



# GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA INC

## JUDGES COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Saturday 25th July 2015  
 Time: 12.15pm lunch for 1.00pm start  
 Venue: Comfort Inn Haven Marina,  
 6-10 Adelphi Terrace, Glenelg North SA

## AGENDA

1.00pm	1	<b>OPENING AND WELCOME</b>	Judges Chair
	1.1	Present/Apologies	
	2	<b>ADOPTION OF AGENDA</b>	
	2.1	Adoption of the Agenda for the Judges Committee meeting as circulated on 16th June 2015.	Judges Chair
	3	<b>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES</b>	
	3.1	Minutes of the Judges Committee Meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> July, 2014 in Melbourne.	Judges Chair
	4.	<b>BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES</b>	
	4.1	Action Sheet from 2014 Judges Committee Meeting	Judges Chair
	5.	<b>CHAIRMAN JUDGES COMMITTEE REPORT</b>	
	5.1	<b>2015 GSDCA National</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Tail Male Charts</li> <li>2. Database of entries/exhibited for all Nationals - refer <b>(Attachment A)</b></li> <li>3. Feedback on what worked well</li> </ol>	Judges Chair
	5.2	<b>GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Form and Procedure for Final Examination</li> <li>2. Participants</li> <li>3. Requirements for Mentor Judges</li> </ol>	Judges Chair
	5.3	<b>Promotion of GSDCA Specialist Judges to be ANKC Assessor Judges</b>	Judges Chair
	5.4	<b>Applicants to complete WUSV Judges Accreditation</b>	Judges Chair
	5.5	<b>GSDCA Liaison Officer Reports</b>	Judges Chair
	5.6	<b>Database of measurements from Shows</b>	Judges Chair
	6.	<b>MATTERS REFERRED TO THE JUDGES COMMITTEE FROM THE 2015 AGM</b>	
		Nil	

	<b>7.</b>	<b>DISCUSSION ITEMS</b>	
	<b>7.1</b>	<b>GSDCA Gradings – are we too generous?</b>	Judges Chair
	<b>7.2</b>	<b>Proposed Format for State Breed Exhibitions for all Affiliate Clubs – Refer attached SBE Discussion Paper (Attachment B)</b>	NBC Executive
	<b>7.3</b>	<p><b>Review of GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course</b></p> <p>A PowerPoint presentation will be presented at the meeting to discuss what is required into the future, to ensure that the process is a meaningful and value add for the participants in the Scheme</p>	Judges Chair/ Treasurer
	<b>7.4</b>	<p><b>National Show Manual Update (refer Attachment C &amp; D)</b></p> <p>Item 1. Tidy up to terminology</p> <p>Item 2. Proposed change to Breeders Group</p> <p><b>Currently:</b></p> <p>A Breeders Group Team must consist of five (5) animals from the one Kennel. A minimum of two (2) sires and two (2) dams, are required to make up the group. A separate entry form indicating entry to the class is required by the close of entry. The list of animals competing in each group must be handed to the Show Secretary by completion of Judging on Day One. Breeders Groups should consist of only one coat type, (however Breeders may enter more than one group).</p> <p>The Winning Group will be awarded a Plaque and a Tri-colour Sash.</p> <p><b>Proposed:</b></p> <p>A Breeders Group Team must consist of five (5) animals from the one Kennel.</p> <p>A minimum of two (2) sires and two (2) dams, <b>and be over 9 months of age</b>, are required to make up the group.</p> <p>A separate entry form indicating entry to the class is required by the close of entry.</p> <p>The list of animals competing in each group must be handed to the Show Secretary by completion of Judging on Day One.</p> <p>Breeders Groups should consist of only one coat type <b>and colour variety</b>, (however Breeders may enter more than one group).</p> <p>The Winning Group will be awarded a Plaque and a Tri-colour Sash.</p> <p>Item 3. Cross referencing to GSDCA Regulations Manual</p>	Judges Chair/ NSL Officer

