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## A message from our President

Welcome to the second edition of Shepherd News for 2015.

I am pleased to advise that the **Member's Discussion Day** was well attended and we are currently working to implement some of the ideas that have come out of it.

The first thing that we have implemented is **weekend show handler training**, with the first session to be held on **Sunday 26th April**. If there is sufficient interest, we will be looking at adding Obedience to the sessions after the National. Details are on the website for following days. The session will be held at Erskine Park branch, commencing at 11am, with the canteen open for hot food and drinks. I am looking forward to many members attending in preparation for the National.



I hope everyone enjoyed the recent **Easter Show and Trial**. Thank you to those that entered and it was nice to see so many interstate visitors. The Committee put in a lot of work pulling the event together to make it the success it was. My thanks go to those Committee members that contributed. My thanks also goes to the members who participated in the event and those that when called upon, volunteered their service. Teresa Curry, Kim McGregor and Mat Morris as ring stewards. Kowhai Thocolich, Remzi Dinchk, Judy Connors, Lee Martens, Sue Wainahu, Emmi and Zoran Birac who helped out in the canteen and with the spit roast. Last but not least, John Martens who dressed up as the Easter Bunny. Great work.

Don't forget that we have **Joylene Neddermeyer's Current Stud Dogs** seminar coming up following Breed Survey on the 23rd May. The canteen will be open with a free sausage sizzle and drinks available to purchase.

The competition for the design of the **2016 National Logo** closes on the 15th June. The Executive is looking forward to judging the entries!

We are having a **Fun Day** on the 4<sup>th</sup> July - details will be advertised.

Good luck to those attending the National in Melbourne next month. Safe travels and I look forward to seeing you there.

**Greg Jones**

**President.**

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# GSDL Easter Championship Show & Trial



The Easter Bunny & his Fans!

The Easter Show was judged by Herr Andreas Rudolph (SV Germany) and Mrs A Yerbury.

Despite the horrible weather leading up to the show and continuing on Saturday, everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, including a

large number of interstate exhibitors.

The Easter Bunny joined us on Easter Sunday with eggs for the big and little kids!

A new and very popular addition to the canteen menu was the spit roast. Lovely salad and spit roasted meats helped to warm some wet, cold bodies. All of the other favourites, such as fish and chips also walked out the door.

Marketing was kept busy with an attractive new range of shirts, caps and jackets selling like hotcakes. Toys for big dogs and puppies will now be available for sale at all of our shows and were very popular.

Thank you to our sponsors, **Black Hawk Pet Care** and **LeatherWork ForDogs** for the donations of their products to our class winners.

Congratulations to our show & trial winners—full results are on the website.

**BIS:** Uhlmsdorf Black Douglas

**RU:** Khanique Gracie AZ

**CCD:** Harlerose Angel AZ

**Novice:** Morekos Razzle Dazzle AZ

**Open:** Koonski Dash of Pepper

**Utility:** Koonski Just A Dash

**UDX:** Singha Grey Mist



Best In Show winners are gridders, with Herr Rudolph

## Be Involved in Your Club! All Welcome!

The League is looking for members to become involved in our breed publicity activities and as stewards for our shows.

**Publicity Team**— Publicity Team members are needed. You will need a willingness to talk to the general public about our wonderful German Shepherds, promote the GSDL and GSDCA Breed Improvement schemes. If you have a wonderful, happy GSD as well, that would be great! We have a number of events coming up that will enable us to showcase our fantastic breed and our club. Please contact the Publicity Officer, Teresa Mills at email [schonfeuer@bigpond.com](mailto:schonfeuer@bigpond.com) if you can spare some time to promote our German Shepherds.

**Demo Team**—If you want to participate in the Demos that the League runs, you will also need a people and dog friendly, stable, obedient German Shepherd! If you would like to find out more, please contact the Training Co-Ordinator, Karen Eaton at email [kareneaton@bigpond.com](mailto:kareneaton@bigpond.com)

**Stewards**— stewarding in conformation shows or the obedience ring gives you the judge's perspective and is a rewarding learning experience! You will meet new people, such as overseas and SV judges and be right at the centre of activities. We also feed you a yummy lunch! If you would like more information about becoming involved, please contact the Show Manager, Terry Jarvis at email [tepe@bigpond.net.au](mailto:tepe@bigpond.net.au)

## State Breed Assessment

The State Breed Show is being held on **Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th July** with German Shepherd Specialist Judge and Breed Surveyor **Vince Tantaro** officiating.

