



The German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.

**ANNUAL REPORT
2014**

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PRESENTING

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA Inc.

ABN 25 515 310 063

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It is with great pleasure that I present the 2014 Annual Report of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc (GSDCA).

This Annual Report includes the audited financial statements of the Council covering the financial year 1st October 2013 to 30th September 2014, and the work undertaken by the GSDCA Executive, Position Holders and Member Clubs during the year.

All persons in charge of areas within a GSDCA portfolio were approached to submit a report and I very much appreciate those who have taken the time to provide the history of activities throughout the year.

The historical importance of these reports will be of immeasurable value to those who follow us within the Breed.

I thank my fellow Executive, Member Club Presidents and Secretaries and all Member Club Committee's for their prompt and efficient response, thereby enabling me to have this report completed in readiness for the 54th GSDCA Annual General Meeting held in Sydney NSW.

Val Moody
Honorary Secretary

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Secretary	Val Moody
Treasurer	Jane Pike
Obedience Committee	John DeLucia
Editor National Review	Yvonne Yun

POSITION HOLDERS

Public Officer	Lenore Harris
Hereditary Diseases Registrar	Karen Hedberg
HD/ED Registrar	Doug West
National Identification Registrar	Frank Moody
NBC Registrar	Dawn Evans
National Show Liaison Officer	Ian Urie
Rules & Regulations Officer	Sharon Thorp
Trophy Officer	Terry Jarvis
Database Coordinator	Frank Moody
Historian	N/A
Communications Portfolio	
Breed Specific Legislation Officer	Margaret Adams
Website Officer	John Fenner
Public Relations Officer	N/A

MEMBER CLUB COMMITTEE'S FOR 2014

ACT GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG ASSOCIATION

President	Wolf Meffert
Vice President	Sasha Beljanski
Secretary	Veronica Fairbairn
Treasurer	Jenny Kenworthy
Training Coordinator	Rhonda Daley
Breed Affairs Administrator	Veronica Fairbairn

BROKEN HILL GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB

President	Tony Lines
Vice President	Dale Halling
Secretary	Rachel Morgan
Treasurer	Rachel Morgan
Membership Officer	Wayne Simmons

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG LEAGUE

President	Graeme Stevenson
Vice President	Terry Jarvis
Secretary	Fay Stokes
Treasurer	Karen Eaton
Training Coordinator	Karen Eaton
Breed Affairs Administrator	Fay Stokes



NEWCASTLE & HUNTER REGION GSDC

President	Sean Lynch
Secretary	Leeanne Lynch
Treasurer	Graham Robinson/Julie O'Sullivan
Breed Affairs Administrator	Paul Murray

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

President	Margaret Adams
Vice President	Sherri Whitford
Secretary	Haydn Andrews
Treasurer	Craig Whitford/Margaret Francis
Breed Affairs Administrator	Margaret Adams
Public Officer	Steve Jones

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF QUEENSLAND

President	Rod Vernon
Vice President	Kenny Hills
Secretary	Nicole Hammond
Treasurer	Michelle Hammond
Breed Affairs Administrator	Jay Brandon

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

President	John DeLucia
1 st Vice President	Stephen Collins
2 nd Vice President	Salvatore Pittelli
Secretary	Doug West
Treasurer	Peter Flynn
Breed Affairs	Salvatore Pittelli
Obedience	Ian Cooke

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF TASMANIA

President	Ken Millhouse
Vice President	Denis De Carteret
Secretary	Marie Paterson
Treasurer	Sandra Parker
Breed Affairs Administrator	Carol Millhouse

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF VICTORIA

President	Vince Ebejer
Vice President	Ian Urie
2 nd Vice President	Louisa Rodger
Secretary	Norma Meaney
Treasurer	Michael Simmons
Breed Affairs Administrator	Jenny Yuen
Training Administrator	Marilyn Wrigley

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

President	Ian Marr
Vice President	John Crace
Secretary	Richard Hosking/Anna Mitchell
Treasurer	Eric Herson
Breed Affairs Chair	John Fenner/Natalie Humphries
Show Chair	Robyn Knuckey
Obedience Chair	Honey Gross-Richardson



PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Vince Tantaro

Ladies, Gentleman and visitors I again welcome you and look forward to your participation in the 54th Annual General Meeting of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA).

I am able to report that the last year has seen much work done by the Officers and Executive in administering the affairs of Council, initiating and or finalising work programs. I am more than happy that the Executive has as a team been able to work together in order to further progress the affairs of this Council. My aim, to see decisions being owned by all of us (Members, Member Clubs, GSDCA Officers & Executive) and dispel the still held belief by some, that the Executive has sole power, has created trust amongst us with the result being we have all become more productive and are able to concentrate on the real work at hand. I would also like to note the way Member Clubs have contributed to the progress made during the year. I see a real change in the way they consider the business of Council with the lines of communication much improved. It is important we note the contribution members of Member Clubs make to the betterment and welfare of the GSD in this country. On behalf of the Breed I would like to thank the many members who work tirelessly for their Clubs: without your dedication the Breed would not be, as well served, as it is today.

I would like to thank all members of the Executive for their most professional approach to carrying out their duties and for their input to all decisions. I believe we have, as a team, demonstrated an ability to work closely together, respect one another and own decisions as made. I must also thank all of the Officers of Council who do much work for the breed and this Council. We have numerous positions that require dedicated persons to ensure the work of Council continues seamlessly. On this point I would like to thank two long serving Officers:

- John Fenner has over the many years, been our webmaster over a number of periods. His work in first establishing and then administering over a number of years this most important communication tool is indeed recognised and appreciated by the Council. Thank you, John.
- Frank Moody as Identification Officer has administered the Tattoo Scheme for the past 12 years. He has decided to give up the role and concentrate on other roles he has. On behalf of the Council I thank Frank for his dedication and sustained effort in this role.

I would like to welcome two new younger and active members to the leadership team:

- Dr Candy Baker, has been appointed Assistant Breed Health & Welfare Officer and will provide valuable support to Dr Karen Hedberg.
- Adam Toretto, Identification Officer.

A number of working parties during the year have been able to bring forward or put in place a number of milestones that demonstrate the willingness of Member Clubs to continue to support a progressive approach that continues to demonstrate that this Council continues to meet the needs of the Breed and its members. I want to highlight these milestones.

