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September 2010 Newsletter

Aug. 2010 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President, Tim M. Penny M. moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Pat M. and passed. There were no corrections to the minutes.

Treasurer's Report

Beth J. was not present at the meeting so her report will be given next month.

Membership Report

Amy G. reported that there were five inquiries in the month of July and two new members.

Intake Report

Penny M. reported that two dogs came in during the last month:

010-020 Kipper—a 15 month old female

010-015R Josie—a 6 year old female (Return)

Penny M. reported that there is



**Slider celebrates his 4th Birthday!
Dad, Rich T., said that steak was on the menu that day!**

an upcoming 18 month old female from Bloomington, IL. coming in and another 16 month old male in Webster Groves that needs a dog visit.

Adoption Report

Amy R. reported that two dogs were placed in their forever homes in the past month:

010-018 Cooper

010-019 Beau

Amy also reported that Max will go to his new home on Friday and that there are a few possible candidates for Millie and Milo.

GGRR Website Report

Paul S. reported on our website's traffic for the past month.

Our website had:

Hits: 115,861

Page Views: 26,550

Visitors: 8,016

Unique Visitors: 2,432

Penny M. reported at the our PetFinder site received

1,652 hits. Most of these were on Max and Millie and Josie.

Sammy Blacksher, pictured to the right, is shown after a long day of romping in the mud hole at the dog park!



Upcoming Events



Ginger and her mom, Sandy B., smile for the camera! Ginger is obsessed with balls, so her favorite orange one is always near!

*Friday-Sunday,
September 17, 18, & 19
Greentree Festival in Kirkwood Park*

*Saturday, September 25th
Lucky Dog Adoption Days
in Webster Groves*

*Saturday, October 2nd
PNC Bank Pet Adoption Day
Hwy. K & Mexico Rd. Location*

*Sunday, October 10th
Celebrate Spot Walk in
Forrest Park
Registration 8 a.m.,
Walk begins at 9 a.m.*

*Sunday, October 10th
Canine Games at Purina Farms*

Come out and support GGRR by attending some of our upcoming events! Your dogs will enjoy the day spending time with you and romping and playing in the ex-pens with their other dog buddies in GGRR!

**Upcoming Event
All Members
Needed!!!**

**Greentree Festival
at Kirkwood Park
Friday—Sunday,
September 17th,
18th & 19th**

**Bring your dogs
and enjoy the day
at Greentree!**



**Is that a smile we see on
Cami R's face?
Maybe it's because she's
surrounded by TOYS!**

GGRR Events

Lucky Dog Adoption Days

Barb B. announced that we need someone to volunteer to do our Adoption Days at Lucky Dog for August and September. Mary & Christina E. and Barb B. volunteered to do August 21st and Steve & Debbie D. volunteered to take September 25th. We still need a volunteer for Saturday, October 16th.

Kirkwood Greentree Festival

The Kirkwood Greentree Festival is scheduled for September 17th, 18th, & 19th at Kirkwood Park. Please mark your calendars as we need many volunteers to work this event. We will have a nice big expense set up for the dogs to romp in and we'll be selling our merchandise too. It looks really good when we have dogs in our pen and it draws the crowd to our booth. Please sign up to cover a shift and bring your dogs out for a day of fun! Barb had the sign up sheet for shifts. The shifts go from 8:00

a.m.—12:00 p.m., 12:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Even if you cannot work a full shift, please come by for a few hours and help out! Everyone is welcome! More information will be provided next meeting.

GGRR Trivia Night

Our first Trivia Night will be Saturday, January 29, 2011 at the Webster Groves Masonic Lodge located at 12 E. Lockwood (next to the City Hall and Fire Department). Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. with the trivia night beginning at 7:00 p.m. We decided that tables of 8 will be \$120. We will provide soda, water, popcorn, and other snacks. GGRR will not provide alcohol since a liquor license would be too expensive, but people may BYOB. Our greatest need right now is for door prizes and items for the silent auction. If you can donate anything or have contacts who will donate items, please see Korisa or Barb or

another committee member. We will need some members to work and the rest to gather their friends and take part in the trivia festivities! PNC Bank Pet Adoption Day On Saturday, October 2nd we will be at PNC Bank off of Hwy. K and Mexico Rd. We will not have any merchandise sales or donation jars but it will help get our name out to interested adoptive families. More info to come.

Celebrate Spot Walk

Sunday, October 10th at 9:00 a.m. is the celebrate spot walk in Forrest Park. Proceeds support the Young Women's Breast Cancer Program. Registration is \$30 in advance or \$35 the day of the event.

Canine Games at Purina Farms

The Canine Games will be held at Purina Farms on Sunday, October 10th and is sponsored by the Samoyed Club. More info to come.

Three Dog Bakery

The new Three Dog Bakery in Town and Country would like us to come do an adoption day at their facility. More info to come on this.

Old Business & New Business



Sabrina Jasper is pictured to the left on a lazy summer day. She's so sweet!

Old Business

There was no old business to be discussed.

New Business

Barb B. announced that she had some extra booklets "Feeling Out-numbered?" These books contain great ideas to keep your

pooches occupied. See Barb if you are interested.

Barb B. also reported that she has a nice form letter that she used to send to her former Principal at the

grade school for Delta Dogs and to bring her dog in to read to students. If anyone would like a copy of this letter, please see Barb.

Chris R. announced that she will be placing a t-shirt order after our meeting. Please see Chris if you would like to order a t-shirt, sweat-shirt, fleece, etc. for our upcoming events!

A motion was made by Paul S. and seconded by Kathy D. to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**Next Meeting
Thursday,
September 9th
at 7:00 p.m.**

Mind Games Dogs Play with Humans

1. After your humans give you a bath, don't let them towel dry you! Instead, run to their bed, jump up and dry yourself off on the sheets. It's especially good if it's right before your human's bedtime.
2. Act like a convicted criminal. When the humans come home, put your ears back, tail between your legs, chin down, and act as if you have done something really bad. Then, watch as the humans frantically search the house for the damage they think you have caused. (Note: This only works when you have done absolutely nothing wrong.)
3. Let the humans teach you a brand new trick. Learn it perfectly. Then, when the humans try to demonstrate it to someone else, stare blankly back at the humans. Pretend you have no idea what they are talking about.
4. Make your humans be patient. When you go outside to "pee", sniff around the entire yard as your humans wait. Act as if the spot you choose to use will ultimately decide the fate of the earth.
5. Draw attention to the human. When out for a walk, always pick the busiest most visible spot to go "poo." Take your time and make sure everyone watches. This works particularly well if your humans have forgotten to bring a plastic bag!
6. When out for a walk, alternate between choking and coughing every time a strange human walks by.
7. Make your own rules. Don't always bring back the stick when playing fetch with the humans. Make them go and chase it once in a while.
8. Hide from your humans. When your humans come home, don't greet them at the door. Instead hide from them and make them think something terrible has happened to you. (Don't reappear until one of your humans is panic-stricken and close to tears.)
9. When your human calls you to come back in, always take your time. Walk as slowly as possible back to the door.
10. Wake up twenty minutes before the alarm is set to go off and make the humans take you out for your morning potty break. As soon as you get back inside, fall asleep. (Humans can rarely fall back asleep after going outside, so this will drive them nuts!)



Another adorable Sabrina picture...



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Thursday, September 9th at 7:00 p.m.
At the Dog Museum in Queeny Park
We love having happy healthy Goldens at
our meetings! Please make sure your dog
is up to date on shots and vaccinations.

**To Adopt or Surrender a Dog
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