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GSD LEAGUE of NSW Shepherd News



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A Word From Our President

Where did it go? Halfway through Febuary already where does time go. I hope that all the members had good Christmas and New Year celebrations with their families and friends.

The Christmas Sanction Show and Open Show went well with a good entry for the Club, it was most pleasing and the weather was kind to us after having to change from Saturday to Sunday because of the heat rule. Thank you to our Judges Dr. Robert Zammit and Mr Daniel Gilson.

We start off the year with a Breed Survey on the 18th of February the introduction of a Members competition on the 24th February. This is a twilight event and has been put in place to allow the Members to get an extra run for their dogs before the Nancy Herms Show and with that show another run before the National in Adelaide for those who are attending.

On the 31st March & 1st of April we have our Easter Show with Nancy Herms (SV) judging and this will be her first appointment in Australia so we look forward to see her judging and critiquing she is also bringing with her son Timo so in all should be an enjoyable weekend. With regards to helpers at our shows if at all possible could we have some able bodied men and women to help drop the show down when it is finished as it is not over until we have the equipment back in the store room and not leave it to one person to do the lot. Presentations will not start until the grounds are clear.

It is quite funny when you look at it National Council put restrictions on our holding of the National in 2020 and say that it must be held in May of that year and not on our Easter week end which is already allocated by the Dogs NSW but other Clubs holding Nationals leading up to our show in 2020 can hold theirs in mid April with no restrictions as to whether we can hold the National or not in 2020 something to think about.

The Constitution should be up on our website in the short term in the mean time Show training and Obedience training has started back on Tuesday and Thursday nights.

Congratulations to Graeme & Karen Stevenson recently celebrating 40 years of Marriage, Well done guys.

Cheers, Terry Jarvis



From all of us!

PUPPY BITCH

SUNDANEKA BAYLEYS ON ICE

PUPPY DOG

KYOARA HARRY

ADULT BITCH

*LAWINE TAKIRA AZ

ADULT DOG *VABLO V OSTERBERGER-LAND (Deu) aED

PUPPY BITCH LSH

CRYTARA RED SOX (AI)

<u>PUPPY DOG LSH</u> GABMALU CASANOVA

ADULT BITCH LSH

*EROICA DUCHESS OF YORK AZ

ADULT DOG LSH *SUNDANEKA TRUE BLUE AZ

DAMS PROGENY

*XYNA V NIEMBERGER ECK (Deu) aED

SIRES PROGENY *TOBY VD PLASSENBURG (Deu) Aed

BREEDERS



Graeme and Karen Stevenson

OBEDIENCE DOG

OBEDIENCE BITCH

O Gr Ch RAMONA MONTGOMERY UDX

O Ch SINGHA GREY MIST UDX

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Sundaneka Bayleys On Ice

Kyoara Harry



*Lawine Takira AZ

*Vablo v Osterberger-Land (Deu) aED



Crytara Red Sox (AI)

Gabmalu Casanova



*Eroica Duchess of York AZ

*Sundaneka True Blue



- *Xyna vom Niemberger Eck (Deu) aED
- *Toby von der Plassenburg (Deu) aED



O Ch Singha Grey Mist UDX



O Gr Ch Ramona Montgomery UDX

2017/18 GSDL POINTSCORE UPDATE

– top three places as at End Feb 2018

(Full pointscore listings can be found on the league website)

PUPPY BITCH	PUPPY DOG
15 KINGVALE THE BEES KNEES	13 REICHKAISER KONIG OTTO
12 KHAYEM RENAISSANCE	10 REICHKAISER STRENGTH OF A LION
10 SHARDON UNDER MY SPELL	7 KHAYEM REVELATION

ADULT BITCH	ADULT DOG
32 CH FREEVALE CRAZY OOHLA PINK	29 CH VABLO VOM OSTERBERGER-LAND
27 CH VLADIMIR JUST A FLIRT	22 FREINHAUF HANNIBAL
18 KUIRAU JORJIE GIRL/ FREEVALE INNER BEAUTY	11 CH KUIRAU CASEY STONER