GSDCA Database: The establishment of the GSDCA Database has been on Councils agenda for over 15+ years and was seriously taken up as a project in 2007. The Council is indeed lucky that we have had a tireless worker - Frank Moody who took on the project and with the employment of subject matter expert and GSDCV member Daryl Bourke who despite being paid for his time put in far more effort than was allocated in the budget to complete the task. It must be noted that Joylene Neddermeyer and Doug West provided breed related input. The milestone of having the GSDCA Database released online for members to use on 1 January 2015 is solely credited to Frank & Daryl's commitment over many years of working on this project. Thank you!

GSDCA Regulations: The project to produce a document that can easily be accessed and interpreted as opposed to a book of, in many cases, conflicted ill worded motions, has like the GSDCA Database been long overdue. Initially Joylene Neddermeyer undertook the thankless task of converting motions into regulations. This process was slow and hampered by the fact that each section as presented needed to be adopted. It was clear to me that the only way such a document could be produced was to



have a concentrated effort and produce 'Version 1' which would be adopted as is and modified as needed post adoption. A working party headed by Sharon Thorp (Rules & Regulations Officer), Frank Moody, Steve Collins (& Ian Urie who worked in early days of the project) was formed at 2012 AGM with Joylene providing ongoing support when needed. I would like to thank Sharon, Frank and Steve for their dedication to the task. Your work has ensured we finally have a set of clear regulations that can be accessed by all members.

GSDCA Website: The GSDCA Website needed a revamp and as such Council decided to go ahead and investigate how best to go forward with a redesign. The working party for this task were Jane Pike, John Fenner, Yvonne Yun, and Jacinta Poole. I am happy to report that the working party as headed by Jane, has in quick time, investigated the options and presented same to the Council, who in turn have given approval for the project to be completed. The redesign is currently underway and we expect the new site to be launched by end March 2015. Again this milestone could not be achieved without Jane, Jacinta, John and Yvonne's commitment to see the project fast tracked and completed. Thank You!

The National GSD Show & Trial continues to be Councils 'main event'! The 42nd National GSD Show & Trial was to have been hosted by the GSD of Qld but due to unforeseen circumstances was hosted by the ACTGSDA in an arrangement that saw an experiment undertaken with Council fully underwriting the event. Further, this show was promoted as a 'joint' effort and therefore we saw members from other Clubs and the Executive work together with the Club to ensure the show was truly a 'Council' show and success. I am happy to report that the show was most successful, not only in terms of finances but more importantly as a showcase for our breed. We were fortunate that our newly appointed Patron Dawn Fraser was able to accept our invitation and joined us. She made a notable contribution to the event. It was also noted that wounds of the past regarding ACTGSDA hosting a National have healed and I see no reason why this Club cannot be rostered to host the event. The idea to sponsor a charity was again supported with 'Beyond Blue' being chosen. Yvonne Yun, Jane Pike and the Club must be thanked for driving this.

The presentation of GSDCA Junior Showmanship Awards, together with the way Junior Handler Classes were conducted whilst it did cause some angst and some exhibitors questioning me "why do we do this?", is an essential part of the National: we cannot bemoan the time given to our younger members, they are our future! I would like to thank Jesse Lynch for her work as Youth Officer. I can only reiterate again a call I made to Member Clubs: please ensure you have a youth program that allows for your younger members to participate and learn about your Club and our breed.

The Council held the National Breed Commission, Judges Committee, Judges & Breed Surveyors & Obedience Meeting's during 2014. The reason I raise this is to highlight what I believe is a gradual change in the way we do business. I attended all of these meetings and what was most evident is that opinion is encouraged and matters are fully discussed without fear of retribution. The other important aspect is that decisions are owned by those in attendance. The process by which matters are brought forward to these meetings rather than by a Club at an AGM sees far better discussion and wider input by the membership and the peer group who by their very participation own any decision that is to go forward for adoption at the AGM. The agenda for this meeting is a prime example of this process: the items in the main as listed are better considered and worded and the supporting rationale together with peer group ownership is a major step in ensuring that items are well understood prior to being adopted.

There has been much side bar discussion regarding the past and what Council was able to achieve and that we the Council have or are losing our way. I offer the following in order that the membership and some of our long-time members and past position holders understand how this Council operates. The Council is the Member Clubs, the Executive as elected is not the Council! The Executive as put in place by the Member Clubs undertakes to give leadership and administer the affairs of the Council. The role of making the final decision that is to be adopted nationally is the sole prerogative of the Member Clubs. The Council has by the very nature of what it has implemented over the years has in the main idealistic members. Many of us believe in what we do, and the controls we have put in place to breed GSDs. Yes, there are self-interested members who sit on the fringe and take what they want from us but in the main it's the idealism that binds the majority of us and what has been the driver that has seen the breed progress to where it is today. The betterment and welfare of the GSD is our prime goal. I am proud to say that those who lately have thrown rocks from the fringe by professing in open media that bias takes place over a show placing, that preferential treatment is



given to some, or that there is collusion etc., are a minority and it is quite evident their angst is fuelled by self-interest.

Last year I listed some aspirational goals, some of which have or are being addressed, however my goal for the coming year is to commence work on how best to put forward a well-considered case to the ANKC to have put in place a Litter Registration Limitation (LRL) that will only allow for GSDCA Breed Survey recognised animals to be bred with. I believe we can achieve this within a five year time frame! If achieved, it will truly be the crowning achievement of this Council and give us control of the breeding of GSD. This control would be an invaluable point to make when presenting and promoting responsible dog ownership to all governments and would serve the breed by ensuring only animals that have met our criteria for Breed Survey would be bred with.

In closing I wish to thank the Member Clubs for their consideration and hospitality as extended to my wife Frances and me during our visits.

I would also like to thank the membership and my fellow Executive, for their continued support and confidence in me.

I only trust that I continue to meet your expectations.

Thank You

Vince Tantaro - President

TREASURER'S REPORT – Ms. Jane Pike

As Treasurer, I present to the Members of Council and my fellow Executive the audited financial statement for the organisation for the financial year ending 30 September 2014.