	8	<b>MATTERS REFERRED TO THE 2015 JUDGES MEETING FROM GSDCA SPECIALIST JUDGES</b>	
	8.1	<p><b>Motion: Sam Bonifacio Trophy</b></p> <p>That the scoring system for the Sam Bonifacio Trophy, be changed to introduce a "sliding scale" for classes with less than ten exhibits competing in a conformation class, and less than 5 exhibits competing in an obedience class and the following apply:</p> <p>The Sam Bonifacio Trophy: Notes &amp; Scoring Criteria</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The scorer shall be appointed by the GSDCA Executive.</li> <li>2. The trophy will be awarded at the GSDCA National GSD Show &amp; Trial to the Kennel that receives the highest aggregate score based on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The points awarded for the Baby Puppy, Minor Puppy and Puppy class winners are one point for each animal placed on the pegs, up to a maximum of 10, and will reduce by one point for 2nd, 3rd, etc.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The points awarded for the Junior, Intermediate and Open class winners are two points for each animal placed on the pegs, up to a maximum of 20, and will reduce by two points for 2nd, 3rd, etc.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The points awarded for the Obedience class winners are two points for each animal placed on the pegs, up to a maximum of 10, and will reduce by two points for 2nd, 3rd, etc.</li> </ul> <p>Additional points will be allocated for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Each animal exhibited and or trialed = 2 points</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Each animal graded Excellent in Show or Obedience = 5 points</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Breeders Group winner = 10 points</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dual Performance winner = 20 points</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Gold Medal winners = 20 points</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Silver Medal winners = 15 points</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Medal winners = 10 points</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. There shall only be one winner, so in the event of a tied score the following will be used to establish a winner: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Kennel with the highest number of Excellents in Show and Obedience,</li> </ul> <p><u>If still a tie:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Kennel with the most excellent graded dogs behind the kennels highest placed animal in the Open classes,</li> </ul> <p><u>If still a tie:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> The Kennel with the most excellent graded dogs behind the kennels 2nd highest animal in the Open classes, and so on until a winner is decided.</li> </ul> <p><u>Rationale:</u></p> <p><i>The current scoring method allocates a fixed number of points to the winning dog in each class, regardless of the number of dogs exhibited. This gives an unfair advantage to the Kennel that bred dogs competing in the smaller classes. The proposed change provides the maximum number of points in each class to be based on the number of dogs placed on the pegs in that class.</i></p> <p><i>To avoid the potential of two or more Kennels having a tied score, the criteria to establish a winner has been drafted.</i></p> </li> </ol>	Jenny Yuen, on behalf of Victoria

	<p><b>8.2</b></p>	<p><b>Discussion Point: Expanding the National Judges List.</b></p> <p>Consideration be given to expanding the National Judges List to include respected senior international judges that may not necessarily be German domiciled or SV.</p> <p>Maintain the requirement that a judge must have judged in Australia on at least 2 previous occasions before being recommended to be put on the National list at an NBC meeting and then approved.</p> <p>One judge must be an SV, the other at least a senior international judge approved at NBC.</p> <p><u>Rationale:</u>  <i>Opens up the pool to include other respected judges and some new faces. Look at the enthusiasm created with the contracting of Malcolm Griffiths.  It has become increasingly difficult to deal with some of the SV judges.</i></p>	<p>Jenny Yuen, on behalf of Victoria</p>
	<p><b>8.3</b></p>	<p><b>Standardise Major Trophies for the National.</b></p> <p>That the trophies for the National be standardised. A trophy is struck that is unique to the National rather than a set of crystal one year, cutlery the next etc. that do not relate to the dog. Recommend the German Shepherd statues similar to those given in SA in 2013 and Vic this year be considered.</p>	<p>Jenny Yuen, on behalf of Victoria</p>
	<p><b>8.4</b></p>	<p><b>Discussion Point: National Council investigate the setting up of a Database for Show Entries.</b></p> <p>On line entry system for all GSD shows Nationally that would also create and simplify the catalogue production.</p> <p>Details would come up automatically when logged into the database. As youngsters are added they would come up automatically with breeding, age etc.</p> <p>Considerations: state club support to make National firstly? costs? workload? Software not difficult, online payment management and reconciliation?</p>	<p>Jenny Yuen, on behalf of Victoria</p>
	<p><b>8.5</b></p>	<p><b>Discussion point: Dual Performance Trophy</b></p> <p>The GSDCV has moved to include CCD in the Dual Performance Trophy at Vic shows.</p> <p>In Victoria under the current rules, to qualify, the dog must have won 2 dual trophies during the year.</p> <p>Over the last 3 years the trophy has been awarded only once due to the limited opportunities available and difficulty in qualifying.</p> <p>We need to acknowledge that the GSD is a working dog – not just a beautiful looking animal. Are other state clubs providing trials and recognising Dual Performance?</p> <p>We need to encourage the state clubs to hold dual performance obedience trials.</p>	<p>Jenny Yuen, on behalf of Victoria</p>

	<b>9.</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>	
	<b>10.</b>	<b>DATE AND VENUE FOR THE 2016 JUDGES COMMITTEE MEETING</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2016, Sydney</li> </ul>	
<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>CLOSE OF MEETING</b>	