PUPPY BITCH LSH	PUPPY DOG LSH
18 CRYTARA SILK SOX	7 LAGO HUGO BOSS
7 SOLANA BOR SDATTA	6 CONKASHA DESERT COBRA
5 REICHKAISER LISTEN TO UR HEART/ LYNDENHELM FANCY TICKLED PINK	6 ICCARA ZIGGY STARDUST

ADULT BITCH LSH	ADULT DOG LSH	
25 REICHKAISER THRILL OF THE CHASE	22 SIOBAHN GREYT IMPACT	
14 KUIRAU KRISTEN	10 CH HERRZIG KOURAGEOUS KAVICK	
12 CH SIOBAHN GREYT TEMPTATION	10 SUNDANEKA ALMANDIN	

DAMS PROGENY	SIRES PROGENY	
50 XYNA V NIEMBERGER ECK	121 TOBY VD PLASSENBURG	
46 ANDACHT ERIC STRAUSS	48 CH ARKON V ALTENBERGER LAND	
40 CH JONKAHRA SIMPLY IRRESISTIBLE	43 JUWIKA DESTROYER	

BREEDERS
78 SUNDANEKA
72 FREEVALE
60 KUIRAU



Pointscore rules can be found on the GSDL website.

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IN MEMORIAM

NARATHOR JAZZ BEAT AZ ED CDX

4.8.09 - 5.1.18

Our much loved Xerxes - NARATHOR JAZZ BEAT AZ ED CDX and gentle sheep herder- left us too soon.

We are so grateful for the 8 1/2 years of willingness and devotion he gave his family and community. XERXES was keen to participate with the GSDL Orchard Hills Show and Obedience training (where he enjoyed the rules set out in a jocular manner by Allan Judy Jo and Tony), he loved Eastern Suburbs Dog Training Club and lapped up the attention from Heather's UD classes, loved time with Aunty Helen Schakim for tracking and UD prep as a youngster and thrived at Sheep Herding with his friends at Dogs NSW grounds Orchard Hills. He was well known and loved by the residents at the multiple Nursing Homes for our elderly parents and took Estelle round the rings at the Sydney Royal Easter Show with great pride. Most of all he adored Centennial Parklands and riding in the car for a new adventure. Rest my beautiful warrior Universal German Shepherd Dog and wait for me until I return. Cuddles to you X

Especially loved by the McDonald Family - Jannette Norman Daniel Nadine and Estelle

IMPORTANT DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Entries Close 16 March 2018

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG LEAGUE INC CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW & OBEDIENCE TRIAL

THE BILL SPILSTEAD COMPLEX FOR CANINE AFFAIRS, 44 LUDDENHAM RD, ORCHARD HILLS

SATURDAY 31 MARCH & SUNDAY 1 APRIL 2018

Classes to be judged: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 11 (dogs & bitches), All Obedience

Entries to: Mrs A Mackenzie, 74 Kolora Rd, Ebenezer 2756 Ph & Extreme Weather Ph (02) 4579 9383 Cheques made payable to: German Shepherd Dog League Inc

JUDGES

Frau N Herms (Germany) - All Conformation Mrs M Wheeler (NSW) - All Obedience

Order of Judging Sat: All Bitches (all SC followed by all LSC) Sun: All Dogs (all SC followed by all LSC), Sun: All Obedience

Judging Commences 9.00 am both days

Dogs NSW Representative Mrs J Bennett (Breed), Miss I Dewit (Obed)

Vetting Time 8.30 am

Vetting Officer Miss T Friezer

Entry Fees Breed \$38.00 initial entry (includes catalogue). Subsequent entries \$35.00. Baby Puppies \$28.00 initial entry (includes catalogue), subsequent \$25.00, Obedience \$12.00 (does not include catalogue)

Catalogues \$3.00

Refreshments Available Camping Contact Dogs NSW

Show Manager

Point Score GSDL Inc

Online Entries Available www.showmanager.com.au

Bitches in cestrum may be shown except in Obedience

Conformation: Excellent Medallions may be awarded to Breed Surveyed animals aged 24 months and over and entered in the Open Classes Obedience: Excellent Medallions will be awarded to animals gaining the required scores

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For Puppy Listings contact Marilyn Nicholas <u>skylinefreight@bigpond.com</u> - Puppy Listings will remain in place for 6 weeks. Please take full advantage of these free services and make our webpage a better source of information for visitors. With Stud Dog listings please also include a photo of your Dog.