The financial report shows an operating deficit for the year of \$(15,804) compared to 2012/2013 of \$(6,819). Contributing factors to the deficit for this financial year are the Breed Survey Year books \$5,048, write off of Golden Jubilee books from inventory to an expense account \$4,271 (as advised by the Auditor), payment made towards the database \$2,800, increased expenditure for Trophies/Medals up \$1,483 and storage costs of \$1,340.

Breed Survey Year Book - The table below details the losses in regard to the Breed Survey Year Book (BSYB) over the past four years which totals \$(20,121) over this period. The Council cannot continue to produce this publication without significant losses. Whilst the members that purchase the book, less than 5% of the membership, do not wish to see its demise we need to move into the future and take advantage of the GSDCA Database which can provide this information on line.

Breed Survey Books 2010-2013					
INCOME	2011 Fin Yr 2010 BSYB	2012 Fin Yr 2011 BSYB	2013 Fin Yr 2012 BSYB	2014 Fin Yr 2013 BSYB	
Survey Books Current Year	\$ 9,563.64	\$ 8,181.52	\$ 7,752.59	\$ 7,025.53	
Survey Books Back Issues	\$ -	\$ (428.18)	\$ 769.99	\$ 1,063.65	
TOTAL	\$ 9,563.64	\$ 7,753.34	\$ 8,522.58	\$ 8,089.18	\$ 33,928.74
EXPENSES					
Survey Books	\$ 11,146.25	\$ 16,805.00	\$ 13,003.33	\$ 13,095.09	
TOTAL	\$ 11,146.25	\$ 16,805.00	\$ 13,003.33	\$ 13,095.09	\$ 54,049.67
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (1,582.61)	\$ (9,051.66)	\$ (4,480.75)	\$ (5,005.91)	\$ (20,120.93)



Quarterly National Review (QNR) – The income and expenditure reflects four issues produced during the year. Whilst the Editor works tirelessly sourcing advertising for the magazine, it is a thankless task and without this advertising income the magazine would be a very expensive proposition. The loss reported of \$3,471 is primarily attributed to the National Edition. The price increased from \$4.40 to \$5.50 (GST Inc) per member copy from mid year.

Stock on hand – Below is a summary of stock on hand as at 30 September 2014

Golden Jubilee Book (Leather)	5	Stock to be kept for future gifts
Golden Jubilee Book (Soft Cover)	212	
Standard Excellent Conformation	1,462	
Standard Excellent Obedience	48	
National Gold, Silver, Bronze Medals	94	
Medal Cases for Gold, Silver Bronze Medals	35	
National Excellent	595	
National Obedience Excellent	13	
National Memento	780	
National Service Award	9	

Further explanations regarding other financial information:

- Meeting expenditure was down by \$2,256 compared to the previous year. This included the AGM, NBC/Judges Meeting and Obedience Meeting.
- Income from Tattooing has increased by \$925 compared to the previous year.
- General travel expenditure increased by \$987 compared to last year's. Travel expenditure included the accommodation and airfares for the Patron to attend the National \$728 and return airfares for the Brisbane and Adelaide based members of the Rules and Regulations Committee to meet in Melbourne \$660.
- Interest received is down \$1,041 on previous year
- The report includes details of the income and expenditure which the GSDCA received and paid on behalf of the ACT GSDA who hosted the 2014 National Show and Trial. As the show was successful and well attended the Club returned a surplus from the event, therefore the ACT GSDA reimbursed Council for the expenditure incurred. As is the process with all National Shows, on the completion of the financials for the show, the ACT GSDA paid the National Show Levy to the GSDCA.
- Accounts receivable of \$13,561 included outstanding invoices from Clubs and Eukanuba.

If you have any enquires regarding the Financial Statements please contact me on mobile 0413 347 247 or email treasurer@gsdcouncilaustralia.org prior to the meeting so that I can ensure that I have the information available to answer questions at the meeting.

Once again I have enjoyed the year as Treasurer. It continues to be a learning experience in human interaction and the workings of Council.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Member Club Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, HD/ED Registrars and my fellow Executive members for their assistance, support and timely payment of accounts during the year!



NATIONAL COUNCIL CHARGES as from 1 October 2014 – GST INCLUSIVE

Service or Product	Charge to Clubs/Applicant	Charge to Members by Clubs
TATTOO CHARGES		
Tattoo per pup	\$2.00	
Tattoo Prefix	\$25.00	
AUS Number	\$25.00	
TOOTH CERTIFICATE		
Tooth Certificate	\$35.00	
BREED SURVEY		
Charge to Clubs		
Breed Survey Pass	\$27.00	\$35.00
Breed Survey Fail	\$27.00	\$35.00
Breed Survey Book 2013	\$56.00	\$56.00
Breed Survey Book 2012	\$52.00	\$52.00
Breed Survey Book 2011	\$40.00	\$40.00
Breed Survey Book 2010 and prior	\$20.00	\$20.00
HD & ED CONTROL SCHEME		
Charge to Members and payable to National Council		
HD Appeal	\$100.00	
HD/ED Form – Hips & Elbows	\$65.00	
HD/ED Form – Hips only	\$47.00	
HD/ED Form – Elbows only	\$30.00	
Paid to Readers by National Council * (GST Exclusive)		
HD/ED – Readers Charge	* \$49.00	
HD - Readers Charge	* \$30.63	
ED - Readers Charge	* \$18.35	
QUARTERLY NATIONAL REVIEW		
QNR Magazine cost to members per edition	\$5.50	
QNR Advertising – Front Cover	\$300.00	
QNR Advertising – Back Cover	\$250.00	
QNR Advertising – Full Page	\$500.00	
QNR Advertising – Double Spread	\$900.00	
QNR Advertising – Half Page	\$275.00	
QNR Advertising – Quarter Page	\$115.00	
QNR Subscriptions Private Subscriber - Australia	\$50.00	
QNR Subscriptions Private Subscriber – New Zealand	\$58.00 AUD	
QNR Subscriptions Private Subscriber – SE Asia	\$60.00 AUD	
QNR Subscriptions Private Subscriber – UK/Europe/USA/Canada	\$65.00 AUD	
NATIONAL COUNCIL MEDALS		
Standard Conformation Excellent Medal (Round)	\$4.40	
Standard Obedience in Trial Excellent Medal (Round)	\$15.00	
National Show Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals (Large Round)	\$7.50	
National Show National Conformation Excellent Medal (Large Round)	\$7.50	
National Show Obedience Excellent Medal (Triangle)	\$18.45	
National Show Memento (Octagonal)	\$9.50	
GOLDEN JUBILIEE EDITION		
Soft Cover	\$75.00	





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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED

We have audited the accompanying financial statements, being special purpose financial statements of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Incorporated, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2014 and the operating statement for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the statement by the Executive of Council.

