



The Scarlet Letter

The Golden Triangle Irish Setter Club, Inc
August 2007



We are heading into the Dog Days of summer! Where does the time go? We have had really great summer weather....not much rain, sunny and warm, not unbearably hot. What more can we ask for?

Dog News

If anyone had the chance to check out the ISCA website, "Dewey" was featured through out the month of July with the American Flag on the opening page! "Dewey" is Joan's **CH Kenobi Just Do it RN!** "Dewey" is now a national celebrity!!

Dee and Judy are PROUD announce the newest addition to their family; **Sweetbriar's Diamonds are Forever**, "James", born May 25, 2007. a Spinone Italiano bred by Dan and Dana Graff. Welcome, "James"!!!!



Mary is excited to share that "Breeze", **Limerick's Against the Wind, CGC** was entered in an agility trial with entries of 243 dogs and ONE Irish Setter!!! How fun is that?

Congratulations to;

Upper Marlboro KC, MD - Sally & Davis for going WB, BOW & BOS with "Bailey", **Courtwood's Always Bailey CGC** for her first major!! Ya-hoo!

National Capital KC - , "Bailey" had a major reserve!

Shawnee KC, VA - Holly Semich and "Rhett", **Kenobi's Never Miss a Beat** , for reserve on Sunday.

Deb & Skip with "Ian" passing his Basic Obedience and then on to CGC !! The old boy is now **Touchstone's Chills n Thrills, CGC, TT**. "Ian" is SOOOOO excited that he has more letters with his name than "Callie" does!!

Deb & Skip with "Peter", who is now **CH Touchstone's Fire and Ice, CGC**....passing his test also!

Coleen for the spinone, "Ruby", **CH Sweetbriar's Brilliant Gem**, who is #3 bitch and in the top 5 PLUS the #1 Spinone bitch overall! "Ruby" is owned & bred by Dan and Dana Graff and Coleen is co-owner. Look out Westminster, here they come!!

Sally and Davis for going WB & BOW with "Bailey", **Courtwood's Always Bailey, CGC** at Nita- Nee on Saturday for another point. "Bailey" has accumulated 9 points so far.

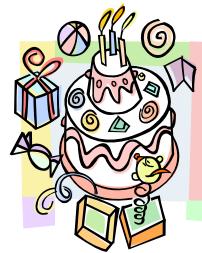
To Joan and "Paddy", for being chosen as Mr. October in the 2008 Irish Setter Rescue calendar. The proceeds from the calendar sales covers from the Maine to Virginia part of the US. If you are interested in ordering a calendar, contact Joan for information. "Paddy" is Joan's 15+ year old rescue boy. What a wonderful honor!

Davis for BOB with "Paislee", **Huntwood's Paislee Print by Davis** all in Marion, OH!
And for "Echo" getting a group 4 in the Puppy Match. AND to Davis for entering the Juniors Match and winning!

PR - Judy Roberts

Birthdays

Ruth White - 31st



Happy 82nd Birthday, Ruth!!!!

On a sad note... Condolences to Sally and Davis for the loss of their Weimeraner Davis' Craisie Maisie. "Maisie" joins her son, "Rocket", at the Rainbow Bridge...

May the shamrocks fall softly....

Congratulations to Deb & Skip on the marriage of their oldest son, Nathaniel, on July 14th. They finally welcome a daughter to the family (that isn't red and has 4 legs!) ... Welcome Christina Lynn Lawrence!





Breeze's column of the month

Welcome to the Dog Days of August! I think that means the weather is warm, but I remember hearing that 'every dog has his day'. And I got to thinking....if it was my day, "*Breeze* Day", what would I do?