The GSDL Executive and committee are looking for interest from members in filling the position of social secretary for the club – anyone interested should contact the secretary Fay Stokes, 02 4730 4013 e-mail : faystokes1@bigpond.com



RALLY O TRAINING –

GSD League Rally O training commenced on Tuesday 6th February, at our Orchard Hills grounds starting at 7.30 p.m. (our usual training time) with Tiki Friezer. Tiki is a GSDL member, GSD owner and Obedience, Tracking and Rally O judge. Tiki has volunteered to conduct Rally O training on the first Tuesday of each month.

What is Rally O??

It is a fast moving and motivational sport for both handler and Dog. The aim is to demonstrate competency in basic obedience Exercises without the precision of the formal obedience class. Handlers can talk to their dog throughout the test - it is encouraged.

The first level, Rally Novice, is performed entirely on the lead.

All members and their dogs are most welcome to attend.

We look forward to seeing as many members as possible on the first Tuesday night of each month.

Kathy Minton – Training Supt.

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AN EXERPT FROM THE UKS 'OUR DOGS' SIEGER SUPPLEMENT FOR 2017 WRITTEN BY HEATHER MACDONALD (Conbhairean UK)

The following section covers Heathers overview of the progeny groups presented in the stadium by the main current german sires for the year (anyone interested in reading the whole article can contact Shepherd News Editor Jo Cathie to be sent the whole piece) – we are grateful to Heather for allowing us to use her article, its only publication other than the OUR DOGS Supplement.

'Saturday

Saturday morning the lower placed dogs are judged in their respective rings. The entries this year were 115 presented for Herr Wischalla, 140 for Herr Hohmann, 94 for Herr Kopp, and 219 for Herr Ludwig. These rings run simultaneously and are often very important to stud dog owners with lower placed dogs ensuring good numbers attend the progeny groups. The LSH classes are judged on Saturday in the stadium itself.

Most take their seats in the stadium in good time to see the greatly anticipated progeny classes and this for many, is where the business end of the show begins. The favoured VAs, the most used studs, the front runners and the tryers can be helped or indeed hindered by their presented progeny and so it is no surprise that owners put so much sway on progeny presentation.

Whilst the favoured VAs and the crowd pleasers such as Groovy and Hugo Radhaus are still highly popular at stud and have produced progeny in good number, it has to be said that generally the variation in chosen sires nowadays is much greater than ever before. It is quite amazing when following results at the biggest shows, how many of the best placed youngsters are NOT coming from the previous year's Sieger or VAs, where previously, and I can still remember this clearly, there would be only the odd youngster from a different sire in the top 20 dogs of each class.

I suppose some of this is as a result of the obvious close line breeding over recent years, so that with the great saturation of Vegas blood, Remo blood and the like, favoured by the current breed warden, people can find themselves almost unable to use the direct main sire line dogs in the early generations. However, it is also perhaps clear that breeders are looking out with the top ten to twelve males each year and seeing potential in those less favoured by the breed warden and other judges. Sires from countries outside of Germany are making a greater impact of course as the entrants from these countries steadily increases. Italy is a clear example of this.

Whatever the case, the numbers of progeny presented by each sire was often quite disappointing and surprisingly last years VAs Risko, Yuri and Djambo were not able to be represented by a group this year.

The first group into the stadium on Saturday was that of the VA LSH Bellamie v Praester-Land.

This was nice for us to see as his grandmother is Conbhairean Linzi and his holders have been close friends for several years while Jochen was handling our homebred UNO during his time in Germany. Bellamie went on to be crowned Sieger this year, heading up 5 really nice VA males in the ever growing LSH class. From three LSH progeny groups entered, only Bellamie presented.

