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Tracking, Georgia Style

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On May 1, GAASC held it's first 'stand alone' tracking test at the Georgia International Horse Park. pictured: (standing, left to right), Cindy Brizes, Penny Weimer, Larinda Wilkens, Herb Morrison, Mike Pumilia (seated, left to right) Amy Burnette, Georgie Blackburn, Terry Dickey, Devona Myrick, Wendy Eldredge, Renee Reschenthaler, Melanie Magamol, Karen Foster. Not pictured: Robert Wheaton, Elaine LeRoy

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President's Message

Dear GAASC members,

GAASC is on track!!! More specifically, our tracking test on May 1 was BONZER! Two ASCA Tracking Committee members attended our test as competitors; here's what they had to say:

"I (attended) the (tracking) test (held by) GAASC, and they did a really good job...The test was held at the sight of the Olympic cross country course for horses. The land is beautiful rolling hills...I think it is a great idea." —*Judy Whittaker*

And, *Elaine Nichols*, ASCA Tracking Committee member, praised the site, the judges, the tracklayers, and our club for holding the test.

Yes, we impressed the ASCA Tracking Committee!

Everyone—man and beast, competitor and tracklayer—had a wonderful time. It was exciting to watch each dog work their way through their respective tracks. A feeling of pride and enjoyment was shown in every smile and wiggling doggie bum.

See this issue's installment of **On the record...** where you'll find answers to questions such as: "*What is a tracklayer anyway?*" and "*How do I find out more about tracking?*"

Huge thanks to test committee and tracklayers Wendy Eldridge, Renee Reschenthaler, Devona Myrick, Bob Wheaton, Terry Dickey, Georgie Blackburn, and our non-GAASC club member volunteers, Elaine LeRoy, Penny Weimer, Larinda Wilken. A tracking test cannot be held without the dedication of our tracklayers. This truly is a special group of people; they are huge part of each dog's success!!

Thanks to our judges Herb Morrison and Mike Pumilia! Their expertise and time were invaluable for making this test a success.

Track On!

Please contact any of the club officers or board members, or our National's show chairperson, Renee Reschenthaler, to volunteer, for information, or if you have a bright idea. Our calendar of activities and National's project plan are currently being finalized and will be published and available to our club members very soon.

ON THE RECORD

On the record...

Read on find out more about tracking—

Fun Tracking Facts

Question. What is a tracklayer anyway?

Answer. Each dog in the test has their special person--their tracklayer. The tracklayer walks a path specified by the tracking judges (there are two judges at each test). After the track ages for the specified time, the dog must follow the path of the tracklayer and find an article that the tracklayer “lost” at the end of the track. Each tracklayer feels a personal victory when the dog running their track completes the track and (hopefully) passes their test! Hooray for our tracklayers!!!!

Question. How many competitors did we have at our last test?

Answer. We had five TD entries and one TDX entry. Two of the TD entries were non-Aussies—a Springer Spaniel and Clumber Spaniel.

Future Tracking Plans

Question. When are our next tracking tests?

Answer. In addition to the Nationals tracking test, GAASC is planning to host another **tracking test on November 20, 2005**. (This is the weekend before Thanksgiving.)

Question. How do I find out more about tracking?

Answer. If you are interested in tracking or in the **upcoming tracking seminar** that GAASC has planned, please contact me via phone at 678-393-1730.

Look for a description of our May tracking test in the Aussie Times!



ON THE TRACK TO GEORGIA

This article will appear in the July/August issue of the AT.

Like many of you out there, we here in Georgia spent some cold, late winter months thinking about the upcoming 2005 Nationals. More specifically, a few of us have been thinking about tracking. While a few of our members have been actively training their dogs for tracking, we haven't held a Tracking Test since the 2000 Nationals. So, with that in mind, GAASC decided to hold a test at the site for Nationals. A 'pre-trial' if you will. This would give us an opportunity to make sure the site will indeed fit our needs in October, and give the trial secretary (me) some hands on experience with tracking. We scheduled this test for May 1 and prayed for good weather.

First, let me tell you that Celeste Kelly, the Tracking co-chair, is an absolute angel. She answered my questions with patience and knowledge, cleared up some gray areas; she virtually held my hand via email throughout the planning process. I cannot thank her and the entire tracking committee enough for all of their help!