Executive of Council's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Executive of Council are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Association's constitution and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The Executive of Council's responsibility also includes such internal control as the Executive of Council determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial statements that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Executive of Council, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

Communications, Meetings, National Show Levy and National Breed Commission income are significant sources of revenue for the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc. The Association has determined that it is impracticable to establish control over this revenue prior to entry into its financial records.

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Accordingly, as the evidence available to us regarding revenue from these sources was limited, our audit procedures with respect to Communications, Meetings, National Show Levy, National Breed Commission and National Show and Trial income had to be restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records amounting to \$129,464 and \$93,439 for the year ended 30 September 2014 and 2013 respectively. We therefore are unable to express an opinion whether Communications, Meetings, National Show Levy and National Breed Commission and National Show and Trial income the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc. obtained is complete.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the financial statements presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Incorporated as at 30 September 2014, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the significant accounting policies described in Note 1 and the financial reporting requirements of the Association's constitution.

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements have been prepared to assist the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Incorporated to meet the requirements of the Association's constitution. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

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G K Edwards
Director

Adelaide, 3rd December 2014



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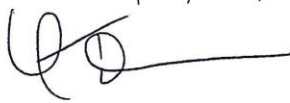
STATEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE

The Executive has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the members of the Executive the financial report:

- a) presents fairly the financial position of the German Shepherd Council of Australia Inc as at 30 September 2014 and its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- b) at the date of this statement there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Executive

Place 3/12/14.

President

date 3/12/14

Executive Member



SECRETARY'S REPORT – Mrs. Val Moody

I wish to welcome you to the 54th Annual General Meeting of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) being held in Sydney, New South Wales.

It is with great pleasure that I present my Annual Report, along with the correspondence lists as sent to all Member Club Delegates for perusal prior to this meeting.

During May the 2014 National Show & Trial, our most prestigious event held during the year, was hosted by the ACT GSDA and the GSDCA and held in Canberra. My congratulations are extended to the small group of workers from the ACT GSDA, and those from other State Clubs and the Executive that lent a helping hand prior to and during the event. A most successful National.

I must apologise to all for my lack of attendance over that weekend but as you would be aware I had to attend hospital all weekend with Frank having undergone a serious operation. All is well now, but I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that offered best wishes and a speedy recovery to Frank and especially to Adam Toretto, Vince and Fran Tantaro, Andrew and Rachel Jones, Vicki Dobson and of course Trinity and Stephanie Jones (they always make me smile) for their support of both Frank and myself during this very tense time. We thank all of you most sincerely.

As part of the National all Member Clubs and the Executive supported “*beyondblue*” and the total raised exceeded our target with a final amount of \$5,907.35. What a great job! Congratulations to all those who contributed so generously to this great cause and the support as shown by the Member Clubs.

GSDCA SERVICE AWARDS:

Congratulations are extended to the following people that received the “GSDCA Service Award” at the 42nd National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2014 for their dedication to the German Shepherd Dog and continued support and commitment at Club/Canine Control level.

- ❖ Lenore Harris
- ❖ Rhonda Daley
- ❖ Ian Marr

Ian's GSDCA Service Award was presented by the GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaro at the West Coast Challenge WA in October 2014.

GSDCA OUTSTANDING CANINE SERVICE AWARDS:

This year there was no awards presented to any Service Dogs.

GSDCA SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD:

At the 42nd National the GSDCA Special Recognition Award was presented to Mrs. Elke Effler and Rodatt Cito (Jochen) by the GSDCA Patron Mrs. Dawn Fraser AO MBE.

GSDCA – RECOGNITION OF SERVICE:

The GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaro presented the following GSDCA Awards - Recognition of Service as an Executive member to :

- ❖ Mr. Barry O'Rourke
- ❖ Mrs. Julie Urie

GSDCA OBEDIENCE AWARDS:

The GSDCA President, Vince Tantaro and the GSDCA Obedience Chair Mr. John DeLucia presented the Obedience Awards to:

Mrs. Dearne Jackson
“Best Community Companion Dog”
*Glenraco Golly Gosh “A” “Z”



Mr. Eric Herson
“Best Open Dog”
*Fredo vom Hause Kampenhuber aED (Imp Gmy) CDX, ET, Excellent

Mrs. Kathie Minton
“GSDCA Excellent Handler Award”
O. Ch. Koonski Just A Dash “A” “Z”

During July, I attended the Breed Surveyors/Judges Meeting, National Breed Commission Meeting and Judges Committee Meeting hosted by the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc.

Also, in August, I attended the Obedience Meeting hosted by the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc. Copies of minutes for these meeting were distributed to all Member Clubs and the attendees.

I wish to thank the Victorian Club for hosting these events and express my appreciation for the work undertaken by the Wesetrn Branch of the GSDCV for arranging a wonderful lunch, morning/afternoon teas at the Obedience Meeting. Well done to all and thank you.

Items of interest during 2014:

Royal Melbourne Show

Unfortunately the contracted judge Herr Dux (SV) was unable to officiate at this event due to illness. The GSDCV spoke with Mrs. Fran Farley who agreed to step in as the replacement Judge.

For the second year, the showcasing of our breed at this very prestigious event, allowed the general public to view both varieties of quality German Shepherd Dogs. Congratulations to the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria for maximizing participation and use the opportunity to promote our breed. Well done to all.

GSDCA Website Redesign and Development Working Party

The Working Party has endeavoured to obtain the best possible outcome for redesigning the GSDCA website in a manner that makes the website more modern and user friendly.

Their work has been productive and all relevant information sent to Member Clubs for approval. Now that has been received, hopefully early in the New Year our new website will be unveiled.

I thank Jane Pike, Jacinta Poole, Yvonne Yun and John Fenner for the work involved thus far.

Also, the GSDCA Database is to be operational commencing early January, so members of Member Clubs will have the opportunity to access via a Member Club password.

I take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to Frank Moody and Daryl Bourke for their continued work and commitment to ensure that the GSDCA Database is one that we can all be proud of.

