

Carolina PBGV Club Activities

Our first true club activity was at the PBGVCA Hunt Test on Saturday, October 21, 2005. We had our first meeting and then proceeded to the silent auction fundraiser with refreshments provided by

Kim Turbyfill on behalf of the Carolina PBGV Club (although we didn't actually have a name at that point!)



Here we are at our organizational meeting with members Tommy Carr, Mary Fluke, Bobbe Jackson, Carla Gillette, Mike Williquette, Shirley Van Camp, Lynn Rowell, and Shirley Knipe holding the pad!

The next major club activity was the PBGVCA Hunt Test Weekend in Concord, NC, February 25 and 26, 2006. Carolina PBGV Club members were instrumental in making this event possible. Kim Turbyfill, Ralph Hattox, and Maggie Lutz were on the NC PBGVCA National Hunt Test Committee serving as Chairperson, Secretary, and Marshall for this hunt. Bobbe Jackson, Lynn Rowell, and Mike Williquette were presenters for the all day hunt workshop on Saturday, Feb. 25. We also had a microchip clinic (offered on behalf of Carolina PBGV Club by Mary Fluke, DVM) and a DNA blood drawing to help gather samples for the PBGVCA DNA bank (Mary Fluke and Kim Turbyfill with some help by Bobbe Jackson and Carla Gillette) on Saturday evening while the silent auction and hospitality events were taking place. We drew blood on 26 dogs (in the bathroom of a room in the host hotel!)

Here is a picture of Kim Turbyfill and Mary Fluke drawing blood in the bathroom.



The Mid Atlantic Hound Association had a show in Raleigh, NC, May 13 and 14, 2006. Carolina PBGV Club members sponsored trophies for the Saturday show (co-ordinated by Kim Turbyfill).

Our next activity was a PBGV Fun Day held at the home of Bobbe Jackson and Lynn Rowell on Sunday, June 25, 2006. The goal of the day was to provide fun and fellowship among the club members and to provide an event that was open to all PBGV's, not just the show dogs! Members, guests, and dogs all played and had a wonderful time, ate a potluck picnic lunch that couldn't be beat and capped it all off with a hilarious PBGV Hot Dog Bob!



Here is a picture of the Hot Dog Bob!



...and here we are having a wonderful put luck picnic! (Julie Goodin, Tony Childs, Kim Turbyfill, and Bobbe Jackson in the foreground!)

Later in the summer, Mary Fluke and Beverly Reeves-Childs participated in the Piedmont Kennel Club "Meet the Breeds!" event as a part of the AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day. The event was held at the Piedmont Kennel Club building in Charlotte, NC, on Sunday, September 17, 2006. The booth looked nice and PBGV's Iris and ZZTux did their best to represent the breed and help educate the general public about responsible dog ownership!

Here are the back of Mary Fluke and the front of Beverly Reeves Childs with ZZTux hidden behind the table.



With fall in the air, it was Hunt Test time again and Carolina PBGV members stepped up to co-ordinate the PBGVCA Hunting Instinct Test in Concord, NC, October 20-22. Members Kim Turbyfill, Ralph Hattox, and Maggie Lutz once again served on the NC PBGVCA National Hunt Test Committee. Ralph and Susan Hattox handled all the entries and ran the schedule using a computer program that Ralph devised to assign the packs, record the results, and generally keep track of all the paperwork. Once again the Carolina PBGV Club offered a microchip clinic and a DNA blood draw event (Mary Fluke, Kim Turbyfill).

Here's Kim Turbyfill with some happy hounds hunting!...



...and here are Bobbe Jackson, Shirley Knipe, and Julie Shannon heading up the hill into the hunting grounds.

In November, 2006, Carolina PBGV Club members sponsored trophies for the PBGVCA supported entry of PBGV's at the Greater Monroe Kennel Club Show, Saturday, November 18, 2007 (co-ordinated by Mary Fluke). We also had a microchip clinic at that show (Mary Fluke and Shirley Van Camp).

The next Hunt Test was held on February 24 and 25, 2007. Kim Turbyfill and Ralph Hattox repeated their roles as Chairperson and Secretary respectively with Mike Williquette and Beverly Childs taking on the hospitality responsibilities on the field and at the hotel for the Saturday night activities. Members Shirley Knipe and Lynn Rowell served as judges on the field and Ralph Hattox was a stellar Field Secretary, laptop and all (with able assistance by Susan Hattox!)

Here are some more dogs and people hunting! (including Maggie Lutz and Kim Turbyfill second and third from the left)



On Saturday evening, February 25, the Carolina PBGV Club had its first Fun Match. Shirley Knipe served as judge and Kim Turbyfill was Ring Steward and Secretary. We had 14 entries (3 puppy dogs, 4 puppy bitches, 4 adult dogs, and 3 adult bitches) and everyone had a good time (plus every entered dog got a nice fleece toy to take home!)

The fun part was hanging out in the hallway waiting for classes to start!



Here's Bobbe Jackson watching Wendy Murphy and Maggie Lutz showing their puppies to judge Shirley Knipe.

The Mid Atlantic Hound Show was held in Raleigh, NC, on May 12 and 13 with Carolina PBGV Club members offering trophies (co-ordinated by Kim Turbyfill).

Since the Carolina PBGV Fun Day was such fun in 2006, we did it again on Sunday, June 24, 2007 at Bobbe Jackson and Lynn Rowell's farm. We all sat around under the trees in the pasture and let the dogs go exploring in the fenced acreage, then we had a potluck lunch that was wonderful (Grace Allen brought lots of cake!) We had our second Fun Match (2 puppy dogs, 1 adult dog, 3 adult bitches, Lynn Rowell judged,

everybody got prizes!) Mary Fluke, DVM gave a brief seminar entitled "Health Screening on a Budget!" and then we set up a Rally course for people to try. It was very hot, but lots of fun, and a good time was had by all. As before, this event was aimed at offering an activity for members who were not directly involved with hunting or conformation showing.

Chatting in the shade while the dogs explore the pasture...



...then learning about health screening on a budget...



...until it was time for our fun match!

(Clockwise: 2 views of Judge Lynn Rowell evaluating the adult bitch class and then pictures of the Best Puppy handled by Susan Hendricks and Winners Dog handled by Cass Fisher.)

We are scheduled to participate in the upcoming PKC "Meet the



Breeds!” event on Sunday, September, 16, 2007, for AKC Responsible Dog Ownership Day (Mary Fluke and Susan Brunner). We are also doing trophies (including performance events such as agility, obedience, and Rally) again for the PBGVCA supported entry at the Greater Monroe Kennel Club Show on November 17, 2007. We will hold a match at that show as well, either a Fun Match or a “B” match depending on our AKC status. The premium list is out for the upcoming October Hunt Test Weekend (once again organized by a core group of volunteers from the Carolina PBGV Club). A Canine Good Citizens Test will be offered during the weekend as a club activity (Shirley Knipe, evaluator).

Our club has been very active over the last 2 years, with dedicated members who want to promote the well being of our beloved PBGV’s, while providing opportunities for fellow enthusiasts to participate in the fancy in conformation, performance, and hunting events. Arooo!

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