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GERMAN SHEPHERD

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Notices

General Meetings

We are continuing to fail in reaching a quorum for our monthly General Meetings. As this is unfair to those few (usually 10 or 12 people) who are travelling to attend the meetings only to discover that again we have insufficient numbers to hold a meeting, the committee has passed a resolution to change from monthly to quarterly meetings. These meetings will be held as follows:

March - General Business & Election of Judges

June - General Business

September - General Business

November - Annual General Meeting

Committee meetings will continue to be held on a monthly basis, this will ensure the continued smooth running of our club with the details of these meetings reported to the members by the reading of minutes at the next available general meeting.

Judging Order

As of 1st January 2013 the Judging Order at all shows will be Stock Coats followed by Long Stock Coats. This is in compliance with the directions of Dogs NSW and the ANKC.

GSDL Shop

The GSDL Shop will be open at all club shows from 10 am to 2 pm. There will be leads, collars and a lot of other items, including a number of items on special available for sale.

A and Z Stamps

Please note that the A & Z cannot be used after a dogs name unless it has been x-rayed through National Council Schemes. If you have an animal x-rayed through the BVA you CANNOT use the A & Z stamp when entering shows or trials.

Long Stock Coat Evaluations

Evaluations for Long Stock Coat German Shepherds will now be held after each Breed Survey. If there is sufficient demand additional days will be scheduled as required. Please ensure you attend with all correct paperwork.

Breed Survey Scheme

At the 2013 GSDCA Annual General Meeting held in Melbourne it was resolved that the charges for the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme would increase as from the **1st of July 2013**.

The determined fees from 1st July 2013 are :-

Charges to the owners via member clubs **\$35.00 (Inc GST)**

GSDCA charge to member clubs **\$27.00 (Inc GST)**

Also please note – all paperwork for Breed Survey is to be forwarded to the NSW Registrar, Pam Jarvis, one week prior to the Survey and a cheque/money order is to accompany the paperwork. It is also necessary for you to bring the original paperwork also to survey which is to be sighted by the surveyor surveying your dog.

Puppy Listings

Attention Breeders: to have your puppies listed for the weekend, you must have your paperwork and payment in by Wednesday to the Puppy Listings Registrar.

If the paperwork is not received by Wednesday your listing will be added the following week.

Australian Bred Class

Please note that whilst the GSDL will maintain the Australian Bred Class at its future shows we are unable to issue the grading of Excellent in this class due to an objection lodged by National Council who have stated that they will advise judges that this grading is not to be given in the Australian Bred Class. The GSDL feel that judges should not have this kind of pressure placed upon them when judging.

The GSDL will be lodging a motion to the next Council AGM to have the grading of Excellent also awarded to the Australian Bred Class.

Those animals who received the Excellent grading at our last show will not have this removed nor the points they received.

DM TESTING

Angela Sneddon who is a registered Collection Agent will be available at the GSDL Easter Ch. Show to take swabs of your dogs for DM testing – there is no fee attached for Angela doing this, she will take the swab and provide you with the paper work to be sent in by you.

DO PETS KEEP US HEALTHY?

A number of studies have been done on the health benefits or otherwise of pet ownership and it would seem that most studies agree that owning a pet has health benefits.

Australian statistics indicate that 64% of households have one or more pets. One 1999-2000 study showed that pet ownership saved \$3.86 billion in public health costs during a 12 month period. An earlier (1995) study quoted a saving in public health expenditure of between \$790 million and \$1.5 billion. All of which translates into big savings of tax-payer dollars.

According to a number of studies these are some of the benefits of pet ownership:

- * 15% less visits to the doctor and less medication used
- * lower systolic blood pressure and lower triglyceride levels (both indicators of cardiovascular disease)
- * faster recovery from illness and surgery
- * better able to cope with stress
- * less lonely (pet owners felt more connected to their communities)
- * a higher level of excellent or very good health reported in comparison to non pet owners.

One study showed the healthiest group of people were those who had owned a pet for a minimum of five years.

Other benefits of pets:

- * 24% reduction in anxiety levels in heart failure patients in a medical centre after a visit from a dog and volunteer
- * reduction in depression due to social isolation in the elderly
- * psychosocial benefits for at risk groups such as the people with disabilities, children and the elderly, especially those socially isolated or abused
- * companion animals may reduce the cost of medication and other therapies for Alzheimer sufferers in \ aged-care facilities
- * children who had a pet to care for appeared to show more caring behaviour towards other children and towards other people in their community
- * some studies showed a reduced risk of asthma in children exposed to pets early in life
- * one study showed a reduction in allergies in children exposed to two or more pets.

But before you rush out to buy a pet: one study showed pet owners had higher blood pressure; were less well educated; were fatter; and smoked more than people who did not own pets!

Of course if your dog annoys the neighbours barking all night then drags you up the street at 100 kph on your daily “walk” or if your cat insists in digging up your garden or shredding your furniture, you may find that you aren’t benefiting greatly from pet ownership!

