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Happy fall!



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

It's October and It's hard to believe how fast the time has gone by this year. Our 20th anniversary show is almost upon us and it promises to be another exciting and enjoyable time. Hotel reservations are up from this time last year and entries are beginning to come in. We think and hope that this year's show will be a great success.

We look forward to a busy weekend and can really use your help. If you have not already done so please sign up to participate with hospitality, grounds, catalogue, set up, clean up, trophies, or anything else you feel like you could help us with. Any amount of time even it is only a half hour or hour will be greatly appreciated. Any donation will go a long way to making our show a success. Call Laura Van Dalen, Julia Kuni or Neil or Jodi Martin.

If you haven't contributed to the raffle and have any items you would like to donate, please call Dale Staples (at 404 626 1835). You can also make contributions to the raffle to help with the purchase of some bigger items. Our raffle was a large money maker last year and with your help it will be again this year.

We have received many, many complements on the show, the hospitality, the grounds, the raffle, and in general how much the exhibitors liked this show. We Hope to see you there with as many dogs as you care to bring.

At this time of year, as well, the board is looking for people who might like to be more involved in leadership in the club. Neil Martin is head of the nominating committee and if you are interested. Let him know. We are considering some changes to the timing of our board elections, to give the new board more time to be involved before the show, and we are also looking at changing the length of terms to allow the board to be more cohesive in club functions. If you have comments or questions please let Neil Martin know.

We are also considering what we can do to offer some different activities to our members. We are discussing CGC, handling/judging tips and critiques, breeding, education, and other programs. If you have any interest in these activities let any board member know and we will try to get them to you.

Finally, on behalf of the Board we would all like to thank you for your support his year. We are all glad we had an opportunity to serve as your representatives on the Board and look forward to seeing you in November.

Barry Staples



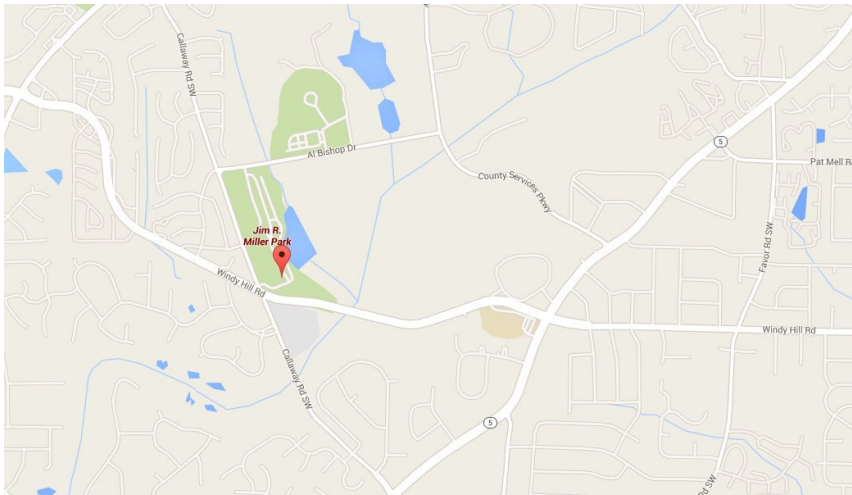
MONTHLY CLUB MEETING

OUR NEXT MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 25TH

Location: Jim R. Miller Park.
Right after Labrador Retriever BOB.

Address: 2245 Callaway Rd SW. Marietta, GA 30008

November Meeting: to be announced.



The regular monthly meeting of the Club will be held on the Fourth Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. As always, all club members are invited.

We hope to see you there!



MEMBERSHIP

Membership Dues Reminder

Our membership dues for 2015 are due on 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

**Remember to support our club by
renewing your membership!**

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.



SEPTEMBER MEETING MINUTES

The Greater Atlanta Labrador Retriever Club meeting was held on September 23, 2015 at Mimi's Café .

The meeting was called to order by president Barry Staples, at 6:45 P.M.

Members present: Lisa Bailey, Linda Jordan, Julia Kuni, Jodi Martin, Neil Martin, Barry Staples.

Treasurer's report: the current balance in the \$499.67. There is a \$600.00 insurance premium due in October but we have pending deposits that will cover the premium.

Old Business:

Show report

Income: entries are beginning to come in. Primary income sources are entries, catalog ads and catalog sales. An entry if 100 is the club's breakeven point to cover expenses. The committee is confident that entries will meet or exceed that number

Future expenditures:

Grounds - 1800 .

Porta Potties - \$300.

Balance of tent rental - \$600

Rosettes - \$1200.

