



# **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

## **Summary of Motions from the Special General Meeting and 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the GSDCA Inc.**

It is with pleasure I present for your information, the results of motions from the Special General Meeting and 52<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc., held on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> February 2013, in Victoria.

All motions carried will take effect as of the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013 (*except where the meeting agreed to allow immediate action*), and for full details as per the minutes, please contact your Club Secretary.

**Val Moody, Honorary Secretary - GSDCA Inc.**

### **SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING**

#### **Changes to the Constitution**

Change to include Electronic Funds Transfer as a method of payment.

#### **Current Clause**

##### Clause 17.6

All accounts exceeding \$1.00 shall be paid by cheque, and such cheques shall be signed by any two of the following persons, namely President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and any member so authorized in writing by the Executive body.

#### **Proposed amendment**

##### Clause 17.6

All accounts exceeding \$1.00 shall be paid by cheque or Electronic Funds Transfer, and such cheques or transfers shall be signed by any two of the following persons, namely President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and any member so authorized in writing by the Executive body.

**Moved South Australia**

**CARRIED**

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

#### **2.3 Ratification of Matters Arising from the 51<sup>st</sup> AGM under the 60 day rule:**

- 2.3.1. That the following GSDCA Regulations Section 4 – Quarterly National Review (QNR) Point 4.10, be rescinded.

##### 4.10 PUBLICATION OF VALES IN THE GSDCA QNR

4.10.1 Vales will only be accepted for publication in the GSDCA QNR if:-

- a) The Vale submitted for publication is sponsored by the GSDCA member club of which the deceased was a member and submitted on the official Club letterhead
- b) The Vale shall be limited to no more than one half page of black and white production and may include a photograph, apart from the case of the deceased being a President or Past President in which case the vale shall be at the discretion of the GSDCA QNR Editor
- c) Editorial rights as published on the index page of each edition of the GSDCA QNR shall still apply (1996)

#### **And replaced with:-**

##### 4.10 PUBLICATION OF VALES IN THE GSDCA QNR

4.10.1 The publication of a vale in the GSDCA QNR shall be at the discretion of the GSDCA Executive.

**CARRIED**

- 2.3.2 “That the GSDCA ratifies the decision of the 2011 National Breed Commission Meeting to appoint Mr. Bruce Knight as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor.

**CARRIED**

- 2.3.3 Micro chipping:
1. That all GSDCA forms that have reference to positive identification be amended to reflect that Microchip is an accepted form of identification.
  2. Where an animal that only has a microchip as a form of positive identification and it is unable to be identified either at time of X-ray or Breed Survey the attached procedure must be followed.
  3. The GSDCA will only accept tattoo as the only form of positive identification for animals in New Zealand to participate in GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes. **CARRIED**

2.3.4 "That the GSDCA Guidelines for the necessity of the AGM to grant permission for Clubs to award Excellent grading and medallions is amended as per:

**GSDCA GUIDELINES FOR MEMBER CLUBS WHO CONDUCT OR SPONSOR SPECIALIST GSD DOG SHOWS FOR CANINE/KENNEL ASSOCIATIONS, ALL BREEDS OR WORKING GROUP CLUBS.**

1. Initial application for the conduct of a Specialist GSD Show that will be conducted by a Canine / Kennel Association, All Breeds Kennel Club, or a Working Group Club must be made to the GSDCA Executive.
2. Permission to grant the application will depend on consideration being given that shows as conducted by Member Clubs will not be effected by an application being approved.
3. There will be no need to make further applications once a Show has been established and is run in accordance with the prerequisites to conduct a GSD Specialist Show.

**PRERQUISITES FOR THE Conduct of a GSD Specialist Show**

The Member Club will ensure the following prerequisites are met by the Club that wishes to conduct a GSD Specialist Show.