Which of course leads to the obvious – to get the most benefit from pet ownership, take the time to choose the most appropriate pet for your lifestyle, then spend the time training your pet so that it becomes a valued member of your family and you get maximum enjoyment from its company.

Well, must be off – I have a selection of pets just waiting for the opportunity to improve my health!

Carole Bryant ©

This article, the ones on pages 5, 12 and also our cover picture have been kindly supplied by one of our members Carole Bryant.

Carole is a Human & Animal Naturopath with her practice in the Northern Rivers region. She is also Chief Instructor of Grafton Dog Obedience Club.

Carole has been a member of the GSDL for 16 Years.

It is always greatly appreciated by myself, as Editor, when members provide articles or links to potential articles for our magazine.

*Bruce Laughlin
Shepherd News Editor*

PAWFECT TOUCH CANINE MASSAGE

Anna Biela

Canine Massage Therapist

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www.pawfecttouch.com.au

Email: pawfecttouch@tpg.com.au

Anna will be available at Show Training on the last Thursday of each month at Erskine Park.

Or alternatively if you wish to phone or email her, on the details above, you can make an appointment to have your dogs massaged.



TRAVELLING WITH YOUR DOG IN HOT WEATHER

A dog left in a parked vehicle in hot weather, especially on our very hot north coast, can die in a matter of minutes (as can babies and small children).

Fortunately the majority of cars these days have air conditioning which will help to keep your dog comfortable when travelling. If you don't have air conditioning, consider using a cool-down mat and stop often to offer your dog a drink of water. If your dog is hot, wetting the pads of his feet, with either a sponge or spray bottle is the quickest way to cool him down. Also sponging/spraying your dog around the base of the ears, armpits, belly and between the back legs (areas where blood circulates close to the skin) with cool water helps to cool him quickly.

Don't allow your dog to travel with his head outside the vehicle because of the risk of eye injury from dust and flying debris. If your vehicle isn't air conditioned, wind windows down just enough to allow your dog to breathe in fresh air or use the special mesh window inserts that are available to keep your dog safely in your vehicle while allowing him access to fresh air.

If your dog travels in the back of a ute, you need to take extra precautions. Firstly, your dog must by law be safely secured in the back of your ute. Your dog will also need protection from the hot sun. You may be travelling in comfort in the air conditioned cab but your dog is exposed to the full heat of the sun. Dark coloured dogs are especially vulnerable to heat injury while dogs with pink skin are at risk of sunburn and eventually skin cancers. The tray of the ute can also become so hot that it burns your dog's feet.

If you must leave your dog in a parked vehicle in warm weather, take the following precautions. Park in the shade, either under a tree with a dense canopy or park in a covered car park. Use a sunshade to block any direct sun. Wind all your windows down enough for your dog to get fresh air but not enough for your dog to escape. Leave at least 2 bowls of cool water (or use a special spill-proof water bowl that is designed not to leak if tipped over). Check on your dog at least every 10 minutes.

Another alternative if you absolutely have to take your dog with you in hot weather is to place your dog in a crate in the car so that you can leave your windows fully down when away from your vehicle (see previous article on crate training your dog). Obviously this will only be practical if you will be nearby to ensure your vehicle's security.

Remember your dog can die within minutes if left in your vehicle in hot weather. Don't take that risk with your special friend.

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Welfare and Rescue

Re: Homing Questions for Potential New Owners

Due to the fact that most of the dogs that come to us are traumatised and or unwell we are very careful as to the homes we choose and so we need to ask many questions some of which can appear invasive. We make no apologies for that as we do not want the dogs to be further traumatised by coming back to us. We also do not have the time or the money to collect the dog, kennel it or organise foster care and then rehome it again.

The first thing we ask is if the potential owner has had experience with shepherds. If so was it recent or was it Nannas dog before the war and they visited at Christmas? Or did they grow up with shepherds until they were three years old. Unfortunately we need to find out what they mean by experience and so we need to clarify the question if asked. Visiting Nannas house in the 20th century is not gaining experience in my book. Well actually visiting Nannas house last century for me was not an experience in my book but there you have it.

We then ask if they have recently lost a shepherd what was the reason for its demise? i.e. old age, illness, was it run over, was it stolen, did the owner give it away because it was becoming too much of a handful, has the council placed a nuisance order etc. The reason we ask this is to check if the owners were cruel or negligent and they were just wanting a new dog because they did not look after the previous one. We have some folk at the moment who in their own words want to 'trade in 'a bitch because she is bashing their other bitch of the same age. Who would take on a rescue bitch of unknown quantity while they are already own an older bitch? And what rescue group or person let them take on another grumpy old girl anyway?

We always like to check if the people in the household work fulltime business hours and if so who will be home for the dog during the day. I do not care what anyone says a rescue dog has been through enough to then be expected to while away their time on their own in a back yard. I also do not let our rescue dogs go to a home where it is expected to keep another bored destructive dog company while the family is out. What is the point? Oh yes sorry: guard dog.

