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2020

Hello 2020.

On behalf of the GSDL committee, we hope all our members have a fantastic year doing those things you love to do with your German Shepherds.

Be that, obedience, showing, or just spending time with your dogs.

We look forward to a very productive year ahead for the League.



If you have not already joined the GSDL Facebook page, please endeavour to do so.

<https://www.facebook.com/gsdlofnsw/>

As the GSDL is hosting the 48th GSDCA National Show & Trial in 2020, the committee has also created a Facebook page, specifically for the National. Any information regarding the National will be posted here as well as the GSDL web page.

<https://www.facebook.com/2020.GSD.National/>

Results of the December Members competition.

For full results and critiques go the below links:

<https://gsdl.info/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/GSDL-Christmas-2019-Members-Competition-Results.pdf>

<https://gsdl.info/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/GSDL-Christmas-2019-Members-Competition-Critiques3.pdf>



A Word from our Vice President



A warm welcome to 2020 to all of our members.

We have a busy year ahead with the 48th National on our grounds in May.

The committee have been working really hard to organise a quality event for members across Australia, and things are really starting to get under way.

We are in need of some experienced obedience enthusiasts to assist our Trial Co-ordinator, Annette Whiley is having surgery in April and will not be very mobile in the lead up to the National. If you would like to assist, please contact myself or Kim Graham, Training Co-ordinator.

Our media team are putting out regular posts on Facebook to ensure that people are well informed and know what is going on ahead of time. The merchandise that has been procured for the National is of the highest quality and I look forward to seeing people displaying our logo proudly at the event.

Fay and Terry are doing the bulk of the work behind the scenes with the running of the club, as I am working full time and I thank them both for their hard work and dedication.

I look forward to catching up with members at the forthcoming Breed Survey and our shows in April.

Melanie Groth — Vice President



Great News.....

The 48th National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2020 merchandise is now up and running.

Please go to : www.gsdl.info/shop

The committee has arranged some very high quality items to purchase as a keepsake for this National.

You will also be able to purchase catalogues and event tickets (social functions) through the shop.

Orders for pick up at the National must be received no later than the 18th April 2020.

There will be a very limited number of items available at the show, so do not miss out and get your orders in now.

Tracking and Track/Search Trials



GSDL member Sanne Pederson and Rixie (Schnitzel) doing a tracking trial. Photo Credit: Mike Harper Wilddogphotography Australia.

The GSDL are excited to announce the following tracking trials for later in the year.

- * 12/7/20 Tracking and Track/Search Trial judges - Karen Eaton and Sandra Gasset
- * 30/8/20 Tracking and Track/Search Trial judge - Karen Eaton

Watch this space and the GSDL website for more information, closer to the dates. www.gsdl.info



We have had a request from the Show Secretary.

Please remember to fill in the below to help have the correct information in catalogues.

It is not up to the show secretary to spend time finding the correct information about your animal.

When sending entries or doing them via Show Manager, please make sure you spell your animals name correctly and include the * for breed survey and AZ for hips and elbows.

For the National entries, please also include the above information for the sire and dam of the animal.

48th National Sponsorship & Advertising

Sponsorships for a few classes are still being sought for the 48th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial on the 15 – 17 May 2020
Rally-O is still available to sponsor

Spaces are also available to advertise in the National Catalogue.
This is your opportunity to advertise your Kennel, Imports or business, to the whole GSD fraternity in Australia and also the world at large as many catalogues travel overseas with our visitors.

To sponsor a class or book an advertisement in the catalogue, please contact Jo Cathie on the below:

Phone: 0423700293 (Evenings Preferred)

Or by email at ljcathie@outlook.com

Also in person at any coming show or event, or directly on Facebook messenger



Smoking Policy for Dogs NSW

All members of the GSDL are reminded that there is a very strict ruling about smoking on DOGS NSW grounds.

This includes any tobacco related product and E-cigarettes.

Under a duty of care the GSDL will enforce the following DOGS NSW Regulation.

Regulations

Part II show – section 19

- i) Smoking is not permitted in an area 20 metres from any ring in which an exhibition is taking place or 20 metres from any food vendor located on the showground.

This regulation is in line with the Department of Health NSW regulation on smoking – section 6a – smoke free environment act 2000.

If any member has questions regarding this, please speak to the club president - Terry Jarvis.

48th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial Sydney 2020 – Merchandise

Below is just a sample of the fantastic merchandise available for sale for the National.

Please visit: www.gsdl.info/shop to purchase some of the high quality items.





GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG LEAGUE OF NSW INC

EASTER SATURDAY MEMBERS COMPETITION

The Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs
44 Luddenham Rd, Orchard Hills (GSD Grounds)

EASTER SATURDAY APRIL 11TH, 2020

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

ENTRIES CLOSE – 31ST MARCH, 2020

PH & Extreme Weather: 0401019213

Cheques Payable to: German Shepherd Dog League Inc

JUDGE: MS. JANE PIKE (SA)

Order of Judging: All SC Bitches & Dogs, then LSC bitches followed by LSC Dogs

Judging commences at 8.30 am

Initial Entry, \$25.00 (includes Catalogue) \$22 subsequent entries

Point Score: GSDL

Catalogues \$5.00 **(NOTE: One catalogue will cover both shows)**

Conformation: Excellent Medallions may be awarded to animals 2 years and over, entered in the Open Class and having been successfully breed surveyed

Prizes

Trophy & Sash to Best Dog & Bitch, Runner-up Dog & Bitch and
all class winners.

There will be no intersex judging

ON LINE ENTRIES TO



Show Manager

PAPER ENTRIE TO: Fay Stokes, 39 Emerald St., Emu Plains NSW 2750



GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG LEAGUE OF NSW INC

EASTER SUNDAY MEMBERS COMPETITION

The Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs
44 Luddenham Rd, Orchard Hills (GSD Grounds)

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 12TH, 2020

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

ENTRIES CLOSE – 31ST MARCH, 2020

PH & Extreme Weather: 0401019213

Cheques Payable to: German Shepherd Dog League Inc

JUDGE: MRS. SUE BRUNO (QLD)

Order of Judging: All LSC Bitches & Dogs, then SC bitches followed by SC Dogs

Judging commences at 8.30 am

Initial Entry, \$25.00 (includes Catalogue) \$22 subsequent entries

Point Score - GSDL

Catalogue: \$5.00 - (Please note one catalogue will cover both shows)

Conformation: Excellent Medallions may be awarded to animals 2 years and over, entered in the Open Class and having been successfully breed surveyed

Prizes:

Trophy & Sash to Best Dog & Bitch, Runner-up Dog & Bitch and
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Show Manager

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Fitness Training for Puppies – part 2

In the December 2019 Shepherd News, we looked at puppies up to 8 weeks old. In this edition, we will look at puppies from 8 weeks to 16 weeks. This is an interesting time for pups as many of them are attending Puppy Pre-School or are starting to be shown and attend obedience classes.

First, don't forget safety of your pup as, at most, he/she will only have had 2 vaccinations with the third not due until 16 weeks. So at this stage, take care to ensure that the public places that you take the pup are low on dog traffic or have dogs that you are sure are current on their vaccinations (such as members of your family, other breeders, friends etc). I would not recommend Off-leash dog parks as they are often a recipe for disaster and you have no idea of the health or vaccination status of the dogs that have been there. Better to be safe than sorry.

Puppies are welcome to start training at the GSDL Obedience at 13 weeks and we will accept puppies for show training earlier, as they are eligible to be shown at 3 months. Naturally, they must be up to date with their vaccinations in order to be on the grounds.

So in addition to formal classes or show classes, what other activities should you be engaging in in order for your puppy to develop his/her brain, social and motor skills?

Naturally, you can take your puppy for a walk. But not a brisk 5km! The best kind of walk for a puppy allows him/her to play, explore and wander along at the pace that suits them. So buy yourself a long lead (such as a 6ft lead but not a retractable as they are dangerous) and allow your pup to head from place to place having a sniff and checking out what is going on. You should not be running your under 16 week puppy over any great distance and you should be on the lookout for signs of tiredness that mean it's time to pick up your puppy and go home (eg the puppy laying down or refusing to move).

You can start to introduce the pup to puppy agility items such as weave poles and tunnels. At this age, your puppy should be prevented from jumping, but you can start the concept with cavaletti or a ladder/plank on the ground for them to step over/through. Training with agility equipment can improve balance, confidence, limb awareness and timing. Cavaletti can be used with older pups to improve core strength as well. Cavaletti can simply be poles on the ground or you can purchase them ready made for dogs.

Below is a Home made cavaletti with a number of height options for the poles





Exposing the puppy to different surfaces is also important, they shouldn't only be exposed to grass and concrete. Try laying a tarp on the ground and encouraging your pup to walk over it. A trip to the beach to walk on sand will also be beneficial. While at the beach, a short paddle in the water will also be in order! Many puppies are also unhappy about walking on shiny surfaces, so seek them out and have your pup spend time walking on them.