It was a very sad day for the GSD fraternity on the recent loss of our dear friend Christine Davies. Christine was a staunch supporter of the German Shepherd Dog and our Member Clubs.

Christine was recognized for her commitment and support of the GSDCA and Member Clubs by a presentation to her of the GSDCA Service Award in 2011 at the Sydney National.

Christine will be sadly missed and we extend our sympathies to her family and friends.

I would like to express my appreciation to all Member Club Presidents, Secretaries and Committee's for their continued support throughout this year and a special thank you to Barbara Blythe, for her valuable expertise in taking the minutes over the weekend of the Annual General Meeting and the Obedience Meeting. Not an easy job but greatly appreciated. Thank you so much Barbara I do appreciate your efforts.

I thank my fellow Executive and Position Holders for their assistance and support over the year and I look forward to ensuring the future betterment of this organization and the German Shepherd Dog in Australia.



MEMBER CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President ACT GSDA – Mr. Wolf Meffert

The Association had a rather busy 2013 – 2014. Due to Queensland being unable to run the 2014 National we were asked by the GSDCA Executive to hold this event in Canberra. There is a separate report relating to this event.

Other than the National there has been very little excitement in the year's activities. Membership has not fluctuated very much, however, as usual there is still a high turnover with the number of stalwarts remaining at about 70. The Associations main activities are obedience training and managing the related breed issues. New GSD owners are basically interested only in fundamental control over their dog before they depart to pursue other personal interests. This appears to be a general problem throughout the canine world.

It has however been pleasing to see a small group of members taking part in the area of Conformation Showing. They take the vagrancies of the all breeds scene in their stride. It is interesting that the quality of the GSD's exhibited in the All Breeds Ring has not changed in the last 20+ years. However they try to have a fun day at these shows and give the local judges an opportunity to see some real GSD's.

An important aspect of the Association is our training school. We endeavour to start with a puppy classes socialising class where we accept pups from the age of about 8 weeks. This allows their owners to gain some control of their new family members while they are still of a manageable size. This is very successful with pups being used to associating with other dogs and people thus minimising distractions in subsequent obedience classes. It also allows us to provide basic information on the management of 'the' new puppy. Overall it is considered to be a positive outcome in the life of the puppy.

In addition to the 42nd National the Association conducted 2 Championship Shows on the October 2014 long weekend. We again managed to share one of our judges with New Zealand, a financial win-win outcome for us all.

We did not conduct any Breed Surveys during the year as there was no specific need re excellent gradings. Our members also actively participate in the tattoo and HD/ED Schemes.

The ACT also operates a dog rescue service with regular contacts at the Pound and the RSPCA as well as direct contact from owners who for various reasons are looking to re-home a furry member of their family.

President Broken Hill GSDC – Mr. Tony Lines

No report received from this Club.

President GSD League – Mr. Greg Jones

Whilst I have only taken over as President of the GSDL since the last week of November I am happy, in conjunction with the Secretary, to present a report.

Over the past twelve months the German Shepherd Dog League has continued to grow in it's membership numbers which can be attributed to largely with the breeders using the Introductory Membership to enrol their puppy buyers in the GSDL and in this regard it is interesting to note that the numbers attending our Tuesday night obedience training have increased considerably however the numbers in our Show Training on a Thursday evening have declined. This is an area i.e., the Thursday night training that will be addressed this coming year and every effort made to increase the attendance. To this end it is intended to introduce some show training/fun/puppy days during the daylight hours.

Unfortunately the GSDL does not have a rescue plan in service at the present time with the resignation of our Welfare Officer who has worked tirelessly over the past twelve months rescuing and re-homing German Shepherds whilst at the same time becoming more upset with the breeders who refuse to take responsibility or assist in any way in the rescue of animals they have bred ending up in dog pounds. This lady is now forming a private German Shepherd Rescue together with another person and I am sure the GSDL will not hesitate to



assist where possible. This is an area where perhaps input from other clubs in the way they handle their rescue and re-homing may assist the League with a rescue scheme.

We are very proud to announce that our Training Co-ordinator was successful in entering for the first time in many years a team from the obedience section of the League who were successful in gaining 3rd place in a very large All Breeds Obedience competition and we look forward to, hopefully, being able to enter two teams in 2015. This is an area where the GSDL dominated for many years in the past.

Also, at the present time the League does not have a Demonstration Team but our Training Co-ordinator is certainly working on this as well as our new Publicity Officer.

The area of publicity was also sadly lacking over the past twelve months however we now have a newly elected young lady who is very keen and already has 2 large publicity events for 2015 well in hand.

Our Breed Surveys have grown in attendance over the past twelve months and we know this will grow even more in the coming twelve months thus alleviating the feeling that members have to travel to Newcastle or the ACT. We have Joylene Neddermeyer coming to present her lecture early in the New Year as well as Lou Donald. We will also provide refreshments in our club house after every Survey where members can come and relax whilst holding discussions on the breed and the areas of concern in the breeding of German Shepherds.

As well with the election of a new enthusiastic Web Master and Shepherd News Editor you will have already noticed the changes taking place on our website and the introduction of Facebook to the League.

Over the past twelve months we held 2 Ch.Shows & Trials, 2 Sanction Shows & Trials, and a State Breed Exhibition as well as 2 Open Shows. The League has to conduct 2 Open Shows in conjunction with the 2 Sanction Shows to be able to even hold a Sanction Show. We do use wherever possible trainee working dog judges but of late it has been difficult to obtain working dog trainees and we have been told by Dogs NSW just to take a trainee from any group. We look forward to having a great Easter Show with Herr. A. Rudolf adjudicating.

Having been able to be involved with the Xmas Show and the new committee we set about making our show a happy and relaxed one with a great atmosphere and we were successful in achieving this. All exhibitors received a "Doggie Xmas Stocking" which our web master had managed to have donated, the rings were decorated with Xmas decorations, Santa paid a visit to the children and we made a great profit on our raffle so the show was a great success.

We also moved our Marketing area outside with easy access for the exhibitors, as in the past, and this also proved a winner with our members.

During the year Dogs NSW have erected a permanent colour bond waterproof cover over the Dog Ring and the GSDL have approached them to erect the same over the bitch ring with the League assisting with the cost. We have also applied for approval, and hopefully financial assistance, with the erection of an awning right along the front of the building which will provide much needed shade and protection from the weather a great place to sit and watch the judging.