1. The Member Club will nominate judges to the host Club.
2. The Judges must be able to grade the classes accordingly and critique the class both individually and when placed. These are essential requirements for the show to be held.
3. The Judge must be accredited German SV, SV Foreign list, GSDCA Specialist Judge or as approved by the GSDCA to judge Specialist GSD Shows.
4. If the Judge is German SV, the Member Club will make application on behalf of the host Club and forward all fees for a clearance to be obtained from the SV.
5. If required, ONLY approved GSDCA Official interpreters must be used. A list of approved Interpreters is available from the Secretary, GSDCA.
6. Judges critiques may be given from Minor to Open Classes, however it is understood that dependent on timing pressures that only Junior to Open may be critiqued.
7. A stenographer will be made available for the Judge.
8. An approved measuring stick will be made available to the Judge.
9. Schedule must state following:  
Grading may be awarded at the discretion of the Judge according to the following:
  - All Puppy Classes: Very Promising and Promising;
  - Junior & Intermediate & Open: Very Good , Good;
  - Open Classes Only: Excellent may be awarded. Animals must be over 2 years and Breed Surveyed Class 1 or Class II. **CARRIED**

2.3.5 "That Member Clubs and Council will each donate \$1.00 per member as per the 2012 GSDCA Declaration of Membership, towards Ms. Elke Effler's participation in the Redog Canine Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Operational Test in Switzerland October 2012". **CARRIED**

2.3.6 "That the GSDCA conducts a "Future Directions" forum/workshop to discuss the future development of the Council and Member Clubs in 2012 with the venue being Melbourne." **CARRIED**

2.3.7 "The ANKC Application and Verification Form for coat variety as amended together with the Verification Information sheet are forwarded to the ANKC for approval". **CARRIED**

- 2.3.8 "That all Long Stock Coat conformation classes will be judged by the dog judge at the National GSD Show". **CARRIED**
- 2.3.9 "That the National GSD Show Manual is amended to include that ALL classes and awards as offered at the National GSD Show will be the same for both varieties (Stock Coat and Long Stock Coat)." **CARRIED**
- 2.3.10 "That Section 12.2 - Medals of the GSDCA National Show Manual be amended.  
Currently reads:  
12.2 Medals:
- Gold Medal  
To 1<sup>st</sup> place Open Dog and Bitch
  - Silver Medal  
To 2<sup>nd</sup> place Open Dog and Bitch
  - Bronze Medal  
To 3<sup>rd</sup> place Open Dog and Bitch

**To be replaced with:**

- 12.2 Medals:  
The criteria to award the following medals will be the same for both varieties (Stock Coats and Long Stock Coats):-
- Gold Medal  
To 1<sup>st</sup> place Open Dog and Bitch that has received the grading of Excellent.
  - Silver Medal  
To 2<sup>nd</sup> place Open Dog and Bitch that has received the grading of Excellent.
  - Bronze Medal  
To 3<sup>rd</sup> place Open Dog and Bitch that has received the grading of Excellent.

**CARRIED**

**13 Determination of Scale of fees for financial year 2012-2013**

Current Motion: Breed Survey application - The determined fee as from 1 July 2006 will be as follows:

Charge to owners via member Clubs	\$30.00 (inc GST)
GSDCA charge to member Clubs	\$22.00 (inc GST)

New Motion: Breed Survey application - The determined fee as from 1 July 2013, will be as follows:

Charge to owners via member Clubs	\$35.00 (inc GST)
GSDCA charge to member Clubs	\$27.00 (inc GST)

**Motion: Moved: GSDCV**

**CARRIED**

**16 Matters referred to AGM from National Breed Commission**

**16.1 Motion:** That the National Breed Commission's decision that accepted the resignation of Louis Donald as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor be ratified.

**Moved: GSDCV**

**RATIFIED**

**16.2 Motion:** That the National Breed Commission's decision that accepted the resignation of Fran Farley as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor be ratified.

**Moved: GSDCV**

**RATIFIED**

**16.3 Motion:** That the National Breed Commission's decision that accepted the resignation of Melanie Groth as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor be ratified.

**Moved: GSDCV**

**RATIFIED**

**16.4 Motion:** That the National Breed Commission's decision that accepted the resignation of James Rodger as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor be ratified.

**Moved: GSDCV**

**RATIFIED**

**16.5 Motion:** That the National Breed Commission's decision that accepted the resignation of John Hugo as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor be ratified.

**Moved: GSDCV**

**RATIFIED**

**16.6 Motion:** That the National Breed Commission's decision that accepted the resignation of Reg Bonello as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor be ratified.

**Moved: GSDCV**

**RATIFIED**

**16.7 Motion:** "That Louis Donald, Frances Farley, Melanie Groth, James Rodger, John Hugo and Reg Bonello who as GSDCA Breed Surveyors resigned from their positions in 2012 be reinstated provided individual application is made to the GSDCA prior to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013."

