SHEPHERD NEWS

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Welcome to new members this year:

Karen Anderson; Colin Anderson; James & Helen Atcheson; Teresa Biella; David Collins; Garry Connolly; Peter Crapp; David Demkowski; Joyce Feltham & Ronald McGarrity; Lorien Flynn; Neidra Hill; John Houlford; Rodney Jenkins & Olivia Najder; Karen, Joel & Mark Kane; Sally & Ray Kelly; Adam & Stacey Laws; Anthony & Amanda Marks; Jolanda & Stephen McHugh; Theresa McArdle; Casey Morrison; Jamie Natoli; Sonya & Ivan Pacek; Mark & Kerry Radcliffe; Nathan Russell & Crystal Crellin; Savanth Sebastian; Angela Sneddon; Bronwyn Simpson; Rachel Tucaliuc; Kym Williams; Bradley & Karen Smith; Narelle Wakeford; Elizabeth Brenac; Adrian, Patric, Patraicia, Aren & Nicole Pederson; Lee & Dennis Cummins; D.Shiran, Anomiku, Serena & Dushani Fernando; Volker, Christine & Carina Spiegel; Andrew Tucker; Ceri Walker; Remy Lanot; Nicky, Caitlin & Jack Erickson & Jimmy McDonald; Tracy Harris; Peter Kotevich

President Report:

Welcome to the second electronic Shepherd News with the first one being well accepted. This electronic media will be further utilised to communicate more regularly and effectively with GSDL members and keep them in touch on a more regular basis, in conjunction with our web site.

As each Shepherd News is issued, the past ones will be archived on the website for future reference. Members should consistently view the Calender of Events on our website as this has been developed to keep you informed of upcoming events.

The committee is now a third of it's way into our tenure with much ground covered to date. I am pleased to acknowledge their efforts, enthusiasm and time spent with very satisfying and effective outcomes.

Our Easter Championship show was a successful event again, although slightly low in numbers. The atmosphere was calm and many people commented on this relaxed atmosphere. Many thanks to Anne McKenzie, our show secretary, Greg Jones and Terry Jarvis for stepping in and taking the reigns in Joe Genua's absence, Fay Stokes for running the canteen and fulfilling the stenography duties, the Committee members who carried out their responsibilities with success and the many members who assisted over the two days.

The Sheepherding Trial held in March was a successful event and hopefully will be a foundation for future more successful trials. Thank you to those members involved for the time and commitment in putting this event together. Such events can only promote our breed in a positive way to the general public.

The National is approaching and I wish the best of luck to all our members who will be attending this special annual event.

The Audited financial statements for the financial year 2006/2007 are available on the website and are password protected for 'members only' privileges. Members are asked to contact the Secretary <u>fay.stokes@bigpond.com</u> for the password if they wish to view these documents.

Graeme Stevenson President: GSDL Inc. NSW

Special Resolution RE: Name Change

Special Resolution for May General Meeting Registration of change of name from

The German Shepherd Dog League Inc to

The German Shepherd Dog League Inc of NSW to comply with DOGS NSW requirements

ompry with DOOS NSW requirements

Instructors Course

Instructors Course Starting on 17th April, contact your branch manager or the Training coordinator if you are interested in becoming an instructor.

Registration of the colour sable

During January 2008 all state canine controls lost the ability to register "sables", and now can only be registered as "grey".

This has come about due to the upgrade to the ANKC computer system. The data entry is unable to alter the drop down box to sable.

The GSDCA will be writing to the ANKC, proposing to have this altered to sable. The Canine Control of WA will also be writing to the ANKC in support of this.

Bunning's Raffle

The Raffle was won by Wombat a friend of Tom Devine. Our thanks again to Bunning's McGrath's Hill for their kind donation.

BUNNINGS Bunning's Sausage Sizzle

We will be running another Sausage Sizzle at Bunning's, 2166 Castlereagh Road, North Penrith on 6th July, 2008

If you are able to assist on this day please contact the secretary.

GSDCA Golden Jubilee Edition

The Golden Jubilee Edition publication is being prepared by James Rodger.

James is seeking the following information from member clubs and in turn we are asking members if they wish to have input into these items to please forward your suggestion, in writing, as soon as possible to

The Secretary, 123 Whitegates Road,' Londonderry, 2753

I. Council's Major Contributors over 50 years

Who are the above persons and the reasons for your choice?

2. Exceptional Club Personalities

A member who has contributed enormously to their club's activities and successes in connection with the German Shepherd Dog.

