

SHORTHAIR TALES

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

FALL IS CLOSE APPROACHING, THE COOL WEATHER FINALLY ARRIVED AND HUNTING SEASON IS OPEN!! THE DOGS ARE DANCING AND THE HUNTERS ARE PRIMED.....AHH, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL TIME OF YEAR!

I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR ALL THE HARD WORK THEY PUT INTO OUR EVENTSPAT AND FRED FOR ORGANIZING, CHAIRING AND RUNNING OUR SHOW EVENTS. PAULINE FOR ALWAYS FEEDING US THE MOST ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL SENSATIONS TO OUR PALLETS AND HER OUTSTANDING RAFFLES! SCOTT, STEVE, PAT AND LOU FOR THE SUCCESSFUL FIELD EVENTS, AND TO THOSE WHO ARE PLANNING NEW UPCOMING EVENTS TO BROADEN OUR HORIZONS, AS CASSANDRA IS WORKING ON GETTING US OUR FIRST GSPCA WATER TESTS!, AND MEGAN FOR HELPING WITH ORCHESTRATING PHOTOGRAPHY FOR IT ALL.

WE HAD A VERY SUCCESSFUL SPECIALTY SHOW AND CONGRATULATE ALL THE WINNERS! WE AGAIN HAD A WONDERFUL DAY WITH NEW AND OLD FRIENDS, WATCHED THE CUTE PUPS IN SWEEPS STRUT AROUND STARTING THEIR CAREERS, TO THE VETERANS REMEMBERING HOW IT WAS AND THRILLED TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOW THE YOUNGSTERS HOW IT SHOULD BE DONE! AND THAT THEY DID!! DON'T EVER LET THOSE GRAY FACES FOOL YOU! ONCE A GSP WITH HEART, ALWAYS A GSP WITH HEART!

I CLOSE WITH WISHING EVERYONE A SUCCESSFUL HUNTING SEASON WITH THEIR FAVORITE GSP, YOUNG AND OLD.

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Subject: Hutchison Canine Reproduction Seminar

This fall's Dr Robert Hutchison canine reproduction seminar is to be held Saturday, October 2, 2010, at the Sheraton Harborside Hotel in Portsmouth, NH. This event is hosted by York County Kennel Club of Maine, Inc. The cost is \$99 per person which, for those who have attended one of "Dr Hutch's" seminars can attest that this is a wise investment.

Please feel free to cross-post, to make copies and distribute at your upcoming canine events and to publish in your newsletters. All serious dog breeders and veterinary folks are welcomed to attend.

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THIS PICTURE WAS SUBMITTED BY
PEG GAGNON
LOU WAS OUT HUNTING LAST YEAR AND
IN THE FOREGROUND YOU CAN SEE
THAT REALLY NEAT WHITE PHEASANT!

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

A meeting of the Katahdin German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Greater Portland was held on Sunday, August 1, 2010 at Sharpe's Farm in Hopkinton, NH. In attendance were Scott Neal, Kate Van Francis, Steve Marcq, Lou Gagnon, Jeremy Thompson and Pat Russell. The meeting commenced at 9:20 AM.

President's Report: Tabled.

Secretary's Report: Pat reported on requests from the National Field Trial organization for a delegate and submission of an advertisement for their catalog. The members present voted not to offer an ad. Should a club member be in Kansas in October and wish to be the delegate it would be welcome.

Treasurer's Report: Waiting to finalize our corporate Wilderness Adventures membership – spots are still available. We are up-to-date on our expenses and are doing well with our balance.

New Members: No new members.

Show Committee: Pat reported that we are all set with our Specialty at the Cheshire County show August 8th. We have good entries – 17 Sweeps and 49 in the regular classes. Pauline will be doing the

raffle again. Thank you Pauline! We are also all set for our Supported Entry at the Carroll County September 11th in North Conway

Hunt Test Committee: Scott is finalizing the judges and the premiums will go out soon.

Club Championship: It has been hard to find a good date for this – we will discuss further at the next meeting.

Training Days: Jeremy offered to do a training day and Scott offered to help – they will be looking at available days and we will let everyone know if it can be worked out. September is a busy month, and then October is hunting month.

Rescue: They continue to do a great job in finding homes and foster homes for GSPs. We suggest that everyone explore their website, www.gsprescuene.org, as it is full of great information and occasional requests from GSP owners.

- **Legislative Report:** Pat passed around a copy of the legislative report from DOGS (Dog Owners of the Granite State) showing legislation enacted in 2010 and bills defeated in 2010. The list, as well as other information about the organization, can be found at www.nhdogs.org

Old Business: None

New Business: None

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM. The next meeting will be held after the hunt test on Saturday, September 18th.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Russell, Secretary.