**Moved Victoria**

Motion as carried in 2008 already exists:

*That as from July 1 2008 that a Breed Surveyor who surrenders his/her Breed Survey status and wishes to be re-instated as a Breed Surveyor must produce evidence of renewed activity by attending shows and surveys 12 months prior to application for reinstatement, including either the National and Main Breed Exhibition. The applicant must have their application endorsed by a Member Club of the GSDCA in their State or Territory of domicile. This documentation is to be forwarded to the National Breed Commission Chairman and to be placed on the Agenda for approval at the National Breed Commission Meeting and ratified at the following AGM.*

**New Motion:** "That 16.7 is out of order as an existing regulation will allow for any Surveyor who has resigned to reapply".

**Moved: SA**

**CARRIED**

**16.8 Motion:** That the position GSDCA National Tattoo Registrar be changed to the GSDCA National Tattoo/Microchipping Registrar.

**Moved Victoria**

SA put forward an amendment to change the name to National Identification Registrar as they felt that this encompassed everything.

**New Motion:**

That the position GSDCA National Tattoo Registrar be changed to the GSDCA National Identification Registrar.

**Moved: SA**

**UNANIMOUS**

**16.9 Motion:** "That the GSDCA National and MBE German Shepherd Dog Obedience and Agility Manual be re-named the "GSDCA National Trial Manual" and that all references to the MBE are removed from its contents.

**Moved Victoria**

**UNANIMOUS**

**16.10 Motion:** "That the decision of the 2012 National Breed Commission Meeting to award Ms. Jane Pike of South Australia, GSDCA Breed Surveyor status in accordance with the rules and regulations be ratified."

**Moved Broken Hill/Victoria**

**CARRIED**

**16.11 Motion:** "That in future all Breed Survey certificates of all imported animals that have been only Breed Surveyed classified will be printed in a separate section in the GSDCA Breed Survey Book".

**Moved Broken Hill**

**CARRIED**

**16.12 Motion: "That as from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013 the Criteria for Breed Survey:-Point 5(e) which currently reads:**

*A coloured photograph is to be submitted on the day of the Breed Survey, or post/e-mail a photo to the NBC Chairperson within 7 days of the Breed Survey.*

**Be amended to read:-**

*A suitable coloured photograph must be submitted together with the GSDCA BS1 Form (Application for Breed Survey).*

**Moved Broken Hill**

**Motion withdrawn by Broken Hill**

**16.13 Motion:**

**4.3 Criteria and Procedure for Aspiring Breed Surveyors**

4.3.1 The applicant must be a financial member of a GSDCA Member Club.

4.3.2 The applicant must have and provide evidence of:

- Owning, exhibiting and breeding German Shepherd Dogs for a period of ten (10) years his or her breeding activity to have included a minimum of ten (10) litters.
- Breeding ten (10) animals which have passed the GSDCA National Breed Survey Scheme.
- Breeding five individual (5) animals that have received an excellent grading at GSDCA Member Club Specialist Shows or GSDCA approved Shows.

4.3.3 The applicant must provide with their application a resume of their involvement at their club of domicile and/or GSDCA level.

4.3.4 After completing the GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course, the aspirant must have officiated as a Judge at a minimum of five (5) shows as conducted by GSDCA Member Clubs or at approved shows where gradings as approved by the GSDCA are awarded and both written and verbal critiques are given from the Junior classes upwards.

4.3.5 The applicant must have adhered to their Member Club, Canine Control and the GSDCA Council's Codes of Ethics. A declaration to this effect must accompany the application.

4.3.6 *Amended motion*

*The applicant must have their application endorsed by the Committee of a GSDCA Member Club in their State or Territory of domicile of which they are a member of.* **CARRIED**

4.3.7 The applicant shall make application which will contain all supporting documentation to the National Breed Commission (NBC) Chairperson.

4.3.8 The application must be received no later than the close of call for agenda items for the NBC Meeting.

4.3.9 The application if accepted will be included as an agenda item for the NBC meeting.

4.3.10 The NBC Executive will consider the application and will inform the applicant personally before the NBC Chairperson makes a recommendation to the NBC meeting.

4.3.11 If successful the Aspiring Breed Surveyor shall agree to undertake a twelve (12) month training period to advance their knowledge of the German Shepherd Dog.