Trophies - \$ 980 to cover remaining trophy costs

Ring Stewards: Jim Griffin has withdrawn as ring steward because he has a litter due. Neil has located a steward who will charge \$60 per day. A motion was made, seconded and approved to hire the steward.

Show Photographer: Laura Van Dalen has offered to replace Jim.

New Business:

2016 Slate of Officers: The nominating committee was recent appointed. The members are Neil Martin, Lisa Bailey and Jim Griffin. The slate will be voted on at the October meeting.

Election Calendar and duration of the term of office. There was discussion about changing the timing of the elections and the start of the new year. With the current schedule, new officers take over immediately after the election in October. With a show in the middle of November, this can create some timing and transitions issues as new people take over from the outgoing officers. The proposal is to move the elections to a later time that will allow for



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a smoother transition. Barry will review the club constitution and by-laws to determine how this could be done. Specific proposals will be presented to the full membership at a later time. There was also some discussion about change from a 1 year term of office to a 2 year term. There were no motions made on the subject.

New members: Jodi presented the first reading for the following applicants:

Carol Murnighan - Brooksville, Fl

Samantha Fowler, Palm Bay, Fl

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Jordan, secretary



SPECIALTY UPDATE

With the nicer temperatures also comes the final stages of our specialty show preparations. This year we celebrate the 20th anniversary of the club and we want to make our show one that people will enjoy and remember for years to come. To accomplish this we need many, many volunteers to help with the planning and the actual execution of the plan.

New update:

Show Date: Saturday, November 14th & Sunday, November 15th, 2015
 Show Location: Shannondale Farms, Alpharetta GA 30004
 Host Hotel: Hyatt Place, Windward Parkway, Alpharetta (Rooms - \$79/night)

Judges:

SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
Tom Shearer - Bonaventure	Dogs and intersex	Margaret Brown - Ram-sayville	Dogs and intersex
Margaret Brown - Ram-sayville	Bitches and all non-regular classes	Tom Shearer - Bonaventure	Bitches and all non-regular classes
Laura Reich - Lor-al	All sweeps	Dan Clark - Everwood	All sweeps
Jen Howard - Waterberry	B Match		

Premium List: The premium list has been e-mailed to the members and to exhibitors that have attended to our show in the past. It has also been posted electronically on our club website, on our Facebook page, and also with InfoDog.

<http://www.infodog.com/misc/pl2015517101.pdf>

Closing Date:

Remember that the entries closing date is Friday, October 23rd, 2015.

Trophy Donations:

Thank you for all the generous donations to the trophy fund that we have received. If you haven't sent a donation, you can still do so. Please contact [Jodi Martin](#) if you wish to make a donation.

Hospitality:

The planning for our 20th Anniversary show hospitality is well underway.

The Club will be providing morning coffee, tea, hot choc, juices, fruits and donuts each day.

Our fabulous lunches on Sat and Sunday will be catered so please be sure to look at your prem list and pre-order your lunch-



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es. We still can use a couple of volunteers to help serve lunches and then assist with clean up.

Sat PM is our fabulous potluck dinner that we share with all of our exhibitors and guests. This is a great opportunity to eat while you visit with old friends and meet new ones from around the country. We are still in need of some side dishes, bagged ice and drinks. If you can contribute either with a dish or a small financial donation so that we can purchase something, please touch base with me and I can let you know our needs. AND many thanks to each of you who has already contacted me and is making a contribution of a food dish or money. This is a Club event and its success helps our specialty shine.

See you soon in Alpharetta!

Submitted by [Julia Kuni](#) and [Lisa Bailey](#)

Catalog Ads:

GALRC Members,

Our annual Specialty is quickly approaching and it is time to submit your ads for the show catalog.

Advertising in the show catalog is a great opportunity for you to showcase your kennel, a new champion, an up-and-coming youngster or your stud dog. It is also a great way to support the club. All this for just \$50 per page AND in color! Also, any-one placing ad will receive one free catalog. This is a savings of \$15.

Please submit your ads to me via email at karenarlin@hotmail.com no later than Wednesday, October 14th.

Get your ad in early as ad order in the catalog is based on the date received - first ad in, first page in the catalog ad section of our 2014 catalog.

Again the cost of a full page ad is \$50. All ads are in color and you will receive a free show catalog for advertising.

Please email me with any questions you may have. Thanks,

[Karen Arlin](#)

Match:

We are having a B match this year too, 30 minutes after Best in Show on Saturday. Our Judge is going to be Ms. Jennifer Howard. This is an awesome opportunity to give your puppies some ring experience. Classes start at 4-6 months.

Stewards:

We need Stewards for both rings on Saturday and Sunday. If you don't have dogs to show but are coming to the show, please consider helping the club by stewarding, even if it is for a couple of hours or part of a day. If you have only regular class entries you can steward for the Sweeps Ring. Stewards are very important to keep the show rings running smoothly and on schedule.