We always ask too if they would prefer the dog to be allowed inside or outside. If they say definitely out then the conversation is terminated politely most of the time. Shepherds are family dogs and to be expected to stay outside in the heat of the day while the rest of the family languish inside in aircon is beyond me. I appreciate breeders have no choice and the dogs are more than likely used to it but not one or two dogs that have had a tough life to start with.

We do not allow our dogs to go to homes where there are little dogs, cats and pocket pets. We have had too many folk lose their beloved guinea pigs because they wanted a shepherd to guard the house and it thought the guinea pig was a meal. I have had folk many times forget to tell me that they have cats or snappy little dogs and then they phone and tell me the dog has to go because it chased the cat. I always ask the question and quite frankly people lie just to get the dog not realising that my warning will come true as soon as the dog sees the little dog or cat or wabbit or guinea pig. I often ask myself if the owners already have small fluffies why do they want a shepherd? Guard dog. Simple as that.

Another question is where is the dog going to sleep? A kennel is not the answer as most dogs don't like sleeping in kennels. They would prefer to be inside on a warm bed. However I do not expect any dog to have the run of the house if the owner does not want that. The owner must start as he or she means to go on with all aspects of the dog's life. In other words don't let it sleep on the bed with a human the first night and then chuck it in the laundry the next night due to whatever reason. Start as you mean to go on.

If a dog is fearful or traumatised then the potential owner needs to tell us what they plan to do to rehabilitate it and often they change their minds when they realise how hard it will be.

Unfortunately people want German Shepherds for entirely the wrong reasons. Very few realise a rescue dog is hard work and they expect the dog to settle into their way of life straightaway and if it does not often they are not prepared to work at it and listen to our advice. They make up their minds they want the dog gone and their money back. It does not work that way especially if they have not told us the full story in the first place.

Breeders play a huge part in Rescue. Negatively I have to say. We get some lovely back yard bred dogs dumped on us and I know they originally come from pedigree registered dogs. Breeders know that the puppy they are selling is going to be used for back yard breeding to goodness what dog from down the road or even from the buyers own back yard. With my recent litter the woman admitted she had a 10 week old GSD male and she wanted one of my bitches so they could have puppies later on. I was not to worry as she had friends and family who would love a puppy. If I had let one of my pups go to this woman I am sure I would have ended up with at least one to rehome in 12 months either because the home was inappropriate or the pup was so badly inbred it had problems. Breeders just do not care as long as they get their money.

The reason I know all this is because I ask the questions when they ring either to dump a dog or they are after another entire rescue dog to make some money. I am now asking please please be more careful when you are rehoming your puppies. It doesn't take much to work out if the potential buyer is a worthy owner. Perhaps from now on take the time and ask the questions. If I can do it I can't see why everyone else cannot do the same. It's not Rocket Science and at the end of the day your puppy will be in a happy forever home and muggins here won't be cleaning up your mess in 12 months time.

Jo Tucker
Welfare



9 Puppies Sitting

ELIGIBILITY OF HANDLERS

2014 National

Dear Secretary,

We request that the following information is noted by those members who plan to enter the 42nd National Show & Trial in May and will be using a foreign handler.

Re: ELIGIBILITY OF HANDLERS

The GSDCA Executive wishes to advise that the ANKC has a simple rule and process for foreign handlers who wish to handle at events in Australia.

We ask that each Member Club includes the rule in Show Schedules and the GSDCA Executive will inform the membership via the 'Notices' section of the GSDCA Website and include in the QNR magazine and ask Clubs do likewise.

ELEGIBILITY OF HANDLERS

ANKC REGULATIONS: SECTION 8

Exhibit (Amended 10/12 – 7.5.9)

8.2 Excepting as provided for in Regulation 8.3, handlers at all competitions must be financial members of the Controlling Body in the State or Territory in which they reside.

8.3 A person, who is not a resident of Australia, and is able to provide written advice to the Secretary of the Affiliate conducting the event from the recognised Controlling Body of their Country of Residence that they are permitted to handle dogs at championship exhibitions held in that country, may handle at all competitions conducted by Member Bodies for a period of up to three months on each visit.

We request that as there will be no processing of the information on the weekend of the Show that members must follow the procedure as detailed in the attached form.

Please find attached copy of the form that can be used and forwarded to the Show Secretary by close of entries.

Would all Member Clubs please ensure this information is placed on your websites.

Regards,

Val Moody

Secretary

German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.



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42nd National GSD Show & Trial

Exhibitors PLEASE Note:

ELEGIBILITY OF HANDLERS

In line with ANKC requirements:

If you have an overseas handler handling your dogs at the 42nd National GSD Show & Trial then you are required to advise the Show Secretary, Margaret Barnes who must have received hard copy of the following information **by close of entries: 18 April 2014.**

FULL NAME OF HANDLER	
COPY OF CURRENT MEMBERSHIP WITH SV OR OTHER RECOGNISED FCI MEMBER	
SHOW SECRETARY SIGNATURE	
DATE	



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Member: World Union of German Shepherd Dog Associations (WUSV)

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Honorary Secretary
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1st April 2014

MEMBER CLUBS

Dear Presidents,

Re: Beyond Blue

As you will be aware, we have as an organisation adopted a policy of reaching out to the community at each National GSD Show and Trial.
Our hosts this year are the ACT GSDA and they have nominated *beyondblue* as the recipient of our fund raising efforts.

