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President's letter

Our specialty will be here in just over one month. The show committees have been working very hard to make this year's show every bit as great as last year's show, and things are coming together. The premium lists are out and entries are coming in. We have a slightly different venue for this year which we think you will find as welcoming and enjoyable as Chukkar farms. We are all looking forward to seeing all of our friends and exhibitors and having another great time. If you have not yet volunteered to help and would like to do so just let Jodi Martin, me, or any board member know and we will be glad to find something for you to help us with. If you have not yet donated to the raffle and would like to please get in touch with Dale or Shannon. The raffle is very important to the show and anything you can send their way will be greatly appreciated.

If you can attend the October meeting please make plans to do so. As Neil Martin has said we will be having a program and our annual election is set for that meeting.

We hope to see you at the meeting this month and next month at the show.

Barry Staple



MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 21ST.

Location: 3160 Francis Rd, Alpharetta, GA 30004

(770) 664-7178

@ [Canine Assistants](#)

Time: 7:30 PM

Please plan on joining us to hear insights from Dr. Bruner regarding his experiences - tried and true - along with innovative new ideas regarding canine health and reproduction.



The regular monthly meeting of the Club will be held on the third Tuesday of each month. Board members will commence their meeting at 7:00 p.m. and membership will meet immediately following at 7:30 p.m. As always members are invited to the Board meeting.

We hope to see you there!



MEMBERSHIP

Membership Dues Reminder

Our membership dues for 2015 will be due starting 11/1/14.

Please completely fill out this form and return it with your check so that we can keep our records up to date.

\$20.00 individual ~ \$25.00 family ~ \$15 Associate

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Please make checks out to GALRC and mail to:

Jim Griffin

130 Hickory Pointe Dr.

Athens, Ga. 30605

Member's breeder directory

To be included in the breeder's directory of the club's website, please e-mail the following information to our Website master: [Jean McLain](#)

Kennel name, Contact person, Website URL address, e-mail address, phone number and a brief description of your practices. You may include any updated information about current litters.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Shannon and I are doing the Specialty Raffle in November again this year. Thanks to all of you and many generous friends and companies we had a wonderful response and it is our goal to beat that this year! So please start looking around at stores, shows and even attics and basements for items to donate. Nothing is too small - the \$1.00 table was a huge hit!!! So let's get started early and start collecting!!!! You can call Shannon or me with any questions.

Thanks so much in advance!!!!!!

Dale



Join our Facebook page!

You can help the club by joining the specialty page and share it with your friends.

I have created a Facebook page for our show, and all club members and other interested people are welcome to join. I have looked for many of you on Facebook and some I have found and added, others I could not find. The group is called Greater Atlanta Labrador Retriever Club Specialty Show. Please join us! A request will come to me for me to approve so please give me 24 hrs to respond. I will be posting show updates as they come along.

My email is plumtreejk@aol.com if anyone has any issues or needs to find me.

Thanks,

Julia



ANNOUNCEMENTS

2015 Nominations: Officers & Board Members

The 2015 GALRC Nominating Committee (Neil Martin, Jim Griffin and Diana Meador) are pleased to offer the following slate of individuals for the 2015 Officer and Board positions for the club members consideration:

Officers:

President: Barry Staples

Vice President: Shannon Carlton

Corresponding Secretary: Linda Jordan

Recording Secretary: Sylvia Gay

Treasurer: Jodi Martin

Board Members:

Julia Kuni

Jim Griffin

Carol Quaif

Neil Martin

Final voting for the 2015 slate will occur at the October meeting, scheduled for Tuesday, October 21st, 2014. This meeting will be held at Canine Assistants, Francis Road, Alpharetta GA. The vote will take place after the scheduled program "Canine Health & Reproduction" presented by Kent Bruner, DVM. Please join us!!!



Service and Emotional Support Dogs for Veterans

The mission:

K2 trained canines have served with distinction clearing IEDs and protecting marines, soldiers and sailors on the battlefield and have saved countless lives. They are the dogs of war, true. But they are the dogs of home, too, providing these men and women with comfort and companionship while they are so far away from family, friends and all they hold dear.

