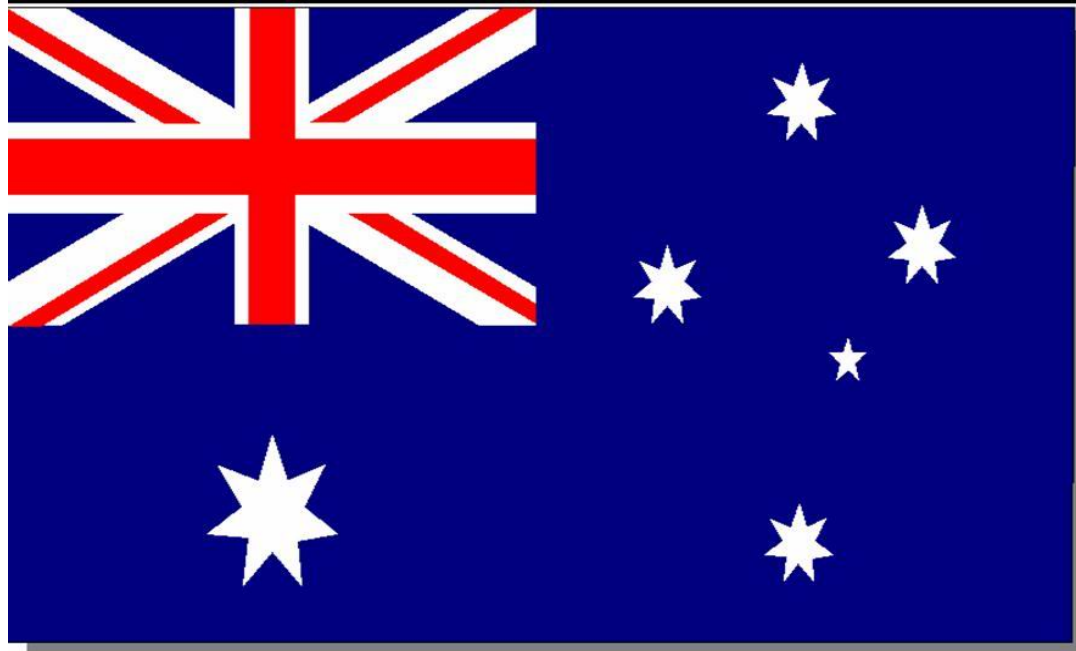


SHEPHERD NEWS



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Welcome to new members:

Petrimir, Natalie, Antonio & Marin Karaban, Rodney Chenery, Antonina Kotevski, Bradley & Susan Winters, Gustav Burger, Natalie Bale, Niki Despotovski, Scott & Christina Foad/Filipas, Reza Mazdak, Kimia Ghomashchi, Trevor Bransdon, Lesley Mercieca, Cheryl Staples, Tony Smith, Rebecca & Luke Hawkins, Melissa Turoczy, Gisue Mirzadeh, John, Angela, Rebekah & Rachel Cook, Tao Wang, Reinhard, Katharina, Corina & Jessica Vogler, Rajan Khatak, Naomi & Anthony Barker, Heinz & Karin Regel, Megan Porter, Melissa Ann Globits, Clive Bingham, Lisa Shannahan, Kelly, Brett & Britt Wallin, Alex Larin, Fernando Manrique,

January 2009 Shepherd News Report

Welcome to the first Shepherd News of 2009. All the committee and myself are looking forward to another prosperous year. The current economic climate may affect us slightly but I do hope that the effect will not be too dramatic.

Since the last news letter there has been little activity. The Xmas show and awards night went well. I anticipate more will attend the next awards night. A different format will be devised and hopefully it will encourage more attendees.

The first general meeting of the year went ahead with a quorum and much fruitful discussion was held regarding the agenda items of the GSDCA AGM to be held on the weekend of the 31st January and the 1st February. Further decisions will take place on the future of the Main Breed exhibition.

One important outcome should be the final steps to instituting the Tattoo web based database that will be used to connect the registration of puppies with their tattoo number, the hip and elbow x-ray scheme and the breed survey system.

One highlight for this year in June is the 37th GSD National Show & Trial in Durack, Queensland. For those starting to prepare for the National, all the best in your preparations and NSW will hopefully have the success that has been enjoyed in the past.

There have been ideas put forward for further upgrading of the club grounds and facilities. These are only in discussion and pencil form at the moment. Any future plans that come to fruition will be brought to your attention via general meetings and this newsletter.

Your treasurer is delighted with the birth of a granddaughter, Krystal Rose, on 14th January. Congratulations to her and family and we look forward to another up and coming child handler.

The fires this year had an effect on some of our members and luckily not as devastating as those in 1994.