4.3.12 The Aspiring Breed Surveyor must attend at least three (3) Breed Surveys in their State or Territory and at each Breed Survey undertake a mock Survey and complete a GSDCA Breed Survey Worksheet independently from the officiating Breed Surveyors on the day.

4.3.13 *New Motion*

*If 3 Breed Surveys are not conducted in a 12 month period in the applicant's state of domicile then the applicant may make application to the NBC Chair to participate in a Breed Survey in another State or Territory.* **CARRIED**

- 4.3.14 At the completion of each mock survey and assessment, a review process will be undertaken with the Aspirant and officiating Breed Surveyor.
- 4.3.15 The three assessments cannot be completed under one Breed Surveyor. The process is to be one of mentoring the Aspirant.
- 4.3.16 At the completion of the review process the assessment together with an evaluation report by the officiating Breed Surveyor will be forwarded to the NBC Executive.
- 4.3.17 In cases where an Aspirant fails to meet with a positive evaluation in any one of the three (3) assessments, they will be required to undertake an additional mock survey in order to gain a total of three positive assessments.  
It must be noted that this may delay the approval process.
- 4.3.18 Once the NBC Executive has received three positive assessments; the NBC Executive will recommend to the next NBC Meeting that the Aspirant be formally recognised as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor.
- 4.3.19 A resume of the newly appointed Breed Surveyor shall be published in the GSDCA Quarterly National Review (QNR) in conjunction with the GSDCA AGM Agenda.
- 4.3.20 The recommendation as approved by the NBC Meeting will then be put forward to be ratified at the next GSDCA Annual General Meeting (AGM).

**Motion 16.13 as amended.**

**CARRIED**

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## **17 Matters referred to the AGM from the GSDCA Breed Surveyors Meeting and Breed Overview**

**17.1 Motion:** "That the "GSDCA Stud Dog Register" as discussed at the 2011 GSDCA Breed Surveyors Meeting does not proceed".

**Moved Broken Hill**

**CARRIED**

### **17.2 Motion:**

- a. That as from the 2014 National Show and Trial, the GSDCA Annual Sires Progeny Report as presented to the membership by the NBC Executive will be reported according to bloodline base and will include a Tail Male Chart for males and a Tail Male Chart for females.  
The report will be produced from data collected and due consideration of:
- Observations by the NBC Executive conducting commentary on the Sires Progeny Parade at the GSDCA National Show & Trial.
  - Observations by the GSDCA Breed Surveyors and Judges of the Sires Progeny Parade at the GSDCA National Show & Trial.
  - Observations by the State Breed Surveyor panel and officiating judges at State Breed Exhibitions where a Sires Progeny Parade is conducted.
  - GSDCA Judges reports as submitted to the NBC Executive.
  - Discussion pertaining to the annual review of stud dogs as presented by the NBC Executive to the GSDCA Breed Surveyor and GSDCA Specialist Judges Meeting.
- b. That a "watch list" be developed to identify a group of sires that show promise in the show ring and/or have produced a limited number of progeny and at this stage are unable to produce a progeny group for assessment.

**Moved South Australia**

**CARRIED**



## 18 Matters referred to the AGM from the Judges Committee

**18.1 Motion:** “That the following list of judges be placed on the GSDCA AGM agenda under Item 2015 National Show & Trial to be held in Victoria.

Herr Joachim Stiegler, Herr Heinz Scheerer, Herr Bernd Weber, Herr Rainer Mast,  
Frau Margit Van Dorssen, Herr Frank Goldlust, Herr Hans-Joachim Dux.

**Moved GSD League**

**18.2 Motion:** “That a new perpetual trophy in line with the current perpetual trophies awarded be initiated which will be called “ **Max Stokes Memorial Trophy**” and awarded as of the 2013 National Show & Trial in Adelaide to the winner of the Junior Bitch (Stock Coat) class.

**Moved GSD League**

This change to be instigated in 2014.

