

A.G.R.C. Rug Rag

January, 2007

Specialty Highlights

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Best In Sweepstakes
Golddance Topspin Impact By Goldstorm



Best Of Opposite Sex in Sweepstakes
Amica's Exuberant Spirit



CH SUMMIT'S SOME KIND A WONDERFUL

Back to Back AGRC Specialty Wins for "Watts", owned by Sherri Hurst



Best of Opposite Sex (Regular Classes)
Gower A River Runs Free



Best Of Winners
Touchgold MWM Spirit Of Contempo

MEETING 01/20/07

This months meeting will be held in conjunction with the wine and cheese party please see this page for more info!

Eat, Drink, And Be Golden!

Annual Wine and Cheese Party
Saturday January 20th, 6:30 p.m.
4013 Chancery Court, 78681
(Home of Linda and Jerry Reitzel)

Please bring your favorite bottle of wine (or two) and your favorite cheese appetizer! And remember, the January general club meeting will be held in conjunction with this party! Please make plans to attend!

Meeting Notes – November 16th 2005

The meetings was held on Wednesday November 15, 2006 at the Brick Oven.

In attendance:

Susan King	Stacey Robinson
Donna Tarbox	Linda Reitzel
Jerry Reitzel	Mark Slevin
Linda James	Terri Post
Jane Fish	James Wommack
Melissa Jones	Judi Hollenbeck
Debby Gower	Sheri Carlson
Mia Nieman	Helen Dorrance
Lindsey Carlson	(guest)

The meeting was called to order by Debby Gower, President.

Melissa Jones was welcomed as the new secretary.

Specialty debriefing: Our specialty was discussed in detail. Many club members received glowing remarks from exhibitors regarding the hospitality table, raffle and food that was provided. Others received less positive feedback, including suggestions to improve the specialty for next year. Among those were: attaining a more highly regarded judge, even if this does include an increased expense. Also recommended was more advertising in advance to try and increase our entries. Also mentioned was the need for the premiums to be sent via U.S. post rather than email. There was a general concern with organization, advanced planning, and attempts to

increase the number of entries and therefore profit for the club.

A committee has been formed consisting of Judi Hollenbeck, Susan King, and Jane Fish to begin the search for next year's judges.

The nominating committee has been formed will be compiling the list of candidates for the 2007 Board of Directors. The candidates will be announced in the January Rug Rag and should anyone else be interested in running or office they can add their name to the ballot at the Wine and Cheese Party on January 20th. The election will take place at the general meeting on March 21st.

Jane Fish announced that the rescue dog that AGRC paid for a hip replacement for is still living in the Onion Creek Kennel. She is sweet, loving and fully recovered. While the kennel facility may be fine for recovery, three years is far too long, it is no home! "Ruby" is looking for a foster or permanent home! Contact Jamie at 512-445-5121 for more information!

Judi Hollenbeck and Melissa Jones are having hunter green polos and long sleeved denim button down

shirts made with an embroidered golden retriever head study and the text, "Austin Golden Retriever Club" surrounding. Anyone interested in purchasing should fill out the order form on the last page of the newsletter.

Susan King announced that she has some experience in tracking and would like to start a group of members interested in the activity.

Linda Reitzel won the door prize offered!

Helen gave a brief update on the upcoming agility trial. She remarked that the entries as of the meeting date were relatively small and surmised that this could be due our trials conflict with another in the area. Members in attendance were given the opportunity to sign up for volunteer positions, and Helen will be contacting them directly with their assignments.

Mia Nieman is taking care of the 2005 trophies, which she award at the Wine and Cheese party on January 20th, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned.

**As some of you may have noticed there were signs on the tables and an announcement was made regarding member's personal conversations taking place during the meeting, and impeding on our attempts at expediting the process. We very much appreciate everyone's cooperation in the matter; our meeting was completed efficiently and in record time! We hope to follow this precedent at future meetings!!
Thanks again!**

Braggs and Wags.....

- "Secret" – Rosefire Sumthin to Believe N (Nieman/Dorrance) earned her OJP (Open Agility Jumpers with Weaves Preferred) and OAP (Open Agility Preferred)
- "Journey" – Gower's Scentimental Journey (Gower/Nieman) finished her Championship on November 19th! Way to go Jo!!
- "BJ" – CH. Sheffield's Makin Whoopie Pie JH, WC (Yeager/Sheffield) completed his CD, making him eligible for a VC!
- "Irie" – Murphey's Praying For Gold (Murphey) completed her Senior hunter title, making her dad (Sabre) a new outstanding sire!