If you own a fitness vibrating platform, you can teach your pup to stand on the machine with his front paws and then his back paws, while the machine is turned on the lowest setting. These platforms are great for general fitness as adults, so it's a good idea to get your puppy accustomed to them while they are little. Similarly, if you intend to use a treadmill for your puppy's fitness in the future, now is the time to introduce it as a fun place to stand around (lots of treats involved!) but don't put your puppy on it while it is running as yet.



Don't forget to continue to train your pup on the wobble board as well.

At this age, you can also start trick training, in addition to formal obedience. Pups love to learn tricks and their owners love to teach them. They help to build the bond between puppy and owner as well as tiring out an active puppy on a rainy day! High 5 is always a favourite!

In the next Shepherd News, we will look at our older pups from 16 weeks.

Kim Graham

Training Co-ordinator



48th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial Sydney 2020 – Major Sponsors



If you would like to be a sponsor or know of a company or individual that would like to join this elite group, please contact Melanie Groth.

Melanie.groth62@gmail.com



GSDL Breed Survey

Date: Sunday February 16

Time: 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Event Category:
Breed Survey

Venue

Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, 44 Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills

If you are attending this Breed Survey, please send through your paperwork to Pam Jarvis.

Paperwork is required 1 week prior to the survey date.

Email: tepe@bigpond.net.au



It is with great sadness that the Committee of the GSDL would like to inform members that the Mid-North Coast Branch of the League is no longer running. Any training queries are to be directed to the League Training Coordinator – Kim Graham on khayem@bigpond.com

THE 2020 NATIONAL FUNDRAISER STUD DOG RAFFLE

FEATURING 'THE GOLDEN BOY'

2019 GOLD MEDALIST STOCK COAT

***MACHO VOM LAMORAK**

Location TAS

a'normal ED normal (GMY) A 5/5 Z 0/0

Presenting national placegetters in his earliest progeny

***CH CONBHAIREAN FREDDIE** IPO2 KKL LBZ (imp UK) – VIC
SIRE OF 8 NATIONAL CLASS WINNERS AMASSING 11 CLASS WINS SO FAR
EXCELLENT SIRE FOR HD AND ED with several kids now breed surveyed
a'normal hips ED normal (gmy)

THE AIMSWAY-ALDERHAUS BOYS – Your choice – NSW/WA

*VA LABO VOM SCHOLLWEIHER – a'fast normal, ED normal (gmy)

*V JUWIKI DESTROYER – a'normal, ED normal (gmy)

*V OAK V HAUS ISKANDER – a'fast normal, ED normal (gm y)

And semen available from HERO, ABACUS, VEGAS, PEPE, FAKIR

THE UHLMSDORF BOYS – Your choice – ACT

CH*UHLMSDORF JACK BLACK AZ (By JUWIKI DESTROYER) A 4/4 Z 0/0

CH *UHLMSDORF BLACK DOUGLAS AZ (By ODIN DELLA TERRE MATILDICHE) A 3/3 Z 0/0

*UHLMSDORF BLACK DIAMOND AZ (By VAC-VAGVOLGYI JENKY) A 2/3 Z 0/0

***RUDY VOM HAUS EDMUND** IPO1 KKL – QLD

First kids now appearing, direct son of VA VAIKO – VA FRED

a'normal hips ED normal (gmy)

***DENARGUN ZHIVAGO AZ** – vic

A 5/5 Z 0/0

LSH Son of VA USTINOV, also with first kids just appearing

From one of Australia's strongest motherliness.

Terms and Conditions

- * Stud fee is offered free of charge (our thanks to the owners of these animals)
- * Any additional costs involved with semen use, are not covered by the stud dog owner.
- * Australian females must be Breed Survey Classified.
- * Stud is transferrable, but only with the express agreement of the stud dog owner, who will be given the details of each winner.
- * No public sale of any stud is allowed – this will automatically void the stud.
- * Any additional terms prior to mating, are subject to the stud dog owner. E.G. - swabs required, etc.

TICKETS ARE FOR SALE AT \$25 EACH FROM GSDL NSW BREED AFFAIRS – JO CATHIE

ljcathie@outlook.com , 0423700293 (text or call after 6pm please) in person or via facebook

OR BY CONTACTING THE GSDL SECRETARY - FAY STOKES – faystokes@dodo.com.au , 0401019213, in person or via facebook



Be Involved in Your Club!

All Welcome!