Then we talked Herb Morrison, one of the most respected tracking and obedience judges around (and a very busy AKC rep as well!) to take the time to judge for us. And, with Mike Pumilia (tracking and obedience judge) back in the metro Atlanta area also available to judge, we hit the jackpot of knowledge and experience. These two gentlemen were always available in the planning stages to answer my questions regarding site layout, plotting, tracks, etc., etc., etc.

Entries opened and within short order we had entries for 6 TD tracks and 1 TDX track. Most exciting was that five of these entries were from Australian Shepherds!

Additional track-layers were gathered from local AKC tracking clubs, and all proved to be another valuable source of information and experience. These folks, with no affiliation to ASCA gave their time and energy to an event and sport simply for the enjoyment of it.



Entrants and tracklayers preparing for the draw.

Saturday, plotting day, dawned dark and ugly. Severe thunderstorms were headed our way. We all met at the site at 8 a.m. just as the skies opened up. Lighting was flashing all around so the nearest Cracker Barrel seemed the best place to be for a while. Hot coffee and pancakes can cure many ills, but it doesn't do a thing for changing the weather. Finally, around 10, the storms passed we out we go to plot. All the tracks were plotted and flagged in short order and signs posted to alert joggers and cyclists, so everyone headed home to dry clothes.

On Sunday the weather prayers were answered. Clear skies, light breezes, and pleasant temperatures were a welcome change from the day before. The judges and I got there bright and early and I had the pleasure of laying the TDX track. Then the tracklayers (the first two tracks were being laid while the drawing was held), judges, handlers and dogs all met for the draw. Five TD dogs were on hand (3 Aussies, 1 Springer Spaniel, and 1 Clumber Spaniel) and drew: track 1 – Aussie, track 2- Clumber, track 3- not drawn, track 4 – Aussie, track 5- Aussie, 1 TDX – Aussie (we were short one TD Aussie due to an injury).

Tracks were laid, then aged, then run. Unfortunately, most all of the dogs started out very strongly but got lost on the turns. We did have on TD qualifier, the Springer Spaniel owned and handled by Karen Foster, who ran beautifully.

All in all, this Tracking Test was a huge success. We found that the site is immanently suited to tracking and will accommodate the number of tracks we will offer for Nationals. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves, regardless of individual success. Several club members (me included) who had never participated in tracking have committed to training ourselves and our dogs in this venue.