Groups 4 through 11 did not appear, among them I was hoping to see the group from Fight Holtkamper See and the all black male MargmanYes as an interesting new breed development. The mother of Yes is the very correct all black female Nika v Nord Traum another of Uno's daughters and we find it quite strange to see our kennel behind so many current all black shepherds. Nika and her progeny are of a super standard however and Yes, as a Landos son has proven popular at stud in some circles. He has now also gone to China so perhaps we will see a new group of all blacks there in a year or two! Unfortunately, these groups were missing.



VA KORSICA BAD BOLL

Group 12 was the second group into the stadium and it was the first group for the popular Canadian bred dog Jax Dei Precision. It's always hard to judge the first group of a male outside of the top VAs because often the studs are slow at first and the best females have not yet been.

Jax is a very correct, very impressive dog, and while the first group didn't seem overly impressive I am sure we will see much better next year. Some questionable pigmentation and ill positioned tails in this first group

but I think it is not yet very representative of the father but I look forward to the coming years groups from this male.

The first group from Vulkan Pallas Athens was next, also small in number but really quite uniform in type and a reasonable first group considering the studs he has had. He could potentially make a greater mark given time than both his father and paternal grandfather in my opinion.

Yak v Del Nando next, and again, as a first group relying quite heavily on studs from his owner's kennel, we will need to wait and see what Yak can bring. For me he may struggle as there are better males available perpetuating the Furbo sire line directly, such as Leo Zenteiche and through both Landos and Fulz.

A further jump to group 24 in the catalogue for the next male to the stadium and the group from the popular previous VA Leo. While clearly a dog who is very predictable in producing his own type, I think we have seen the best of Leo's groups already. Not the most impressive group this year but a dog still of use and for me he continues to be underused, perhaps because there has not really been a top mainstream son. He is worth a look however as he has produced several very good females, not least VA Viola Zenteiche. His group was enthusiastically led by his LSH son Juwika Inferno who made VA5 this year.

Group 25 was that of Uranus Zum Gigelsfelsen and I'm afraid both the dog himself and the progeny are a little unremarkable for me.

On to group 27 and a very positive first group for Benno Mahlstein, last years V6, who has featured highly on the stud lists all year. For me he presented a solid first group showing very good type and there were some really nice individuals in the line-up. I think Benno will present an excellent group next year. I thought this group along with the strong show season would see the dog into the VA group this year.

Group 28, Omen son Pepe Leithawald, another disappointing group but again, this is a dog who has not been presented with the greatest females and as can be seen from the later groups each year, the quality of the females presented greatly influence the ability of the sire.

Number 29, another first group, this time Tito v Finkenschlag, an impressive son of VA Schumann Tronje. Tito was perhaps the first dog to lead his group into the stadium with a high quality son directly behind him. Atze v Rothenbacherwald, handled by Herr Fetten and who really caught the eye and should enjoy a bright future. Tito was also on my shortlist to move higher on Sunday this year, perhaps falling short of VA but I thought he would not be too much further back than V3/4.

Last years V12 male Duncan Messina, a less than father typical son of VA Quattro Partnachklamm, was next and presented another reasonable group with a couple of very good animals. I expected better however given the dogs age and thus, time at stud.

Hugh Eichenplatz a direct son of Tyson Kottersbusch presented a really decent group with excellent pigmentation throughout, unsurprising really given his parents. His males were perhaps better than his females with Pepe Bordetal a real stand out for me. Another group worth watching out for next year I think.

By group 32 we were at the real business end of things as VA Quoran led his kids into the stadium. One could argue that perhaps given his time at stud there should have been a little more, and certainly more than two for the working classes, but Quorans was the first group presented with numerous top animals in it to help breeders to consider the sire. Rustols Goliath, Lucka Buchenland, the stunning Emma D'Ulmental and Gloria vd

Karl-May Hohle in particular really catching the eye. 2015 VA9 and 2016 VA5, his group gave him a real chance to continue his forward progression in what will surely be his last year competing.

