

2022 GSCA Southern Regional



The 2022 GSCA Southern Regional Committee is excited to invite everyone to this year's events which are being held in conjunction with the [Houston World Series of Dog Shows](#) on July 21 – 24 at the NRG Center in Houston, TX.

For conformation we will have 3 days of supported entries (Thursday, Friday, and Sunday) with judges Karen McFarlane, Patti Sosa, and Ken Murray. The southern regional on Saturday will be judged by long-time giant breeder and AKC judge Judi Boston (Sonnenschein Giants). Puppy and Veteran sweepstakes will be judged by working dog handler/breeder Linda George.



The Houston cluster offers obedience, rally, and barn hunt, and prizes will be awarded to high scoring giants for each on all days. The cluster also has flyball and weight pull for anyone interested in those events, and there will be an agility trial close by on July 22 – 24.

Wonderful prizes will be given to giants for all shows and trials on every day including custom enamel medallions with the 2022 regional logo for all qualifying scores and conformation placements on the day of the regional.

The Houston shows host meet the breed events to educate the public, thousands of whom attend each year, and our giants will certainly be eligible to participate. Other attractions include a student art show, grooming contests, judging seminars, health clinics, dozens of vendors, and so much more. The Houston shows are truly a celebration of all things dog.

On Thursday GSCA is sponsoring an evening of education for all giant fanciers. A nominal admission fee will be charged to cover the food, drinks, and educational materials that will be provided. The agenda will include a brief history of the club and the evolution of the breed standard. But the main attraction will be Robin Henderson presenting the judge's education program, the same one that is given to new AKC judges. The evening will conclude with a roundtable discussion on how we can collectively overcome the challenges facing our breed and our club. Friday evening will be left open, and on Saturday evening all giant owners and fanciers are invited to a dinner at a local BBQ place where we'll hear feedback from our regional and sweeps judges.



We really hope all of you can make the trip to Houston this summer for what will be a very special regional, offering something for everyone. If you have any questions, please reach out to any of the committee members – Brenda Cejka,

Becca Czarniak, Mary Dick, Robyn Elliott, Robin Henderson, Shaina LaFleur, Nancy and Mike Manley, Laurie Mason, Meg McGee, Holly and Chris Reed, Eric and Kristi Riley, Deb Simon, and Linda Waltman.