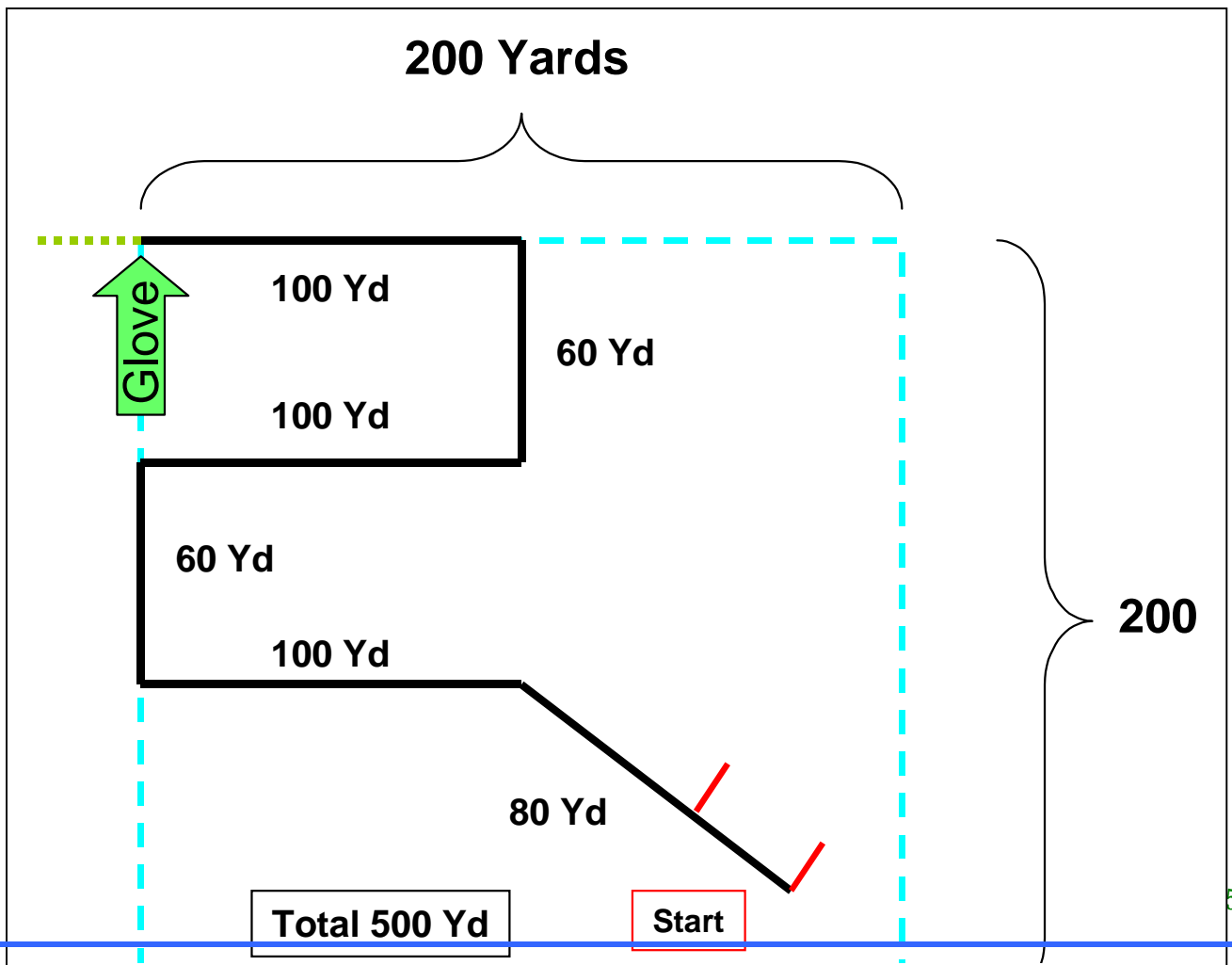
Thanks go out to our judges Herb Morrison and Mike Pumilia, the tracklayers Penny Weimer, Laurinda Wilkens, Elaine LeRoy (all non-ASCA members), Devona Myrick, Renee Reschenthaler, Terry Dickey and Georgie Blackburn. This event would not have been possible without them. And thanks to the other GAASC Tracking Committee members Renee Reschenthaler, Amy Burnette, Terry Dickey, Robert Wheaton (flag carrier extraordinaire).



Karen Foster with her Springer, Cabot, pictured with judges Herb Morrison, Mike Pumilia, and tracklayer Terry Dickey

If you haven't tried your hand at tracking I highly recommend it!
What a blast!

Wendy Eldredge, Secretary
Greater Atlanta ASC



GAASC UPCOMING EVENTS

June 25 & 26, 2005

Agility Trial & Conformation Shows

Chicopee Woods Ag Center

Agility Judge: Sarah Fix

1 ring, Regular/Combo, Jumpers, Tunnelers, Weavers, Touch-N-Go

Crystal Jubilee Conformation Invitational Fund Raiser

Conformation Judges:

Ann Hearn & Cheryl Padgett (SAT AM)

Susan Caitlin & Laura Clayton (SAT PM)

Nancy Bellenger Harper & Amy Burnette (SUN)

Special Awards:

GAASC will award a "BEST IN SHOW"

consisting of the winners of Best of Breed, Altered Best of Breed, and Best Veteran.

GAASC will also award a "BEST PERFORMANCE AUSSIE"

**Consisting of winners of Agility, Obedience, Stock-Dog, and Tracking Non-Regular
Classes.**

Both of the above will receive a special rosette and prize.

DUCK TEST

Bring your dog and see what he thinks of ducks in a controlled environment!

Volunteers are always welcome!

