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Beginning another year

We have come to the end of another 'Wired' year, and the holidays are upon us. We wish all our members and friends (and best of all our four legged family members) the very best and look forward to a new year of award winning shows and field titles.

NEW MEMBERS

We have some new members this year, please welcome : Lisa & Octavian Popescu from Oregon; Thomas & Adele Collins from Bakersfield (actually, Tom has been a member before and his dad, Jay, was one of the founders); Steve & Pam Wall from Moreno Valley, a big WELCOME!!!!

Speaking of membership, just an advance reminder that dues for the new year are coming up, so renew early and avoid the rush. Sign up through the web site.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The GWP Club of Southern California will be having a Hunt Test in California City Clay Mine Road area and a Field Trial at the Castle Butte Well area in February. Information can be found at the website www.gwpsocal.com as details are available.

Elections will be held, so be thinking about which office you want to take, don't be shy, this is your club.

WEBSITE UPDATE FROM THE MASTER

From Stephen Ross

The GWPCSC website at www.gwpsocal.com is always being updates with something new or changing little things here and there. A couple of more pictures have been added to the Gallery of photos. You might have noticed a change in the menu bars or that the contact email addresses have a new format when clicked. The Contact page shows how to contact members. If you haven't noticed, we have a club calendar under Events. Questions and comments are always welcome. I can be reached at: Webmgr@gwpsocal.com

Braggs

For lack of info, let me pull my own chain. Rolls Royce took a first prize at the San Gabriel Valley KC Sanction Match in the 12 – 18 month Puppy class. He also took Best of Breed. Royce also earned 2 legs on a Junior Hunter title in November.

Joan Payton reports from National that her LD received an award for top novice obedience dog in 2006. Additionally, Whitey, the dog she co owns with Nikki, was entered in Best of Breed, pretty good to get to the final cut.

Now the Bad News

You might have heard that the Governor was pressured to remove a rabid anti member of the Fish and Game Commission. He took a lot of flack for it and it was claimed that he was only doing the bidding of the NRA (actually the NRA wanted to keep the guy there as he was a good source for what the anti's were up to). Any way, to make up for this he signed AB 21, the lead ammunition ban in the Condor area (basically Southern California). The bill had been dead on it's arrival to his desk. At the meeting of the Fish and Game Commission December 6th they banned the use of all ammunition that used lead (all bullets have some lead in them) This is in spite of their own study that stated that the 'wild' birds could not survive without the daily feedings by humans. The report also said that lead in ammunition had nil effect on the birds.

The other big thing for those that do more than just Show and obedience is the Heller vs. DC case that will be heard in the Supreme Court.