Another Landos son next. Ulkan Maikhus presented a particularly good group last year and this group was perhaps not quite as strong but none the less of obvious quality. He has enjoyed some quality females particularly from the Italians and his outstanding daughter Annie Team Colonna will no doubt go on to make her mark. She is a very large and powerful youngster but is built to move and doesn't disappoint. She has future producer written all over her and I would not be at all surprised if she brings a super son of her own in the future.

The group of VA Schumann son Freddi Modithor like that of Quoran offered up several very good animals behind the sire. Pasta Messebau and Luke vd Plassenburg among the best. Freddi is proving popular with breeders and his first group reflects this. Currently for me he is the best route to Dux Intercanina and Zamp.

Last year's V1 Vaiko v Suentelstein presented a group of good number and fair uniformity. Having done enough to give himself a good chance to break into the VAs this year but I wonder if the lack of a real star among the progeny might see his popularity affected.

Group 36 was that of Germany's loss and China's gain Willas v Grafenbrunn who has already proven his ability to produce and to do so in number. He presented another solid group led by his typical son Duran Team Huhnegrab. It was hard to focus on the group as a whole however as his daughter Fanta Team Huhnegrab stood out with bells on and looked awesome during the progeny group. She was sure to feature among the best of the females next day and had clearly come immaculately prepared for the job by Anja Kraus and Dirk Sheerer. A real star and I believe now owned by John Cullen of Veneze kennels – Wow.



VA FANTA TEAM HUHNEGRAB

Watson Thermodos presented another first group high in number and of good general uniformity.

For me the pigmentation could be better in places but again, considering the females

he has had, Watson has done well. The consistent winning Talina Schloss Rugland

despite looking a little out of coat, is his best representative - a grandaughter of

stable mate Leo vd Zenteiche on the maternal line.



Last years Sieger Ballack vd Brucknerallee (pictured left in 2016 by Louis Donald) has already cemented his place in history as a showman and a producer of top females. This years group was less emphatic in quality than his previous offerings in my opinion but typical of Ballack groups past, there was a female worthy of a 'wow' - this year was the turn of Werao da Terra da Garoa.

Finn Piste Trophe presented his first group with a group very strong in number as he made his own charge on the VA group. A very promising first

group from Finn where in some cases the underlines are a little short. Another who should represent next year with particularly positive improvement.

Pacco Langenbungert, another already in china, presented a group led by his highly popular son Whillo

Klostermoor and rightly so. Last year's V2. Whillo is a clean lined, strong male with the trademark

Klostermoor red-gold we saw years ago with VA Kwantum. Whillo too has proven popular at stud with **2016 Sieger Ballack vd Brucknerallee** the breeders and as such, his own group was one of the latter presented. I liked his group last year and was just a little disappointed that it wasn't really much better overall after another year at stud. Whillo himself however, is not at all disappointing and looked well leading both groups. Netzer Aducht last year's V3 male and the highest rated son of Ballack presented his group after Paccos. I'm afraid I found this group disappointing with some issues in the top lines and croups in particular. It was not convincing from a male aiming for a VA place. Goran BierstadterHof, a son of Memphis Solebrunnen was next, presenting a good first group with a few nice females in the line up, a little early to say much more for now.

That left Marlo, Cronos, Groovy, Willy and Gary presenting large groups in that order. Had Groovy competed these would no doubt have formed the top end of the VA group in some order with Quoran.

Marlos popularity at stud has not wavered all year and he has placed well at all shows. He had some recognisably typical progeny in his group but thus far there is still room for some improvement.

Most people's hot tip for the Sieger title had been Cronos Del Seprio prior to the show, even though he is clearly another very large male. I am afraid his progeny convinced me however, that Cronos would not be crowned Sieger here in Ulm. Nothing to write home about and without any one real star behind him Cronos really disappointed.

Crowd pleaser Groovy next, minus the sire at the front of course and led in by two very good sons Zenit di Casa Palomba and the hugely impressive Cyrus v Osterberger Land. His very large group is notably sire typical and there were plenty of quality kids representing him here. There can be no doubt Groovy would have featured very high in the VA group if he had given Herr Quoll the chance to promote him. His failings at the German Sieger Show, have not curtailed his stud career at all it seems.

