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# Durham Kennel Club Newsletter

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*Our dogs make us laugh  
 providing the best medicine  
 in the world.*

*Anonymous*

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### **Gordon Setter:** **DOG OF THE MONTH**



The **Gordon Setter**, a member of the Sporting Group, is a good-sized, sturdily built, black and tan dog and is well muscled with plenty of bone and substance. He is loyal and affectionate, but strong-minded enough to stand the rigors of training. He is adaptable to guarding and family life and is considered excellent with children.

**Background:** The **Gordon Setter** comes from Scotland and dates back to at least 1620. As in many hunting breeds, there is a tendency for the field trainer to want a smaller dog than the show handler.

**Approved by the AKC: October 7, 2002; Effective November 27, 2002**

**Show Ring: Size:** Shoulder height for males, 24 to 27 inches; females, 23 to 26 inches. Weight for males, 55 to 80 pounds; females, 45 to 70 pounds. **Eyes:** The shape is oval rather than round. **Ears:** Carried close to the head. **Coat:** Soft and shining, straight or slightly waved, but not curly, with long hair on ears, under stomach and on chest, on back of the fore and hind legs, and on the tail. **Nose:** Broad, with open nostrils and black in color **Feet:** cat-like in shape, formed by close-knit, well arched toes with plenty of hair between. **Tail:** Short and not reaching below the hocks, carried horizontal or nearly so, not docked, thick at the root and finishing in a fine point. **Color:** Black with tan markings, either of rich chestnut or mahogany color. Black pencilling is allowed on the toes. The borderline between black and tan colors is

clearly defined. There are not any tan hairs mixed in the black. **Bite:** Scissors bite, with the upper incisors slightly forward of the lower incisors. A level bite is not a fault. Pitted teeth from distemper or allied infections are not penalized.

**Breeding and Whelping:** Litters average 8 to 12 with puppies weighing between 10 to 12 oz. at birth. The Gordon bitch whelps easily and is usually able to nurse even a large litter. Some breeders have reported pups with deformities in the last 2 or 3 vertebrae of the tail. The tan color is evident at birth and should deepen in color over the next 8 weeks. Predominantly tan, red or buff dogs are ineligible for showing and undesirable for breeding. The Gordon is slow to mature and can be expected to be at a physical peak as late as 6 to 8 years old.

**Disqualifications:** Predominantly tan, red or buff dogs.

**Recognized Problems: Hip dysplasia, progressive retinal atrophy and hypothyroidism.**

**Old Age:** The average life span of the **Gordon Setter** is 12 years.

*From: Ross D. Clark, DVM & Joan R. Stainer. Medical and Genetic Aspects of Purebred Dogs; AKC. The Complete Dog Book (18th ed.) and the AKC web site.*

## April Meeting

The next meeting of the DKC membership will take place on **Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**. Do plan to attend and bring a dish for our potluck dinner. The club will provide beverages. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. Furry friends at 7:30.

**April Program – The Canine Health Foundation** will provide our evening's talk.

## March Meeting Minutes

Durham Kennel Club Membership Meeting – March 21, 2005

Following a program on AKC Retriever Trials given by Burt Early, the meeting was called to order.

**Report of President:** Thank you all for being here. All you guests and new people stand up and tell us about yourselves.

The minutes of the meeting were approved as published

We have started a new year with many activities. Classes are going very well – we keep a full house in classes and it is nice to know that all our Instructors are volunteers and do such a good job.

### Report of Treasurer:

DKC Account Balance as of 3/21/05:

CCB Savings	\$30,260.09
Fowler Trophy	1,846.45
Financial Mgt. Acct.	41,899.29

**Membership:** We are up to 270 members. The new Candidates Members are: 1) Dana Mackonis, 2) Nancy Darling Handler, 3) Erin Campbell, 4) Anne Cercone, 5&6) Larry and Ilene Holmes, 7) Barbara M. Dillard, 8) Amanda L Stipe; 9) Caprice Chappas, 10&11) Gary and Janet, 12&13) Paulette and John Hicks, 14&15) Kim and Ken Pearce There were none up for Regular membership. Congratulations, all have been voted in!!

