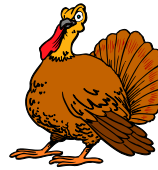




THE SCARLETT LETTER

THE GOLDEN TRIANGLE IRISH SETTER CLUB, INC
NOVEMBER 2010



Welcome November and the start of the holiday season. As the season begins, remember those we have lost this year, those who are ill and keep our friends and family close to our hearts. The month of Giving Thanks is here as we count our blessings.

Thanksgiving Delights

On Thanksgiving Day we're thankful for
Our blessings all year through,
For family we dearly love,
For good friends, old and new.
For sun to light and warm our days,
For stars that glow at night,
For trees of green and skies of blue,
And puffy clouds of white.
We're grateful for our eyes that see
The beauty all around,
For arms to hug, and legs to walk,
And ears to hear each sound.
The list of all we're grateful for
Would fill a great big book;
Our thankful hearts find new delights
Everywhere we look!

By Joanna Fuchs





Congratulations to:

>Linda Scopa and "Jada", now **CH Captiva's Catalina Race to Ohkom RE, NAJ, NF**, who finished her Championship on Friday at Wine Country. Linda also had the pleasure to judge sweepstakes one of the days. She said "judging was amazing and a lot of fun". Congratulations to Linda and "Jada"!

>Coleen and "Eddie", **MyKyna Oncore Edition**, for RWD at Warrenton KC in Millwood VA.

>Deb & Skip with "Claire", **BISS GCH Courtwood Cobblestone** for going BOB and onto a Group 3 on Friday in VA. Saturday brought a BOS and Sunday, Select Bitch. Thanks to Coleen for her handling of "Claire". What a great team!

Fort Stueben & Beaver Co. KC shows, Aliquippa

>Coleen and "Eddie", **MyKyna Oncore Edition** for WD / BOW on Saturday for another point.

>Bob & Shirley Semich and "Journey", **Vision Quest's Journey of Glory**, for WD for the 3 point major and on to BOS over specials on Saturday. "Journey" was handled by Coleen in the Bred-By class.

>Skip & Deb with "Claire", **BISS GCH Courtwood Cobblestone** for Select Bitch on Saturday and Sunday, handled by Coleen, as always.

>Joan and "Diddle", **Redheart Kenobi Over the Moon**, for WD and the major on Sunday.

>Joan and "Dewey", **Int'L & Am CH Kenobi Just Do It, RN CGC**, for Select Dog on Sunday for his third Grand Championship Major. This gives "Dewey" 11 points with his majors towards his GCH title. Both boys were handled by Coleen and her assistant, Christina.

>Joan and "Diddle", **Redheart Kenobi Over the Moon**, for WD/BOW at the Upper Potomac KC show, Saturday, in Cumberland MD,

>Joan and "Dewey", **Int'l AM CH Kenobi Just Do it RN, CGC**, for BOS and 1 GCH point, Saturday, in Cumberland, MD.

>Joan and "Diddle", **Redheart Kenobi Over the Moon CGC**, for WD and a 5 point major at the Potomac Irish Setter Club Specialty! Entered only in 13 dog shows since Memorial Day weekend, he has accumulated a Best Opposite in Sweeps, a class win at the National, a major reserve and both majors, and two BOW for a total of 10 points. I guess Diddle isn't daddling.

>Linda Scopa and Meghan Sheehan, who co-own **Ohkom's Chaos to Fame**, for going BEST PUPPY at the Lower Susquehanna Irish Setter Club Specialty. This puppy is from Linda's 'Chaos" litter out of Jada and Robert.

>Linda Scopa and "Chaos", **Ohkom's Chaos Out of Control** for earning his CGC certification.

>Linda Scopa and "Jada" **Ch. Captiva Catalina Race to Ohkom, RE, NAJ, NF, CGC, TDI....** NOW adding NF and Therapy Dog to her list of achievements! "Jada" sure has been one busy girl!!