KATAHDIN SPECIALTY REPORT

Katahdin held its Specialty Show on Sunday, August 8th with the Cheshire Kennel Club in Keene, NH. We had great entries - 17 in sweeps and 49 in the Regular Classes, which included Veterans, Hunting Dogs/Bitches and a Brood Bitch. It was wonderful to have such a nice and varied show of dogs. Many thanks to Sweeps judge Donna Howe and the Regular classes judge Chis Walkowicz for judging our event, and putting up with some rather hot weather. We were given the end ring, which is nice and large, so our dogs were able to really strut their stuff, and then cool off in the adjacent tent.

Congratulations to all the winners, and as always, Katahdin members rallied together and put on a great food table and Pauline ran another successful raffle. Member participation in these events is what makes them work, and your input is most appreciated.



BRAGS

Sunrise Party Of One was WD at the Saratoga KC show to win his 4th point. Uno is our 10 month old solid liver singleton pup sired by CH Shomberg's Browning Citori ROM out of Sunrise Reason To Believe NAJ OJP.

Lorie Crain

"Moxie" **Skypoint's Dream On Irish Gal** went reserve to the five point major at the specialty in Keene, NH. Then this passed weekend she got her "JH" in four straight braces at the Mayflower/VCCNE double header hunt test.

Megan Borden

Deb & Steve Broad - Bear Mountain

At the Katahdin GSP supported entry in N. Conway, our "Ava" aka "The Wrecking Ball" (**Bear Mtns Sierra High Frequency**) was Best in Puppy Sweeps, Winners Bitch and Best of Winners. She is by our "Boomer" Ch Bear Mtns Blueridge Illusion, JH out of our "Lulu" **Ch Bear Mtn Sierra Hi-Resolution, JH**.

"Lulu" aka The Lick'n Machine, also came for the ride and was Best in Veterans Sweeps and Select Bitch. She is by 2xNSS Ch Prairiestars Maverick out of A/C Ch Bear Mt Sierra Hi-Fashion.

Our new solid boy to the ring, uncle "Spencer" **Bear Mt Blue Ridge Eclipse, JH**, was winners dog. He is by our favorite ticked boy Ch Wildapples Griffin, JH owned by the Thompsons out of our favorite liver girl Ch Bear Mt Blue Ridge Paradox, JH, and loved dearly by **Barbara Desjardins**. Many thanks to her for her continued devotion to this great dog and all the events offered to our furkids.



Healthy Practices.
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How to Tell if Your Dog is in Pain.

Dogs feel pain for many of the same reasons as humans: infections, dental problems, arthritis, bone disease and cancer. They also feel discomfort following surgical procedures.

Unfortunately, unlike humans, they are unable to speak to us about when and where they hurt.

You are in the best position to look for the subtle changes in behavior that may indicate your pet is suffering. It's important to stay alert to these signs, because the sooner your dog's pain is diagnosed and treated, the sooner he or she can heal and resume a normal, happy life.



If your dog shows one or more of these behaviors and you suspect it may be due to pain, notify your veterinarian immediately.

VOCALIZING:

- Whining
- Howling
- Whimpering
- Yelping
- Groaning
- Grunting

DAILY HABITS:

- Decreased appetite
- Withdraws from social interaction
- Changes in sleeping or drinking
- Lapses in housetraining
- Sleeps more

SELF-MUTILATION:

- Licking
- Biting
- Scratching a particular part of its body

ACTIVITY LEVEL:

- Restless
- Reluctant to move
- Difficulty getting up from a laying position
- Repetitively gets up and lies down
- Trembling, circling or lying very still
- Seeks more affection than usual

FACIAL EXPRESSION:

- Grimaces, vacant stare
- Glazed, wide-eyed or looks sleepy
- Enlarged pupils
- Flattened ears
- Pants excessively when at rest

GROOMING:

- Coat lacks normal shine
- Hair stands up in places

SELF-PROTECTION:

- Protects a body part
- Doesn't put weight on a limb
- Limp
- Doesn't want to be held or picked up
- Hides

AGGRESSIVE:

- especially a previously friendly dog*
- Acts out of character
 - Growls, hisses, bites
 - Pins ears back
 - A normally aggressive dog may act quiet, docile

POSTURE:

- Hunched, with hindquarters raised and front end down on the ground
- Lays on its side

FOR UPDATES, NEWS, UPCOMING EVENTS AND PUPS AVAILABLE, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.KATAHDINGSP.ORG

Don't Forget....

Start composing those stories of your history with the breed or memorable moments for upcoming newsletters!



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