

# SHORTHAIR TALES

MAY/JUNE

2010

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer and staying cool! We were definitely due for a hot one.....I am sure we are all looking forward to a bit cooler times when we are out there enjoying the hunt with our favorite furkids.....

This seems to be the year of set backs for many and am sure it is only temporary before we are all back on track again.

We have some gracious volunteers working on some new venues that sound very exciting. We will keep all of you posted as they unfold.

Lou was keeping us posted on potential new rules from the Dept of Fish and Game. There are two sections in this newsletter about it. Thank you Lou and the others that participated in the meeting for being there for all of us! We sure would not want any of it to affect the sport we love to do with our dogs.

There are some fun Katahdin events coming up in August and September. Please join us for some days of fun and good friends.

In the mean time, please stay cool and healthy so that we can get back out there with our dogs this fall.

Deb

Public Hearing on  
Field Trial Rule  
Proposal was held on  
June 2, 2010

**CONCORD, N.H.** – A New Hampshire Fish and Game Department rule proposal establishing a new set of regulations for the conduct of field trials was discussed at a public hearing on **Wednesday, June 2, 2010, at 6:30 p.m., at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, N.H.**

The proposal updates the rules currently in place regulating field trials, which are competitive events for hunting dogs. It also would expand the definition of field trials to include "hunt tests," where dogs compete against standards determined by national organizations such as the American Kennel Club.

To update yourselves on the complete field trial rulemaking notice, with original and proposed rule language, view the Fish and Game website. Go to [www.wildnh.com/Legislative/Notices\\_summary.htm](http://www.wildnh.com/Legislative/Notices_summary.htm)

and click on "Field Trial Rules."

Please see inside article from Lou as to the outcome of this meeting.

**Thank you Lou for being there for us!**

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**COVER PHOTO  
(SHOWN ON LAST PAGE AND BELOW)**

**JEREMY & SANDY THOMPSON'S  
NEW LITTLE GIRL PUPPY**

**"MACKY"**



**MINUTES OF THE  
MEETING**

A meeting of the Katahdin German Shorthaired Pointer Club of Greater Portland was held on Saturday, May 29, 2010 at the Common Man restaurant in Concord. In attendance were Scott Neal, Lou Gagnon, Deb Broad and Pat Russell. The meeting commenced at 11:45 AM.

**President's Report:** The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as printed in the last newsletter and on the Internet. Deb thanked everyone for coming and giving up their time on a holiday weekend.

**Secretary's Report:** Pat reported on the membership list, revised to reflect those who are current with their dues. A discussion was held on how to solicit new members.

**Treasurer's Report:** Tabled.

**New Members:** One new family membership – puppy buyers from Tom White – Welcome to Kim and Ray Dew of Greenfield MA!

**Show Committee:** Pat reported that we are all set with the Cheshire County show in August and the Carroll County show in September. She discussed a proposal made by the Dog Show Superintendents Association to AKC for All-Breed clubs with smaller

entries and Group Shows, as well as an All-Breed Club and an Independent Specialty to have two complete events on the same day/same site. It was agreed that this was a good idea.

**Hunt Test Committee:** Lou brought up a NH Fish & Game proposal to limit hunt tests and similar activity at Sharpe's Farm during hunting season. A meeting will be held at Fish & Game on June 2, open to the public, to discuss.

**Club Championship:** Tabled

**Training Days:** Tabled

**Rescue:** Tabled

**Old Business:** none

**New Business:** Deb reported that she had a great conversation with Cassandra about water testing for AKC/GSPCA. We hope to explore this in depth.

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM. The next meeting will be held at Sharp's Farm, Sunday, Aug. 1, 2010, 9AM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Pat Russell, Secretary.

**Upcoming Events**

**8/7- Merrimack NAVHDA water clinic**

**8/7 - Pioneer Valley KC - Nutmeg Specialty -  
Greenfield, MA**

**8/8 - Katahdin Specialty show/CCKC/Keene, NH**

**8/28 -Merrimack NAVHDA training day**

**9/10 -Merrimack NAVHDA test day**

**9/11 - Katahdin Supported Entry/CCKC/No.**

**Conway, NH**

**9/18-9/19 Katahdin hunt tests**

**9/25-9/26 Northern NE Brit Club hunt tests**

**11/6-11/7 TarTan Gorden Setter hunt tests**

**2009 AWARDS**

**RECIPIENTS**

We had a request to print the annual awards of one of our recipients in leu of a physical plaque, and to donate the proceeds of the plaque costs to items the club uses instead. We thank you for that gesture!

This is our complete 2009 list:

09, **Blitzen (aka Sunrise Rhythm N Blues CD RN AX MXJ OAP OJP)** earned his OAP, OJP, AX, and MXJ titles. Blitzen turned 10 in December and is still running strong, though now only in the Preferred division since it has lower heights.

**Madison (aka CH Sunrise N'Shannon Amythest Ice CDX RA JH NA NAJ NAP NJP)** earned her RA title at age 11. She still gets angry when the other dogs go to train so maybe we will keep her working in Rally another year. :-)

2009 was more of a training year for us and we look forward to working toward CDXs with 4 of our Shorthairs. Plus, in April I will be starting our puppy in the breed ring!