Rally~~~~

>Lorrie Nogrady with "Mulligan", **Santera's Charmin' Mulligan, RN CGC** NOW RA, completing his Rally Advanced at the Golden Triangle Obedience Training Club Trials.

Lisa and her new puppy, "Benny" made the front page of the Valley News Dispatch article on the "Pups in the Park" Event that was an animal Protectors event, Tails on the Trails. Way to go! "Benny" is following "Gus' footsteps of being featured in local newspapers. "Gus" has been a local face in the Butler Eagle advertisement for the local Tire Business.



>The following dogs completed and passed Canine Good Citizenship held at our October Meeting. Thank you to Lisa Edwards for testing the dogs.

- CH Courtwood Quennel, CGC "Quincy", owned by Sally Evans
- CH Saxony's Boutonniere, CGC "Dugan" owned by Sally Evans
- CH Ballymera Glory Days of March, CGC "Drummer" owned by Joan Fiser
- Redheart Kenobi Over the Moon, CGC "Diddle" owned by Joan Fiser
- BISS GCH Courtwood Cobblestone, CGC owned by Deb & Skip Lawrence

October has been a very active and successful month for so many of our members' dogs. I think this is the most ever listed for one month! Congratulations to everyone for everything they have been so busy doing.



Website- www.qtisc.org

Thank you, Tammy, for a great job on our website updates.



Smiling Shamrocks - Tally Ling

Birthdays

- Guy Pat Calmbacher - 12th
- Linda Scopa - 13th
- Joan Fiser - 22nd

Happy Birthday!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



Joan reports that "Skye" is doing okay following cancer surgery. Please keep "Skye" in your prayers.

Wagner was under the weather. A trip to the Vets found him to be diabetic. With insulin and a regular schedule, it will be manageable. Wagner will be 16 years old on January 1st. Keep Wagner in your prayers also.



Rainbow Bridge

Our condolences ~~~~

>to Laura Williams on the loss of her mother on October 13th, following a lengthy illness.

>Lisa Edwards on the loss of her Bernese Mountain Dog, "Gus", *Greenway's Just Gus*, on October 14th. "Gus" was diagnosed with bone cancer a few months back. You may recall "Gus" in the newspaper ads in the Butler Eagle.

>George Towle on the loss of "Simon", *CH Country Charm Highland Pride*, at the age of 14 years, 8 months.

May the shamrocks fall softly~~~



Grow Old With Dogs:

When I am old... I will wear soft grey sweatshirts, and a bandana over my silver hair, and I will spend my social security cheques on wine and my dogs.

I will sit in my house on my well-worn chair and listen to my dogs' breathing. I will sneak out in the middle of a warm summer night and take my dogs for a run, if my old bones will allow...

When people come to call, I will smile and nod as I show them my dogs, and talk of them and about them...
...the ones so beloved of the past and the ones so beloved of today.

I will still work hard cleaning after them, mopping and feeding them and whispering their names in a soft loving way.

I will wear the gleaming sweat on my throat, like a jewel, and I will be an embarrassment to all, especially my family... who have not yet found the peace in being free to have dogs as your best friends.

These friends who always wait, at any hour, for your footfall, and eagerly jump to their feet out of a sound

sleep, to greet you as if you are a god, With warm eyes full of adoring love and hope that you will always stay.

I'll hug their big strong necks, I'll kiss their dear sweet heads, and whisper in their very special company.

I look in the mirror...and see I am getting old. this is the kind of person I am, and have always been. Loving dogs is easy, they are part of me.

Please accept me for who I am. My dogs appreciate my presence in their lives, they love my presence in their lives. When I am old this will be important to me. You will understand when you are old.... if you have dogs to love too.

~Anonymous



Time for Reflection....

A Dog's Purpose? (from a 6-year-old).