**Obedience:** Applications have gone out. Please get them back in early.

**Conformation:** There will be no class on Thursday because of the Tarheel circuit.

**Agility:** Classes start the first week of April....We will have two classes: Obstacle Familiarization at 7:00 pm and Short Sequence at 8:15 pm. Applications have gone out and they need to be sent back in ASAP.

**CGC:** 19 were entered and 18 passed.

**Newsletter:** Please keep sending the information in---We have the new "Rainbow Corner" to remember those pets whom we have lost.

**Tracking:** We had a test 3/20 with entrants from Michigan to Durham. 5 of 8 dogs passed. Brona Hicks & Semi were one of the teams that passed and Brona shared some equipment & a little information about getting started in tracking with the membership.

October is the next test and Jack will need volunteers for track laying, food help & etc.

BIG THANK YOUs to our Tracklayers this past weekend: Helen Sanderford, Buddy Amos, Yvonne Short and Scott Sappenfield. And to our Food Hostess: Lucy Sappenfield. Our club has a huge reputation for providing a wonderful luncheon after the tracking test on Sunday and this past weekend was no exception!! Thank you all very much for your help!!

**Spring Show:** Things are all lined up. We had a judge replacement, but all is going well. The Kelly building was full of stuff & Lynn will make sure that it will be clear to hold the obedience trials there!

If you want to work at the Spring Show, Contact Connie and something will be found for you! There is always something to do. Jack will help with transporting the Judges.

**Agility Trial:** We will have 3 agility trials starting Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Friday will have 200 runs and Saturday & Sunday will have 330 runs each day.

Set up will begin about 9am on Friday if you want to come out and help. Friday is excellent only.

We have the same Food Vendor as we had last year; however, we lost them for Friday...so if anyone has any names of groups or people willing to provide food for the workers and exhibitors, please let Mary Whorton have this information. Or if you just want to help at the trials, contact Mary Whorton.

**Fall Show:** We need someone to help with the Judges lunches. Terri will do Ring Hospitality, but we need someone who can be her assistant and take over the job for 2006.

There is a Prize list going around, please sign up!!

**Programs:** The Canine Health Foundation will provide the speaker for April and a talk about the RAW food diet is on the schedule for Sept.

**Unfinished Business:Yard Sale** – The date is June 18<sup>th</sup>. We will take items the Thursday before from 6pm – 9pm. And on Friday from 1pm – 9pm. Please bring donations. Electrical items must be working!! This is a good time to clean out your house!!

**DKC E-mail List** – Webmaster, George Beglane, is controlling all the additions and deletions.

**New Business: Durham County going from a fee to a tax** – Our Tailwaggers rep will keep us updated on this kind of information.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Denise McDonald*

DKC Recording Secretary

## 2005 Yard Sale

Continue saving those treasures for the **Annual Yard Sale on June 18<sup>th</sup>**.

The dates will be: **DKC Open Thursday, June 16 from 6-9 PM and Friday, June 17 from 1-9 PM to receive/ price goods.**

The **Yard Sale will begin at 8 and go to 11:30 AM Sat. June 18th.**

Volunteers to organize, price, and set up for the sale are welcome.

Help is also needed for approximately 2 hours **after the sale (11:30-1:30) to clean up** and return the building to it's usual status.

**Please contact Sharon Pitz to volunteer ....It's a fun service!**

**919-384-9071 or e-mail: [pitz0001@earthlink.net](mailto:pitz0001@earthlink.net)**

(The building will not be available for training on the above dates).

**UPCOMING ELECTION SLATE**

To be voted on at the May meeting

<b>President</b>	<b>Steve Wallis</b>
<b>Vice-President</b>	<b>Carolyn Wolfe</b>
<b>Recording Secretary</b>	<b>Denise McDonald</b>
<b>Corresponding Secretary</b>	<b>Molly Zaragoza</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Emilie Beglane</b>
<b>AKC Delegate</b>	<b>Lisa Connelly</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>George Beglane</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Sharon Pitz</b>
<b>Director</b>	<b>Linda Wozniak</b>

All Committee Members agreed to the above slate of officer nominations.