For over 20% of our female population and 12% of male Australians, depression will be a very real experience and *beyondblue* works to support and empower those affected to seek the right treatment and to educate the wider community about this disease. Too frequently, the stigma of depression leads to greater isolation and a longer road back for sufferers. This is a disease that touches not only the sufferer but also their families, friends and workmates.

On behalf of the Executive I urge you to support this cause with some very active fundraising leading up to the National.
This year we have set a target of \$5000.

Let's try and exceed this if we can.

We have this year, made it far easier to make your donation count.
Please log onto <https://give.everydayhero.com/au/gsdca> (page look like below), register your club and get your members making pledges to your supporter account.

We look forward to a fabulous outcome for this great cause."

Yours sincerely,

Vince Tantara

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Vince Tantara
President
German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.



GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA INC 2013 BREED SURVEY BOOK ORDER FORM

To order and pre pay for your copy of the **2013 BREED SURVEY BOOK** for collection at the **2014 NATIONAL GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG SHOW & TRIAL** by yourself or a nominated person or **BY MAIL**, please complete this form and follow the instructions below for payment. If you require your copy to be posted please include an additional \$15 for postage and handling. For back issues please contact the NBC Chairperson at nbc@gsdcouncilaustralia.org.

Please note that cheque and credit card payments will need to clear before your copy can be made available. Copies to be collected at the National will be priced at \$56. Posted copies (up to 3 per package) \$56 each plus \$15 postage, eg 1 copy posted \$71, 2 copies \$127, 3 copies \$183. **There will be NO CASH/CREDIT CARD/CHEQUE SALES at the National.**

<p>Cheque payment with copy of form forwarded to</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Treasurer Ms Jane Pike 20 Conrad Road LONGWOOD SA 5153</p>	<p>EFT payment with copy of form emailed to treasurer@gsdcouncilaustralia.org or post to Treasurer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GSDC of A Inc Westpac Bank BSB No: 035-034 Account Number: 40-1558 Please use your SURNAME&INITIAL or your KENNELPREFIX as a reference</p>	<p>Credit Card payment please complete this form with your credit card details and either email to treasurer@gsdcouncilaustralia.org or by post to Treasurer</p>
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Name: _____

Address: *Please include if you require your copy posted* _____

Email Address: *For confirmation email* _____

Select payment method

☐ Cheque attached ☐ EFT Payment ☐ Credit Card

If EFT payment is selected:

Date Paid: dd/mm/yy _____

Reference Used (as above) _____

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Expiry date /	Name as shown on credit card

Signature: _____

Please complete the following statements:

Number of copies required: _____

Total payment made (show amount) _____

I will collect my Survey Book at the 2014 National

☐ YES ☐ NO

My copy will be collected at the National by (name person collecting, if applicable) _____

I would like my copy(ies) posted and have included additional \$15 P&H fee

☐ YES ☐ NO

I require a tax invoice

☐ YES ☐ NO

**ORDERS WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL AND ONLY AFTER PAYMENT HAS BEEN
CLEARED BY THE BANK**

Council Use Only - Payment processed:

CHOOSING TOYS FOR YOUR DOG

There are a multitude of toys available for dogs. However, not all are appropriate (or even safe) for every dog. Toys need to be sturdy enough for your dog, made of safe materials, and have no small parts that your dog could choke or injure itself on. Selecting a toy that is the right size for your dog is also extremely important – a toy that is the right size for a small dog could cause choking if swallowed by a large dog.

Here are some tips for selecting an appropriate toy for your dog:

Soft toys. Look for non toxic filling and avoid toys with sharp or small parts that could be dangerous if swallowed (such as eyes, noses, bells, or some built in squeakers). Polystyrene beads used for filling can be inhaled so are also to be avoided. Op shops can be a great source of inexpensive soft toys for your dog providing you are careful to choose safe ones.

Balls. It is absolutely essential that you use a ball that is large enough that it can't be swallowed. I know of one much loved dog that died after swallowing and choking on a ball that was too small. There are super tough balls available for dogs that tend to chew their balls (which can also become a risk if the dog swallows part of the chewed up ball).

Rope toys. These can be great for playing fetch and tug games and for chewing. Cotton rope is best as it is softer and won't cause rope burns when playing tug. Cotton is also safer than synthetic for chewing as synthetic fibres are more likely to get caught on your dog's teeth or wrapped around the face or legs (which can be disastrous if they pull tight).

Fetch toys. Most of us have thrown sticks for our dogs to fetch but these can be dangerous if they splinter (or if your dog is a heavy chewer). Sticks can also cause severe injuries if the end of the stick punctures the mouth or throat. A safer option is a length of hose or short length of rope knotted on each end to prevent it unravelling. Frisbees are also great fun for dogs to fetch but again if your dog is a heavy chewer, it is better value in the long run to buy a sturdy one made especially for dogs.

