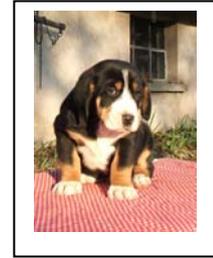


GSMD Newsletter



NUMBER 2



Dear members,

I am deeply saddened to have to inform you that the Kennel Club has turned down our initial application to register us as a formal KC Club. The reason they give is that with two applications for the same breed at this stage is not viable and ask that we amalgamate to form one unit.

One issue that is certain is that with such a positive group of Officers & Committee we will be continuing as a Club for the benefit of our super breed and in due course will re submit our application. In the meantime I sincerely hope that you as valued members will remain with us and continue your important support for both the Committee and Great Swiss Mountain dogs. In this can I ask you to particularly book October 31st in you diaries for our Fun day where I hope you will join the Officers & Committee in what should be a great time for yourselves and your dogs.

Peter Swinburn [Chairman]

Committee news. A meeting took place on 29th March where after the general committee matters were dealt with, it was decided to allocate various jobs to Committee members for the forthcoming year. This will make it easier to develop the Club on sounder lines and also you will know who to contact with your suggestions.

Our Membership secretary is Sue Parkin-Russell. **Events coordinators** are Cynthia Bailey & Shelia Tickle. Then **Breed liaison coordinator** is Lucy Denman who is also taking on the general **welfare** slot for the breed which obviously will involve her in a great deal of initial work. Steven Brailey is taking over as **breed correspondent** for the dog paper. Julia Swinburn is on **Newsletter** and looking into items for sale relating to the Great Swiss mountain dog so do keep your eyes open. Any suggestions for any of the foregone issues please do inform us. Also offers of help would be appreciated.

Dates for your diary **** JULY 19th 2009. ****

At OVERSEAL VILLAGE HALL DERBYSHIRE.

There is to be a parade of Great Swiss Mountain dogs.

For details ring 01539 625331



SATURDAY OCTOBER 31st

where we are having a

FUN DAY

**Lots to do, Food to eat & Games to play
with your dogs**

More details in the next News Letter

The Northern Bernese MD Fun day on **JUNE 14th at 10am at WREAY Village Hall** is including an Agility effort sponsored by the GSMD Club.

For details speak to Shelia Quinn on 01228 524004 or Shelia Tickle on 01539 625331

At the recent opening by HRH Prince Michael of Kent of the Kennel Club building especially for doggy events there were some GSMD taken by our members and if you go onto the KC website www.kennelclub.org and look under the heading of KC building and go through the photos of the event you will find them.

It is interesting reading about the GSMD in old books as well as seeing some of the old illustrations.

If you have any old articles in this vain do let me have a copy and I will try to incorporate them into the newsletter.

Also you opinions on anything would be interesting to members to bring about discussions on our breed.

Remember it is **your Newsletter**. My telephone number is: 01889 568341 Julia Swinburn.