Being a veterinarian, I had been called to examine a ten-year-old Irish Wolfhound named Belker. The dog's owners, Ron, his wife Lisa, and their little boy Shane, were all very attached to Belker, and they were hoping for a miracle.

I examined Belker and found he was dying of cancer. I told the family we couldn't do anything for Belker, and offered to perform the euthanasia procedure for the old dog in their home.

As we made arrangements, Ron and Lisa told me they thought it would be good for six-year-old Shane to observe the procedure. They felt as though Shane might learn something from the experience.

The next day, I felt the familiar catch in my throat as Belker 's family surrounded him. Shane seemed so calm, petting the old dog for the last time, that I wondered if he understood what was going on. Within a few minutes, Belker slipped peacefully away.**

The little boy seemed to accept Belker's transition without any difficulty or confusion. We sat together for a while after Belker's Death, wondering aloud about the sad fact that animal lives are shorter than human lives.** Shane, who had been listening quietly, piped up, "I know why."

Startled, we all turned to him. What came out of his mouth next stunned me. I'd never heard a more comforting explanation. It has changed the way I try and live.

He said,"People are born so that they can learn how to live a good life -- like loving everybody all the time and being nice, right?" The Six-year-old continued,**

"Well, dogs already know how to do that, so they don't have to stay as long."

Live simply.

Love generously.

Care deeply.

Speak kindly.

Remember, if a dog was the teacher you would learn things like:

When loved ones come home, always run to greet them.

Never pass up the opportunity to go for a joyride.

Allow the experience of fresh air and the wind in your face to be pure Ecstasy.

Take naps.

Stretch before rising.

Run, romp, and play daily.

Thrive on attention and let people touch you.

Avoid biting when a simple growl will do.

On warm days, stop to lie on your back on the grass.