There are many other safe and appropriate toys available for dogs. Visit your pet shop or check out:
www.aussiedog.com.au

When evaluating toys for your dogs ask yourself "Could it be swallowed?" "Could my dog choke on it?" "Could it splinter, causing injury to my dog's mouth or throat?" "If swallowed, could it cause a blockage in the digestive system?" "Could it be poisonous?" If you have doubts about the safety of a toy, it is best to avoid it altogether and certainly never leave your dog alone with it.

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ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 18 APRIL 2014

With

**The Show Secretary, ACTGSDA Inc
PO Box 893, Dickson ACT 2602**



**The A C T German Shepherd Dog Association Inc, in
conjunction with the GSDCA Inc**

is proud to host the

42ND NATIONAL GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG SHOW & TRIAL

16, 17 & 18 May 2014

The Club Grounds, Exhibition Park, Flemington Road, Canberra ACT

JUDGES

CONFORMATION

Joachim Stiegler SV	Germany	LSC Dogs & Bitches and SC Dogs
Frank Goldlust SV	Germany	SC Bitches

OBEDIENCE (to be held on DogsACT approved grounds)

David Rumble	SA	UD & UDX
Alison Rumble	SA	CDX
Roddy MacDonald	NSW	CCD & CD
Alison & David Rumble		Winner of Winners

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

TBA	All classes
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DOGS ACT REPRESENTATIVE

Jenny Kenworthy

SHOW MANAGERS

Adam Toretto & Sasha Beljanski

SHOW SECRETARIES

Margaret Barnes and Vicki Dobson

ENTRY FEES

CONFORMATION

Initial entry (includes catalogue) \$46.00, Subsequent \$36.00 per class. Baby Puppies Initial entry (incl catalogue) \$39.00. Subsequent \$29.00.

OBEDIENCE

Initial Entry (includes catalogue) \$39.00. Subsequent \$29.00 per class.

BREED SURVEY

If required, will be held on Thursday 15 May 2014 at 3.00pm at ACTGSDA Club Grounds, Exhibition Park, Flemington Road, Mitchell ACT 2602. BS4 form required for animals not resident in the ACT. Please advise Joylene Neddermeyer (Tel: 0402 800 163) if you require your dog to be surveyed.

JUDGING TIMES

FRIDAY, 16 MAY

CONFORMATION – Vest collection from 7.00am. Judging will commence at 8.00 am as follows:

Dog Ring
LSC Baby Puppy Bitches
LSC Baby Puppy Dogs
SC Baby Puppy Dogs
LSC Minor Puppy Bitches
LSC Minor Puppy Dogs
SC Minor Puppy Dogs
LSC Junior Bitches
LSC Junior Dogs
SC Junior Dogs

Bitch Ring
SC Baby Puppy Bitches
SC Minor Puppy Bitches
SC Junior Bitches

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP

Classes and the GSDCA Junior Showmanship awards will be conducted and presented respectively during the lunch break.

SATURDAY, 17 MAY 2014

CONFORMATION

Sires' Progeny assembly at 7.15am. Parade to commence at 8.00am SHARP. Breeders Groups will be judged at the conclusion of Sires' Progeny (approx. 10.30am) followed by:

Dog Ring
LSC Puppy Bitches
LSC Puppy Dog
SC Puppy Dogs
The Opening Ceremony at approx 12.30pm
LSC Intermediate Bitches
LSC Intermediate Dogs
SC Intermediate Dogs

Bitch Ring
SC Puppy Bitches

SC Intermediate Bitches

OBEDIENCE – to be held on the ACT Canine Association approved grounds.

Commences at 9.00am with UDX followed by Utility, Open, Novice and CCD. Vetting (by committee) for bitches without proof of desexing from 8.15am to 8.45am. All exhibits and handlers MUST pass through checkpoint for photos by 8.45am. Winner of Winners will be judged Sunday prior to the run off of Open Dog in the Dog ring. All class winners with a qualifying score will be required. GSDCA Inc rules apply to all awards and gradings (ie awards to qualifying scores only). Gold, Silver and Bronze and all 1st place awards will be presented on Sunday at the trophy presentation at the conclusion of the conformation judging.

SUNDAY, 18 MAY 2014

CONFORMATION

Judging commences at 8.15am with

Dog Ring
LSC Open bitches warm up laps
LSC Open dogs warm up laps
SC Open dog warm up laps
LSC Open bitches individuals and run offs
LSC Open dogs individuals and run offs
SC Open dog individuals
Winner of Winners
SC Open dogs run offs.
LSC Challenge Bitch & Dog
SC Challenge Bitch & Dog.

Bitch Ring
SC Open Bitches warm up laps
SC Open Bitches individuals
SC Open Bitches run offs

THERE WILL BE NO INTERSEX OR INTERBREED COMPETITION.

SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

CONFORMATION

(ANKC classes: Dogs – 1,2,3,4,5,11: Bitches – 1a,2a,3a,4a,5a,11a). Baby Puppy classes 3 months & under 6 months; Minor Puppy classes 6 months & under 9 months. Puppy classes 6 months & under 12 months. Junior classes 9 months & under 18 months; Intermediate classes 18 months & under 36 months. Open classes 6 months & over. All ages apply from first day of show.

OBEEDIENCE

Utility Dog Excellent, Utility Dog, Open Dog, Novice Dog & Community Companion Dog.

Please note:

- A separate entry form is required for each animal for each class (one for conformation and one for obedience). **If LSC please specify on entry form at the top and next to class entered and include all titles, pedigree names, registration numbers and full details of sire and dam.**
- No phoned, faxed, emailed, online or late entries will be accepted.
- Bitches in oestrus may be exhibited **except** in Obedience classes.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

to be conducted on Friday during the lunch break.

Classes are:

- 7 years to under 10 years of age.
- 10 years to under 13 years of age.
- 13 years to under 18 years of age.

Entries to be taken on the day by the Show Secretary before 11am. The name of the handler, age class entered, name and signature of parent or guardian and affiliated Club is required. Refer Disclaimer form required at clubhouse when entering this class.

The judging of the classes will be followed by the presentation to the winners from each Club for the GSDCA Junior Showmanship Award from the previous year, as nominated to the GSDCA Secretary.

GRADINGS

CONFORMATION

Gradings may be awarded at the Judge's discretion in all classes.

"Very Promising" and "Promising" may be awarded to exhibits under 12 months of age entered in Baby, Minor, Puppy Classes.

"Very Good" and "Good" may be awarded to exhibits 12 months of age and over, entered in Junior, Intermediate and Open Classes.

"Excellent" grading and medallions may only be awarded to exhibits 24 months and over, entered in Open Classes, that have been classified Class 1 or Class 11 under the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme (or other GSDCA approved scheme).

OBEEDIENCE

Gradings in the UDX, UD, CDX, CD classes will be awarded to dogs and bitches achieving the following scores. "Good" 170 to 179; "Very Good" 180 to 189; "Excellent" (and medallion) 190 and over. Gradings for CCD class "Good" 85 to 89 and "Very Good" 90 to 94; "Excellent" (and medallion) 95 and over.

SPECIAL CLASSES:

SIRE PROGENY PARAGE

Entry is automatic. A minimum of five progeny aged nine months or over and entered in the conformation classes (both SC & LSC) will be automatically catalogued under the Sire's name. The Sire need not be present or entered in the show. This is a Parade and is non-competitive, but will receive commentary from the NBC. Only Sires classified under the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme are eligible. All animals catalogued **MUST** attend.

BREEDERS' GROUPS

Breeders may enter as many teams as desired. All animals must carry the breeder's prefix. Each team must consist of five animals from at least two sires and two dams. A separate entry form for each team must be received by the closing date of entries – no entry fee. Details of animals competing must be handed to the Show Secretary by close of judging on Friday, 16 May 2014. Teams may include LSC.

GSDCA MEMBER CLUBS OBEEDIENCE CHALLENGE (Teams Event)

Teams must be of four exhibits and may come from any class. Names of teams, handlers and exhibits must be handed to the Trial Manager by close of vetting (8.45am) on Saturday, 17 May 2014. At least three of the exhibits must qualify; exhibits entered in more than one class must also nominate which class will be scored. Team handlers must be financial members of the GSDCA Member Club which they are representing.

AWARDS & PRIZES

CONFORMATION

The "Walter Henry Reimann Trophy" replica will be awarded to the Open Dog SC winner. The "Roy Brabham Trophy" replica will be awarded to the Open Bitch SC winner. The "Max Stokes Trophy" replica will be awarded to the Junior Bitch SC winner. The "Sam Bonifacio Trophy" replica will be awarded to the most successful kennel exhibiting at the National. Gold, Silver and Bronze medallions to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in Open classes that are graded Excellent (SC & LSC). Plaque and sash for all class winners (SC & LSC) and Breeders' Group winner. Sash and memento for 2nd to 10th place in each class (SC & LSC). Trophy and sash for Challenge and Reserve Challenge winners (SC & LSC).

OBEEDIENCE

The "Rick Richardson Trophy" replica will be awarded to the Winner of Winners. Trophy and sash for Winner of Winners. Plaque and sash for all class winners with a qualifying score. Sash and memento for 2nd to 5th places in each class with qualifying score. Gold, Silver and Bronze medallions for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in Winner of Winners run off.

GSDCA MEMBER CLUBS OBEEDIENCE CHALLENGE (Teams Event)

Perpetual shield to be awarded, plus each team member receives a trophy.

DUAL PERFORMANCE

The "David O'Rourke Trophy" will be awarded to the best dual-performance exhibit competing in the Show and Trial. Rules will be published in the catalogue.

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES

1st, 2nd and 3rd trophy and sash, with all competitors receiving a memento.