Congratulations members, on all of your wonderful accomplishments!

Members Fare Well at Specialty!

- “Sasha” – Amica’s Exuberant Spirit (Nieman) went Best Opp in Sweepstakes!
- “Rio” – Gowers A River Runs Free (Sharp/Gower) won winners dog and Best of opposite Sex in the Regular classes!
- “Jonas” – Plantanoro’s Save The Last Dance (James) won the 12-18month class!
- “Pete” – Allibeck’s For Pete’s Sake (Senterfitt/Weisbart), Mariner’s Doubleshot (King) and Gi-Ki’s Fire In The Sky (Yeager), all had fun in the 12-18 month class placing 1st through 3rd, respectively!
- “Jaycee” – Gower’s Last Picture Show (Gower) went Reserve Winner Bitch!
- “Secret” – Rosefires Sumthin To Believe N (Nieman) won the American Bred Class!
- “Charming” – Amica Advent Have a Little Faith (Nieman) won the Bred By Class!
- “Irie” – Murphey’s Praying For Gold (Murphey) won the Hunting Retriever Class!
- “Joey” – Deauxquest Golden Knight’s High Hopes (Reitzel) and “Cherry” – Sheffield’s Cherry Garcia (Jones) both qualified in the obedience trial and placed 1st and 2nd respectively.
- “R-B’s Little Engine That Could” (Jewell) won our High In Trial!
- Tyler Carlson showing “Aimee” won Best Junior Handler!



“Charming”



“Jaycee”



“Secret”



“Cherry”



“Joey”



2007 Board Candidates

The 2007 Board of Director nominees have been selected and are as follows:

President – Judi Hollenbeck
Vice President – Debby Gower
Treasurer – Linda James
Secretary – Melissa Jones

Board Members: Mia Nieman, Jane Fish, Diane Senterfitt, and James Wommack

Should anyone like to run for a board position, they can make their requests known at the Wine and Cheese Party (January Meeting) on Jan. 20th, and will be added to the ballot.

The voting will take place at the March 21st, 2007.

New Years Resolution: Learn More from My Dog!

If a dog was the teacher you would learn stuff like:
When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.
Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride.
Your day can be improved by hanging your head out the car window!
When it's in your best interest, practice obedience.
Let others know when they've invaded your territory.
Take naps. Stretch before rising.
Run, romp, and play daily.
Thrive on attention and let people touch you.
Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.
On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.
When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.
No matter how often you're scolded, don't buy into the guilt thing
and pout. Run right back and make friends.
Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.
Eat with gusto and enthusiasm, and stop when you have had enough.
Be loyal. Never pretend to be something you're not.
If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.
When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by and nuzzle
them gently.

Tracking Class Being Offered

New Member Susan King has much experience with the sport of Tracking, and would like to share her knowledge with other members that are interested in beginning to train! She will be teaching a course covering theory, equipment and AKC regulations, and then would like everyone to begin working with their dog with her help! If you are interested she asks that you contact her as soon as possible and after gauging interest and availability she will choose a day to begin!

Much thanks to Susan for initiative and willingness to share her knowledge!
 Contact her for more information at:
 spyder1@ix.netcom.com
 512-262-0165h or 512-818-7779c



Susan's dog "Bud" shows us how it's done!

AGRC Embroidered Shirt Offer

Lovely hunter green polos costing \$20.00 and button down denim shirts costing \$22.00 are being embroidered with a golden retriever head study and the text "Austin Golden Retriever Club" encircling it. We are happy to offer them to club members until February 28th only! Please submit this order form A.S.A.P. if you would like to purchase a shirt!

Polos: Quantity _____ Sizes: _____
 Denim: Quantity _____ Sizes: _____

Please note whether your size is Male (M) or Female (F)

Example: Quantity: 3 Sizes: Medium (F), Small (M), X-Large (F)

The Shirts will be available at the March general meeting (3/21/07). If you would like your shirt shipped to you, please add \$4 for one shirt and \$8 for two or more.

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

Number of Polos X \$20 = _____
 Number of Denim X \$22 = _____
 Shipping (if applicable) = _____
 Total Enclosed = _____

Please return this completed form along with your check made payable to A.G.R.C. to
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2007 DUES ARE DUE

Single Membership: \$15, Family Membership: \$20

Please make checks payable to AGRC and mail to
Linda James, 900 N Canyonwood Dr. Dripping Springs, TX, 78620

*(Please remember, all dues are requested in January, late after April 1st,
And membership will be terminated 30 days thereafter for nonpayment!)*

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