



GSDL'S XMAS Presentation Night

Saturday December 5, 2009

Club House, Erskine Park

7 P.M.

*COST = \$5.00 PER ADULT
Children Free*



Chicken, Cold Meat & Salads Provided

Tea & Coffee Provided

Byo Drinks

*Remember - You Must Attend The Evening To Collect Your Award
The Only Exception To This Ruling Being For Country Members.*

Bookings Are Essential

*Please Book Through Your Branch Social Secretary Or
The League Secretary*



Fay Stokes - 02/47774241

123 Whitegates Road, Londonderry. 2753



Payments Cannot Be Taken On The Night

All Tickets Must Be Pre-Ordered.

Come Along And Enjoy Yourselves



Seasons Greetings

NOTE: *Have you sent your form in to receive your trophy*

Forms Attached To This Flyer

**NOMINATION FORM FOR ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS
AND COMMITTEE MEMBER 2009**

I/We _____

Nominate _____

for the position of _____

Signature of Proposer _____

Signature of Nominee _____

***Nominations must be in the hands of the Secretary no later than 5.00 p.m. 17th October, 2009.**
RULE 42B - Nominations of members proposed as Office Bearers or as Committee Members should be made in writing to the secretary at least twenty one (21) days before the date of the Annual General Meeting which will be held on Monday 9th November, 2009 and shall be signed by at least one member and the nominee.

POSTAL VOTE REQUEST

I/We _____

of _____

wish to register as Postal Voting Members for the forthcoming election of Office Bearers and Committee Members.

Signature/s _____

*Postal Vote applications must be in the hands of the Secretary no later than 5.00 p.m. 3rd October, 2009 for the return of the Postal Vote you must include a stamped, self addressed envelope.
NB - Applicants must be current 2009 members of the GSDL to be eligible for nomination and/or voting.

Send both nomination and postal vote requests to

**The Secretary GSDL Inc.
123 Whitegates Road,
Londonderry. N.S.W. 2753**

42(b)GSDL Constitution - Any member residing a minimum of 100km or more from the GPO as registered in the electoral role must register their request and signed by the member registering for a postal vote with the secretary and the request shall be dealt with by a simple majority vote at the General Meeting one month prior to the AGM. A stamped and addressed envelope to that member must be enclosed with such a request and a member who has so registered and accepted shall be called "a postal voting member".

ANNUAL AWARDS

Closing date for all award applications 30th October, 2009

Awards are for the current Point Score year only

I. EXCELLENT AWARD OF MERIT

(This award is for the Breeder of the dog NOT the owner)

Dog/Bitch Breeders Name _____

Dog's Reg. Name _____

Excellent awarded by Judge _____

Circle correct response

Breed/Obedience

Important note: A photograph (postcard size) of the animal must be included with any request for a breed or obedience award. These photos are required for the publicity album. Please attach the following information to the photograph Sire, Dam, Date of Birth, Titles, Breed Survey and Hip/Elbow status.

2. TITLE AWARD (please include previously awarded titles in Dog's name to appear on the award).

Owner's Name _____

Dog's Reg. Name _____

Title Awarded (e.g. CCD, CD, CDX etc) _____

Important Note: All awards for obedience must be applied for through your Branch except for country members. To receive an award for Championship you must attend your Show Training Branch or GSDL Shows.

3. Years of Membership Badge

Name _____

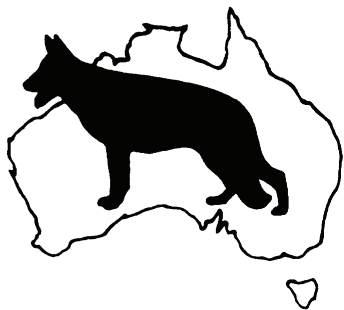
Address _____

No. of years membership _____ Date joined League/ Membership number _____

Membership badges are awarded for 10, 15, 20 and 25 years continuous membership.

Note: All applicants must be current 08/09 members of the GSDL Inc. to be eligible for their awards and attend the presentation night to receive their award (country members exempt).

Please send applications to: **MR. GREG JONES**
85 RICKARD ROAD,
WARRIMOO. N.S.W. 2774



**GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COUNCIL of
AUSTRALIA Inc.**

(Incorporated in the A.C.T.)

A.B.N. 25 515 310 063

Associated: Australian National Kennel Council (ANKC)

Member: World Union of German Shepherd Associations (WUSV)

Honorary Secretary

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Phone : (03) 5426 4286

E-mail address: secretary@gsdcouncilaustralia.org

9th September 2009

MEMBER CLUBS

Dear Secretary,

I refer to the letter dated 11th June 2009, which was sent to the ANKC Administrator and Canine Control Chief Executive Officers and was also copied to all Member Clubs, regarding the following motion :

Re : Request from the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia that the ANKC recognise permissible colours for the registration of German Shepherd Dogs on the ANKC Main Registrar be those that were submitted to the ANKC on the 18th November 2005.

The situation that has developed over the past twelve months in regards to the permissible colours for German Shepherd Dogs is unbelievable, and has meant confusion not only for breeders, Canine Control employees but more importantly for the general public when they purchase a 'black and yellow' German Shepherd Dog.

The word 'gold' and the word 'tan' and 'sable' have been used when describing a German Shepherd Dog since the adoption of the SV standard. Translation of the standard should be translated into dog terminology relative to the breed and this is certainly not the case with the English version of the FCI standard on the FCI website.

The GSDCA has always believed in the adoption of the standard of the "country of origin" and fought very long and hard for the ANKC to adopt the SV standard.