I welcome the new Campbelltown committee to office and I am sure they will maintain the strength Campbelltown has always had with representing the League and providing a valuable service to their local community. South Sydney Branch has unfortunately ceased activity and I thank those members who kept it going for as long as they could. It is disappointing but it is a continuation of the sign of the times

In conclusion I wish everyone a happy and enjoyable year with your German Shepherd, whether it be in the show ring, obedience or the pure enjoyment of the companionship you have with your dog.

Graeme Stevenson
President – GSDL Inc of NSW.

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All our love Sandra & your big sister Leisl

"My sincere thanks to Rob Zammit for all he did for Taya"

Hip & Elbow Results

Congratulations

Leonie Haywood on her dog "Tuza"

Glenbala Final Allusion "A" "Z"

Sire: Glenbala Wild Grand Finale

Dam: Glenbala Allusive Impact



Dates

22 nd January	Training Erskine Park Branch recommenced
24 th January	Cumberland Branch Training recommenced
26 th January Australia Day	GSDL is running a fund raiser BBQ at Bunning's North Penrith commences 8am till 4 pm If you can help contact Fay (02) 4777 4241
1 st February	Campbelltown Branch Sunday Training recommences
6 th February	Campbelltown Branch Friday night Training recommences
9 th February	General Meeting at GSDL Club House
15 th February	Breed Survey 11.00 am Puppy socialization after survey at 12.30 pm GSDL Grounds
9 th March	General Meeting at GSDL Club House

BAD PRESS

Sent: Thursday, January 08, 2009 4:46 PM

Subject: Dog Attack Recently

Dear Secretary,

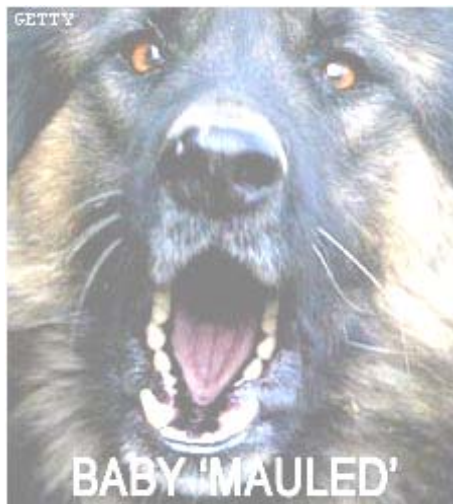
I assume that you have all heard about the dog attack that sadly killed one little girl and maimed another.

On the "Bigpond" news site, there was a photo of a GSD that inferred without any words that the dogs involved were German Shepherds.

The GSDCA via our Breed Specific Legislation Chair, Margaret Adams, sent a letter asking for it to be removed and seeking an apology.

I attach a copy of the letter for your information.

Regards,
Val Moody,
Secretary,
German Shepherd Dog Council Of Australia Inc.



The published picture



The Dogs

To Whom It May Concern

The German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc is deeply concerned that BigPond has chosen to display a picture of a German Shepherd Dog in reporting the tragic and dreadful dog attack in NSW yesterday.

The only way that you are advised that it is not the dog pictured involved in the attack is if you have the cursor hover over the picture. Not the sort of thing that the general public would bother to do.

The German Shepherd Dog has in the past, been falsely portrayed and branded in an unsavoury way as being an untrustworthy dog. The media rarely show the breed as the dedicated service and family dog that we know them to be.

Our breeders with years of commitment, dedication and effort, combined with our Breed Improvement Schemes have strived to Breed dogs that have sound mind and body.

We believe this sort of publicity is counterproductive and inflammatory towards our breed to say the least.

It would be our strong suggestion that unless you have a photograph of the offending dog THEN you should NOT publish a picture. We therefore request that you amend your main page to reflect the right type of breed and forward an apology to this organisation.

Many of our members support your company and we are very disappointed that your company would initiate this type of bad press.

I would, in the future, appreciate some form of contact with your public relations department.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Adams

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Margaret Adams

**Breed Specific Legislation Committee, Chair
German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc**

From the Press

Two of the dogs appear to have bull mastiff blood and police say all four are large cross breeds. Police originally said the dogs were family pets but they have now confirmed that the girls' parents had left them in the care of a friend.

Three of the four dogs have died. Police had requested the four dogs be euthanized. The dogs had been sedated with tranquillisers and impounded on Wednesday night, but three of the four dogs were found dead at the Leeton pound on Thursday morning.

According to a local council ranger, they died from a combination of sedative drugs, heat stress and obesity.

A police spokesman said the surviving dog, which was still at Leeton Pound, may not necessarily be euthanized.