**MEETING SO AGREED**

**CARRIED**

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## 19 Matters referred to the AGM from the GSDCA Obedience Committee

*In order to ensure matters as discussed at the 2012 Obedience Committee Meeting are brought forward the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria has sponsored the motions in order to ensure they are discussed and voted on by the Member Clubs.*

**19.1 Motion:** Award as follows, GSDCA gradings in CCD (Community Companion Dog) class at all GSDCA affiliated Member Clubs' Obedience Trials where an exhibit gains a qualifying score of:

- 85 – 89 points Good
- 90 – 94 points Very Good
- 95 – 100 points Excellent and award of GSDCA Obedience Excellent medallion. **CARRIED**

**19.2 Motion:** Award as follows, GSDCA gradings in all Rally classes at all GSDCA affiliated member clubs' Rally Obedience Trials where an exhibit gains a qualifying score of:

- 85 – 89 points Good
- 90 – 94 points Very Good
- 95 – 100 points Excellent and award of GSDCA Obedience Excellent medallion. **CARRIED**

**19.3 Motion:** Amend current rules to allow CCD class winner with qualifying score to be eligible to compete for Gold, Silver and Bronze Obedience medals at GSDCA National Show/Trial. **LOST**

**19.4 Motion:** The 'Winner of Winners' competition be scheduled in the Main Ring (Dog ring), at lunchtime on Sunday at every GSDCA National Show and Trial. **CARRIED**

**19.5 Motion:** Amend current wording “Teams Event” to “GSDCA Member Clubs Obedience Challenge”.

**Moved: SA**

*That the current wording “Teams Event” be changed to GSDCA Member Obedience Challenge”.*

**CARRIED**

**19.6 Motion:** The “GSDCA Member Clubs Obedience Challenge” should be included in the GSDCA National Show/Trial Schedule. Wording as follows:

**GSDCA Member Clubs Obedience Challenge:** Teams of four exhibits, exhibits can be mixed from different classes of obedience – Names of teams, handlers and dogs' names must be provided to the Trial Manager **prior to the commencement of the Trial**. At least three of the exhibits must qualify, exhibits entered in more than one class must nominate which class is to be scored. **Unanimous**

**19.7 Motion:** GSDCA to provide a perpetual Shield to record winners of “GSDCA Member Club Obedience Challenge”. **MOTION WITHDRAWN**

**19.8 Motion:** Amend current rules for awarding of Dual Performance Trophy at GSDCA National Show/Trial to allow animals with a qualifying score in CCD to compete. **LOST**

**19.9 Motion:** Amend current rules for awarding of the David O'Rourke Memorial Dual Performance Trophy to reflect the following:

- To be eligible, a Dog or Bitch must achieve, as minimum, a grading of Very Good in a conformation class and a qualifying score in CCD, Novice, Open, Utility or Utility Dog Excellent class in the Obedience Trial.
  - The David O'Rourke Dual Performance Trophy will be awarded to the animal that has the highest grading in conformation and a qualifying score in obedience.
  - If grading is equal, then the following scoring system shall be used to determine the winner:

The scoring system sees a formula applied: The score shall be determined by the number of gradings given in the conformation class divided by the placing of the dog that has qualified, which is then multiplied by 100.

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \text{Number of Grading given} \\ B &= \text{Placing of dog that has qualified with that grading} \\ A/B \times 100 &= \text{Final Score (no decimal places)} \end{aligned}$$

(Please see examples of scoring system below).

- In the event of a tied result after applying all the criteria above, then the Obedience result will determine the winner, with criteria being, in the following order:
- The animal that gained the highest qualifying score in Obedience Trial will be declared the winner.
- If the qualifying scores are still equal, the winner will be decided as follows:
  - Tied scores within the same class will be separated by final placing gained within the particular class. e.g.: 1<sup>st</sup> place UDX (190 points) beats 2<sup>nd</sup> place UDX (190 points) etc.
  - Tied scores from different classes will be separated by placing them in order of the class the animal competed in hence as an example: UDX beats (190 points) beats UD (190 points) which beat OPEN (190 points) etc.

**CARRIED**

**19.10 Motion:** The following be included in the GSDCA National Show/Trial manual: "The trophy awarded to the winner of the David O'Rourke Dual Performance Trophy, be of equal value to those awarded to the Gold medal winners of Conformation and Obedience". **CARRIED**

**19.11 Motion:** Expand GSDCA Obedience awards to include CCD class. This award to be known as "Best Community Companion Dog" and shall be awarded to the animal with the highest aggregate of three (3) qualifying scores in this class. **Unanimous**

**19.12 Motion:** Amend wording for existing GSDCA Obedience awards to read as: "Best Novice Dog", "Best Open Dog", Best Utility Dog" and "Best Utility Dog Excellent". **Unanimous**