We have approached the National Breed Standards Committee on a number of occasions recently to request that some **common sense** be applied regarding the alteration of the word 'yellow' to 'gold' but to date we have not received any replies to our breeders concerns. The German Shepherd Dog Council is receiving increasing pressure from the members to be proactive on this issue.

We do not want to change the standard we just want a correct translation which clearly and correctly describes the German Shepherd Dog, similar to the standard which has been used in Australia for a number of years.

We have a number of members in our fraternity that are acknowledged as being professional interpreters from German to English and I can assure you that they all agree that the use of the word 'yellow' as a colour for the German Shepherd Dog is incorrect.

In addition to the colour description issue, the use of the word 'rump' instead of croup in the English version of the German Shepherd Dog standard on the FCI website is another clear misinterpretation.

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* German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria * Newcastle & Hunter Region German Shepherd Dog Club

It should be noted that whilst earlier in 2009, some verbal discussions were held with the National Breed Standards Committee, it is disappointing that despite a number of emails over the past couple of months, the German Shepherd Dog Council has received no further response from the National Breed Standards Committee on this matter.

The National Breed Standards Committee, via the Chairperson, Mr. Roger Bridgford, approached the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia in 2005 and requested confirmation of the applicable 'colours' as permitted on the Main Register, Limited Register and for inclusion to also be made of those colours that are a disqualification as per the Breed Standard, hence not permitted for registration.

This information was prepared by Dr Karen Hedberg (GSDCA Judges Chair) and subsequently forwarded by the GSDCA Secretary on the 18th November, 2005 to Mr. Bridgford and copied to Tracy Barry as ANKC Administrator. Clearly outlined were the permissible colours for ANKC registration for German Shepherd Dogs.

In fact Dr Karen Hedberg made the comment at that time that the colour issue in regards to the German Shepherd Dog is relatively straight forward. Unfortunately the submission has not been adhered to. This situation and decision on the part of the National Breed Standards Committee is not acceptable to our members.

It is now a matter of urgency that the ANKC recognise the colours as detailed in the original submission:-

Colours PERMITTED on the Main Register.

The colours that are permitted on the Main Register for German Shepherd Dogs are:

- ***Black;***
- ***Black and Red / Gold / Tan / Brown and Grey;***
- ***Greys are also called sable and can be red or grey sable.***

We request that in light of the motion that has been put forward by the Tasmanian Canine Association and Dogs Victoria, circulated on the 10th of June 2009, that the request of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia receives a positive response which will end this fiasco, not only for the benefit of our breeders but more importantly, for the general public and for the Breed.

The simple solution which would resolve all of our concerns, including the 'rump' (croup) issue, would be for the ANKC to revert to the translated SV German Shepherd Dog Breed Standard as accepted by the ANKC since 1993.

Following this Dogs West prepared another motion which was moved by Dogs West (*Item 1 attached*) and seconded by Dogs NSW (*Item 2 attached*).

I am pleased to advise that the Canine Controls dealt with this matter as a "circular resolution" which was approved by the majority of Canine Controls, (*detailed below*).

From: Australian National Kennel Council [mailto:administrator@ankc.org.au]

Sent: Monday, 7 September 2009 10:05 AM

To: CCCQ; DOGS ACT; DOGS NSW; DOGS NT; DOGS SA; DOGS VICTORIA; DOGS VICTORIA-Jo Cerda; DOGS WEST; TCA

Subject: FW: APPROVAL OF ELECTRONIC MOTION - DOGS WEST - GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG BREED STANDARD

Importance: High

Dear All,

As a result of responses received the majority of Member Bodies have approved the motion received from DOGS WEST.

For: DOGS ACT, DOGS WEST, CCCQ, DOGS NSW, DOGS SA, TCA

Against: DOGS NT, DOGS VICTORIA

[Please note that all electronic motions dealt with in between annual conferences are included on Item 6.1 on the main meeting at the 2009 ANKC October Conference.]

Regards,

Tracey Barry, Administrator

Australian National Kennel Council

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The approval of this resolution means that German Shepherd Dog breeders can now register those colours that are included in our standard, *(copy attached)*.

In an effort to ensure that all members are aware of this recent development, the GSDCA Executive will arrange for the GSDCA webmaster to place the approved Breed Standard on the GSDCA website.

We would appreciate you advising all members of this exciting outcome.

Yours sincerely,

Val Moody

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Honorary Secretary

German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.

c.c. GSDCA Executive.

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Christine Davis Dogs
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MARYS NSW 1790

Dear Christine,

Dogs West are seeking a support by way of a 'seconder' for the following motion, can you please advise if DogsNSW are prepared to support the motion.

Motion:

That the Australian National Kennel Club adopt the official "country of origin standard" (SV Germany) for the German Shepherd Dog, as translated by the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia.

Rationale:

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The members of GSDC have demanded that GSDC of Australia rectify the current situation and therefore the attached translation is submitted for consideration and adoption by the ANKC. Once adopted, the current Breed Standard Extension for the German Shepherd Dog will be reviewed by the GSDC in conjunction with the Breed Standards Committee.

We look forward to a positive outcome.

Yours faithfully



Neridah Sharrett
Administrator 7
July 2009
Dogs West



Promoting
Responsible
Dog
Ownership

9 July 2009

Dogs West
Administrator
Ms N Sharrett

Sent via Email nsharrett@dogswest.com

Dear Neridah

Re: Out of Session Motion – German Shepherd Dog Breed Standard

Dogs NSW Board of Directors, at their meeting held 8 July 2009, resolved to second Dogs West 'Out of Session Motion' for the ANKC as set out below:

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Yours faithfully
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Christine Davis
Chief Executive Officer