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TURKEY CIRCUIT

PEACHES

**AKC/EUKANUBA
CHAMPIONSHIP**

2007 TRAINING CLASSES

JANUARY 10

classes will be indoors

MARCH 14

*classes will be indoors, if we have
an incliment of weather*

MAY 9

SEPTEMBER 5

*All Classes are 8 weeks for one hour per week.
All Classes are Wednesday evenings*

**Conformation classes will be held only if a
minimum of 6 students are pre-registered.*

RALLY

4:45 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

PUPPY, BASIC/CGC

6:00p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

CONFORMATION

7:10 p.m. - appr. 8:00 p.m.

**Read more about these
classes at
www.stkc.org**

“THE BIG SHOW”

1st Annual Gold Rush Cluster

Sunday, April 8, 2007 & Monday April 9, 2007

AKC ALL BREED CONFORMATION SHOW OBEDIENCE, AND RALLY TRIAL

Merced County Fairgrounds, Merced, CA
in conjunction
with the Yosemite Kennel Club

Proudly sponsored by:



NEXT MEETING

DECEMBER 18TH
MOTHERLODE FAIRGROUND

The meeting is held before
our yearly Holiday
dinner and party.

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We will have the fun gift
exchange, and if you want to
participate, the gift limit is \$20,
and it need not be
doggy-related.

SEE YOU THERE!

AKC CLUSTER SHOW

Four All-Breed shows held
in four consecutive days
at the same location

AKC CIRCUIT SHOW

A group of events clustered
together at the same grounds
or in the same region on
consecutive days



November 24 - 27.

Our members were participating at the 2006 Turkey
Circuit in Turlock and Stockton.

We are looking forward to hear the brags
at the December meeting!





Dog of the Month

Jed

I'd like to introduce Jed to all of you.

He not only a neat dog, but he also my grandpuppy. He was born on February 24, 1997 and ironically, my first grandson was born on the same date two years later. Jed's parents were Gus and Cloey of Storybook Kennel, and Jed belongs to my son Galen.

Jed was named after Jedeiah Smith, the great mountain man. From the time Jed was a tiny puppy, he traveled with us to hte mountains and beach, and often just hangs out at our house. He is quite a talker. His very vocal greetings are special.

When Jed was 7 and a half years old he decided to try agility. He had the energy, drive, and a natural jumping ability; so it was no surprise that he loved it, although he is not too accurate.

"Contacts? Why, when I can just bail off!" "Weave poles? You mean I have to enter at the 1st pole?" Some of you may remember his first run. He had a great time speeding in, over, up and down, and through the obstacles, but he ended up on top of the tunnel, not in it. That's when he got the nickname "Wild Man". Since then Jed has settled and has Q'd in many runs.

He has titled in Novice AKC, NADAC, and some ASCA. In the fall of 2004 I took both Jed and Sunshine to Aussie Nationals, and they both performed exceptionally well, each earning a blue ribbon.

Jed is totally dedicated to the focused activity and hand, whether it is agility, playing stick or ball in a mountain lake, chasing birds on the beach, or emptying the trash can when left alone-alas his only fault.

So I toast Jed, whose agility career, like mine, began late in life. He is a wonderful dog and has brought me great joy.

JoAnn Gritz



Peaches

It is with heavy heart that I let everyone know that Jan and Rocky had to let their beloved "Peaches" cross the Rainbow Bridge this past Monday. Peaches, their Aussie, was about 10 years old and had been suffering from a blood disorder for a while. It was a hard decision to let her go.

Our thoughts go out to Rocky, Jan and little Ebby.

Linda

The Dogs Who Has Shared Our Lives

*The dogs who've shared our lives.
In subtle ways they let us know
their spirit still survives.
Old habits still make us think
we hear a barking at the door.
Or step back when we drop
a tasty morsel on the floor.
Our feet still go around the place
the food dish used to be,
And, sometime, coming home at night,
we miss them terribly.
And although time may bring new friends
and a new food dish to fill,
That one place in our hearts belongs to
them...
and always will.*

---Linda Barnes --- --

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[Tuolumne County Humane Society](#)

[American Dog Owner's Association](#)

[National Association of Dog Obedience Instructors](#)

[INFODOG](#)

AKC/Eukanuba National Championship



Best in Show:

CH FELICITY'S DIAMOND JIM "James"

GROUP WINNERS

Hound: Petit Basset Griffon Vendéen - Ch Celestial CJ's Jolly Fairchild

Working: Portuguese Water Dog - Ch Freestyle Ocean Breeze

Terrier: Sealyham Terrier - Ch Stonebroke Right On The Money

Toy: Toy Poodle - Ch Smash JP Win A Victory

Non-Sporting: Tibetan Terrier - Ch Players Prodigy

Herding: German Shepherd Dog - Ch Kaleef's Geneva Aeval-Achtung

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

And, in the Junior Showmanship competition (for those under 18 years of age) Lauren House of Auburn, CA with her dog, Ch Srinagar Raga Bahar, or "Bahar," a Saluki, was awarded Best Junior Handler, along with a \$2,000 scholarship.

BEST BRED-BY-EXHIBITOR IN SHOW

Golden Retriever Ch Shalimar's Sports Illustrated CD or "Houston," owned by Terri Brennan, Laurie Jordan-Fenner and J. Lewis and handled by Laurie Jordan-Fenner of Oakley, CA was awarded Best Bred-By-Exhibitor in Show. Over 950 dogs representing nearly 40 percent of the total competitors were entered in the "Bred-by" competition. Houston's owners were awarded a \$15,000 cash prize.

VIEWER'S CHOICE

In addition to this year's traditional competition, dog lovers watching the show voted online for their favorite dog from among all the Best of Breed winners in each group. Thousands of votes were cast crowning German Shepherd Dog Ch Kaleef's Geneva Aeval-Achtung "Geneva" the Viewer's Choice Award Winner.

AKC Agility Invitational

From 451 dogs from across the country 5 agility dogs and their owners/handlers were prized at the event. Placing first in their height division were:

- * **8"**- MACH Senna's Baltinator "Balto" (Bichon Frise)—Sierra Schmidt of Alpharetta, GA
- * **12"**- MACH7 Blue Moon Sine on Willow "Willow" (Australian Shepherd)—Michelle Beardsley of Leesburg, VA
- * **16"**- Luka De La Brise MX MXJ "Luka" (Pyrenean Shepherd)—Ashley Deacon of Redwood City, CA
- * **20"**- MACH3 Flashpaws Runaround Sue "Susie" (Golden Retriever)—Jane Simmons-Moake of Houston, TX.
- * **24"**- By For Turbo Diesel "Diesel" (Border Collie)—Simon Peachy of Chelsea, UK



AKC National Obedience Invitational

The December 2006 AKC National Obedience Invitational Champion is NOC OTCH Chaseabout's Dances With Lions UDX9 JH MX MXJ, a Labrador Retriever commonly known as "Simba," owned by Renate Van Allen of Littleton, CO.

Simba was also the National Obedience Invitational Champion at the Tampa Invitational in January of 2006. Obedience trials test a dog's ability to perform a prescribed set of exercises on which it is scored. Nearly 100 of the nation's top Obedience Trial Champion (OTCH) pointed dogs in the country competed for the coveted title of AKC National Obedience Invitational Champion (NOC).

MORE INFORMATION About the event go to:
www.akc.org
<http://www.press.discovery.com/ekits/nationalchampionship/>
www.topdogshow.com



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