**Nancy Adams, Committee Chair; Helen Sanderford; Carolyn Wolfe; Ken Nelson; Stella Maunsell**

**Building Committee**

If anyone is interested in serving on the Building Committee, please call or e-mail:

*George Beglane* at:

919-477-8874

or

[beglane@mindspring.com](mailto:beglane@mindspring.com)

**Bette Nelson**

Bette Nelson is home recuperating from knee surgery. We all wish her a fast recovery.

**Spring DKC Agility Trials**

**April 22-24, 2005**

Friday April 22, judging begins at noon and will be for excellent level agility classes only. We have 200 runs that day.

Saturday and Sunday we will have all levels of classes. Judging begins at 8 am and will probably be completed by 4 pm. We will have 330 runs on each of those days. All 3 trials are full with a waiting list each day.

The order of judging Sat and Sun is Exc Std and Jumpers, Open Std and Jumpers, and Novice Std and Jumpers.

Lunch will be available for all three days.

We will have some measuring judges present Sat and Sun to measure any dog 12 months of age or older who wishes to be issued a height card for agility. The dogs need not be entered to be measured, but do need to have an AKC registration number. As always, we will have a great assortment of breeds to watch and cheer on. So come out and watch. There is no admission fee, but bring your own chair. These will take place at the DKC property on Harris Rd in Rougemont.

If any DKC member would like to come help work at these trials, please contact Mary Whorton preferably by e-mail. No experience is necessary. We need a minimum commitment of half a day either morning or afternoon Sat and Sun. The greatest need for workers is usually Sunday afternoon. Hope to see many of you there!

*Mary Whorton*

[mhwhor@duke.edu](mailto:mhwhor@duke.edu)

Trial Chairman

**Spring Show Hospitality Volunteers**

Thanks to all of you who volunteered and gave your time and many talents to help feed the Judges at our recent Spring Show – Joanne Harrar, Christine Hale, Donna Schaefer, Sally Ridge, Nancy Adams, Amanda Stipe and Ilene Holmes.

It's wonderful to work with such able and conscientious people.

*Terri Toohil*

**Fall Trophy Donation**

This is the time to think about those **Fall Show trophy/prize/ribbon donations which are due by May.** Our show has moved to September and everything is now due almost two months earlier than before.

If anyone wants to donate, please contact: **Linda Wozniak** at : **919-942-5818** or [oswicks@att.net](mailto:oswicks@att.net)

**Many thanks for your past and future generosity!!!**

**Rainbow Corner**

We will now be having a Rainbow Corner in the newsletter. The passing need not have been recent. A need to share is all that's required.

Please give just the **Registered Name, Call name, Date of Birth - Date of Death, breed & owners' names** to Terri Toohil [ttoohil13@aol.com](mailto:ttoohil13@aol.com)

**2005 Show-n-Go Calendar**

May 14 & 15,  
Sept. 24 & 25  
Dec. 3 & 4

For additional information:

**Jane Bergsten (919) 967-2191**  
[JWBergsten2@aol.com](mailto:JWBergsten2@aol.com)

## War Dog Effort

Supporting the War Dog effort continues. I'm getting new kennels to support all the time and have had some requests. With summer approaching, I'm told temperatures 'over there' can easily reach 114-130 degrees and the sand gets awfully hot. Booties continue to be one of the most requested items. Also, anything to help the dogs stay cool. Scarves with coolant crystals inside come in neck styles and also vests. Some of the dog supply catalogs have them and also sometimes Wal-Mart in the hunting dept., plus REI and other outdoor supply stores. There also are coolant drinks that come in powder form. If any of our members would like to help, I will glad for anything that you folks can give. This is an important effort and very much appreciated by the handlers and dogs. Items can be left at the building with my name attached or let me know and I'll make whatever arrangements necessary to meet with you.

Thanks to all of you!!