**Don't forget to fill out your Volunteer Form. After all,
You Deserve The Credit!**

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Event Date(s):

Your
Responsibilities:

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Worked:

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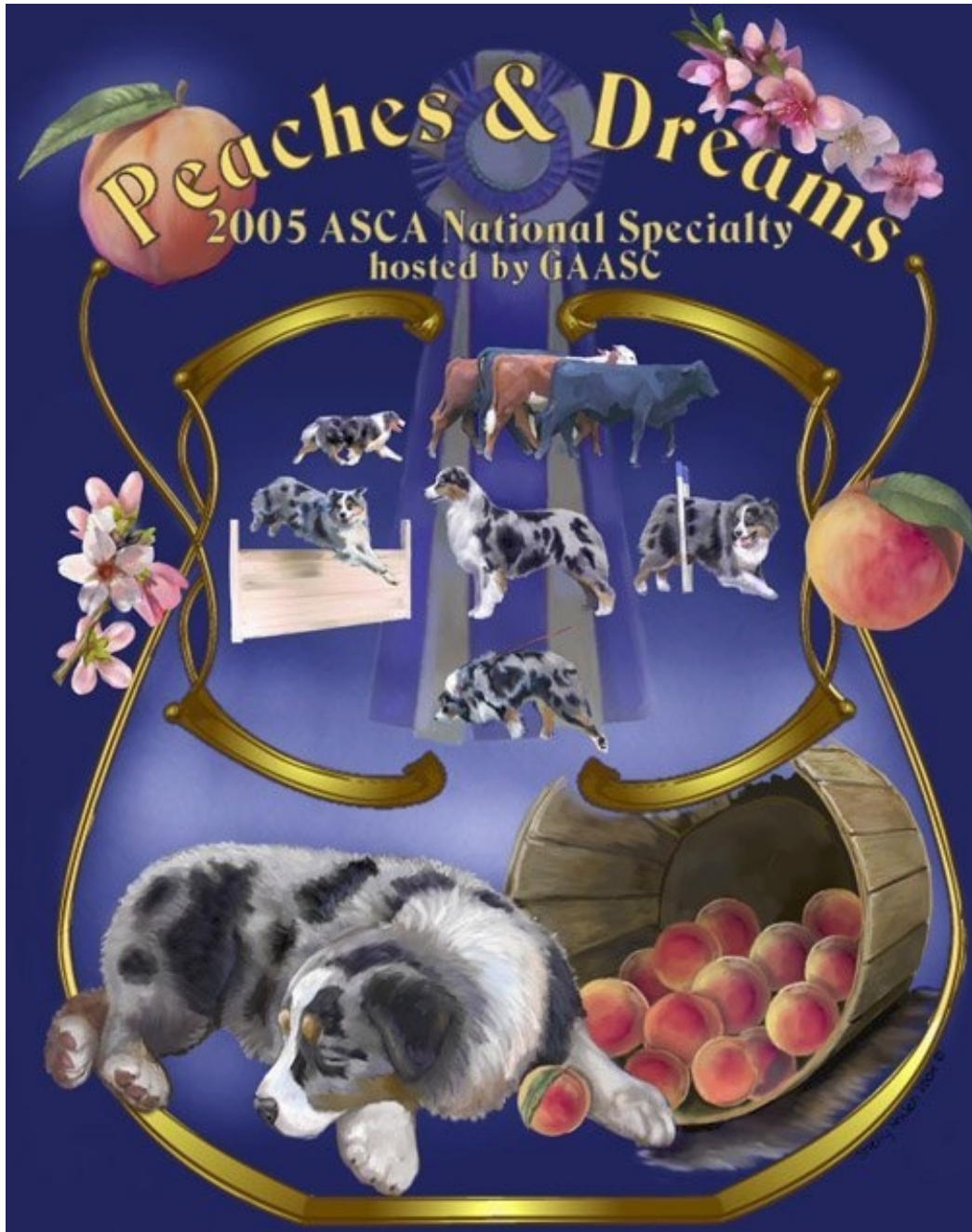
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Two:

Start Time Day
Three:

End Time Day
Three:

*Event chairpersons should have their record sheets signed by an attending GAASC officer or board member.

It's Coming!!!



October 22 – 29, 2005

the dates are set, the judges are hired, and the dogs are coming.

We just need *YOU!*



To Our New Members

Paula Tyer
Hendersonville, TN

Tom & Jan Francis
Gainesville, GA

Let's make them feel at home!



