

# A.G.R.C. Rug Rag

November, 2007

## Highlights

- Meeting Minutes
- Talk from Cardiologist



Seren (Hollenbeck) with handler Diane having fun at the National!

**MEETING  
11/21/2007**

**The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.; Please arrive at 6:30 if you wish to order dinner.**

*You're cordially invited to*

*A. G. R. C.'s Annual Christmas Party*

*Saturday December 1<sup>st</sup>, 7 p.m.  
4013 Chancery Court, 78681  
(Home of Linda and Jerry Reitzel)*

*A.G.R.C. will provide the meat, but asks that all members bring at least one side dish and beverages of their choice.*

*Sign-Up for the side dishes will take place at the November meeting or through Judi Hollenbeck at [halogoldens@yahoo.com](mailto:halogoldens@yahoo.com) or 512.756.9448.*

*If you wish to participate in the auction, please bring a wrapped gift!*

## AGRC Members attend 68<sup>th</sup> National Specialty (Judi Hollenbeck)

Several AGRC members attended The 68<sup>th</sup> National Specialty that was held in Snohomish, Washington in September. The EGRC should be congratulated for all their hard work in making it one of the best Nationals ever. The weather was nice and cool, the grounds were lush and green, and seeing all the Golden Retrievers in the rings was just spectacular! We all enjoyed watching the hot air balloons, small planes, and even flocks of geese in the sky above. It was fun to see old friends and meet new ones. Many visited local restaurants to sample the luscious seafood and some took a little time off to do some sightseeing in this beautiful area. Most of the people I talked with agreed that they came home with great memories from their visit to the National and are already looking forward to Rhode Island next year!

## Meeting Notes – September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2007

### Members In Attendance:

Diane Senterfitt  
 Bryce Beasley  
 Deborah Jordan and Family  
 Debby Gower  
 Judi Hollenbeck  
 Melissa Jones  
 Linda James  
 Stacey Robinson  
 Linda Reitzel  
 Jerry Reitzel  
 Helen Dorrance  
 Mia Nieman  
 Jane Fish  
 Pat Simpson

The meeting began with a wonderful talk from Dr. Katie Meier of the Veterinary Specialty center in Round Rock. She is new to Austin and now one of two Board Certified Veterinary Cardiologists in Austin, and one of the few in Texas altogether.

Dr. Meier spoke mainly on S.A.S., its causes, treatments and prognosis, as well as took questions from club members regarding specific cases they have experienced. It was a wonderful discussion enjoyed by all.

Dr. Meier encouraged club members to contact her at the clinic for heart clearances, or other cardiovascular issues that she may be able to assist with. See her contact info on this page!

A brief general meeting was held after Dr. Meier's talk. The meeting was called to order by President Judi Hollenbeck.

Treasurer Linda James gave the treasurer's report. The general account holds \$14,275.02, and the Rescue account holds \$1,004.78. The July agility trial made the club a profit of \$1,159.21!

The club members present the voted on the 2008 Specialty Judges for Sweepstakes, Regular Conformation Classes, and Obedience. Show Chairman Melissa Jones was to begin contacting the selected judges immediately as paperwork is due to AKC very soon.

Also, Bryce Beasley was voted in as our newest club member! Congratulations Bryce!

An announcement was made reminding members of the WC/WCX to be held on October 13<sup>th</sup> at the Fuller's ranch. Some volunteers were still needed as well as an experienced bird thrower to help out for the day.

The membership was reminded of upcoming events such as the Christmas party to be held on 12/1 at 7 p.m. at the home of Linda and Jerry Reitzel. Members are

encouraged to each bring one side dish, beverages of their choice and a wrapped gift if they wish to participate in the auction.

Other upcoming events include the Agility trial at Triple Crown from 12/7-12/9 and the Wine and Cheese party on 1/19. The Wine and Cheese party, as always, will also include the January meeting, so members are encouraged to attend!

Some members discussed with Dr. Meier and other members the notion of holding a health clinic next year, possibly in conjunction with the specialty, possibly at another time to be determined.

Helen Dorrance discussed the changing tax codes, other club's current status, and how these changes may need to affect AGRC. Helen and Linda will discuss any necessary actions.

The meeting was adjourned.

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### Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Enough thanks can not be given to all those who helped out at the WC/WCX on October 13<sup>th</sup>! Theresa Yeager spearheaded the event with help (and location donation) from Roger and Kaye Fuller, and so many other members and volunteers!

It was a gorgeous day spent with talented dogs and their handlers!  
 Everyone is already looking forward to next year's event!!

Photos and more information can be found in the January Rug Rag!

## Braggs and Wags

- Kaye and Roger did well at the GRCA National Specialty Field Trial in Washington. Roger's Punch won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Qualifying Stake for a second year in a row. Roger has won the Qualifying three years in a row at the GRCA Specialty. Kaye's Brooke JAM'ed the Open and took Reserve JAM in the Qualifying. (As reported by Roger and Kaye Fuller)
- Ducat Watermark's Trivial Pursuit (Pie), CDX, RA, WETT, just received his first leg in Freestyle dance competition. Pie and Lacy Browning competed at the first Southwest World Canine Freestyle Organization's competition held in Austin on August 18th. They danced to "Let's Spend the Night Together". Their routine ended with Pie doing a "bang your dead" type of trick, where he flopped down on a pillow with Lacy, and rolled over on his back with all four feet in the air. Then, he turned over on his side, so they could "spoon". Very cute. They got first place, along with "best ending", most promising newcomers, and best handler/dog team! (As Reported by Lacy Browning)
- "Rush" - Plantanoro Topspin N Hot Purshoe-T (Johnson/Hollenbeck) placed 2nd in 6-9 Sweeps and 4th in 6-9 regular conformation class at this year's National Specialty.
- Alibi (Sidekick Brio's Perfect Alibi - Keen) went to Canada for a month before the National and came home a Canadian Champion. Edmonton KC - 3 WB, 2 BOW/BOS, 2 Best Puppy in Sporting Group; Skaha KC - 2 BOS, 2 Best Puppy in Group, and a Best Puppy in Show!
- "Perry" - Ambertrail's Keepin' the Peace\*\* (Brelsford) was a GRCA Field Trial Derby Finisher, JAM; received a Level 1 Trailing Certification from the Colorado Police K-9 Association!



New Deputy Perry!



Alibi in Canada!



Rush at the National!

## *Club Information*

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**DON'T FORGET**

**Christmas Party December 1<sup>st</sup>  
Agility Trial December 7<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup>  
Wine and Cheese Party January 19<sup>th</sup>**

**More Details Inside!**

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