It should be remembered that this is a Breed Evaluation and the Open classes are judged on bloodlines that have proven they can produce quality animals. It is not a show where the best performing animal on the day wins. It is an evaluation where breeders can view a dog's progeny as a group rather than scattered through the classes.

We will at this show be holding **OFF LEAD GAITING** for the Open Dog and Open Bitch Classes and will be conducting training classes for you to attend and practice. It is not hard to train your dog to gait off lead and most times the owner of the dog will come in and do the off lead gaiting rather than the handler if it is not the owner of the dog. It is great to watch and adds a lot of fun to the evaluation.

We will also be doing **GUN TESTING** in the Open Dog and Bitch Classes. The whole purpose of a State Breed evaluation is to assess the dog as a whole and the gun test is a most important part of this assessment to test the stability of the animals nerves.

All dogs and bitches two (2) years of age and over will have to be exhibited in the Open Class and, of course, should be breed surveyed as this is the only class in which you can be graded Excellent Merit or Excellent and the only class from which the title of State Seiger or Seigerin can be achieved.

**SIEGER** – to achieve the title of Seiger, the dog should be able to present a progeny class from at least two different dams and a minimum of 5 progeny from the Puppy Class up or 9 months of age and up.

The progeny will be assessed on its type to the sire, size, angulations, movement etc. - it is definitely not the sire who presents the largest class that will win, it is the sire who presents the best progeny from as many as possible different dams, be it 6 or 10 progeny, so it is not a contest on the number of progeny presented but on the best progeny presented and, of course, should the progeny be old enough to have gained the AZ stamp or be Breed Surveyed, that would be an added advantage.

The worth of any stud dog is in their ability to produce quality progeny to various bloodlines.

Should it be that there is an imported animal who cannot present a progeny group due to it's length of time in N.S.W., then it should not be awarded the classification of Excellent Merit purely on the assumption that it may produce.

The award of Excellent Merit is a very high classification and should be awarded only to those stud dogs that have proven worthy of it by their progeny.

**SIEGERIN** – whilst it has been mooted among exhibitors, IT IS NOT NECESSARY for a bitch exhibited in the Open Class to have progeny to win the title of Seigerin.

We do not hold progeny classes for bitches simply because the breeder controls who the bitch is mated to and that bitch may be mated to the same dog 2, 3 or 4 times whereas a stud dog is used by many different people on many different bitches and so we are able to assess what that dog is capable of producing.

A very prominent German SV Judge Dr. Beck once wrote an article on the title of Seigerin and he stated in that article THAT THE TITLE OF SEIGERIN IS AWARDED TO THE BEST ANATOMICALLY CONSTRUCTED BITCH IN THE OPEN CLASS & THAT THE OWNERS OF THAT BITCH SHOULD THEN TAKE HER HOME AND BREED HER and he judged the Open Bitch Class at the Seiger Show many times.

It was actually quoted to me that a person was told to bring their bitch back next year with progeny and they would win because she had progeny -THAT IS NOT TRUE – perhaps if an assessor has two bitches that he or she is undecided about who is the best then maybe if one of those bitches happens to have had progeny exhibited at that evaluation that has performed successfully it may assist in making their decision – I would like one person to be able to tell me when they held a Dam's Progeny Parade in Germany – the answer is never. It also happens on many, many occasions that top producing bitches are not necessarily top performers in the show ring.

I am confident that you will enjoy Vince's assessment and his summation being the most important part of

judging the Open Classes i.e., the assessor should be able to state the reasons why particular animals have been elevated to the position of Seiger, Seigerin, or Excellent Merit by speaking on their animals bloodlines and their value.

It is in fact 16 years since Vince has been invited to NSW to assess our dogs and I am sure you will all benefit from his knowledge.

### **PRESENTATION BY JOYLENE NEDDERMEYER**

At the conclusion of our Breed Survey on 23<sup>rd</sup> May, we have Joylene presenting her update on current sires in Australia and I am sure you will enjoy looking at her presentation and her talk on current stud dogs.