The Health Corner

This begins a multipart series on Canine Reproduction

Pamela A. Davol, Swansea, MA

Part 1: Reproduction and the Bitch

The Normal Reproductive Cycle of the Bitch

Throughout the adult reproductive years of the female, the structural composition and hormonal activity of the ovaries are continually changing. Hormones, called gonadotropic hormones, produced by the anterior pituitary gland within the brain initiate such changes. During early development, prior to sexual maturity of the bitch, very little gonadotropic hormones are secreted and the ovaries, therefore, remain inactive. However, around the age of 6 months, the pituitary begins to secrete higher levels of the gonadotropic hormones called follicular stimulating hormone (FSH) and luteal hormone (LH). The rise in FSH and LH in the bitch will initiate the sexual cycle sometime between the age of 6 months and 14 months. Cyclical increases and decreases in FSH and LH, in turn, control the cyclic ovarian changes and, as such, are responsible for the physiologic events in the normal reproductive cycle of the bitch.

The bitch has two ovaries that will produce the ova (eggs). Within the ovaries, the ova are contained within follicles that grow toward the surface of the ovary. When FSH and LH from the pituitary gland begin to be secreted in high quantities during onset of sexual maturity, the ovaries and the follicles within them will begin to grow. Within these follicles, a follicular fluid hormone, secreted by the ovary, called estrogen, surrounds the ovum. This hormone is a biologic chemical that produces physiologic and social/behavioral effects within the bitch that will signal a readiness to mate.

Two days prior to ovulation, there is a surge in the secretion of LH by the pituitary gland preceded by rapid swelling of the follicle. This LH surge is of critical importance because in its absence, even with the other hormonal physiologic effects taking place, ovulation will not occur. Additionally, the LH surge causes the ovarian cells to switch over to secreting progesterone hormone rather than estrogen. As a result, there is an increase in progesterone levels, and a decrease in estrogen levels. Within two days of the LH surge, the follicle reaches the surface of the ovary and bursts, thereby releasing the ovum into a capsule that surrounds the ovary. This process is referred to as ovulation. If the bitch is bred, then sperm will subsequently fertilize each of the released ova. The ova will then move down the oviducts, which connect each ovary to each of the two uterine horns, and the fertilized ova will eventually implant in the walls of the uterus where they will develop into fetuses. In the meantime, the ruptured follicles from which each ovum was developed will begin to produce a rapidly dividing mass of cells called luteal bodies, which will make up the corpus luteum. In addition to producing progesterone, which will maintain the pregnancy, the corpus luteum will also produce inhibin, the hormone that will signal the pituitary gland to decrease production of FSH and LH. When enough inhibin has eventually been secreted, this will end the mating period.

Though the above explanation mainly describes the mating stage of the bitch, the normal reproductive cycle of the bitch is comprised of four stages: proestrus, estrus, diestrus, and anestrus.

Proestrus: (average duration = 9 days; range = 3-17 days) Swelling of the vulva, the external tissue of the vaginal opening, and bloody discharge marks the beginning of the proestrus stage, also known as the follicular stage. During proestrus, the ovarian follicles, each containing ova, increase in size. Increasing amounts of estrogen hormone, secreted by the ovarian follicles, cause the cells of the vaginal walls to take-on a distinctive shape, a process known as cornification. Both the level of estrogen and vaginal cornification are useful indicators of proestrus.

Estrus: (average duration = 9 days; range = 3-21 days) Receptivity to mating marks the beginning of the estrus stage. Physiologically, estrus coincides with the predominant presence of cornified vaginal epithelial cells and an increase in serum progesterone levels to 2 ng/ml. Ovulation usually occurs 2 days following this increase in progesterone and hence, monitoring the levels of progesterone is an excellent indicator for timing breeding.

Diestrus: (average duration = 2 months) Approximately 6 days after ovulation, the cornified vaginal epithelial cells will revert to a non-cornified state. This condition marks the beginning of diestrus. This stage ends when progesterone levels fall to less than 1 ng/ml just prior to whelping in the pregnant bitch or approximately 2 months after ovulation in the nonpregnant bitch.

Anestrus: (average duration = 4-4.5 months) The beginning of this stage is marked by the drop in serum progesterone levels to less than 1 ng/ml. The beginning of proestrual bleeding marks the end of this stage. Duration of anestrus is quite variable among bitches and may be governed by both genetic and environmental variables.