Now, because many of our returning warfighters are suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), K2's commitment to them has become even more deeply ingrained. K2 has joined forces with the Armed Forces Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to supporting and advocating for active-duty military personnel, National Guardsmen, Reservists, military families, and veterans, to determine how service and therapy dogs can help mitigate the debilitating effects of PTSD. By leveraging AFF's advocacy on behalf of veterans and K2's practical application of canine capabilities in addressing the varied manifestations of PTSD, they will search out the best methodologies to help veterans in their fight to recover from this disorder.

As a result of their partnership, the AFF/K2 team has been awarded a contract with the Veteran's Administration in which they will assist the Veteran's Administration in studying the use of service and therapy dogs in augmenting established PTSD therapies and protocols. The AFF/K2 Team will form a dynamic team in the fight to bring health and well-being back to every American military member who has rendered honorable and faithful service to our grateful nation.

How you can help:

K2 is looking to procure environmentally sound Labrador Retrievers, Golden Retrievers, and German Shepherds between the ages of 5 and 12 months. We are reaching out to the kennel clubs and breeders in an attempt to find quality bred, emotionally and environmentally sound dogs that possess the qualities needed to make the best possible service dogs and emotional support dogs for our veterans. That is where you fit in. If you have, or know someone who may have a Lab, Golden, or German Shepherd that would make a good service dog or emotional support dog, we would love to hear from you.

All dogs procured for this effort must be in excellent health with no acute or chronic disease or condition, which could either hamper their ability to perform, or would be excessively costly to treat. Each dog must pass a health screening with our attending veterinarian prior to purchase. All dogs purchased will be placed with an approved K2 foster family and trained at the K2 Service Dog Training Center. At no time will dogs purchased be boarded at the kennel.

For more information please contact:

K2 Solutions, Inc. – Service Dog Training Center

Eric J. Babin, Service Dog Senior Trainer

ebabin@k2si.com

Office #: 910-652-3645 x 662

Cell #: 910-691-8865



NEWSLETTER DISCLAIMER

The information contained in this Newsletter is for information purposes only and does not constitute a solicitation or an offer to sell products or services.

Although GALRC believes the information on this newsletter to be correct and attempt to keep the information current, GALRC does not warrant the accuracy or completeness of any information. The information is not advice, and should not be treated as such.

GALRC makes no representations whatsoever about the products or prices asked in the Lab Yard Sale section. The representations are exclusively those of the seller and have not been investigated by us for accuracy. The ads are for the convenience of our members. All transactions are solely between buyer and seller.

DOG RULES

Dogs are never permitted in the house. The dog stays outside in a specially built wooden compartment named, for very good reason, the dog house.

Okay, the dog can enter the house, but only for short visits or if his own house is under renovation.

Okay, the dog can stay in the house on a permanent basis, provided his dog house can be sold in a yard sale to a rookie dog owner.

Inside the house, the dog is not allowed to run free and is confined to a comfortable but secure metal cage.

Okay, the cage becomes part of a two-for-one deal along with the dog house in the yard sale, and the dog can go wherever the hell he pleases.

The dog is never allowed on the furniture.

Okay, the dog can get up on the old furniture but not the new furniture.

Okay, the dog can get up on the new furniture until it looks like the old furniture and then we'll sell the whole damn works and buy new furniture ... upon which the dog will most definitely not be allowed.

The dog never sleeps on the bed. Period.

Okay, the dog can sleep at the foot of the bed.

Okay, the dog can sleep alongside you, but he's not allowed under the covers.

Okay, the dog can sleep under the covers but not with his head on the pillow.

Okay, the dog can sleep alongside you under the covers with his head on the pillow, but if he snores he's got to leave the room.

Okay, the dog can sleep and snore and have nightmares in bed, but he's not to come in and sleep on the couch in the TV room, where I'm now sleeping. That's just not fair.

The dog never gets listed on the census questionnaire as "primary resident," even if it's true.