The League is always looking for members to become involved in our breed publicity activities and as stewards for our shows and Trials

Publicity Team— Publicity Team members are needed. You will need a willingness to talk to the general public about our wonderful German Shepherds, promote the GSDL and GSDCA Breed Improvement schemes. If you have a wonderful, happy GSD as well, that would be great! We have a number of events coming up that will enable us to showcase our fantastic breed and our club.

Please contact the Publicity Officer, Karen Stevenson at email:

sundaneka@optusnet.com.au if you can spare some time to promote our German Shepherds.

Stewards— stewarding in conformation shows or the obedience ring gives you the judge's perspective and is a rewarding learning experience! You will meet new people, such as overseas and SV judges and be right at the centre of activities. We also feed you a yummy lunch! If you would like more information about becoming involved, please contact the Show Manager, Greg Jones at email: nicq01@bigpond.net.au

VEST RETURN

To those that show and trial, this is a gentle reminder that all vests are to be returned after the conclusion of each class.

Only those vests that are required for challenges and run-offs are to be kept until the end of the show.

E.G. – 1st and 2nd place getters for each class.

As of the December show, there will be a crate placed at the entrance to each ring, please place your vest in these at the end of your class.

At the completion of each show or trial, a count will be done and an email will be sent to the exhibitor whose vests are missing.

If the club does not receive the missing vest, a \$10.00 fee will be charged to that exhibitor. This is the cost to replace the vest.

We also require a volunteer that would be willing to wash the vests after each show.

If you think you can help with this, please contact the show secretary – Fay Stokes to discuss.

Faystokes@dodo.com.au

13s CLUB

Amy - Lindenelm Angels Amelie AZ

Born: 16/01/2007

Owner: Jan Kenny



Ch Yukisan Ukla AZ

Born 30/10/2006

Owned by Jan Lawler



The 48th GSDCA NATIONAL GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG SHOW & TRIAL – Stock Coat Bitch Judge



Joachim Stiegler H.-

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Curriculum vitae – CV

Born in 1952 Married, with 3 adult children

Profession: Site Manager in electrical plant construction now a pensioner.

Since 1964 member of the SV

Since 1970 Breed Warden and Tattoo Officer

Since 1980 Progeny Assessor

Since 1995 Breed Judge

Since 1998 Breed Surveyor

Since 2002 State Breed Warden

Since 2016 Temperament/Character Assessor

Since 2018 Landesgruppen Chairman (Saxony)

114 Litters under the Kennel prefix = “vom Stieglerhof“

Qualified in 285 Schutzhund, - IPO – and Tracking Dog Trials. With dogs I personally trained. For many years Protection Work Helper in the local club gained the DDR (East Germany) Sieger-title in 1983

With dogs of my breeding successful participation in: DDR Championship Trials and in BSP and BSZS

Judged in many countries of the WUSV Among these 62 Siegerschauen and National Shows abroad Judge of the BSZS 2004, 2007, 2012, 2018 and 2019

Joachim Stiegler

The 48th GSDCA NATIONAL GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG SHOW & TRIAL – Judge - All LSC Dogs & Bitches & all SC Dogs



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Résumé – SV

Helmut Buß has been working with German Shepherds since 1968. In 1971 he joined the Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde, SV.

In the first years he mainly worked on training his dogs. For the activities in this area he was awarded the Gold - Dog Handler Badge.

In his kennel "vom Lärchenhain" he bred about 200 litters and was awarded the Gold Breeder's Badge because of the successes.

Between 1976 and 2010 he has exhibited several VA dogs, an Intermediate Bitch Siegerin and numerous highly placed dogs at Siegershows, including many dogs of his own breeding.

Dogs of his breeding were represented at the International German Championship for service dog handlers, qualifying at State elimination trials and at the WUSV World Championship.

His stud dogs were represented with numerous progeny groups at Siegershows, and he participated numerous times in the Breeders' Group competition at these as well. Helmut Buß is a Breed Judge since 1988, and since 1992; a Breed Surveyor of the SV. Since 1988 representative of his State Group in the advisory board (general assembly) of the SV, between 1992 and 1996 chairman of the State Group Waterkant.

From 1991 to 1995 judge in the appeals court of the SV.