Whether or not it lives will depend on whether it can be proven the dog was involved in Wednesday's attack, he said. "There might have been innocent bystanders for lack of a better phrase,"

Calls for councils to crack down on dog attacks

Councils are under fire to crack down on dog attacks, after a massive drop in reported incidents.

Councils reported 69 dog attacks in the past year, down from 479 two years before, but not because there have been fewer attacks.

Councils have been accused of becoming lax on following up on dog attacks, with less than a quarter of councils supplying the details directly to the department.

Over the last financial year, 51 victims were hospitalised, while 18 of the incidents went to court.

Sydney's western suburbs is the worst offending area, accounting for almost 20 attacks on people, while Staffordshire Terriers and Rottweilers have been named as the two most common dog breeds to attack people.

Using DNA to solve Dog attacks

More than 100,000 dog attacks take place in Australia each year. Many of these go unsolved. DNA is the new weapon in dog attack law enforcement.

Evidence is taken from the dog attack scene using a Dog Attack DNA Kit.

These canine DNA samples from the crime scene are then compared to DNA taken from any number of suspect dogs.

Forensic testing of canine DNA is useful when:

The dog's identity is known, but the owner refutes the allegation.

There were multiple dogs at the attack scene

The offender owns multiple dogs and the victim does not know which dog was involved in the attack

The offending dog has fled the scene

A dog without a registration tag or microchip needs to be identified.

Dangerous Dog database

Councils are also able to take a precautionary DNA sample from any dogs that council suspect as having been, or could potentially be involved in an attack. Research has found that almost 50 per cent of dogs involved in attack incidents have been involved in prior incidents.

Subsequent dog attack crime scene samples can then be cross-checked against any dogs on file.

A precautionary DNA profile could be taken by council:

- Upon making a dangerous dog declaration
- When a warning is issued to a dog owner
- When a penalty is issued
- When an attack is reported, but there is not sufficient evidence
- On all dogs registered as dangerous

This profile can then be used by councils in future, should there be an attack in the municipality.

Council uses DNA to solve attack

January 14, 2009

Kingston Council has successfully prosecuted its first dog owner using DNA technology to prove an attack on a recreational walker.

Local Law officers tested samples of clothing from a woman after she was attacked at Keeley Park, Clayton South, in October last year.

A court has ordered the dog - a brindle Staffordshire cross be destroyed. With the DNA results and a positive photo match, officers were able to identify and seize the offending animal, known to council from a previous incident. The matter was heard in the Moorabbin Magistrates Court last week.

The court granted a destruction order for the dog and its owner was placed on a 12-month good behaviour bond.

The Clayton South victim was awarded more than \$2100 in compensation.

The Mayor said the outcome of the case should send a clear message to dog owners to be responsible. Council and the courts take these matters extremely seriously,

This is a clear reminder of what can occur when owners do not take full responsibility for their pets and fail to comply with the legislation that is in place to protect themselves and the community.

In 1998, the City of Port Phillip achieved national and international notoriety when it was the first Local Government in Australia to use DNA technology to prove dog poo cases.

Port Phillip was the first Council in Australia to use DNA testing in a dog attack prosecution.

Puppy Listings

Members using puppy listings are asked to let the registrar know when you have sold your litter.

Please only refer puppy buyers back to the registrar or the website listings once you have sold your litter.

It is unfair to paying members to pass buyers onto breeders who are not using puppy listings because their dogs don't meet the advertising criteria or you handle each other's dogs.

It has been necessary to put this reminder in Shepherd News so that members discontinue this practice but if it continues then the committee will take action to prevent the breeder from using Puppy Listings.

Yes often other member's phone breeders to see what the asking price is and yes they do pass along who they were referred too and by whom.

Remember there is a reason the person is not using puppy listings.

Pet dog killed in Prospect

18/12/2008

A German Shepherd puppy, aged 10 months, died after having its throat slashed in William Lawson Park, Prospect.

Police said the dog was taken from its owners' yard in Prospect between 6pm on December 5 and 4am the following morning.

Anyone with any information about this crime is urged to contact Blacktown police on 9671 9199 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

Police dog loses life in Birchgrove break & enter



'Fidel' and handler Senior Constable Andrew Smith were called to the school on Saturday, October 18, at around 10pm following reports of multiple intruder alarms, police said.

After Fidel picked up a scent, he jumped over a wall, falling about five metres onto a metal pole. Having suffered a puncture wound to the stomach, Fidel later died at North Ryde Animal Hospital.

Sen Constable Smith suffered a broken bone in his hand during the incident, police said.

"Fidel was an excellent police dog," Acting Superintendent and Commander of the SPG Dog Unit Ian Rotsey said.

"In his short length of service he was able to accomplish tasks to a very high standard, having been responsible for tracking down and assisting in the arrests of numerous persons for serious offences including car jackings and armed robbery," Supt Rotsey said.