### **Fay Stokes**

### **Breed Affairs.**



# Point Score Update—Revised

Corrected Point Score results,  
up to & including the  
December 2014 Show & Trial:

## Puppy Bitch

1st	Kuirau Francesca Cumani
2nd	Jaknell Sweet Painted Lady
3rd	Chrisnat Fiercely Serious

## Puppy Dog

1st	Aimsway Pepe's Crest
2nd	Hillmagic Black Avenger
3rd	Jaknell Original Sin

## Adult Bitch

1st	Ch. *Karmay Chakira AZ
2nd	Durnstein Glitz N Glamour
3rd	Sundaneka Tequila Sunrise (IID)

## Adult Dog

1st	*Ury vom Zisawinkel (img Deu)
2nd	*Kuirau Casey Stoner AZ
3rd	*Calli vom Fiemereck (imp Deu)

## Sires Progeny

1st	*Toby von der Plassenburg (imp Deu)
2nd	Ch. *Siobahn Apollo AZ
3rd	Ch. *Arkon von Altenberger-Land (imp Deu)

## Dams Progeny

1st	Ch. *Durnstein Dirty Dancing AZ
2nd	Sup Ch. *Vladimir Anarchy AZ
3rd	*Xyna vom Niemberger Eck (imp Deu)

## Breeders

1st	Sundaneka
2nd	Kuirau
3rd	Durnstein

## LSC Puppy Bitch

1st	Kazkiri Bohemian Rhapsody
2nd	Bodecka Chantilly Lace

## LSC Puppy Dog

1st	Pamakay Hercules
2nd	Senmora Dark Knight

## LSC Adult Bitch

1st	Ch. Vladimir Greyt Sensation
2nd	Durnstein All That Glitters AZ

## LSC Adult Dog

1st	*Sundaneka True Blue AZ
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## Obedience Bitch

1st	O Ch. Koonski Just A Dash UD AZ
2nd	O Ch. Singha Grey Mist UD

## Obedience Dog

1st	O Ch. Ramorra Montgommery UD
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For the full Point Score results,

[www.gsdL.info/Point-Score.htm](http://www.gsdL.info/Point-Score.htm)

## Coming Up Soon!

Mark these dates and events in your calendar so you don't forget them!

Full details are always on the GSDL Website, [www.gsdL.info](http://www.gsdL.info)

<b>26th April</b>	Show Handling class 11am, Erskine Park
<b>2nd &amp; 16th May</b>	Show Handling class 11am, Erskine Park
<b>8-10th May</b>	2015 National Show & Trial, Melbourne
<b>23rd May</b>	Current Stud Dog seminar—Joylene Neddermeyer
<b>20th June</b>	GSDL Open & Sanction Shows & Trial
<b>15th June</b>	<b>2016 National Logo</b> design competition closes





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The German Shepherd Dog League Inc of NSW (GSDL) and the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) have been established to promote the breeding, exhibition and overall improvement of the German Shepherd Dog in Australia.

The GSDL operates training branches at Erskine Park and on the Central Coast. Both branches offer Obedience and Show Training. General Meetings of the club are held bi-monthly, with exact dates shown on the League website.

## From The Editor

I hope that all members had a great Easter without too many Easter eggs and Hot Cross Buns putting your National fitness into jeopardy!

The **Easter Show and Trial** was a success despite some rain during the week and on the Saturday. We had lots of interstate exhibitors and many comments stating that the show had a great atmosphere and was very well run.

Herr Andreas Rudolph really enjoyed his appointment and was happy to chat with exhibitors during and after the classes.

The Easter Bunny also made an appearance with eggs for the kids!

I was pleased to see the number of members that came to the **Member's Discussion Day** to give the new committee their ideas and feedback. If you couldn't make it, you can still contribute by dropping us an email at any time with your ideas.

The **State Breed Assessment** rules have been published in this edition—please note that off lead gaiting and gun testing is included for the Open classes, so get out and start training!

The National is mere weeks away. To assist members, and also for your State Breed training, the committee has instituted weekend Training sessions commencing on Sunday 26th April. We all hope that these training days will be



**Bret with 2007 German Sieger, Pakros d'Ulmental**

supported, as members requested them at the Discussion Day.

Also from member feedback, the GSDL will be including **Australian Bred** classes in our shows again from the October Championship show 2015, however, it will not be possible to award Excellent medals to Breed Surveyed animals in these classes, due to National Council restrictions.

Finally, one of our members, **Michael Theris**, of Bossface German Shepherds, has had a stint or two in hospital— we wish Mick a speedy recovery and hope to see him double handling later in the year!

Good luck and safe travels to everyone heading to Melbourne for the National. Go NSW!!

Until next edition .....

**Bret Adams**