On hot days, drink lots of water and lie under a shady tree.
When you're happy, dance around and wag your entire body.
Delight in the simple joy of a long walk.
Be loyal.
Never pretend to be something you're not.
If what you want lies buried, dig until you find it.
When someone is having a bad day, be silent, sit close by, and nuzzle them gently.

~~~~submitted by Ed Prichard



## Events & Activities

Lottery January 2011 - Joan had the lottery tickets printed for the month of January. This gives us less than three months to sell them. All members should have received one book of 10 tickets by mail. Additional tickets can be obtained at the November meeting. Proceeds benefit our general fund and 20% to the trophy fund. Judy will organize and keep track of the ticket numbers and winners.. Please return all sold and unsold tickets to Judy by December 31<sup>st</sup>.

Dyson Raffle - Joan will chair this fund raiser again this year. Tickets are ready now, but will be distributed after the first of the year. If you want any before then, contact Joan. The proceeds from this raffle are to help cover the costs of our specialties.

Celebrating Home Candle Sales - Candle forms were mailed to all members and were due back by October 16<sup>th</sup>. Orders will be ready for pick up from Deb by November meeting. Proceeds from this sale will cover the cost of the Dyson vacuum purchase. Thank you to all participating members. We had a very successful sale.

October 16<sup>th</sup> - Meeting and weenie roast at Ruth's. We had a perfect fall afternoon. The sun was shining, the trees with color and just cool enough to be comfortable. Thanks to Ruth for having us and for Wayne for getting everything ready for us. Our campfire was cozy and we roasted our hotdogs and kielbasa over the fire. Dessert was smores....hot and goey! Lisa held CGC testing for those who wanted to give it a shot; All dogs that passed are listed under the Dog News section. Thanks to Lisa and Paula for sharing their knowledge. We had a great Question and Answer segment with Paula. Here is the summary of some important but basic information.

### Paula's tips - Oct Meeting

Things to never give your dogs, Tylenol, Ibuprofen, grapes, pork, onions, bones, chocolate

Everyone should have benadryl is a must for every house hold with a dog. Allergies, bee stings, swellings, and even rashes. Suggested dosages: Small dogs the child's dose 12.5 mgs by mouth every 8-12 hrs. Large dogs can take adult size =25mgs 1 capsule for every 25 lbs of body weight. Topical spray benedryl comes in handy for any of that stuff.

Lets talk ticks: A cheap tick puller is your best friend. Works everytime. Anyone can use it. MOST IMPORTANT AFTER REMOVING NEVER SMASH OR DISTROY TICK IN YOUR HANDS always just flush or run down the drain. You can spread lymes disease to yourself without being attached to you thru the air.

If you ever need to induce vomiting for overdose of meds ect.- Syrup of epicac works best but perioxide can be used in pinch, however must be followed up with water to make the chemical reaction of the two mixed causing the vomit. Being careful not to have them aspirate any into their lungs.

Last Paula's personal reccomentations for her irish setters: ( Personally speaking) My setters are all spayed and neutered before the age of 2 years. At the time of that surgery I also have all my dogs stomachs tacked at that time, to prevent bloat. I never feed my setters anything that includes wheat. And I feed my dogs 2 meals per day from raised dishes to keep them from taking in any extra air during meal time. Gas x is another staple in my house. If you ever experience bloat it is something you never want to deal with again. Gas x can help to eliminate a bad belly ache, its just like collic in a horse. Timing is very important seek veterinary care quickly!

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Annual Thanksgiving Dinner at the Semich's home in Moon Twp. on Wednesday November 17<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. See further information under Club News and Reminders section.

Annual Christmas party at Lawrence's - Sunday JANUARY 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00. We will have the gift exchange if you want to participate.. Watch for further details.

### **Specialties 2011**

#### MSDA - March 2011

We will be supporting the entry of Irish Setters at MSDA show on Saturday March 5, 2011. Trophies will be engraved wooden ornaments from East Coast Laser for BOB, BOW, BOS, WD, RWD, WB, & RWB.

#### **Memorial Weekend Cluster**

George reports that required documents have been filed and approved. We know that our Judge on Saturday will be Judy Zawikowski and Sunday's will be Erich Ringle. Sweeps judges will be Friday - Ray Filburn, Saturday - Candy Wall, Sunday - Evie Sullivan and Monday - Janet Narushka. .

Trophies have been decided and should all be purchased by year's end. Thursday will be embroidered towels; Friday will be embroidered towels; Saturday will be Boar Bristle Hair brushes; Sunday will be non-skid crate mats and Monday will be engraved wooden items by East Coast Laser. We have Added Select Dog and Select Bitch Trophies for our Specialties only.

Hospitality will be handled by Laureen and Petey.

Basket Raffle - Deb already has several baskets for our raffle. The Dyson has been purchased at a discount for that raffle.

Our Show Secretary is Dee.



ISCA National Specialty 2011 - "Black Gold \* Red Dogs, Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City, OK, May 1 - 7<sup>th</sup>

Reservations are now being accepted. See the ISCA website for the form and contact information.