The GSDL once again had a profitable year and I am sure with the great team we have at the present time made up of new and old committee members the League will go forward in 2015. We certainly look forward to forming a National Show Committee early in the New Year and running a very successful National in 2016.

President N & HR GSDC – Mr. Sean Lynch

The Newcastle and Hunter Region Dog Club continues to run smoothly and is supportive of all the GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes. Over the last twelve months, we have hosted two successful show weekends and continue with obedience training, back pack hikes and a couple of social events which have seen our club enjoy a united front in enjoying the breed.

Our March show was well attended and it was great to have Steve Collins over from South Australia. Steve did an excellent job and everyone seemed to enjoy the show. Our obedience judge was Deidre Anderson and



although our numbers are relatively small for our trials the exhibitors seem to enjoy the friendly relaxed atmosphere which is indicative of Newcastle events.

We hosted a total of four Breed Surveys throughout the year, including one at our new North Coast branch. It is great to see surveys going out to more remote areas as this encourages people to get their animals done and increases participation.

Our club issued 38 hip and elbow forms, this is steady from the previous year. We tattooed two litters this year and since the introduction of microchipping most breeders are opting to use this as a positive form of identification.

In August we trialled a new format whereby we had a Championship Show on the Saturday and a Members Breed competition on the Sunday. For this weekend we had two newly appointed SV judges in Heather McDonald and Jo Cathie, both were well received by the exhibitors. On Saturday, in conjunction with the Championship Show we had an Obedience Trial with Pauline Hartwell as our judge.

Club members continue to enjoy the back pack hikes and gaining kilometres to obtain their cloth badges. These are a great social event as they always conclude with a barbeque and are excellent socialisation as any family dogs are welcome to attend. It also gives the club and the breed positive exposure as the general public is always interested in what is happening.

Our two active showing and breeding kennels, Kuirau and Fremont kennels performed very well at the National titles as did our North Coast members. The only worrying trend is that there has been a dramatic decline in the last say ten years of kennels who are active in both the show and breeding areas. This has affected the show numbers and is reflected in the quality both in terms of anatomical construction and temperaments of the dogs that present for obedience training.

Our year concluded with a fun night which was very much enjoyed by all. There were games for the handlers and competitors and a visit from Santa who arrived on a scooter pulled by Munich.

We look forward to 2015 and working with our fellow Clubs and the Executive to see the improvement of the breed and a return to comradity across the country. Thank you.

President GSDC of the Northern Territory – Ms. Margaret Adams

GENERAL

We had a successful AGM for 2014, all positions were filled.

We had a very good first 6 months of the year in regard to members, numbers and training at the Dog Grounds. Due to members moving on however, we have struggled to keep the club going in the last six months.

Due to the Dog NT Constitution, the Club must have 20 members or more to be affiliated.

We will be writing a letter to Dogs NT requesting that they change their constitution for the GSDCNT Members to be 10 at their next AGM.

The Club is sharing the grounds with Darwin Ladies Kennel Club to cover the cost of the lights on the grounds.

Training will be 2015

- Obedience Training
- Rally O
- Show Training

This year 2014, we approached different ways of promoting the GSDCNT.

- RAAF Orientation Day
- Paws Walk
- Darwin Pet Expo

CATERING

A big thankyou to Marg Francis and Shane Smith for all their help. Also a huge thankyou to Marg & Graham Doyle non members of the German Shepherd Club for all their help with our catering.



We also combined with the Northern Cowboys Association with catering as well.

Catering at Bunnings, Palmerston has been very successful fund raiser for the club.

TRAINING

We would like to thank our trainers Jenny Jettner and Cheryl Caffey. Jenny took the older classes, while Cheryl did the new classes and tracking.

Due to work commitments both trainers resigned about the same time and due to lack of members turning up for training we had to cancel training sessions as this was costing the club \$30.00 a night for lights.

HIPS & ELBOWS

We had one bitch Sannjesa Kiss n Tell.

President GSDC of Queensland – Mr. Rod Vernon

Thank you to the following Committee members for their hard work during the year. Firstly to the Vice President Kenny Hills who as always comes along with Damien and Brittany to make sure the show rings are ready. Many thanks Kenny and his team. To our Secretary Nicole Hammond thank you. The Secretary's role is a very large job for one so young especially when she also has two others jobs. Well done and many thanks Nicole. Our Treasurer this year was Michelle Hammond. This important role was very well done and I am sure the Club appreciates it. Our Editor of Fidelity was Diane Ballantyne and the magazine was so capably done by Diane and always out on time. My go to lady always ready to assist all and everyone who needed a hand with anything. Many thanks Di.

Our Show Secretary was Nancy Hardie again this year. The Club held our Open show and Obedience Trial in February. Then the Working Dog Club of Qld show was held in May followed by our Double Header Champ Shows and Trial in July. In September the Club put on the State Breed Exhibition and finally the Ipswich Kennel Club show in October. Everyone can see this is a huge amount of work for Nancy and on behalf of all the members well done Nan. Breed Affairs Registrar for the Club this year was Jay Brandon. The Club held five Surveys this year and Jay has settled in very well to this position and reports from the Club Surveyors are extremely positive on the way Jay has run the Surveys. Many thanks Jay. HD-ED and Tattoo Registrar was Sue Robertson. Sue has put in another year of great service to the Club. I make mention of comments from National Council's HD-ED Registrar Doug West who has frequently praised Sue for submitting all her paperwork on time. Good job Sue. Obedience Coordinator and Trial Secretary Ann Clarkson had a big year. Ann has many new ideas to put into place next year to help promote Obedience Trials for the Club. Well done Ann.

To our Surveyors Russell Wenham, Louis Donald, Barry and Carol O'Rourke well done all and a special thanks for all your efforts again this year. Thank you to Russell Wenham for doing the Judges Training night at Durack for aspiring Dogs Queensland Judges. It is appreciated Rus.

Unfortunately we couldn't find anyone to take on the role of organising Durack Show training this year but the Club does thank those members who stepped up regularly during the year to take classes. Website Manager Irene Hayton looks after the Club site and does a great job albeit behind the scenes. Many thanks once again for your efforts Irene. Website Officer Lyn McIntosh assisted Irene again this year. A great job Lyn and well done. Facebook team are Lyn McIntosh and Sue Robertson and they work together making sure members are kept up to date via the Facebook page. Well done girls.

