make this a spectacular event! This is the best way to get to know everyone. If you don't know what to do: ask, I am sure Jay can find something you will excel at doing.

See y'all at the GVL shows!!!

**Cathy Rubens**

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## **Board Meeting Teleconference September 19, 2012**

The Meeting was called to order by Cathy Rubens, President at 7:30 PM.

Present were Jay Kuster, Jerry Cole, Cathy Rubens, Bob Busby, Vicki East, Sherry Harman, and Karen Cole.

We immediately went into a work session to plan the upcoming A Match. Jay Kuster, Match Chair took over the meeting at this time.

Two copies of the Premium List and Match Information needed to be sent to the AKC immediately.

Premium List composition was discussed line by line.

Vicki East made the motion to give Jay Kuster expense money for the match. Bob Busby seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

Vicki East will serve as the Match Secretary and Matt Townsend has volunteered to make the Catalog. Vicki and Matt will work on the catalog together.

Kathy Toomey will be asked to chair the Raffle.

Bob Busby volunteered to give stuffed toys to each entry at the match.

Terri Cogdill will be asked to do the judges hospitality. Cathy Rubens and Jerry and

Karen Cole donated restaurant gift certificates for the judge's gifts.

It was decided to publish the newsletter after the Match. Bob Busby made the motion and Vicki East seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

Vicki and Billy East will have a club cook out if the weather cooperates. Jerry made the motion to hold a meeting/cook out at the shows. Bob Busby seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

Bob Busby made the motion to adjourn. Jerry Cole seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

Respectively submitted by

Karen Cole  
Recording Secretary

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## **Board Meeting Concord, North Carolina November 16, 2012**

Meeting is called to order at 7:25 PM by Cathy Rubens, President.

Present were Jay Kuster, Cathy Rubens, Jerry Cole, Karen Cole and Vicki East.

Report of the President: Cathy welcomed everyone and Thanked them for coming to the A Match and supporting the club.

There was no quorum so no business could be conducted.

Cathy announced that we would have a meeting and celebration of the match at Winston-Salem, NC.

Vicki East reported that at the Winston-Salem meeting we would have a lunch and Dirty Santa.

The Meeting Adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectively submitted by

Karen Cole  
Recording Secretary

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## **General Membership Meeting Concord, North Carolina November 17, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 4:57 PM by Cathy Rubens, President.

Each person introduced themselves.

The September minutes were approved as published. The motion to approve them was made by Lou Guthrie. The motion was seconded by Beverly Eichel.

Cathy Rubens announced that we would meet in December at the Winston Salem shows. We would meet and celebrate the success of the match.

The new Junior Member was introduced. It was also announced that our new junior member had gone Best Junior Handler.

Lou Guthrie made the motion to adjourn at 5:29 PM. Vicki East seconded the motion.

Present at the meeting were:

Lou Guthrie  
Cathy Rubens  
Jerry Cole  
Pat Sutler  
Angie Sutler  
Vicki East  
Billy East  
Beverly Eichel  
Karen Cole  
Dionne Reep  
Becker Reep (Junior)

Visitor  
Sheila Goffe

Respectively Submitted by  
Karen Cole  
Recording Secretary

Approved as Written December 8, 2012.

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**Welcome  
New Member**  
and our first Junior!

Becker Reep, Weaverville, NC

### **Next Newsletter**

*is scheduled to go out April 15.  
Please have all items to me  
crunewfs@comcast.net)  
no later than Apr. 10!*



## *Winston-Salem Christmas Luncheon*

I want to thank everyone who came to the CWGA December Luncheon. The weather was quite cooperative and we were able to gather outside and enjoy both the sunshine and fellowship. Several guests (and I hope potential new members) were in attendance. Cathy Rubens conducted a short, but sweet meeting to introduce the club and attending members to our guests. By the looks of the table after the meeting I think the food was enjoyed by all!!!

*Vicki East*



*Thank you, Cathy Rubens for taking these photos!*





## *Winston-Salem, NC Christmas Luncheon*

*Thank you, Cathy Rubens for taking these photos!*



*These super accomplishments and terrific pictures were submitted by Vicky Jones. Gotta love Malamutes in the snow!*



My 9 year old Alaskan Malamute "Karl" - **CH. ALUK BUILDING A DREAM, ROM, BN, RE, CGC, WWPDX, SAM** - finished his Rally Excellent title at the Oct. Newnan KC show with another 1st place win in Rally Excellent B. Karl is also the sire of 17 Champions (so far) from just 5 litters and has his Working Weight Pull Excellent title, pulling a personal best of 2,565 lbs. on carpet.

His son "Elliott" - **GCH. & INT. BIS CH. VYKON'S LICENSE TO CHILL, CD, RE, CGC, WWPDX, SAM** - won both the Rally Advanced B & Rally Excellent B classes at the 2012 National Specialty. Both these dogs were also awarded special "Serviceable Alaskan Malamute" titles at the same national. We're proud of our Malamutes that are more than just "pretty faces!"





*Cindy and Glenn Niske, **Seventh Heaven Great Danes**  
are proud to announce the arrival of Willow's litter of **eleven**  
on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2012*

*Ch Seventh Heavens You Betcha! x Seventh Heavens Encore Presentation, AOM*

*In memory of...*

***Ch Cru's Icon Space Cowboy, "Maurice"**  
July 11, 2001 - Dec. 7, 2012 (Newfoundland)  
Owners: Pat & Judi Randall*



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# *Announcements and Reminders*

## **\*\*\* MATCH NEWS \*\*\***

Pending AKC approval, our next A Match will be held on June 8, 2013 in Asheville, NC.

Contact Jay Kuster ([jayskuster@hotmail.com](mailto:jayskuster@hotmail.com)) to find out how YOU can help!

## **\*\*\* BREED MENTORS \*\*\***

*If you are a Breed Mentor, or are looking to be mentored, please let Lou Guthrie know ([roughseaspwds@aol.com](mailto:roughseaspwds@aol.com)).*

## ***Next CWGA Meeting***

***Saturday, February 16, in Greenville, SC***

*The Board meeting is at 12 noon, and our general membership meeting is scheduled to follow the Working Group (approx 4:30) in the room behind the stairs, next to the super's desk. This room can be accessed through the double glass doors to the right of the bathrooms.*