Trailer wanted

Do you have an old trailer that you do not want or one you wish to sell at a reasonable price?

The show equipment would be stored in it.

Contact Fay 4777 4241



Common Dog Myths from the Net

You must have a big yard for your dog. Absolutely not true! Dogs are pack animals, so they ultimately will want to be with you. Ninety-nine percent of the time that a dog's in the yard, he's hanging out at the back door waiting to come back inside with you. And you'll notice that even inside a ten thousand square foot house, the dog will tend to be right by your feet.

He's simply not going to exercise himself alone in the yard as if he's at the gym or on a treadmill. You need to exercise him on walks, on hikes, at the beach or at the dog park. And doing so will only help to make your dog (and you!) healthier and make your relationship better with or without a yard.

Tug-of-war is a game to be avoided. The biggest misconception people have about playing games with their dog is that tug-of-war will make their dog aggressive. On the contrary, playing tug-of-war, as long as you have rules and boundaries, gives the wolf side of your dog a proper outlet. Think about it football without rules would just be mean and nasty!

This game represents the final stage of the hunt. Once wolves in nature catch their prey, the member of the pack who ends up with the prized food is then established as the leader. Playing tug-of-war with your dog (with rules and boundaries) is as long as you end up with the toy a really fun way to establish yourself as the leader in the family.

Never disturb a dog when he's eating. One of the highest incidence rates of dog bites is when a dog's food is disturbed. So it sounds like it makes sense to not disturb your dog when he's eating. But what it actually means is that you haven't done your work because your dog sees you and/or your kids as a threat rather than the best thing that's ever happened to him.

Every dog should learn not to simply tolerate being disturbed when eating, but to look forward to it because he's going to get a surprise yummy treat. To do this, each time you feed your dog, disturb his bowl or food in some way starting from above and working your way down to actually sticking your hand in his bowl. That way, when someone inadvertently knocks his bowl over or a child reaches for his food, he won't respond as though his meal is being threatened.

Labradors are the best breed for kids and German Shepherds, Dobermans and Rottweilers are the worst. We believe that making generalized, blanket, breed-specific statements about any dog can be dangerous and also promotes stereotypes. Just as with people, there are good and bad dogs of every breed.

There are wonderful Shepherds, Dobermans and Rottweilers that are great with kids, just as there are Labradors that are not. And when it comes to Labs, one thing that people don't think about is the fact that their tail can be eye level with their kids so a happy dog results in an unhappy child because he's being smacked in the face with a wagging tail!

From Annual General Meeting November 2008

A former committee member asked why the Auditors has been changed from those elected at the last AGM as this was against the Constitution.

Chairman advised that we had changed the Auditor because of the excessive costs involved and he had contacted the Dept of Fair Trading about this and we were within our rights to change the Auditor.

Also this change had saved the League some \$5,000.00.

After a lot of discussion on this with the member the meeting agreed that it had been in the best interests of the League.

From General Meeting January 2009

Discussion took place on proposal set out by GSDCA for the league to host next MBE. It was felt that the league had little to gain and the members confirmed that the GSDL would not host the Show under the terms suggested by National Council.

German Shepherd Dog League Inc Open Show & Obedience Trial 13/12/ 2008

Judges

Mrs K Gregory (NSW) Dogs & General Specials
Mr G Gregory (NSW) Bitches
Miss V Etherington (NSW) All Obedience

Baby Dog

1 Andacht Cayo Noris	Very Promising
2 Takimbre Zulu Chief	Very Promising
3 Tannalane Chamois	Very Promising
4 Scneeberg Kustom Ink	Very Promising
5 Emslodge Assassin	Very Promising
6 Elantra Basko	Very Promising
7 Maxvonchace Bakraut	Very Promising

Minor Dog

1 Siobahn Kentucky	Very Promising
2 Narathor Jazz Drummer	Very Promising
3 Kelinpark Travellin Man	Very Promising
4 Rubysway Super Supreme	Very Promising
5 Aimsway Em Jay	Very Promising

Puppy Dog

1 Fremont Wet Willy	Very Promising
2 Aimsway Cold Blast	Very Promising
3 Conkasha Quantam Raider	Very Promising
4 Rhakhani Candy Man	Very Promising

Junior Dog

1 Schneeberg Fire Storm AZ	Very Good
2 Bossface Blairgowrie AZ	Very Good
3 Vladimir Chicka Wah Wah	Very Good

Intermediate Dog

1 * Sunhaze Outragious AZ	Very Good
2 * Dellahund Party Prize AZ	Very Good
3 Durnstein Captain Kirk AZ	Very Good
4 * Adule Fortune Hunter AZ	Very Good
5 * La Guardia Basko AZ	Very Good
6 Sundaneka Jetstream	Very Good