*Marge White*

## Membership Dues

It's that time of year again. and Membership Dues Forms with all your DKC data to be checked and updated will be sent out. to over 230 households.

**Please remember Membership Renewals are due June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

From the DKC By-Laws:

### Article I. Membership

**Section 2.:** Membership dues are payable on or before the first day of June of each year. Regular Members joining the Club after January 1 and before June 1 shall pay one half of the annual dues for that year. No Regular Member may vote whose dues are not paid for the current year. The April Newsletter will have a Dues reminder. The May

and June Newsletters will contain the Dues Form.

### Section 4 b: Lapsing.

A membership will be considered as lapsed and automatically terminated if such member's dues remain unpaid 30 days after the first day of the fiscal year. However, the Board may grant an additional 90 days of grace to such delinquent members in meritorious cases. In no case may a person be entitled to vote at any Club meeting whose dues are unpaid as of the date of that meeting.

### Article IV. The Club Year, Annual Meeting, Elections

**Section 1. Club Year.** The Club's fiscal year shall begin on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June of each year and end on the 31<sup>st</sup> day of May of the next year. The Club's official year shall begin immediately at the conclusion of the election at the annual meeting and shall continue through the election at the next annual meeting.

## Obedience at Crufts USA Wins 4th Place at Obedience World Cup.

The AKC/USA World Cup Team takes 4th place!!!! An absolutely remarkable performance!

The USA's Bridget Carlsen and "Soupy" a Golden Retriever, OTCH High Times Belvedere's Duck Soup UDX8 MH, earned 4th place honors in the individual competition.

The AKC Obedience World Cup Team gave nearly flawless performances at the 2nd obedience competition at Crufts in Birmingham, England. The competition was held Sunday, March 13th at the National Exhibition Centre. Our dogs and handlers competed at the highest level of obedience against 9 other countries from around the world.

USA team members were:

- Joanne Johnson and "Hobby" a Shetland Sheepdog, OTCH Jo's Xpensive Hobi O' Redfield UDX70 MX AXJ

- Bridget Carlsen and "Soupy" a Golden Retriever, OTCH High Times Belvedere's Duck Soup UDX8 MH \
- Dave Gannon and "Skater" a Golden Retriever, OTCH Breakwater Ice Skater UDX19 JH
- The alternate USA team was Kathleen Rasinowich-Platt and "Wrigley" a Golden Retriever, OTCH First String's Cubby Bear UDX21 AX NAJ.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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**Apr. 22,23,24 (Rougemont)**

**Agility Trial**

**R & M Whorton 919-471-1405**

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**May 14 & 15,**

**Sept. 24 & 25, Dec 3 & 4 (DKC)**

**Show-n-Go**

**Jane Bergsten 919-967-2191**

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**June 18**

**Yard Sale**

**Sharon Pitz 919-384-9071**

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**Sept. 3 [Raleigh]**

**Fall Show**

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## Disturbing

Someone removed pages from the Membership List in the DKC book in the lobby of the building. These are for common use and are not intended to be removed. This may have occurred when an outside group was using the building.

If you should witness anyone taking pages from this book, please ask that person to leave them in the book or tell an officer of the club.

This Membership List is given to all members once or twice a year and may be requested from Terri Toohil [ttooil13@aol.com] at any time during the year.

**CONFORMATION SHOW REPORT** Please Note: **ONLY AKC WINS ARE LISTED.** Show wins can be sent by e-mail to [ttoohil@duke.edu](mailto:ttoohil@duke.edu) [with info as below] or put on the forms in the lobby of the DKC building.