Breed Rescue for the Club is Jean Hansford who has been doing this for many years. This very important job is quietly handled by Jean and her husband Brian. A fabulous job and thanks to you both. Puppy Listings Officer again this year was Annie Tamblyn. Annie also has been doing this for many years behind the scenes. Very well done and thank you Annie. Memberships register was Brett Hammond who keeps our membership lists up to date. Well done Brett. To our Zone Rep Liz Kruger thank you very much for all your reports during the year. Also mention to Diane Whyte who has been filling in as Zone Rep for the far northern area. Diane also submitted newsy reports for the magazine. Thank you both very much.

The year actually started in December 2013 with a fund-raising BBQ at Bunnings in Toowoomba which was well supported by Committee and obedience members. Shortly afterwards came our December Puppy Picnic which was well attended followed by our Christmas breakup. Then onto February and another Bunnings fundraising BBQ this time at Mansfield where despite a couple of fat fires during the day the Club still made



another healthy profit. Unfortunately I couldn't attend this BBQ as I was away in Adelaide at the GSDCA AGM as your representative. February the Club held its Open show with Jenny Baker judging the show and Laurie Knauth judging the obedience trial. Both attracted only a fair entry. To make it viable to hold this Open show the Club needs more entries. Then at the end of February in conjunction with Dogs Queensland judges board the GSDCQ held a Breed Seminar with our own Louis Donald officiating. This was well attended and was a very informative Seminar. We did have the Seminar taped and the DVD's are available for \$20 from Nancy Hardie. On to May and another Bunnings BBQ fundraiser saw good profit go into the kitty. Many thanks must go out to all the members who came along to all the BBQ's to assist in fund raising for the Club. We also had the Working Dog Club of Queensland show in May with Jan Brabham (SA) judging. Unfortunately slightly lower entries this year.

In May a large contingent of Queensland members descended on the national capital Canberra for the National Show & Trial where a lot of our members enjoyed good success this year. The Bronze Medal SC bitch was owned and bred by Carla & Frank Ali and another member Katie Tanner had the distinction of breeding the Gold Medal SC winning bitch. In the LSC class the Silver Medal Dog was bred by Peter & Brenda Hersant. In July this year the Club held our own showpiece Double Header Shows & Trial. The Judges were John Lijffijt, Robyn Knuckey and Cathy O'Shea. Hopefully next year the functions with the Judges will be better attended by members and exhibitors. The entries were slightly down this year and hopefully this is not going to continue because if it does the Club will have to take a good long look at the costs of bringing overseas Judges every year. To the members who sponsored classes and advertised in the catalogues for the shows - thank you very much. In August the Brisbane Royal held its show and this was well attended once again by the members.

September and our SBE was held with Joylene Neddermeyer officiated. On the Saturday afternoon before Joylene gave her German and Australian bloodline seminar which was very informative and very well received by those who attended. The entries for the SBE were slightly up on the previous year. It was a very successful exhibition. Next we go onto October with the Ipswich Kennel Club and Alastair Henderson doing the judging this year. The entry was good and so was the day. We did however have some problems with regard to lighting whilst judging the LSC's. Measures are ongoing to have lighting installed on our show rings. In November the Committee had a Puppy Picnic and Xmas breakup day planned but because of the extreme heat we were experiencing in the days previously the Committee had to cancel the event.

Many of our members have travelled interstate this year to exhibit their dogs or handle for others with outstanding results during the year and on behalf of the Club congratulations on your successes.

When I took on the position of President my main aim was to bring harmony back to the Club – this is still my aim. Your current Committee have been very hard working for the two years we have been in office with many fund raising BBQ's being held. Members I have learnt a great deal about the Club and about myself in the short time I have been President and this will allow me to do an even better job next year if elected. To make wholesale changes in the Committee now is too early. The Club needs some stability and it is only just starting to get that. If you want a change then do it in a couple of years' time not now. The current Committee is prepared to stay on and conduct the National in 2017 and we believe we can put on the best National ever. Sub committees for the National have already started to take shape and next year we will be going out to secure sponsorship deals for the National but we need your support now and throughout the year. I wish all members and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Rod Vernon

Vice President's Report:

Thank you to Damien and Brittany, Committee and other members who assisted during the year putting up the rings and then packing everything away in the Club trailer after the shows. Thank you to the Committee who appreciated that my work commitments made it quite difficult to attend all the meetings. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a great New Year.

Kenny Hills

Treasurer's Report:

The Auditor's report has been circulated as well as the job Profit/Loss breakdown. The Club made a small loss this year and I will do a quick run through of the accounts so members can better understand where and why losses occurred.

Fixed Deposit Interest -The term deposit interest only received \$2,020.80 this year, compared to \$4,065.10 last year. The reason is simply because all bank interest rates are low, however this \$85,000 continues to be reinvested at the best possible interest rate, to achieve the maximum amount of interest.



Administration - The loss in this area has been reduced dramatically this year as we no longer have the expense of the Durack shed. This area is only showing a small loss.

Fundraising - The Club made a profit of \$3,683.53 for fundraising including sausage sizzles, chocolate sales and drink sales. This profit is down on last year.

Fidelity - This area is showing a small loss which is due to the rise in printing and postage costs.

Quarterly Review - A small profit of \$261.10 has been made in this area.

Breed Survey - This area is showing a profit of \$481.20.

Tattooing - Tattooing continues to show a profit again this year.

Herdling - The herding fun day brought in \$49.00.

Obedience Trials - The Obedience Trials made a loss this year; however our Obedience Co-Ordinator is coming up with ideas to improve entries which will in turn bring in more income for this area.

Open Show - This area made a small profit.

Ipswich Kennel Club 2013 Show - This show produced a loss of \$399.91.

Working Dog Club of Qld Shows - The October 2013 show made a loss of \$356.58 and the May 2014 show also made a loss of \$169.69. The loss in this area should be reduced next financial year as we no longer hold the October show.

Championship Shows - Whilst these shows continue to make losses, this year the Committee worked hard to gain sponsorship and advertising which reduced the loss in this area by \$1,200.