Well, I'd want to spend my day in a place where biscuits, balls and belly rubs abound! I'd like to feel the wind in my feathers and the sun on my back. I might wander over to my mom's computer and log onto my favorite internet newsgroups, [rec.sports.balls.catching](#) and [fido.humans.training_to_fetch](#). I would definitely leave room in my schedule for a good nap. I'd want to smell some of my favorite stuff (the lawn mowing shoes, wet socks found behind the hamper, the stuff Gunner rolls in at the farm.) I'd like to think back on some of my favorite times (and not so favorite times and how to fix those!). I was thinking about dog shows. How come mom never has to stand naked in the middle of a ring and let a stranger wearing a bad suit touch her? I have my favorite background music (aka the can opener) playing in the background. I'd say a prayer for every dog that is away from home, the ones that don't have a home, and the ones that are too sick to go home. And I'd be thankful for my family and friends and for my life....when I think about it, every day *is Breeze* day!

Thought for the day....

When you do something wrong, always take responsibility (as soon as you're dragged out from under the bed.

*Love
Breeze*



Rescue

Joan reported that she had a message via several club members about an Irish Setter found running loose. Joan followed the protocol and discovered it was not an Irish Setter, but a white mix with red markings. Needless to say, Joan found this young girl a home!! Nice job, girls!

The club voted to send assistance to pay for ear surgery on a rescue dog at the IS Club of Houston TX. They were able to raise nearly all of the funds needed, and had to have it paid in full, up front, to have the surgery done. The club reached out to the rest of the IS world, and it looks like they have been able to get the complete amount. We asked for an update on the dog after her surgery. Zen to "Tille Mae".

Everyone attending our July meeting had the chance to meet Laura Williams. Laura, "Bailey" and "Ruby" traveled from Baltimore to stay and visit with Joan, so the meeting was re-scheduled to include Laura. Laura reported that "Bailey" and "Ruby" are flourishing. "Bailey" has discovered his new fixation of birds while visiting...Laura says "Bailey" decided to forego the ones outside....Auntie Joan had a few "prepackaged" in the house for his convenience!! It was wonderful to see Laura again and have her spend the evening with us. Coleen, Deb, Skip, Mary & Hank had the opportunity to meet Laura and her friend, Jake, when she came to take "Bailey" home. We hope this opportunity to visit will be possible from time to time.

And from the rescue side

Hi Everyone,

I saw a vacation commercial on TV that said "Dog's need Weekends Too!" And boy do I agree. I haven't been in Baltimore all that long, but I've had a couple of cool adventures with Mom. The first one, of course, was my ride to Baltimore. Mom and her friend Jake called it a "road trip". Even though I was a bit curious of where I was going it seemed they were having a pretty good time. We stopped at a park and I got to meet a cute Golden Retriever. Even though Mom was tired and wanted to get home she let me play as long as I wanted.

On another adventure Mom took me to "Kocos". That's her hometown pub and everyone there is very dog friendly. I met Mr. John, the owner, and he told me a story about his Red Dogs. Yep, back in the day he had 2 of them. He told me late at night they would run up this hill and bark and play and not want to come back in the house. Mr. John said they did love a car ride so he would have to go outside in his PJ's and start up the car and leave the back door open. Then his red dogs would run and jump in for a ride. It was a funny joke, he was only getting them together so they could all go back in the house and go to bed.

In April, Mom took me to the dog show at the Timonium Fairgrounds to visit Aunt Coleen. She was my Foster Mom. She gave me a good scrubbing and then groomed me all nice and handsome on the big table. There were lots of other dogs in crates all around but I just enjoyed seeing my Aunt Coleen and Mom catch up. Of course there was lots of talk about ME.. 🤪

One of my favorite trips was to Valley View Farms. My Mom likes flowers and she took me to the farm to pick out some for our window box. They have a good old golden retriever that strolls around. I have to admit I wasn't much help while Mom tried to juggle geraniums with me in tow. We had a little "chat" in the car about "road trip manners." I promised I'd try not to be so excited next time. I told Mom "it's just hard when there's so many new things to check out."