Open Dog

1 * Narathor Jazz Wahn Dane AZ	Excellent
2 * Aimsway Bacchus AZ	Excellent
3 * Andacht Don Pedro AZ	Excellent
4 *Ch. Alncrys Tracker AZ	Excellent
5 * Dellahund Kic Atinalong AZ	Excellent
6 * Andacht Yasko AZ	Excellent
7 * Conkasha Wikid Wizard AZ	Excellent
8 * Conkasha Whiskey AZ	Excellent

Best Dog - * Narathor Jazz Wahn Dane AZ

Reserve Best Dog - * Aimsway Bacchus AZ

Baby Bitch

1 Tannalane Skoda	Very Promising
2 Sunhaze Odessa	Very Promising
3 Conkasha Danish Mist	Very Promising
4 Lashadas Kahlua	Very Promising
5 Andacht Zindi	Very Promising
6 Andacht Magic Wand	Very Promising
7 Takimbre Zsa Zsa	Very Promising
8 Redhaus Mercedes	Very Promising
9 Budlay Autumn Mist	Very Promising
10 Elantra Basca	Very Promising
11 Beychief Princess Reign	Very Promising

Minor Bitch

1 Narathor Jazzcinta	Very Promising
2 Uhlmsdorf Dixie Chick	Very Promising
3 Ambala Lolly	Very Promising
4 Aldaina Lucy Lu	Very Promising
5 Sunhaze Cocoa Pop	Very Promising
6 Rubysway My Precious	Very Promising
7 Takimbre Yoko Ono	Very Promising
8 Exyzed Divine Madness	Very Promising
9 Sundaneka Okina	Very Promising

Puppy Bitch

1 Aimsway Snap Frozen	Very Promising
2 Rhakhani Candy Kisses	Very Promising
3 Sunhaze Popcorn	Very Promising
4 Grundelhardt New Start	Very Promising
5 Kuirau Shahera	Very Promising
6 Aljudan Razzamatazz	Very Promising

Junior Bitch

1 Tannalane Dixie Chick	Very Good
2 Sundaneka Mystique	Very Good
3 Kirchberg Acute Beauty	Very Good
4 Senmora All About Magic AZ	Very Good
5 Aimsway Chewbacca	Very Good
6 Jaknell Hi Priority	Very Good
7 Andacht I Am Legion	Very Good



Intermediate Bitch

1	* Rhakhani Sleek Chassis AZ	Very Good
2	Narathor Finn Femme Fatale AZ	Very Good
3	Sundaneka Izzy Stardust AZ	Very Good
4	* Sunhaze Marshmello AZ	Very Good
5	Asterhund Evangelina AZ	Very Good
6	* Iccara Long Kiss Good Nite AZ	Very Good
7	Aimsway Colada	Very Good
8	* Sunhaze Integrity AZ	Very Good

Open Bitch

1	*Ch. Bhuachaille Jazz Leader AZ	Excellent
2	*Ch. Vladimir Anarchy AZ	Excellent
3	* Aimsway Cherry Cola AZ	Excellent
4	Tannalane Lakota Belle AZ	Excellent
5	* Andacht Super Fortress AZ	Excellent
6	* Sundaneka Burmuda Rose AZ	Excellent
7	* Aimsway Milarky AZ	Excellent
8	* Rufstone Black Pearl AZ	Excellent
9	* Andacht Wind Power AZ	Excellent
10	* Bemboka Evening Star AZ	Excellent
11	* Carobria Miss Cheevious AZ	Excellent
12	* Sundaneka French Kiss AZ	Excellent

Best Bitch - *Ch. Bhuachaille Jazz Leader AZ

Reserve Best Bitch - *Ch. Vladimir Anarchy AZ

General Special Results

Best In Show - *Ch. Bhuachaille Jazz Leader AZ

Runner Up In Show - *Ch. Vladimir Anarchy AZ

Best Baby - Andacht Cayo Noris

Best Minor - Siobahn Kentucky

Best Puppy - Aimsway Snap Frozen

Best Junior - Schneeberg Fire Storm AZ

Best Intermediate - * Rhakhani Sleek Chassis AZ

Best Open Bitch - *Ch. Bhuachaille Jazz Leader AZ

Obedience Results

Novice

1	195	Khanique Gracy CCD
2	188	Bolscot Argus
3	186	Conkasha Pierce Z

Open

1	194	Masterton Real Mackoy CDX
2	193	T.CH Rhakhani Odyssey UD AZ
3	186	Schakim Oliver CDX, TDX
4	176	Larafior Monnalissa CD

Utility

1	181	T.CH Rhakhani Odyssey UD AZ
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Urgent. Attention All Members

This Bill will severely affect your rights as a dog owner.