We require up to 10 such members who fit this category together with a summary of their service and achievements, together with suitable photograph (head shot preferred)

3. Exceptional Dog Achievements

A member's dog who has achieved highly significant awards and performances either in the conformation ring, the trial ring, the tracking ring, the agility ring, demo teams etc. we would like photographs as well.

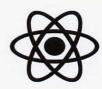
We require up to 10 such dogs.



4. Successful Breeders

We need up to 10 most successful breeders together with a summary of their breeding successes (Excellent Selects, Breed Surveyed Stock, National Medal Winners, AOC, HD & Elbow results etc) supported by appropriate photographs and any other relevant information.

National Council will be offering advertising space in this Golden Jubilee Edition and we will keep you advised however if you can assist in sending in your suggestions please do so.



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ANNUAL CLOSURE 2008

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 26TH MAY 2008 THROUGH 4TH JULY 2008 INCLUSIVE.

MANY APOLOGIES FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE.

Increase in Charges for Reading



Hip & Elbow X-Rays.



As from 1st October, 2007 the new charges are as follows

	Old Charge	New Charge
Hip & Elbow	\$44.00	\$45.00 (incl.GST)
Hips only	22.37	22.80
Elbows only	16.35	16.70

Although Prof. Wyburn requested an increase of \$4 The CPI index at 30.9.07 (which is at the end of the GSDCA financial year) was 2.1%.

After discussion with the GSSDCA Treasurer Nat.Ccl Executive felt that until the matter was discussed at the AGM that the increase could be absorbed by Council without the increase flowing onto the members.

Members are also advised that Prof. Wyburn will not be emailing results nor be giving out results by telephone.

Nomination & Election of Judges **State Breed Show 2008**

Dogs

Open **Fay Stokes** Intermediate Graeme Stevenson Peter Kotevich Junior Puppy **Reg Bonello** Minor Ken Northcote Baby **Terry Jarvis**

Bitches

Open **Terry Jarvis** Intermediate **Reg Bonello** Junior Ken Northcote Puppy Graeme Stevenson Peter Kotevich Minor Baby **Fay Stokes**

Nomination & Election of Judges for 2009

Easter Show



- Terry Hannan, UK Peter Arth SV Carol Eastwood UK Andreas Rudolph SV
- 1st choice 2nd choice 3rd choice 4th choice

June Open Show 2009

Fay Stokes Christine Collins Rod Vernon Vince Tantaro

1st choice 2nd choice 3rd choice 4th choice

October Ch. Show 2009

Ian Urie **Christine Collins** F. Farley J. Yuen

1st choice 2nd choice 3rd choice 4th choice

December Open Show 2009



Dogs

Peter Kotevich Karen Hedberg Rob. Zammit John Hugo Terry Jarvis Graeme Stevenson John Hugo

Bitches

1st choice 2nd choice 3rd choice

2nd choice

3rd choice

4th choice



Dogs

Peter Arth N. Wettlaufer Wolfgang Babylon Kristof Ludwig **Bitches** Andreas Rudolph, SV

2nd choice 3rd choice 4th choice

1st choice

1st choice 2nd choice 3rd choice 4th choice

JUNE OPEN SHOW & TRIAL 21st June 2008

<u>Judges</u>
Dogs
Bitches
All Obedience :

Norbet Wellfauger

Wolfgang Babylon

Kristof Ludwig

with :

Mr. P. Flynn (Vic) Mr. A. Henderson (Vic) Mr. D. Turley (NSW)

Entry Fees : Show- Adults \$28 initial Entry (includes catalogue) \$25 subsequent entries **Baby** Puppies \$23 initial entry (includes catalogue) \$20 subsequent entries Obedience \$12 (does not include catalogue) \$3.00 Catalogues : Canteen Available Commencing at : 9am ---Vetting (Obedience Only) 8.30 am 30th May 2008 **Entries close**

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GSDL March Sheep Herding Trials

After losing the use of sheep at the Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs at Erskine Park we decided to hold our March Sheep Herding trials at the property of Pat Smith in Lakesland. It took several months of hard work and some uncertainty, but finally the property was ready to hold the trials.

The sheep, accustomed to training with our breed, seemed to perform better with the bigger dogs, but there were still several Border Collies, Australian Shepherds, Cattle Dogs and a Bearded Collie who performed well.

Sheep herding is still fairly new for a lot of our members with our first trial being held last year in March and another in conjunction with last year's National.

Nevertheless, it was great to see so many German Shepherds (a total of 25 for the weekend) and their handlers entered, including mostly members of the Campbelltown Branch, as well as former GSDL Secretary Andrew Thor and his dog Sonja (Narathor Finesse) who passed the Herding Instinct test after only being on the sheep once before.