With the poor progeny showing from Cronos Del Seprio I thought Willy v Kuckucksland, a son of Omens brother Opus Radhaus, and the Omen son Gary v Huhnegrab would now fight it out for the title.

Willy's group was for me, head and shoulders above that of Cronos. The M litter du Val D'Anzin (from Willy

- they have one letter for litters for the entire year) stands out as particularly good with Max and Millana really top quality.

Willy is extremely popular and is a real showman. His group gave him every chance at the crown. Until Gary's group arrived at least.

I saw Gary with Cronos waiting to do his courage test on Friday and was struck then by the strength and glamour of the dog. A real male with quality in abundance he looked in super condition for the show. His progeny group were really impressive to watch. The first four sons behind Gary were very typical and of similar quality to the sire. The very large group was typical front to back in fact and his predictability is very good, as is obvious from the uniformity of the group. I had been quite convinced Gary would be an eventual Sieger but having watched this group I wondered if his time had come even earlier than anticipated. '





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

GSDL COMING EVENTS

SATURDAY 24 TH FEB 2018	FEB 2018 MEMBERS COMPETITION CLUB GROUNDS	
		BILL SPILLSTEAD CANINE COMPLEX
		44 LUDDENHAM ROAD, ORCHARD HILLS
		Judges Glenn Gregory & Fay Stokes
SAT 31 ST MAR/SUN 1 ST APR	CHAMP SHOW AND TRIAL	CLUB GROUNDS
		BILL SPILLSTEAD CANINE COMPLEX
		44 LUDDENHAM ROAD, ORCHARD HILLS
		Conformation judge Nancy Herms (SV)
MON 9 TH APRIL	GENERAL MEETING	ORCHARD HILLS ROOMS 8pm
FRI 27-SUN 29 TH APRIL	GSDCA NATIONAL SHOW AND	TRIAL GSDCSA CLUB GROUNDS
		PEDIGREE PARK, WEST BEACH, SOUTH AUSTRALIA
		Conformation judges Peter Schweimer (SV)
		And Reiner Mast (SV)
SAT 19 TH MAY	BREED SURVEY	CLUB GROUNDS
		BILL SPILLSTEAD CANINE COMPLEX
		44 LUDDENHAM ROAD, ORCHARD HILLS 11am
MON 4 TH JUNE	GENERAL MEETING	ORCHARD HILLS ROOMS 8pm
SAT 9 TH JUNE	SANCTION AND OPEN SHOW	CLUB GROUNDS
		BILL SPILLSTEAD CANINE COMPLEX
		44 LUDDENHAM ROAD, ORCHARD HILLS
		Sanction Show judge Jenny Delucia (SA)
		Open Show judge TBA

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"No! But we are closer". In fact, we have made some great inroads with the DNA research into this problem.

Ottmar Distl, who did the initial work with DNA and hip dysplasia in German Shepherds and works at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hanover, Germany, has joined our research group. Working alongside Professor William Ballard and Professor Ottmar Distl is a daunting and amazing experience as to me, these two gentlemen are the absolute pinnacle of workers in the field of molecular biology.

The work on DNA so far would give us about 30% assurance in predicting if a GSD's DNA predisposes them to canine hip dysplasia.

The work we are now doing will give 90% PLUS prediction value (to be honest, both gentlemen would prefer to err on the side of caution so the 90% might be an underestimation, but best to be conservative in these predictions).

We are doing a long chain sequence on a German Shepherd that not only gained an "a" stamp at twelve months of age BUT also has good hips at six years of age. This is vital as this DNA will become the standard of comparison for all samples. To date we have nearly 450 samples and will soon hit our target of 500. Thank you to all those that have supported the research by allowing me to take samples from your dogs.

The problem is that the long-chain genome will cost around \$74,000 and most research grants are going to human research these days. The DNA will be assessed by a high-tech molecular biology laboratory in Arizona.

So how can you help?

Firstly, visit our site : <u>https://donate.grassrootz.com/unswaustralia/hip2fit</u>

And donate whatever you can. If every German Shepherd owner in Australia donated just \$10 we'd go close to our target.