The Animals (Regulation of Sale) Bill 2008, now before NSW Parliament, is a Private Members Bill which is generally perceived to be only about the sale of pets in pet shops.

This is incorrect. There are parts of the Bill that will affect all dog owners in this State and, in particular, you as a Dogs NSW member, be it as an owner, breeder, seller, or exhibitor of dogs.

The Bill sets up sweeping regulatory powers to create “standards” for “confinement, transport and welfare” of dogs by “recognised breeders”. (s14).

You, as a member of Dogs NSW, are a “recognised breeder” and must comply with those standards. Non-compliance is an offence for which you can potentially face prosecution.

The Bill also gives inspectors sweeping powers to enter your property, powers of search and seizure and powers to issue penalty notices. (s16).(s19)

The following are some examples of how these new regulatory powers could affect your rights on “confinement, transport and welfare” grounds:

* Breed Specific Laws, eg, ban breeding of Brachycephalic dogs, large dogs, small dogs, short legged dogs, dogs with loose skin, etc.

* Limit the numbers of dogs that you can own or breed.

* Restrictive conditions on breeding and ownership of dogs.

* Restriction of Dog Shows.

* Ongoing responsibility if you sell a dog that subsequently becomes ill. Product liability for the life of a dog that you sell.

* Phase out your rights to own, breed and show dogs.

Therefore, the Animals (Regulation of Sale) Bill is not about pets in pet shops alone, it directly affects, regulates and potentially erodes your rights as a dog owner.

Don't let your rights be put at risk.

Dogs NSW will be strongly opposing this Bill as it presently stands.

Contact your Local Member and tell them you are against this Bill.

You can do this by telephone or preferably by writing a letter or sending an e-mail to the Member expressing your opposition to the Bill as it now stands.

The Bill can be viewed on the NSW Parliament's website by clicking [here](#) (PDF).

Please read and respond as soon as possible.

Frank Pieterse

President Dogs NSW

From: <kd@catrescue.com.au>**Date:** 24 Jan 2009 4:23:12 PM
To: <sundaneka@optusnet.com.au>
Subject: Response to posting on DOL regarding Animal (Regulation of Sale) Bill

Good Morning

Today we started getting some fairly negative feedback after a DOGS NSW posting on DOL forums. The crux of it was that we had deceived breeders regarding the true intention of the Animal (Regulation of Sale) Bill in our recent breeders survey.

I have sent you this email to verify our original statements, I have also copied this email to DOGS NSW CEO, Christine Davis and to the many NSW breeders who have contacted us in the past. Please also feel free to crosspost. We have nothing to hide, and we encourage the president and CEO of DOGS to comment.

The President of DOGS NSW, has made a posting/email which has stated that the bill aims to set up Confinement, transport and Welfare for Breeders. (PS, these standards already exist under POCTA and DPI acts)

DOGS NSW then went on to state that these could include:

- * Breed Specific Laws, eg, ban breeding of Brachycephalic dogs, large dogs, small dogs, short legged dogs, dogs with loose skin, etc. (this is not mentioned in the bill at all)
- * Limit the numbers of dogs that you can own or breed. (this is not mentioned in the bill at all)
- * Restrictive conditions on breeding and ownership of dogs. (this is not mentioned in the bill at all)
- * Restriction of Dog Shows. (this is not mentioned in the bill at all)
- * Ongoing responsibility if you sell a dog that subsequently becomes ill. (this is not mentioned in the bill at all)
- * Product liability for the life of a dog that you sell. (this is not mentioned in the bill at all)
- * Phase out your rights to own, breed and show dogs. (this is not mentioned in the bill at all)

No-where in the Bill are any of these items listed.

They made it up.

Please read the bill attached and try to find them.

These were added by the President of Dogs NSW as things that COULD potentially happen, in an attempt to create fear. That is like someone saying the police COULD lock up all people with red hair or we COULD be invaded by aliens.

Again, the Pet Industry has set out to scare and deceive the breeder groups. Please, dont believe me, read the Bill attached. Its very straight forward.

The fact is, the Bill is the Bill, nothing more, nothing less. There are no vegan mafia restrictions, there are no draconian PETA laws, this is not the thin end of the wedge designed to then halt all animal ownership.

Everything else has been made up by the Pet Industry to lobby the Powerful breeding groups. There is no grand plan to end ownership or breeder rights.

The Bill is about stopping unregistered people mass breeding animals in poor conditions, transporting them cruelly (and this means the flights that come in with 10 pups to a box, not in your dog trailer), selling them undesexed in high intensity retail environments to anyone who has money then they (or their babies) either repeat the cycle or are dumped in our shelters.