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (Breed)	S H O W & D A T E	C L A S S	PT	HIGHEST WIN	SPECIAL MERIT
Steve Oakley & Caprice Chappas	McDuff (Westie)	Maryland KC (2/20/05)	Puppy Dog 9-12 Mos.	3	WD, BOS	
"	"	Danville KC (3/22)	Dog 12-18	1	WD, BOW	
"	"	Durham KC (3/25)	Dog 12-18	3	WD, BOW	
"	"	Fayetteville KC (3/27)	Dog 12-18	1	WD	
"	"	Salisbury KC (3/28)	Dog 12-18	1	WD, BOW	
Joanne Harrar & Carolyn Wolfe	Shadow (Kees)	Sawnee KC (2/4)	Dog 12-18	4	BOW	
"	"	Conyers KC (2/5)	Dog 12-18	5	BOW	<b>New Champion!!!</b>
Sharon Pitz	Rusty (Golden Retriever)	Palm Beach Dog Fanciers (3/13)	Open	4	BOS	
Michelle Lennon	Corky (Rottweiler)	Hilton Head KC (2/13)	BBE	1	BOB, BBE	<b>BBE Group 2</b>
Brona Hicks & Wanda Moriarty	Cashel Semi-Sweet	Carolina KC (3/23)	Puppy 9-12	1	WB, BOS	
Jack Sappenfield	Portia (Vizsla)	Salisbury KC (3/28)	Open Bitch	1	WB	<b>Champion!!!</b>
"	Mack (Vizsla)		Open Dogs	2	WD, BOW	
"	"	Salisbury KC (3/28)	Open Dogs	2	WD, BOW	

**PERFORMANCE SHOW REPORT: OBEDIENCE, TRACKING, HERDING, FIELD TRIALS, LURE COURSING AND AGILITY, ETC.**

OWNER'S NAME	DOG'S NAME (BREED)	S H O W & D A T E	C L A S S	S C O R E	LEG	PLACE	SPECIAL AWARD
<b>Obedience</b>							
Sally Ridge	Paco (Giant Schnauzer)	Greensboro (3/20)	Nov A	174	1	2	
Sharon Pitz	Rusty (Golden Retriever)	Durham KC ( 3/25)	Nov B	186.5	1		
<b>Agility</b>							
Martin Bourque	Bell (GSD)	Fletcher NC (1/29)	Nov B Std	Q	1	2	
"	"	"	Nov B JWW	Q	1	1	
"	"	Fletcher NC (1/30)	Nov B Std	Q	2	3	
"	"	"	Nov B JWW	Q	2	1	
George Beglane	Bentley (Labrador Retriever)	Charlotte DTC (3/12)	Open JWW	100	1	2	

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“	“	Danville KC (3/20)	Open JWW	100	2	1	
“	“	Autumn Winds AC (4/3)	Ex A Std	100	1	1	
Emilie Beglane	Keira (Labrador Retriever)	Danville KC (3/20)	Ex A Std	88	1	1	
Sharon Pitz	Aurora (Golden Retriever)	Charlotte DTC (3/13)	Ex A JWW	100	3	1	Title!!!
“	“	Danville KC (3/19)	Ex B JWW	100	1		
“	“	Danville KC (3/20)	Ex B JWW	100	2	3	
Terri Toohil	Cindy (Sheltie)	Charlotte DTC (3/13)	Open Std	100	2	1	
“	“	“	Ex A JWW	97	1	2	
“	“	Autumn Winds AC (4/3)	Open Std	100	3	1	OA!!!
<b>Rally</b>							
Michelle Lennon & Caroline Davies	Jada (Rottweiler)	Hilton Head KC (3/12)	Rally Adv B	88	1		
“	“	Hilton Head KC (3/13)	Rally Adv B	100	2	1	PERFECT SCORE!!!
Michelle Lennon	“	Dog Owners TC of MD (3/20)	Rally Adv B	95	3		NEW TITLE!!!
<b>TRACKING</b>							
Brona Hicks	Semi (Staffy Bull)	DKC Tracking Trial (3/20)	TD	passed			TITLE!!!
<b>OTHER</b>							
Brona Hicks	Semi (Staffy Bull)	Cavalier Club CGC (3/19)	CGC	passed			

**SEE YOU AT THE NEXT MEETING !!!**

**AND CHECK OUT WHAT IS HAPPENING AT THE DKC ON OUR WEBSITE:**

**[WWW.DURHAMKENNELCLUB.COM](http://WWW.DURHAMKENNELCLUB.COM)**