**19.13 Motion:** Application form for GSDCA Obedience awards (available on GSDCA website) is amended to include applicant's phone number and email. **Unanimous**



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## 20 Other Matters referred to the AGM

**20.1 Motion:** That a space be created on the GSDCA website for a “MEMBERS ONLY” area.

- All minutes and agenda items for all GSDCA meetings (including Breed affairs and subcommittee agendas and minutes) to be posted in this area.
- To also contain any other relevant topical information pertinent to members' interests.
- Password protected to allow only members into the area.
- A single same password to be allocated to the space with all members using the same password.
- Passwords to be changed annually so that only continuing members have access.
- GSDCA webmaster to notify all clubs annually of the new password.
- State Clubs to advise members of new passwords upon renewal of annual membership renewals.

**Moved GSDC of Tasmania**

**LOST**

**20.2 Motion:** “That the GSDCA Breed Survey Manual Section 9.6 - Charges Levied (third paragraph) which currently reads:

*The determined fee as from 1st July 2006, will be as follows:*

*Charge to owners via Member Clubs \$30.00 (incl GST)*

*GSDCA charge to Member Clubs \$22.00 (incl GST)*

**Be amended to read as follows:-**

“For the determined fees relative to GSDCA Breed Survey, please refer to the “GSDCA Schedule of Fees” on the GSDCA Website”.

**Moved Broken Hill**

**CARRIED**

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## 21 General Business

**21.3 Motion:** “That the current motion as passed in 1989 be rescinded”.

*New Executive members and Position Holders shall not receive air fare or accommodation reimbursements at the AGM at which they are elected, the subsidy to apply from the first meeting in their term of office.*

**Motion:** “That the newly elected Executive officers shall receive reimbursement of travel and accommodation expenses to attend the AGM at which they formally take office”.

**Moved Victoria**

**LOST**

**21.4 Motion: GSDCA CHILD & JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP AWARD version 1 AUG 2012**

“That as of 1 Jan 2013, the GSDCA Junior Showmanship Award is introduced to encourage young members to train and handle German Shepherd Dogs and compete in Junior Handler Classes as defined by the ANKC age grouping and conducted at Member Clubs or GSDCA approved shows.”

The Awards to be presented at the National GSD Show are:

- **GSDCA Junior Showmanship Award:** 7 to under 10 years of age.
- **GSDCA Junior Showmanship Award:** 10 to under 13 Years of age.
- **GSDCA Junior Showmanship Award:** 13 to under 18 Years of age.

The following rules shall apply.

- Competitors and or their parents/ guardians must be members of a Member Club in their State or Territory of domicile.
- The Secretary, GSDCA will give 8 weeks’ notice to Member Clubs to submit their list of award winners.
- The GSDCA Secretary will organise the plaques to be presented.
- The winners from each member Club will be presented with the GSDCA Child & Junior Showmanship Award for the respective age grouping at the GSDCA National GSD Show & Trial.
- The presentation of these awards will be conducted at the conclusion of judging the Junior Handler Classes at the National.

- Member Clubs are encouraged to appoint a member of the Youth Group to administer their own competition that will determine the winner of the awards as offered.

### **Conduct of Junior Handler Classes at the National**

- Junior Handlers Classes must be offered at the National
- The judging of Junior Handler Classes at the National will be conducted during the Friday luncheon break.
- The following must be included in National Show schedule.

**ALL Junior Handler Classes: Judge: Mr Frank Zappa (USA)**

- 7 to under 10 years of age.
  - 10 to under 13 Years of age.
  - 13 to under 18 Years.
1. **Entry is free but must be forwarded to Show Secretary prior to close of entries: xx/xx/xxxx**
  2. *Parents are reminded that your child must be able to control their dog.*
  3. *Parents must sign a release form on the day of competition failure to do so will see entry denied.*
  4. **All children must have control of the animal they are exhibiting.**
  5. *If any child cannot solely control (hold) the animal they are exhibiting they may be asked to leave the ring.*
  6. **No adults will be permitted in the ring.**