Even if Pet Shops and Backyard Breeders supply 5 per cent or 50 per cent of the market, they have a multiplier effect of 6:1 annually through new litters and poor rehoming.

Nowhere in the Bill does it stop registered breeders from breeding and selling animals.

The main supporters behind the bill are in fact animal rehoming, pet shops, individuals and vets. None are members of PETA. Many of us have found homes for thousands of animals, it makes no sense that we would want people to not own animals.

That is what we do all day, free, as volunteers, connect people with animals.

Please feel free to cross post this to any forums that you like, our access is shut down as these forums will not allow rebuttals from non industry aligned members, so you are only allowed to hear industry hysteria.

Please also feel free to send any questions to info@fixnswanimalpolicy.com

Thank you for taking the time to read this email. We hope you continue checking the facts.

Sincerely

CatRescue NSW Limited

CFN 20088 www.catrescue.com.au

The bill is not attached as it is 22 pages you can view the bill [here](#).

From the News 15.01.09

Western Sydney resident have described flames towering over 10-metre-high tree tops as they desperately try to save their homes

The Rural Fire Services saying 15 homes in Londonderry are now under direct threat, with some cars and trucks already burnt out on rural properties, residents are staying with their homes and battling to save them.



The View from Fays house

Michael Stokes, whose mother is a German Shepherd breeder in Whitegates Rd, told the *Daily Telegraph Online* that he was currently battling to save his family's home.

He spoke as he was hosing down his property and firefighters were lined up in his street and the fire razing through neighbouring bushland spread towards the house.

He said the fire has passed within 10 metres of his home, leaving it undamaged, but the wind had since changed, turning the fire back on Whitegates Rd residents.

The wind's changed direction. It blew away from us, it was heading towards the Northern Rd end and now it's changed and it's blowing back towards the Londonderry Rd end," he said.

"It's coming back towards us now," he said.

There's a helicopter right now above us dumping water," he said.

His mother and the dogs were evacuated and he, his brother and two friends were dousing down the house to prevent spotfires forming.

He said he had never seen a fire like it.

You see it on TV and in the papers but I've never seen anything so tall in my life ... the trees out the front are over 30 ft and the flames were higher," he said.

Note;; Fay and her family the dogs, cats, cocky and home were unharmed during the fire.

Entries Close 13th February 2009

**GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB
OF VICTORIA INC.**

STATE BREED EXHIBITION

K.C.C. PARK, WESTERNPORT HWY, SKYE
SATURDAY 7th March 2009

Conformation Judge:

MR. IAN URIE (VIC.)

CONFORMATION CLASSES: Baby Puppy - 3 mths & under 6 mths, Minor Puppy - 6 mths & under 9 mths, Puppy - 9 mths & under 12 mths, Junior - 12 mths & under 18 mths, Intermediate - 18 mths & under 24 mths, Open - 24 mths and over. * No Intersex or interclass competition. A reserve judge may be appointed in case of excess entries.

JUDGING TIMES: Conformation - Vest collection from 7.30am. Judging will commence 8.30am, with Baby Puppy Dog. Child Handlers will be judged during lunch break.

GRADINGS: Conformation - will be awarded at the Judge's discretion, "Excellent" and medallion available only in Open Class to Breed Surveyed exhibits. Individual critiques will be given from Junior to Open Class only.

SPECIAL PRIZES: Trophies for all Class Winners in Conformation. Sashes for 1st to 5th place (conformation). Sash for 'Best Dual Performance Exhibit'.

SEND CONFORMATION ENTRIES TO:

Show Secretary, Vicki Dobson, P.O. Box 192, BEVERIDGE, 3753. (Ph. (03) 9745 2739 not before 10am please)

Entry Fees: Junior to Open classes - Initial entry \$27.00 (includes VCA Levy & Catalogue) Subsequent entries \$22.00. Baby Puppy, Minor Puppy & Puppy classes - initial entry \$22.00, subsequent entries \$17.00. Please enclose S.A.E, and include titles and Breed Survey / HD and ED status on entry.

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Entries Close 25th February 2009

**GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB
OF VICTORIA INC.**

**STATE BREED EXHIBITION
& RESTRICTED OBEDIENCE TRIAL**

K.C.C. PARK, WESTERNPORT HWY, SKYE
SATURDAY 7th March 2009

Obedience Judges:

**MRS. L. PIPER - CCD/NOVICE
MS. R. BUCKLEY - OPEN
MR. D. HUTSON - UDX/UTILITY**

JUDGING COMMENCES - 8.00am.

Check in times and vetting - 7.00am to 7.45am.