Determining Ovulation

The average bitch will experience the LH surge on Day 10 (where Day 1 is defined as the first day that bloody discharge is observed), will ovulate on Day 12, and will, therefore, optimally conceive on Day 14. Traditionally, bitches were usually bred on the 14th day following onset of proestrus. This was because it was observed that most bitches would display "tail flagging", defined as the lateral deviation of the tail with elevation of the vulva, and "standing heat", defined as the bitches' behavior in allowing the male to mount and breed, at this point in time. Additionally, other physical changes such as a softening of the flesh of the swollen vulva were external signs indicating the onset of ovulation. Later, when it became the norm to perform multiple matings, the bitch was bred on Days 12 and 14 (for double service), or Days 11, 13, and 15 (for triple service). Though these schedules are still adequate for insuring optimal breeding and litter size in the average bitch, not all bitches ovulate on Day 12 following proestrus onset. Some may ovulate as early as Day 5 or as late as Day 25 in which case utilizing this standard mating schedule will result in breeding failure.

Using receptive behavior of the female as an indicator for ovulation and therefore, a method for determining mating schedule has many limitations because these approaches are not always clear-cut. Some bitches may exhibit "phantom proestrus" (displaying little or no outward signs of bloody discharge, etc.) making it difficult to estimate the average date of ovulation, may "flag" and appear receptive to males throughout proestrus, or may remain unwilling to mate even following ovulation. The differences observed from bitch to bitch in regard to mating signs and behavior as well as the fact that unsuccessful mating will result in a 6-month or longer wait to "try again" understandably leads to a sense of anxiety in many bitch owners. Additionally, even cytological analysis, which can be used to determine onset of estrus, is often a poor predictor for ovulation since LH surge, a key precursor to ovulation, may occur 3 to 5 days before to 5 days after the onset of estrus. Therefore, a clinical screening test that accurately predicts ovulation in the bitch and therefore serves to optimize breeding schedule, is used frequently by many breeders.

The serum progesterone enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) is an accurate predictor for ovulation. For this assay, vaginal smears are examined periodically at the onset of proestrus to monitor cornification of the vaginal epithelial cells, which occurs as a result of increasing estrogen hormone. When the cells of the vaginal wall are approximately 60% cornified, as observed by microscopic analysis, testing with the serum-progesterone ELISA should commence. Blood samples are drawn, ideally, every day (though every 2 days may also be utilized), and whole blood or serum (depending on the test kit utilized) is added to a test indicator that has been treated with monoclonal antibodies specific for progesterone. Late in proestrus, the level of estrogen will decrease and levels of LH will surge. This LH surge is concurrent with an increase in progesterone levels, which will rise above 1 ng/ml on the same day. Therefore, detection of increased serum progesterone corresponds to the LH surge. This is an important indicator, since ovulation occurs 2 days following the LH surge. The serum progesterone ELISA manufactured by International Canine Genetics, a division of Synbiotics (Malvern, PA) provides a qualitative color change to indicate when the progesterone level in the bitches' serum rises. Early in proestrus, the test indicator will produce a strong blue color indicating low levels of progesterone (between 0.0 to 1.0 ng/ml). For determination of LH surge, the first appearance of a fading of the test color (as compared to an internal "low-progesterone" control indicator) to a light blue (approximately 2.0 ng/ml) indicates the LH surge. Two days later upon ovulation, progesterone levels will further increase to 5.0 ng/ml or above, at which point the test color will appear white, confirming ovulation. Though different kits utilize different testing methods and procedures, the concept of each kit is virtually identical and provides the means for determining ovulation. However, limitations to the sensitivity of ELISA testing may sometimes result in false-positive and false-negative results. This is because the greatest inaccuracy in measuring serum progesterone levels occurs in the range of 1.5 to 3.0 ng/ml of progesterone, the concentration range of importance for determining the LH surge.

progesterone one day (suggesting LH surge), but may indicate a "low" level of progesterone when taken on the next day. This suggests that the former test demonstrated a false-positive because once progesterone levels rise, they should remain elevated and increase throughout ovulation. Therefore, to reduce incidence of inoptimal mating due to false-positives, two consecutive days of testing, whereby increased progesterone levels are indicated on both days, should be obtained prior to establishing the mating schedule. Additionally, a post-ovulatory testing should be performed on a day that mating is performed to confirm high levels of progesterone (5.0 ng/ml or greater), which indicates that ovulation has occurred.