The host club, Irish Setter Club of Central Oklahoma, is raffling two Granada grooming tables, (similar to Setter-rite) to off-set expenses. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Anyone interested in the raffle tickets for the Granada Grooming table can purchase tickets from our club with checks payable to ISCCO.

ISCCO

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Norman, Oklahoma 73072

Please send some address labels and I will complete your tickets and send you your portion of the tickets.

Good Luck!

"I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel." - Maya Angelou

*from the Rescue side....*



## Tails From the Hills

By Bella O'Shea, ace canine reporter

WOOF WOOF! Hello again from West Virginia. Chilly mornings have finally arrived here with the arrival of October. As you have noticed, I can't bark about October till the November issue of "The Tails".

Well, October has been more great experiences for me. Ed finally let me have liberty to run around the neighbor's four acre lake while Pam walked two of our doxies on lead. This is only the second time Ed has given me liberty there. The first time was many months ago when I was a little girl and I ran away. I was excited. I didn't realize that it was not the proper behavior! I know better now...sorta, kinda.. I am a big girl now you know.

I went with Ed and Pam to the courthouse this month to pay taxes. Pam, "the mouse" and I stayed in the car to wait. Some stranger in camouflage clothes walked toward the car and I was very upset. He didn't look right! I became very vocal and aggressive looking... I didn't know I had it in me! I am always very friendly with strangers. I thought he might be going to hurt me or my Mistress. He hastily found another place to cross the street!

On the fourteenth of October the "Mouse" and I went to visit Ed's mother in the nursing home. Everyone thought that the Mouse was too cute, but that I was beautiful! I am you know, because Ed says so. I was a bit too friendly at first and Ed had to make me settle down a bit around his mother. I just love to meet and greet new people....;She was very happy for my attention and also happy to see her son. We had several visitors to the room to see us. Ed let a nurse practitioner that works there and into agility and training, work me down the hall. I was just too good! After a tug or two on my lead I was handling like a pro! She was very impressed with the rescue setter from GTISC.. Now aren't I special? Hee hee hee.

Oh, I saw four young deer in the pasture and off I went in chase. They were too far away and too fast for me. Besides that, Ed called for me in a commanding voice and I returned quickly. I've learned my lesson. If I hadn't returned, I would have been back on lead with Pam! She's no pushover like Ed. However, I did get distracted sniffing awhile back. It seems like I go deaf while sniffing.. Ed came over and got my attention right away with a quick tap on my rump. It didn't hurt, but I knew he meant business!

I'm really looking forward to this month. Frost is on the pumpkins and all that. This weather sure beats the August and September heat and drought. October is quickly passing. Thanksgiving time is turkey time gobble, gobble, gobble. Ed says he has seen as many as forty wild turkey at one time in his riding ring in the Fall. I can't wait. Bring them on! Maybe I'll get some turkey topping on my food. Not too much though or I'll get a bad case of garbage gut. Humans mean well but sometimes overdo it out of lack of understanding of our dietary needs. If you give it to me, I'm gonna eat it!

I have taken to crawling up on the couch and backing into Ed's lap for some pets more often. I see those rascal doxies doing the lap thingy and I want my share. Ed holds my nylabone for me and everything! I have taught Ed a new trick as well. I drop my bone off the couch and Ed reaches down and gets it for me. It took me awhile with a lot of repetition, but humans are definitely trainable with work.....

When Pam returns home from work we all gather around her including that funny looking toy poodle, "poodie the farm dog" and wait for our pets. We are all so happy to see her. We all bark "Me first, pet me first". The shrill bark of "the mouse" always gets her first pets! I wish that old "mouse" would get laryngitis he he he I just stand there patiently wagging my tail and looking pretty as I can till she finally gets to me...

I also learned how to get on the couch and lay behind Pam while Ed rubs her feet....I don't know why he does that...I don't understand it because it tickles my feet to be touched... I don't like it at all. She seems to like it though and that is all that matters... Humans sure have funny ways. Oh well, if Pam is happy everyone is happy.....

Money will buy a fine dog, but only kindness will make him wag his tail.

Ed found this saying and it is so very true.

Till next time, here's  
barking at ya,



Bella O'Shea



#### Club News and Reminders

Our next meeting is Wednesday November 17<sup>th</sup> at the Semich's; time 7:00 p.m. This is our Thanksgiving celebration. RSVP to Bob and Shirley and let them know what you will bring.

Candle orders will be ready for pick up at the meeting. Money is due at that time. Profits cover the cost of the Dyson.

The nomination committee is in place. The slate will be announced at our meeting.

Membership renewals will be mailed out in November. Renewal fees are due no later than January 31<sup>st</sup>.



The Golden Triangle Irish Setter Club, Inc



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*Expressing gratitude deepens your joy in the gifts of life.  
Count your blessings and watch them multiply.*



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