PHOTOGRAPHS & CRITIQUES

An official photographer will be present at the venue. All conformation exhibits placed 1st to 10th and all "Excellent" graded exhibits **MUST** report to the photography ring as soon as possible at the conclusion of their class. All obedience exhibits will be photographed at vetting on Saturday. It is a condition of entry that all entries agree to be photographed and/or filmed. Results, photographs and critiques will be published in the Quarterly National Review. Exhibitors may supply their own photograph to the Quarterly National Review Editor within 14 days of the event. Failure to do so will result in the photo taken by the official photographer being used. The Editor's requirements for photographs will be printed in the catalogue.

MEMORABILIA

Only a few selected items will be available for sale at the event. Details of merchandise will be released in the Summer edition of the QNR. Items must be ordered and paid for by 18 April 2014 to ensure they will be available for collection after 3pm on Thursday, 15 May 2014.

CATALOGUE ADVERTISING

Advertising in the catalogue is available at \$100 per page for black & white and \$150 per page for colour. Advertisements to be emailed to Jane Pike (treasurer@gdscouncilaustralia.org) in Microsoft Word format (A4 size) together with any photographs in jpg format by Friday 18 April 2014. Animals advertised must comply with GSDCA rules.

Payment to be sent with entries to the Show Secretary – **NO PAYMENT, NO ADVERTISEMENT**

OVERSEAS HANDLERS

ANKC regulations Part 5, Section 8 provide that:

Excepting as provided for in Regulation 8.3, handlers at all competitions must be financial members of the Controlling Body in the State or Territory in which they reside.

8.3 A person, who is not a resident of Australia, and is able to provide written advice to the Secretary of the Affiliate conducting the event from the recognised Controlling Body of their Country of Residence that they are

permitted to handle dogs at championship exhibitions held in that country, may handle at all competitions conducted by Member Bodies for a period of up to three months on each visit.

CORPORATE TENTS

All pre-erected corporate tents must be reserved through the Show Secretary by closing date of entries (18 April 2014). Numbers are limited – "first in, best dressed". Please advise which ring is preferred (dog/bitch), however this is not guaranteed. No cooking is permitted in corporate tents. Exhibitors' personal tents CANNOT be erected until after 3pm on Thursday, 15 May 2014.

NO CAMPING ALLOWED ON THE ACTGSDA GROUNDS.

ACCOMMODATION

A full list of accommodation is available on our website (www.actgsda.org.au). The onus is on the exhibitor to find their own accommodation. Please respect the privilege of these establishments allowing your dogs on their premises by keeping noise to a minimum, picking up after your dogs and under NO circumstances allowing dogs into the rooms. Camping is available at EPIC behind the ACTGSDA grounds, however **NO CAMPING IS ALLOWED ON THE ACTUAL ACTGSDA GROUNDS.**

SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Thursday

Meet and Greet from 3.00pm to 6.30pm at Club grounds. Food and drinks available for purchase.

Friday

President's Dinner (all welcome) at Trevinos Restaurant, Gold Creek at 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. \$65.00 per head. Drinks available for purchase. Live entertainment will be provided.

Numbers and payment must be finalised by close of entries. Contact Adam Toretto for further information.

Saturday

"Party Nite" at the Club grounds. 7.00pm till late. \$35.00 per head. Drinks available for purchase. Live entertainment will be provided.

Numbers and payment to be finalised by close of entries. Contact Adam Toretto for further information.

Sunday

Trophy presentation and finger food at the conclusion of judging. Booking slip must be completed for catering purposes.

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NO PHONE CALLS AFTER 9PM EST PLEASE

Note: EPIC is a glass free area. Exhibitors are requested to adhere to this when bringing food and drinks to the venue.

Please Note: VESTS MUST BE RETURNED BY THE END OF THE SHOW OR A \$50.00 REPLACEMENT FEE WILL BE CHARGED.

BOOKING SLIP 42ND NATIONAL GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG SHOW & TRIAL

Send to – The Show Secretary, ACTGSDA, PO Box 893, Dickson ACT 2602

Name Phone No.

Email Mobile

CONFORMATION

Initial entry @ \$46 (includes catalogue) \$

Initial entry (Baby Puppy only) @ \$39.00 (includes catalogue) \$

Subsequent entries \$

Subsequent entries (Baby Puppy only) @ \$36.00 per class \$

Catalogue (extra) @ \$29.00 per class \$

Marked catalogue (includes postage) @ 10.00 each \$

Marked catalogue (includes postage) @ \$15 each \$

OBEEDIENCE

Initial entry @ \$39.00 (includes catalogue) \$

Subsequent entries \$

Catalogue (extra) @ \$29.00 per class \$

Marked catalogue (includes postage) @ \$10 each \$

Marked catalogue (includes postage) @ \$15 each \$

CORPORATE TENT HIRE

Prefer dog/bitch ring @ \$260.00 per tent \$

DONATIONS

Class Trophy & Memento \$

Class Sashes @ \$150 per class \$

Class Sashes @ \$100 per class \$

SOCIAL EVENTS

Thursday evening 15th May "Meet & Greet" – food and drinks will be available for purchase No.
Please advise number attending

Friday Night President's Dinner 16th May \$

Saturday Night "Party Nite" 17th May @ \$65.00 per person \$

Sunday Trophy Presentation 18th May @ \$30.00 per person \$

Please advise number attending No.