Alternatively, ICG also offers an LH ELISA that works on the same principle as the progesterone ELISA but which specifically detects levels of serum LH. Though the LH ELISA may be used alone for determining ovulation, the major limitation with the LH ELISA occurs as a result of the brief time in which the LH concentration is elevated in the serum. Unlike progesterone concentration, which continues to increase, LH peaks within 24 hours and then quickly dissipates. As such, it is possible to miss the LH surge if one does not test on a consistent, daily basis. For this reason, Synbiotics recommends combined testing with the progesterone ELISA and the LH ELISA, using the latter to reduce the possibility of false-positives and false-negatives occasionally encountered with the progesterone ELISA. For example, on the first day that the progesterone ELISA indicates a rise in serum progesterone levels, one may confirm the concurrent LH surge by re-testing serum using the LH ELISA. If both tests are positive, then there is less likelihood of false-positive results.

Once the day of the LH surge is determined (to be considered Day 0), ovulation will occur on Day 2. Maximal litter size is achieved when the bitch is bred 2 days after ovulation (Day 4 following the LH surge). A single insemination 2 to 3 days following ovulation will result in pregnancy in the healthy reproductive bitch. The reason that optimal conception occurs 2 days following ovulation is because when ovulation occurs, the ova are immature (primary oocytes) and must undergo two meiotic divisions before they can be fertilized. These divisions can take up to 48 to 72 hours to occur. Once matured, the ova remain viable for another 2 to 3 days. Because normal sperm (spermatozoa) of the male delivered by natural insemination can live in the reproductive tract for at least 5 to 6 days, successful conception may occur if a bitch is bred from 2 days prior to ovulation to 4 days after ovulation.

The next article will be on insemination and determination of pregnancy.



GAASC Meeting Notes:

GAASC General Membership meeting
Saturday, March 19, 2005
Woods End Farm, Watkinsville GA

In attendance

BoD: Amy Burnette, Cheryl Padgett, Renee Reschenthaler, Robert Wheaton, Terry Dickey (by proxy – Stacy Brown), Wendy Eldredge

Members: Susan Little, Janice Hopper, Charlie Geldernick, Chris Risher, Richard Eldredge, Trisha Herring, Tina Couture, Stacy Brown

Financial information

Treasurer Cheryl Padgett reports that current bank balance is \$24031.04. Nationals Bank balance is \$4,484.40 (sponsorship fees)

New members All accepted by unanimous vote

Tom & Christina Couture

Robert & Judy Blount

Charles Geldernick

A.J. Carubbi

Dawn & Robert Prater

2005 Nationals

- T-shirts and sweats are available for sale. T's will be \$15 prior to Nationals/ 18 at Nationals. Sweats will be \$20 prior to/ \$25 at.
- ASCA BoD has approved conformation invitation. Notice/Flyer to be prepared for sponsorship and naming rights to event
- Next 2005 committee meeting scheduled for 03/26, 11 am, at Horse Park

Explanation of Complaint

Renee and Ally detail the current status of appeals/complaints filed by Allison Bryant. Cheryl Padgett motions that 'if a complaint is filed by a club member or volunteer that is upheld by the GAASC BoD, the club will pay the ASCA filing fee should the complaint be filed with ASCA. Motion seconded and approved unanimously.

Motion made by Cheryl Padgett and Amy Burnette to contact ASCA affiliate clubs in the SE region to combine forces and hold a 'Regional Cluster' which will rotate annual between affiliate locations. Second, approved unanimously.

A discussion held on feasibility of adding conformation to May 7 & 8 agility trials. Terry Dickey will see if judges are available on short notice and determine if show should be Saturday only or both Sat. & Sun.

You Deserve the Credit – Amy Burnette details program to members. Janice Hopper, Charlie Geldernick, Amy Burnette to form discussion group and set up point schedule.

By-laws – Amy Burnette will speak with A.J. Carubbi regarding changing By-Laws to conform with ASCA Addendum.

With no further business to discuss motion made, seconded, unanimous to adjourn.

Wendy Eldredge,
Secretary
GAASC

GAASC Meeting Notes:

04/11/05 9 pm

GAASC BoD meeting via conference call

To discuss nationals contracts & judges

Renee

Cheryl

Amy

Bob

Debbie

Wendy

Terri

Sheep contract:

- Johna's sheep for Nationals Only? Specify in contract what constitutes "hauling" & FOB destination. 1st day need 110 fresh head (cannot be used more than once) for finals. \$125 for ewes, \$100 for whether. Correct bullets.
- Hubert's sheep for pre-trial and Nationals? Wendy to contact Hubert & put him in touch with Bob...need maximum 110 head a day, we'll know by 08/31/05.