Then just last weekend Mom, Ruby and I visited Aunt Joan all the way up in Pennsylvania. Ruby and I were really good on the long car ride. We did wonder where we were going though. We finally pulled up in the driveway and guess what we saw? 5 more Irish Setters. There was Chauncy, Paddy, Dewey, Skye and Harry. We all got along just fine and Harry even had a crush on Ruby 😊. Mom was really hoping to relax a bit but I have to admit I kept everyone on their toes. Turns out Aunt Joan has 4 big birds.... and we learned something new about me... BIRDS MAKE ME CRAZY.... 🐣

So I'm wondering, after all my animation, if Mom thinks I should have stayed at home with the sitter. Maybe the trip would have been calmer with just her and Ruby. That would be fair, but if she's thinking it she hasn't said anything to me. She still bought me a giant Steelers dog bed as a souvenir since Pittsburgh is my team. And even though we had to have a "chat" about my behavior, she's still singing to me, there were scrambled eggs in my breakfast this morning, and I'm still getting all of my kisses and belly rubs. Moms surprise me sometimes. My mom seems to love me no matter what. Even when I don't do the best job with my manners. My Mom genuinely loves me in the best and worst of times. Maybe that's what a *FOREVER* home *REALLY* is.

So as I wrap up, I want to send a reminder out to all my furry friends. Try to remember your "road trip manners" because if you do... Weekends could be for you too!

This is Bailey sending out Big Barks from Baltimore

~~Laura & "Bailey"



Events and Activities

RDO Day -. September 15th @ Pittsburgh Mills Mall. The time is 11:00 - 5:00. Please let Sally O. or Deb know if you are planning on attending. We will be having the "Meet the Breed" segment and need to get a list of the "other breeds" that will be available. All paperwork and approvals have been completed. Sally O. has received her packet from AKC. Joan is lining up other breeds. We have a 10 dog limit at one time. We are hoping to stagger our visiting breeds. Mary has lined up our medical representatives. Dr. Savko will be using "Peter" for his chiro-vet demonstration. Dr. Doug will be there to discuss holistic veterinary medicine and natural foods.

Sporting Dog Fun Match - October 13th @ Ruth's. The date has changed. Also, it is now a "fun match". Our information is on the www.infodog.com site and will be added to our website. The information has also been sent to Match Show Bulletin. Committee chairs have been "assigned" to members so as always, we show up organized for our event! Judges will be Coleen McGee for sweeps and Leah Lange for regular classes. We will have juniors, men's and women's handling. We will hold a raffle for a toy box donated by Dee & Judy.

CGC testing will be offered, with Lisa as the tester. A weenie roast hospitality will be provided following the days' activities.

Photos With Santa - Joan checked with Brenkle's Farm and Greenhouse to when their "Open House" and has confirmed the date as December 1st. Located at 543 Evans City Road, Butler PA 16001. Also known as Route 68. Time 11 - 5

Christmas Dinner Meeting - Plans to schedule our dinner at Atria's are being made in order to reserve a room for our Christmas Party. Tentative date choices are Dec 8th and Dec 7th. As soon as we have the date reserved, notice will go out to "mark your calendar"! Other details will follow later.

Lottery ticket Fundraiser - The tickets have been printed and donated by Pet Wellness and Training Center. Thank you to Joan for her generosity of covering this cost. Dee will have the tickets ready to distribute within the month. The tickets are for January 2008 Daily Number (evening) drawings.

Sarris Candy Bars - It was voted to sell Sarris Candy bars throughout the fall and the holiday season. This cost to us will fall under the discount that we have already earned with the pretzels. Chairperson to be announced.....

Specialties 2008

Trophy ideas are needed. We want to get those done and out of the way as early as possible. Bring your ideas to the meeting. Our reservation for the space and buildings has been made and the check sent. Paperwork and choosing judges is in progress by George and Coleen.



Club News and Reminders

A reminder from Mary, PLEASE get your signed sheet to her concerning receiving emails. Only three have not been returned.

The next meeting is Thursday, August 16 @ 7:00 p.m at Dee and Judy's. This will be the informational meeting on the pet oxygen masks & safety by a guest speaker. Everyone

attending is asked to bring a covered dish. Please let Judy know if you are attending and what you might bring. They will host a cook-out. Let's party!!!



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