Raffle:

The Raffle Committee is working hard to make sure this year's raffle is the best ever! We are adding a Nearly New section for any lab/non lab items that are in good condition - not broken or stained. So please clean out your closets and cupboards for items! We also will have a section for used stuffed toys - kids' old toys, check thrift stores. These have been some of our dogs' all time favorites! Suggestions for donations are crates soft/hard, pipe beds, leashes, wine baskets, coffee/hot chocolate baskets, jewelry, floral arrangements, rubber boots, pooper scoopers, puppy/grooming items, toys, prints, dog beds, holiday items, waterproof gloves, etc. it's always good to check Marshall's and TJ Max for dog items. We have some very unique items this year that we hope will cause lots of excitement!!! Please let us know what items will be donated so that



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we can plan accordingly. Thanks so much for all your generosity- this can only be successful through our donations!

Dale and Flo

Club Table:

We need volunteers to help man the club table for catalog sales, lunch tickets, and match entries. Even If you can help for one hour or two, that would be a huge help. Contact [Laura van Dalen](#) if you can help. This is the easiest way to help! We need you!

Ground and parking:

We need volunteers to help Neil Martin on the grounds setting up on Friday afternoon, directing traffic on Saturday and Sunday early mornings and to pick up everything on Sunday after the show. There is a lot that need to happen in a very short time and we only have Friday afternoon to set up the rings, the tents, the parking spaces, etc. Please sign up to help. This requires several people.

With the show just a few weeks away, we are still looking for people to help in many areas. We're depending on the club's members to make this year's show a wonderful experience. There are still many opportunities to help out;

- Hospitality. Help needed Setting up and serving. Bringing goodies to complement the delicious food we'll be serving.
- Pre-ordering lunch and catalog.
- Ground set up on Friday and Saturday morning. The more people we have for this, the better. Please come and help!
- Ground pick up on Sunday.
- Help directing traffic on Saturday and Sunday morning.
- Raffle donations.
- Placing a catalog ad.
- Manning the club table and catalog sales.
- Stewarding.
- And of course by entering your dogs! Don't forget the B Match for the little ones!

We need you!

Laura van Dalen, Show Chair.

Jodi Martin, co-show Chair.

Julia Kuni, co-show Chair.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 30, 2015

Late yesterday, the U.S Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) released additional guidance in a Question and Answer format to assist pet breeders, brokers, adoption organizations, importers, transporters and other groups who may be subject to licensing under the federal Animal Welfare Act.

The [*Retail Pet Store Rules and Importation of Live Dogs Rule –Guidance for Breeders, Brokers and Importers*](#) provides information on a variety of topics and questions related to USDA regulated animal activities, such as licensing requirements for transportation of regulated animals to their new homes, breeders who sell pets overseas, breeder involvement in rescue activities, importing pets for rescue, the role of intermediate handlers, and other information.

The USDA is still determining impact on regulations from directives in the 2014 Farm Bill, including requirements related to the *de minimis* licensing exemption. AKC Government Relations is reviewing the latest guidance document and will be providing additional information, comment and updates as appropriate.

20% discount on all website design/redesign – marketing/internet marketing to GALRC members/friends. Personal or Business

It's more important than ever for Google search results that websites are responsive (resize for smartphones and tablets) as over 50% of searches are now done on mobile devices. Very reasonably priced.

Please email me, Jean McLain, jean@Business-Solutions-Center.com and let me know how I can help.

Thanks,

Jean

jean@emailjrm.com

The Nominating committee is working on the slate of individuals for the 2016 Officer and Board positions. Final voting for the 2016 slate will occur at the October meeting at the Jim R Miller Park after the Labrador Retriever BOB competition.

Please let Neil Martin know if you would like to be considered for a position in the board. His phone number is: 404-713-7116.



IN MEMORY



Dear Sylvia,

Our thoughts and prayers are with you in these difficult times.

The members of the GALRC



LINKS OF INTEREST

[Letter From Mr. Steven Gladstone to Fellow AKC Board Members and Delegates](#)

[DIGEST THIS: Kibble May Actually Digest Faster Than Raw](#)

[Joint Health in Dogs. A special educational event for dog lovers!](#)



BRAGS

Van Dalen Glitter On The Clouds

Glitter, "van Dalen Glitter On The Clouds" (GCH CH Caer Bren McLeod JH & van Dalen Sierra's Diamond Dust), went WB for her first 2 points and repeated the following day for another 2 points at the Biloxi shows. Thank you [Janice Granda](#) and team WAG for making her shine so early in her show carrier.





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