Panel contract:

- Need specifications of # of panels and area to be covered.
- Confirm availability of tractor
- Damage to panels? Replacement available? How much to replace?
- Panels suitable for sheep?
- Get with Bob & Bob on panel layout.

Belt buckles:

- How many do we need? 12?
- What about MVJ?
- MVA?

Fencing:

- Fencing for ducks
- Fencing for sheep

Judges

- Would be inappropriate for local judge
- Six names to contact:
 - o Larry Teaf
 - o Bill VanHecke
 - o Russ Ford
 - o Chris Timmons
 - o Steve Shope
 - o Gary Hawley

Vice President:

- Cheryl & Wendy willing to move into VP position. Amy to contact Janice Hopper re: secretary.

No further meeting to discuss, meeting adjourned 10:20 pm

Financial Statement

Greater Atlanta Australian Shepherd Club

Show Income Statement

Show Name: Spring Fling
Show Date(s) Mar-05
Show Secretary(s): Vest & Reschenthaler

Income

Entries	\$4,692.00
Sponsors	
Other	
Total Income:	\$4,692.00

Expenses

Facility	\$800.00
Judges	\$1,384.17
Trophies	\$328.36
Ribbons	\$407.25
Livestock/Hauling/Equipment	\$588.00
Sanctioning	\$175.00
NADAC	
ASCA Insurance	\$119.50
Flyer Cost	
Miscellaneous	\$100.17
Total Expenses:	\$3,902.45

<u>Net Profit/(Loss)</u>	\$789.55
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Financial Statement

Greater Atlanta Australian Shepherd lub Show Income Statement

Show Name:	Spring Tracking
Show Date(s)	May-05
Show Secretary(s):	Eldredge
Income	
Entries	350
Sponsors	
Other	
Total Income:	350
Expenses	
Facility	250
Judges	70
Trophies	
Ribbons	67
Sanctioning	25
ASCA Insurance	15
Flyer Cost	19
Miscellaneous	138
Total Expenses:	585
Net Profit/(Loss)	-235

Show Name:	Spring Agility
Show Date(s)	05/07-08/05
Show Secretary(s):	Reschenthaler
Income	
Entries	\$2,595.86
Sponsors	
Other	
Total Income:	\$2,595.86
Expenses	
Facility	\$710.00
Judges	\$1,066.50
Secretary	\$500.00
Ribbons	\$200.00
Sanctioning	\$85.00
NADAC	\$209.00
ASCA Insurance	\$119.50
Flyer Cost	\$63.93
Miscellaneous	\$27.54
Total Expenses:	\$2,981.47
Net Profit/(Loss)	(\$385.61)

~News Flash~

Congratulations to Cheryl Padgett and Amy Burnette on their recent approval as ASCA Non-Regular Conformation Judges!!! It shouldn't be long until these ladies are approved to judge the regular classes as well. Look for Cheryl and Amy judging the non-regular classes at GAASC's June show held at Chicopee Woods Agricultural Center. Good luck to Cheryl and Amy in their new endeavor!!



Have you renewed?

Dues:
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Please fill in the following form and click the submit button. Print the page that will follow, sign it and send to the address listed along with your dues.

Cheryl Padgett
 1050 Bart Manous Rd
 Canton, GA 30115

Name		Phone	
Address			
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Are you an ASCA member?		Membership No.	Exp. date
Are you registered with: ASCA IESR AKC		UKC SKC	(check all that apply)
Are you interested in: Conformation Obedience		Herding Agility Breeding	(check all that apply)
Would you like your name, phone # and E-mail address included in the club directory?			

Brag & Congrats

*Well, would you just look at this little girl go!
At only 16 months old,
Coolmoor Hardrock In UR Dreams,
TD (AKC) (aka Cozy) in her first tracking event
sponsored by the Atlanta Spring Spaniel Club (AKC)
earning her AKC TD title on March 19 with her
breeder/owner/handler Amy Burnette.*



*Then, to top the weekend off with a bang, she won
Winners Bitch, Best of Winners, and Best of Breed under
Breeder Judge Marie Murphy at this year's Spring Fling!*



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