MEMORABILIA

Please refer to the Summer edition of the QNR for a full description of the memorabilia that is available. Orders received by entry closing date will be available for collection on Friday, 16 May 2014. Only a limited amount of stock available for purchase at the event.

Quantity	Code/Description	Colour	Size	
.....	\$
.....	\$
.....	\$
PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO ACTGSDA				TOTAL \$

Is Hell Exothermic or Endothermic: A Brilliant Theory

The following is supposedly an actual question given on a University of Washington chemistry mid-term. The answer by one student was so “profound” that the professor shared it with colleagues, via the Internet, which is, of course, why we now have the pleasure of enjoying it as well.

Bonus Question: Is Hell exothermic (gives off heat) or endothermic (absorbs heat)?

Most of the students wrote proofs of their beliefs using Boyle’s Law (gas cools when it expands and heats when it is compressed) or some variant.

One student, however, wrote the following:

First, we need to know how the mass of Hell is changing in time. So we need to know the rate at which souls are moving into Hell and the rate at which they are leaving. I think that we can safely assume that once a soul gets to Hell, it will not leave. Therefore, no souls are leaving. As for how many souls are entering Hell, let’s look at the different religions that exist in the world today. Most of these religions state that if you are not a member of their religion, you will go to Hell. Since there is more than one of these religions and since people do not belong to more than one religion, we can project that all souls go to Hell. With birth and death rates as they are, we can expect the number of souls in Hell to increase exponentially. Now, we look at the rate of change of the volume in Hell because Boyle’s Law states that in order for the temperature and pressure in Hell to stay the same, the volume of Hell has to expand proportionately as souls are added.

This gives two possibilities:

1. If Hell is expanding at a slower rate than the rate at which souls enter Hell, then the temperature and pressure in Hell will increase until all Hell breaks loose
2. If Hell is expanding at a rate faster than the increase of souls in Hell, then the temperature and pressure will drop until Hell freezes over.

So which is it?

If we accept the postulate given to me by Teresa during my Freshman year that, “it will be a cold day in Hell before I sleep with you,” and take into account the fact that I slept with her last night, then number 2 must be true, and thus I am sure that Hell is exothermic and has already frozen over.

The corollary of this theory is that since Hell has frozen over, it follows that it is not accepting any more souls and is therefore, extinct...leaving only Heaven, thereby proving the existence of a Divine Being, which explains why, last night, Teresa kept shouting, “Oh, My God.”

THIS STUDENT RECEIVED THE ONLY “A” IN THE CLASS.



***How many variety’s of
Apples exist in the world?***

Last Issues Answer:

7 (Watson, Reid, Page, Fadden, Forde, McEwen, McMahon)

2014 Club Calendar - Coming Events

<u>2014</u>	
19th & 20th April	GSDL Easter Championship Show and Trial - Judges: Conformation Herr J. Maibuechen (SV) Gmy, Obedience: Mrs. A. Yerbury (NSW)
5th May	Special general Meeting at Orchard Hills Club Rooms at 8pm
16, 17, & 18 May	2014 National GSD Show & Trial hosted by the ACT GSDA
24th May	Breed Survey 11.00 am - Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills. Long coat assessment will be held at the completion of Breed Survey.
16th June	General Meeting at Orchard Hills Club Rooms at 8pm
21st June	GSDL Open Show, Sanction Show & Obedience Trial
5th July	Breed Survey 11.00 am - Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills. Long coat assessment will be held at the completion of Breed Survey.
19th & 20th July	GSDL NSW State Breed Assessment
9th & 10th August	Newcastle & Hunter Region German Shepherd Dog Club Show
10th August	Dogs NSW Endurance Test Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs, Orchard Hills
8th September	General Meeting at Orchard Hills Club Rooms at 8pm
4 & 5 October	ACT German Shepherd Dog Association Shows
5th October	Dogs NSW State Obedience Trial Championships
11th October	GSDL October Champ Show & Obedience Trial
1st November	GSDCV Champ Show L. Donald - Dogs all LSC/Van Dorssen - Bitches
2nd November	Victorian Working Dog Club- Van Dorssen - Dogs & all LSC/L. Donald – Bitches
8th November	Breed Survey 11.00 am - Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills. Long coat assessment will be held at the completion of Breed Survey.
24th November	AGM Meeting Orchard Hills Club Rooms at 8pm
6th December	GSDL Christmas Presentation at Orchard Hills Club Rooms (note must attend to collect trophies, country members excepted)
13th December	GSDL Open Show, Sanction Show & Obedience Trial
<u>2015</u>	8th, 9th & 10th May - National GSD Show & Trial hosted by the GSDC of Victoria
<u>2016</u>	25th, 26th & 27th March - National GSD Show & Trial hosted by the GSDL NSW

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Please give several weeks notice to the tattoo officer.***