Thank you for all of the hard work that you put into the club. It is greatly appreciated!

**Lorie Crain & Sam Honaker**

**Louise Shaw:**

**Bittersweet Farm's Max:**

AKC: 11-1-09 CD  
 11-1-09 RE  
 11-8-09 JH  
 11-28-09 CGC

APDT RALLY Obedience: 12-19-09 ARCHX  
 12-19-09 RL2X

**Ridgeview Farm's Chloe**

AKC: 10-05-09  
 CPE Agility 11-13-09 CL3-R  
 APDT Raly Obedience: 12-19-09 ARCH  
 12-19-09 RL1X

**Jim Orino:**

**Laksds Maximus** JH: 9-27-09  
**Laksds Blazer Man** JH: 9-27-09  
**Croswinds Fandango** JH: 9-27-09

**Deb & Steve Broad - Bear Mt Gsp's**

**"Boomer" Ch Bear Mtn Blueridge Illusion, JH**

AKC Champion: 11-8-09



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## KATAHDIN MEMBERS OPPORTUNITY

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The Katahdin GSPC corporate membership renewal for Wilderness Adventures is due August 1st. Wilderness Adventures is a hunting and fishing preserve in Hillsborough, NH which offers upland bird hunting, trout fishing, sporting clays and "big" game. The price of a corporate membership is \$2,500.00. Katahdin has 5 members who initiated the corporate membership, but the owner has let us extend the annual corporate membership price per person, \$500, to all Katahdin members. Therefore, any Katahdin member who wishes to join Wilderness Adventures can take advantage of the Katahdin corporate membership and join for only \$500. The website is down as I type this, but I believe that an individual membership is about \$1,200, so it is a very good deal! If you are interested, please send your check (\$500.00 made payable to Katahdin GSPC) to Steve Marcq, 44 Birchwood Drive, Allenstown, NH 03275, and he will send a check for the full amount to Allan at Wilderness Adventures. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Lou Gagnon or me.

Pat.

**SPECIALTY  
SHOW  
AUGUST 8, 2010**

**WITH CHESHIRE  
KENNEL CLUB**

**KEENE, NH**

**SUPPORTED  
ENTRY SHOW  
SEPTEMBER 11,  
2010**

**WITH CARROLL  
COUNTY KC**

**NO CONWAY, NH**

**KATAHDIN  
HUNT TESTS**

**SHARPS FARM  
HOPKINTON, NH**

**SEPTEMBER 18-19,  
2010**

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Don't Forget...  
Start composing  
those stories of your  
history with the  
breed or memorable  
moments  
for upcoming  
newsletters!

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FOR UPDATES, NEWS, UPCOMING EVENTS AND PUPS  
AVAILABLE, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT  
[WWW.KATAHDINGSP.ORG](http://WWW.KATAHDINGSP.ORG)

## **IMPACT FROM NH F&G RULES CHANGES FOR FIELD TRIALS**

First off, I would like to thank everyone who gave up their evening on June 2<sup>nd</sup> to attend the hearing at Fish and Game headquarters in Concord. The hearing was well attended by members of several different dog clubs. I did not take a count, but there must have been at least 30 people in attendance.

The bottom line is that the proposed changes will have little if any impact on the way we currently use Sharp's Farm. The Fish and Game Department views Sharp's Farm differently than other areas in the state where field trials and other field dog events are held. We will be able to continue having our training days as usual, and we will not need to obtain a field trial permit for those. The only time we'll need a permit is for our tests. The issue of gunners needing to have a license will not be an issue at Sharp's Farm, because it is viewed as a "regulated shooting area" by Fish and Game.

The state will be keeping Sharp's Farm as a pheasant stocking site. But we'll only be shut down from having events between September 27<sup>th</sup>, and October 31<sup>st</sup>. Not much different from how things have always been. The last weekend in September will become an issue probably 50% of the time, and that's about the only negative impact from the proposed rules changes.

Other grounds that clubs may use to conduct tests, trials, etc. will be affected by the changes!

I think that the great turnout of dog people at the hearing, plus the respectful manner in which everyone conducted themselves went a long way to showing the Fish and Game Department just how much this sport means to a lot of people. Also, they must realize that when we feel that our activities are being threatened, we will do our best to protect what we have.

Once again, thanks to all who came out that evening for the hearing!

Lou Gagnon

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**Just a last reminder that your Katahdin dues are past due. A single membership is \$20 for a year and \$50 for three years. A family membership is \$30 for one year and \$75 for three years.**

**Please send your dues to:**

**Pat Russell**

**2 Mill Road**

**Hancock, NH 03449**

**And please include one of the forms found on our site for Renewal or New Membership so that we may update all of your information.**

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**KATAHDIN GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB  
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**NEWSLETTER  
OF THE  
KATAHDIN GSP CLUB OF GREATER  
PORTLAND**