Trophies for class winners (qualifying scores only)

Ribbons 1st to 3rd (qualifying scores only)

Sash for Highest Scoring CCD entry. (Qualifying score only) Sash for Highest Scoring GSD. (Qualifying score only)

Sash for "Winner of Winners". Grading Certificates. Excellent Medallion for scores of 190 and above

"Winner of Winners" to be judged by Open and Utility judges and will be held at the conclusion of all trial classes. CCD class not included and only class winners with qualifying scores will compete.

SEND OBEDIENCE ENTRIES TO:

**Ms Anne Franklin, 35 Robertson Cres,
BORONIA. 3155. Phone: (03) 9729 1282. Fax: 9729
1283. No calls after 9.00pm please.**

INITIAL ENTRY: \$25.00 (incl. VCA levies & catalogue)

Subsequent entries \$20.00 per entry.

Cheques/Money Orders payable to GSDCV Inc. please.

The committee reserves the right to appoint extra judges should the entry be excessive. The VCA heat policy will apply to this trial. Entries to be on prescribed entry form, separate entry forms for each class and SAE enclosed for return of receipt. HAS to be included with Open and Utility entries. All titles and information to be included on entry for inclusion in catalogue. Entries must be legible.

Entries Close 10th April 2009

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF
VICTORIA INC.

83rd CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

K.C.C. PARK, WESTERNPORT HWY, SKYE
SATURDAY 2nd & SUNDAY 3rd MAY 2009

Schedule of Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11 (dogs & bitches)

Conformation Judge:
Herr Joachim Dux
(All Dogs & Bitches)

Judging times: Saturday 2nd May, Conformation:
Judging commences at 9.00am. - All Bitch classes.

Sunday 3rd May, Conformation: commences 9.00 am
– All Dog classes and General Specials. Trophy presentations for all Show classes will be held after completion of judging.

Sashes: Conformation – 1st to 10th place, All Best of Age, Challenge Winners, Best in Show and Runner-up in Show.

Gradings: Conformation – Gradings will be awarded at the Judge's discretion: 'Promising' and 'Very Promising' in Baby, Minor & Puppy Classes. 'Good' & 'Very Good' to animals over 12mths in Junior, Intermediate & Open Classes. The grading of 'Excellent', and the medallion will only be awarded to exhibits 2 years of age or over, entered in the Open Classes and classified Cl.1 or Cl.11 under the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme (or other GSDCA approved scheme.)

Trophies: Best in Show, Runner-up in Show, all Class Winners, Best Dual Performance in Show and Trial – "Walter Reimann Memorial Trophy".

**Show entries to: Show Secretary, Vicki Dobson,
P.O. Box 192, Beveridge, 3753 Ph: (03) 9745 2738
(not before 10a.m. please)**

Initial entry \$36.00 (includes catalogue & VCA levy)
subsequent \$30.00 per class (*Baby puppies only:
\$20.00)
(Cheques payable to 'GSDCV Inc. Please enclose
S.A.E.)



Entries Close 20th April 2009

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF
VICTORIA INC.

RESTRICTED OBEDIENCE TRIAL

K.C.C. PARK, WESTERNPORT HWY, SKYE
SATURDAY 2nd MAY 2009

Obedience Judges:
Mrs. Dawn Ayton. CCD class
Mr. Ross Carlson. Novice class.
Mrs. Sharyn Stephens. Open class.
Mrs. Noelene McIlroy. UDX & Utility.

Judging time: 8.30am.
Check in & Vetting: 7.45am to 8.15am.

Trophies: All class winners (qualifying scores only),

Sashes: 1st to 3rd (qualifying scores only), Pass Cards for scores of 170 and above, Grading Certificates, Excellent medallions for scores of 190 and above, Highest scoring GSD in trial, "Winner of Winners" sash, Highest scoring CCD sash, Best Dual Performance sash.

"Winner of Winners" will comprise classes Novice to UDX (Qualifying scores only) and will be judged by Open and Utility judges at conclusion of class judging.

**Obedience entries to: Ms. Anne Franklin, 35
Robertson Crescent, BORONIA. 3155.
Phone: (03) 9729 1282. Fax: 9729 1283.**

Entry fees: Initial entry: \$25.00 (includes VCA levies & catalogue)
Subsequent entries: \$20.00 per class. Cheques/Money orders to be made payable to GSDCV Inc. Please enclose S.A.E.

The committee reserves the right to appoint extra judges should there be an excessive entry. All entries to be on prescribed entry form. Separate entry form for each class. Please show HAS for Open & Utility classes, all titles and information for inclusion in the catalogue. All entries must be legible. Presentations will be held at conclusion of "Winner of Winners" class at end of trial.