There were also several GSD owners from country NSW and Victoria who travelled far and wide to compete. Many of the GSDs were only up to test classes at this stage, with a total of 16 German Shepherds qualifying in their tests over the weekend.

We did, however, have a few GSDs entered in trial classes but unfortunately none made it through due to nerves or lack of concentration of the handlers.

A BBQ and refreshments were available, and the weather could not have been better. The atmosphere was relaxed and everyone enjoyed each other's company, with no breed discrimination between the competitors.

It was fantastic to see members of the Herding community rallying together to support each other, as well as commiserate and offer encouragement to those who unfortunately didn't make it through on the day.

On the whole it was a great weekend, and hopefully we'll have even more members of the GSDL competing in our trials in May. It's really amazing watching our dogs do what they were originally bred for.

Rachel



Rachel Phillips and Ripley (Durnstein Amy Lee ET HT)



Andrew Thor and Sonja (Narathor Finesse)



Helen Squires and Tierra (*Ambala Tierra HiC CD "AZ")



Steve Brammall and Minka (Bhuachaille Seraphim)

R. Phillips
V Livingstone
V Livingstone
H. Squires & C Blacker
H. Squires & C Blacker
H. Squires & C Blacker
& A. Thor
A & C Thor
DE Smith
P.E. Smith
P.E. Smith

K D Kennedy

Durnstein Amy Lee HT ET Brayline Chances Rhythm Khanique Isha Ambala Tierra HiC CD "AZ" Sunhaze Shogun's Lad "AZ"

Narathor Finn Femme Fatale Narathor Finesse

Bhuachaille Seraphim Bhuachaille Vegas Nova Diamondblue Indigo "AZ" CCD HIC

Branch News

All Branch managers were asked to supply news from their branch. If you have news about your branch and would like it in the next newsletter please speak to your branch manager.

Erskine Park Branch News

Well another month has passed and not without some major news stories, the big one would have to be the birth of a baby girl "Piper" born to Tony and Danielle Byrne on the 13th March 2008 Tony and Danielle are long time Erskine Park branch members congratulations to you both from all at training and why were you absent from the March Show.

Also more babies coming along soon, more Grandchildren to Hetty and Steve Choy. Out of this lot we should get some up and coming handlers we sure need some new one out there. While on things that people do Aaron Barnes Hetty Choy's son has had the experience of a lifetime on board the Sea Shepherd chasing the Japanese whalers all over the Southern Oceans and trying to do his bit for conservation, good on you Aaron, "Save the Whales I say"

Well the March Show just passed us by and Erskine Park did well again with John & Lee Martens cleaning up, The Seniors with Lochie Alias Delahund Kic A Tinalong also gaining his breed survey class 1.Garry Connolly with Durnstien Captain Kirk, his first show first win good on you Gary. Marion Scaresbrook Aldaina Udela, Graeme and Karen Stevenson with Sundaneka Izzy Stardust

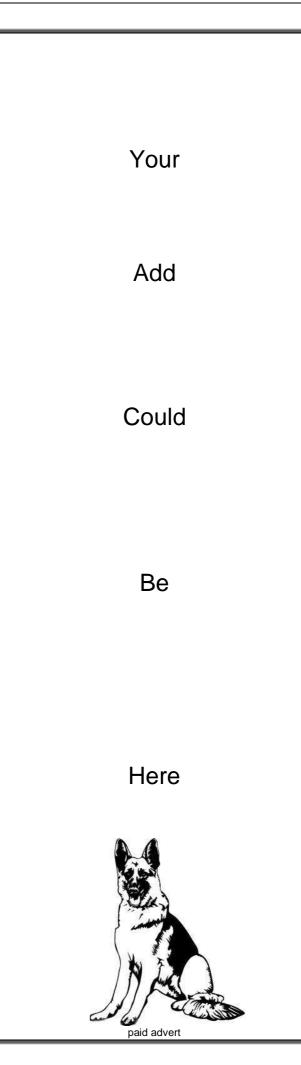
Tuesday Obedience nights are getting back into full swing again and also Show training Thursday nights are starting to fire with good roll ups so keep coming. Thursday night training usually finishes with a social get together in the clubhouse, don't think it's a closed shop everyone is welcome to come inside after training.

Carolyn Reilly is still hogging the limelight with another outstanding performance in double handling! That girl just won't give up so she had a snooze in the Clubhouse for and hour or so and woke up as if nothing happened, how is that for guts, who loves ya Babe "everyone" The Erskine Park Easter Raffle was won by Garry James; I hope all the chocolate has all been eaten and may it hang around your waist.