From 1995 to 2000 Helmut Buß was the Breed Warden of the Verein für Deutsche Schäferhunde, and judged the working dog class bitches at the Bundessiegerzuchtschau of the SV. He played a key role in the major strategic steps for the further development of the breed and the SV:

1. Participation in setting the new version of the statutes. Democratization of the SV
2. Introduction of the DNA procedure
3. Introduction of HD Breed Value Assessment Scheme
4. Introduction of the repeat -X-ray scheme after the 30th mating for males
5. Introduction of the elbow x-ray scheme.
6. Increasing the requirements for the protection work of the Bundessiegerzuchtschau
7. Doubling the numbers exhibited in the GHK-bitches at the BSZS in his time in office as Vereinszuchtwart. (SV Breed Warden).
8. Action concept for the reduction of size In the year 2000 Helmut Buß and his kennel "vom Lärchenhain" became the winners of the Breeders' Group at the Bundessiegerzuchtschau.

In 2005 he successfully participated in the State Group elimination competition of the LG Waterkant with the self-trained bitch Boogie vom Ochsentor - this bitch was graded V 3 at the BSZS, and has numerous high graded progeny.

Since 2006, Helmut Buß has been delegate of LG Waterkant in the Federal Assembly of the SV.

Over the years the lines of Wobo Lärchenhain (Jango Fürstenberg / Esko Dänischen Hof) and Hoss Lärchenhain (Yak Frankengold) have become established in the breeding lines in Germany. In the ancestry of about 80% of all top dogs of the BSZS, there are dogs from the kennel Lärchenhain - Quanto, Zorro, Wobo, Warro, Hoss and numerous bitches. This sustainability of the breeding work is the main objective of the kennel "Lärchenhain".

Helmut Buß has been Chairman of the Regional Branch Naturpark Dümmer, for many years. The regional group has been running very successful breed shows for years and the breeders of the regional group are extremely active and participate very successfully in breed shows on all levels. Instructors of the OG participated several times in State Group elimination competitions and in the Bundessiegerprüfung.

Since 2016, Helmut Buß is the Breed Warden of the State Group Waterkant, and since 2019 Vice-President of the SV.

Events Calendar

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Breed Survey

February 16 @ 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, 44 Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills

MARCH 2020

General Meeting

March 9 @ 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Orchard Hills Club Rooms

Voting for judges for 2021

APRIL 2020

Members Competition, Easter Saturday

April 11

Judge: Jane Pike (SA) For the schedule please go to our schedule page

Members Competition, Easter Sunday

April 12

Judge: Sue Bruno (Qld) For the schedule please go to our schedule page

MAY 2020

General Meeting

May 11 @ 8:00 pm - 11:00 pm

Orchard Hills Club Rooms

Breed Survey

May 14 @ 3:30 pm

Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, 44 Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills

48th GSDCA National GSD Show and Trial

May 15 - May 17

Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, 44 Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills

The GSDL is hosting the 48th GSDCA National Show & Trial in May 15, to May 17, 2020 to be held at the GSDL Club Grounds, Bill Spilstead Canine Complex, 44 Luddenham Road, Orchard Hills, NSW 48th GSDCA National Show & Trial Schedule AMENDMENT TO OBEDIENCE JUDGING - 48TH NATIONAL GERMAN SHEPHERD SHOW & TRIAL Mr Kevin Speed will be judging UD, UDX and Winner of Winners Mrs. Viviane Mannion will now be judging CCD, CD, RALLY NOVICE & MASTERS RALLY...

Members Photo Booth



A GSDL member's puppy living it up in the 2 extremes of weather over the summer.

These photos were taken days apart in the A.C.T.

Just goes to show how a well-balanced and socialized puppy can take all in its stride.

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The German Shepherd Dog League Inc of NSW (GSDL) and the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) have been established to promote the breeding, exhibition and overall improvement of the German Shepherd Dog in Australia.

The GSDL operates training branches at Erskine Park and on the Central Coast. Both branches offer Obedience and Show Training. General Meetings of the club are held bimonthly, with exact dates shown on the League website and Facebook page.

From the Editor

A warm welcome to the first edition for 2020.

I hope you enjoy this edition, which is jam packed with information about the Leagues forthcoming year.

As you will all be aware the 48th National is in May this year, and I hope as many of our members as possible take the opportunity to come down and take a look.

The committee have been working tirelessly over the last few months to make this a remarkable event. An event that will stick in the memory for a long time to come.

Inside there is information about the merchandise which is available to purchase now on the GSDL website shop.

As always, I am always looking for articles or photos to place in the Shepherd News, so if you have anything to share, please do so. I have also started a new section – Members Photo Booth. If you have a photo or photos of your dogs in funny situations or doing something special, please pass them on and they will be published.

Regards Bret Adams

Myself and VA1 Pakros d'Ulmental