### **Notes for Show Secretaries**

- Entry for this competition is free & MUST be made by nominated close of entry date.
- Entries must be sent to Show Secretary who will inform GSDCA Youth Officer who will liaise closely with the Show Secretary.
- The GSDCA Youth Officer will be the person responsible for administrating these classes at the National i.e. nomination of Judge to GSDCA Executive, arranging steward sheets complete with listing of competitors, appointment of steward (should be a member of the Youth group), making sure photographer on hand, and collating results and follow up with judge for written critiques to be provided, etc.
- A GSDCA Specialist judge or other person as approved by the GSDCA Executive may judge Child and Junior Showmanship Classes at the National.
- The name of the judge must appear in the schedule and a resume of that person must also be included in the Catalogue.
- The Youth Officer will ensure that the person appointed to judge these classes is forwarded "Guidelines to judge GSDCA Junior Handler Classes" and stresses to them that:
  - The judge will provide an on the peg verbal critique of each competitor.
  - The critiques of competitors at the National will be published in same issue as National results in the GSDCA Quarterly National Review.

### **Prize schedule for Junior Handler Classes**

The host club conducting the National will as a minimum offer the following awards for each Junior Handler Class 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Trophy & Sash, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sash.

**Moved Victoria**

**Unanimous**

**21.5 Motion:** "That as from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2013 the regulation as carried at the 2009 GSDCA Annual General Meeting for the awarding of the GSDCA Tooth Certificate" be amended to read as follows:-

- a) The GSDCA Tooth Certificate is the only recognised certificate that can be presented at Breed Survey and Shows, as proof of missing teeth or teeth removed due to injury ~~Breed Survey and Shows~~.
- b) The President or, National Breed Commission Chairman, and when not available, the Member Clubs Breed Affairs Chairperson will inform all overseas judges that this is the only certificate that will be accepted as verification for missing teeth or teeth removed due to injury.

**For animals that have been successfully Breed Surveyed and classified Breed Survey Class I or Class II for a GSDCA Tooth Certificate to be awarded, the following procedure must be met:**

- A copy of the GSDCA Breed Survey Certificate verifying complete dentition will be forwarded to the NBC Chairperson together with the prescribed fee.
- The issuing of the GSDCA Tooth Certificate is the responsibility of the GSDCA NBC Chairperson.
- Once the GSDCA Tooth Certificate is issued, it shall be laminated and forwarded to the owner.

**Note:**

*That an animal with damaged/broken teeth does not require a GSDCA Tooth Certificate. A certificate will only be issued where the tooth is not visible above the gum line.*

**For animals that have not been previously Breed Surveyed and classified Breed Survey Class 1 or Class 11 for a GSDCA Tooth Certificate to be issued, the following procedure must be met:**

- Certificates will only be issued where a tooth or teeth have been removed or are not visible from above the gum line.
- The owner must provide x-ray proof that a normal, healthy, developed adult tooth existed at a point of time.
- The x-ray must be identified radio graphically with the GSDCA Tattoo Number and/or microchip number as recognised by the GSDCA. (See annex 1 list of recognised Tattoo schemes).
- The x-ray must be taken in accordance with the GSDCA regulation for acceptance of x-ray plates or digital x-rays (*Refer to GSDCA Regulation titled Acceptance of x-ray plates and computer radiography generated images(digital x-rays)*).
- The x-ray, prescribed fee and written agreement that all costs associated with gaining specialist dental opinion will be paid by the owner, shall be forward to the National Breed Commission Chairperson.
- The x-ray will be forwarded to a Veterinary Dentist for an opinion.
- A copy of the opinion will be forwarded to the owner regardless of whether or not a certificate is issued.
- All fees must be paid prior to the issuing of the GSDCA Tooth Certificate.
- The GSDCA Tooth Certificate will be issued by the GSDCA National Breed Commission Chairperson.
- Details of the GSDCA Tooth Certificate issued will be printed in the GSDCA Annual Breed Survey Book.

**Moved GSD League**

ACT and GSDL noted the following grammatical changes.

1. Delete second “at Breed Survey and Shows in point a to read  
*The GSDCA Tooth Certificate is the only recognised certificate that can be presented at Breed Survey and Shows, as proof of missing teeth or teeth removed due to injury.*
2. In second heading delete reference to Breed Survey Class I & II to read:  
**For animals that have been successfully Breed Surveyed, for a GSDCA Tooth Certificate to be awarded, the following procedure must be met:**

The amended motion was then put:

**Moved GSDL:**

**CARRIED**

Motion as amended was then put:

**For:** Unanimous

**CARRIED**