Greg Jones had a major operation to get the extra head cut off his shoulder; he is now walking more upright these days. If you ask him he has the small head in a bottle he might just show it to you if you ask, must have been all that time he spent down in the "Apple Isle" a little scary I must say.

Well can't think of any thing else must be some one or something that I forgot but that's the breaks "Mad Cow Disease"

Terry Jarvis



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The Demonstration Team

Will be performing at Campbelltown Council's "POOCHES IN THE PARK" Saturday 19th April 2008 10am till 2pm at Mary Brookes Park, St Helens Park

The Demonstration Team will perform at 10.30AM &1.30PM in the arena.

For more information please contact Demo Team Manager, Judy Connors aljudan@bigpond.com.au (02) 4577 2329.





Breed Survey Sausage Sizzle/Puppy Training

A sausage sizzle will be held at the conclusion of the next survey and members are welcome to bring their puppies along for training and asked to invite new puppy owners to join us for fun and advice from our member surveyor/judges.

2008 Information Sheet & Code of Ethics

The current information sheet and code of ethics is located on the website.

Attention Breeders

If you are selling your puppies or (re-homing an adult) to an area where the GSDL do not have a training branch, please refer for training the new owners to other German Shepherd Clubs.

Advertising on the website

Breeders Listing or Stud Dog listing you can download the forms and send together with your remittances to the Secretary.

Members without internet access can contact the Secretary for the forms. Ph 02 4777 4241

A suitable photo can be sent to the webmaster by email or by post.

GSDL Easter Obedience Report & Results

Novice Barbara McKittrick

Open

Alncrys Velvet Omega CCD 179pts





Pat Bailey George Mavromichalis

Druann Dascha CD Rhakhani Odyssey CDX 190pts (Ex)

193pts (Ex)

I would like to thank the Exhibitors for their attendance at the Trial on Sunday and especially Greg Jones and Tony Darcy for their help on the morning of the trial in moving all the equipment down to the ring, I appreciated it immensely.

Tony also acted as a Steward in all four rings together with David Kilner. Without these gentlemen helping I would have had to do it myself. They also assisted in putting the gear away after the Trial.

The Trial itself went off without a hitch. Although there were only three qualifiers overall (two in Open and one in Novice) there were some lovely dogs there, and I am sure that it will not be long before they are in the winners circle.

Our Judge Mr. Peter Franks was most pleasant and professional. Our thanks also goes to Mrs. Joan Schmid who was our Dogs N.S.W. Trial Representative

I do hope that the Obedience exhibitors support the Trials more enthusiastically in the future! It is a great sport and enjoyable to all those watching and exhibiting.

> Thank you and Happy Trialing Barb McKittrick Trials Manager

> > Aimsway Bacchus AZ

Sundaneka Tulua AZ

GSDL Easter Show Results

Challenge Dog Reserve Dog Challenge Bitch Reserve Bitch

Best Baby Opposite **Best Minor** Opposite **Best Puppy** Opposite **Best Junior** Opposite **Best Inter** Opposite **Best Open** Opposite **Best in Show**

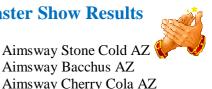
Runner up



Freevale Causin Chaos Siersha Empire Rose Aimsway Chewbacca **Aimsway Boots** Aimsway Colada Durnstein Captain Kirk Sundaneka Izzy Stardust Freemont Too Hot To Handle Aldaina Udela Dellahund Kic Atinalong Aimsway Cherry Cola

Aimsway Stone Cold

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On Wednesday 12th March Dogs N.S.W. held a tree planting ceremony at the Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs Erskine Park to honour Police Dog Titan who was killed in the line of duty during a siege at Seven Hills in Sydney 23rd December 2004.

Titan was the first N.S.W. Police Dog to be killed by an offender. Senior Constable Sean McDowell, Titan's handler attended the ceremony.

Officiating were the

President of Dogs N.S.W. Mr. Frank Pieterse, Promotions Officer Kerry Cristophi of Dogs N.S.W. Vice President of the G.S.D.L. Mr. Terry Jarvis who met Titan as a puppy represented the German shepherd fraternity.

Also present were his Breeder, Christine Anderson and League member Lesley MacGillivray who was there when Titan was whelped.

Dogs N.S.W had a granite plaque made in memory of Titan and this was set on a colourful sandstone slab in the small garden lawn in the front of Dogs N.S.W main building entrance.

Any one who visits should stop and take a look if you have not already seen it and reflect on what our wonderful German Shepherd dogs do and do willingly for us in all facets of things.

The German Shepherd Dog League thanks Dogs NSW. on an outstanding effort in producing this Plaque and the tree in memory of Titan in a so prominent place for all to see.









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