Secondly, encourage everyone you know to visit the site and give a donation if possible. Spreading the word would help tremendously.

Thirdly, discuss with the clubs and ultimately National Council the possibility of donating towards this research.

Please realise that all money goes not into paying any of our salaries – our time in this is a donation towards this valuable research. However, we are close to getting valuable, practical results and with new technology that is now available, feel confident in being able to produce a method of examining well over a hundred DNA points that evaluate an individual animal's hip dysplasia status genetically.

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At the 2017 League Christmas Party and Presentation night, our club president Terry Jarvis presented long term members JUDY and ALLAN CONNORS with a special bronze statue, in recognition of their service to the GSD League of NSW and to Erskine Park Branch over many years.

Congratulations and sincere thanks Judy and Allan.

Time to sit back and enjoy some well earned time off!



Committee's Report

30 September 2017

The committee members submit the financial report of the Association for the financial year ended 30 September 2017.

1. General information

Committee members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Terry Jarvis	President
Graeme Stevenson	Vice President
Fay Stokes	Secretary, Breed Affairs
Karen Eaton	Treasurer, Training
Ann Mackenzie	Show Secretary
Les Nicholas	Show Manager
Pam Jarvis	Merchandising
Tony D'Arcy	Point Score
Lisa Yates	Shepherd News
Marilyn Nicholas	Puppy Listings, Membership
Neville Kirkham (resigned in August 2017)	Membership
Kim McGregor (Resigned in March 2017)	Web
Lorraine Yates	Social
Tracey Lewis	Publicity
Caryl Morris	HD/ED
Frances McAdam	Web
Grant Morton (Resigned in October 2017)	Tattoo

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association during the financial year were: to promote advancement, development, and welfare of the German Shepherd Dog breed in New South Wales; to establish branches throughout New South Wales as required affiliate with the German Shepherd Dog Council Scheme such as Breed Survey, Hip Dysplasia, Tattoo and Haemophilia test; to conduct specialist Breed Shows and Trials, Promote obedience, tracking and all areas of the utility of the German Shepherd Dog; and to conduct seminars for education in all areas of the German Shepherd Dog activity.

Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

2. Operating results and review of operations for the year

Operating result

The deficit of the Association for the financial year amounted to \$ (4,929) (2016: Surplus \$ 4,738).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee:

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Income and Expenditure Statement

For the Year Ended 30 September 2017

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		2017	2016
	Note	\$	\$
Fees income	2	19,148	18,705
National (nett)	2	-	10,727
Raffle income		3,134	-
Other income		1,734	168
Interest income		1,511	1,505
Social/canteen (nett)	2	1,000	1,470
Show/trial entries (nett)	2	391	3,952
Merchandise (nett)	2	317	1,685
Tattoo/microchipping (nett)	2	(226)	1,454
Administrative expenses		(13,627)	(10,688)
Other operating expenses		(10,020)	(11,877)
Other expenses		(5,501)	(4,756)
Deprectation and impairments		(2,790)	(7,607)
Surplus (deficit) before income tax		(4,929)	4,738
Income tax expense	1(d)	-	
Surplus (deficit) after income tax		(4,929)	4,738
Retained earnings at the beginning of the financial year		171,584	166,846
Retained earnings at the end of the financial year		166,655	171,584

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Assets and liabilities statement

30 September 2017

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		2017	2016
	Note	\$	\$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	151,479	155,758
Other receivables		533	539
Inventories	4	13,150	16,281
Other assets	5	4,548	2,350
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		169,710	174,928
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Equipment	6	11,284	11,249
Intangible assets	7	185	920
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		11,469	12,169
TOTAL ASSETS		181,179	187,097
LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	8	3,900	4,210
Income in advance	9	10,624	11,303
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		14,524	15,513
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			_
TOTAL LIABILITIES		14,524	15,513
NET ASSETS		166,655	171,584
MEMBERS' FUNDS			
Retained earnings	-	166,655	171,584
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		166,655	171,584

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.