State Breed 2013 - This area shows only a small loss this year.

Show Training - Show training has made a loss of \$336.40 this year. A considerable amount of this loss has occurred in the last quarter of the financial year. This is an area where the incoming Committee will have to look at ways to improve the attendance.

Merchandise - Merchandise is showing a very small loss this year. The stock continues to be slow selling at shows however sales for the Louis Donald DVD continue to bring funds into the Club.

Zone 2 - This zone currently have \$3,215.20 specifically to be spent in their area.

Zone 3 - This zone has \$1,053.90 specifically to be spent in their area.

Conclusion

The Club remains in a very good financial state. The Committee have all worked hard to achieve a healthy financial state for the members. It has been a very easy year for me as accounting is an area that I have had years of experience in and I enjoy this work. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the 2014 committee for their dedication, commitment and desire to get the Club back to being harmonious and going forward. We have achieved this and look forward to 2015.

Michelle Hammond

Breed Affairs Report:

First I would like to thank the Surveyors Russell Wenham, Barry & Carrol O'Rourke and Louis Donald for their dedication through the year. Thanks also to Kenny Hills and Co for setting up the rings, Diane Ballantyne for putting the presentation together of the Surveyed animals in the Fidelity and Lance Young for the firing of the gun. In the 2014 year we saw a decrease in numbers of animals submitted for Survey from 44 in 2013 to 35 in 2014.

Out of the 35 dogs we saw 28 Class 1's, 5 Class 2's and only 2 that failed. Also out of the 35 we saw 28 stock coats and 8 long coats presented. This year we had 4 imported males either verified or put through the full Survey - 2 coming from Italy, 1 from Germany and 1 from Croatia. Congratulations to all the breeders and owners of these dogs.

Jay Brandon

Show Secretary's Report:

Another year has come and gone. The Club held its Open show in February with Ms. Jenny Baker judging. We also held an Obedience Trial the same day and the Judge was Mr. Laurie Knauth. May 2014 saw the Club hold a Champ show in conjunction with the Working Dog Club of Queensland and Jan Brabham from (SA) was our Judge. Two Championship Shows were conducted in July with Mr. John Lijffijt (Netherlands) & Mrs. Robyn Knuckey (WA) judging. We also conducted an Obedience Trial with Mrs. Cathy O'Shea doing the honours. In September we had the State Breed Exhibition with Mrs. Joylene Neddermeyer (SA) judging. To finish the year in October we held a joint venture show with the Ipswich Kennel Club the judge was Mr. Alistair Henderson from Victoria. All these shows and trials went well with no problems.

I would like to thank all the members who helped me this year at these shows unloading and loading my car at the end of the day. I would also like to thank Kenny Hills and his workers for erecting and dismantling the



rings for all shows during the year. This has been a record year with 48 dogs obtaining titles. Congratulations to all that achieved these titles with their dogs. I would love to continue as Show Secretary. I wish all members and their GSD companions a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Nancy Hardie

Obedience Coordinator's Report:

Unfortunately, 2014 was not a good one for the Obedience Section of the Club. February's trial was held later in the day and some exhibitors were still put off by the heat. We have cancelled the 2015 February trial, but hopefully if/when we get lights on the GSD rings we can reinstate this trial to commence later in the day. The July trial was attended by the usual 12 competitors and went well. The September trial was also cancelled because the Dogs Qld Obedience Sub-Committee held a triple header fund raising trial at Caboolture on the same day, so the hopes of getting anyone at all to enter would have been a waste of time and money. Three members were overseas which would account for five dogs and Annie Tamblyn was judging at the triple header. Two other members belong to that Club so would probably not travel down for one trial when they could enter in three trials with no travelling. So out of our usual 12, eight would not be there. I am trying to find ways to encourage more members into the trialing ring and maybe it can be encouraged more by the breeders at point of sale. I am sure you agree that many of our show dogs could be doing more than just showing. Certainly there are quite few of us out there who do a lot more with our dogs besides conformation.

Ann Clarkson

Tattoo Registrar's Report:

October 2013	Ballantyne x 2	I. Hayton x 1	3 Litters	13 pups
November 2013	L. Hersant x 6	P. Tjerkstra x 1	7 Litters	32 pups
December 2013	L. Hersant x 1	G. Hickey x 3	4 Litters	24 pups
January 2014	R. Ballantyne x 3		3 Litters	25 pups
February 2014	R. Outen-Scott x 1		1 Litter	4 pups
March 2014	R. Outen-Scott x 1	L. Hersant x 2	3 Litters	20 pups
April 2014	J. Hansford x 1		1 Litter	3 pups
May 2014	I. Hayton x 2		2 Litters	12 pups
June 2014	L. Hersant x 3		3 Litters	14 pups
July 2014	J. Hansford x 1		1 Litter	2 pups
August 2014	R. Ballantyne x 3		3 Litters	20 pups
September 2014	R. Outen-Scott x 1	J. Hansford x 1 A. Brinkworth x 1	3 Litters	17 pups
			Total Litters 34	Total pups 186

43 booklets sold.

Tattooists:

R. Ballantyne x 8 litters	I. Hayton x 3 litters	A. Brinkworth x 1 litter	J. Hansford x 3 litters
G. Hickey x 3 litters	P. Tjerkstra x 1 litter	R. Outen-Scott x 3 litters	L. Hersant x 12 litters

HD-ED Report

October 2013	5 Contracts issued
November 2013	6 Contracts issued
December 2013	8 Contracts issued
January 2014	14 Contracts issued
February 2014	15 Contracts issued
March 2014	6 Contracts issued
April 2014	4 Contracts issued
May 2014	5 Contracts issued
June 2014	8 Contracts issued
July 2014	6 Contracts issued
August 2014	3 Contracts issued
September 2014	6 Contracts issued
	Total of 86 Contracts issued - <i>All were for Hips and Elbows</i>

Sue Robertson



Editor Fidelity Report:

Fidelity was produced four times this year as usual and members received them early in February, May, August and November. Thank you to members who sent in articles, photos and news items during the year. Thank you also to those members who advertised their dogs in the magazine - your support is appreciated. Fidelity has made a loss this year of \$263.38 which is disappointing. This can be explained in two ways (1) membership has declined and (2) increased cost of printing and postage. The first the Editor has no control over but the second can be addressed by decreasing the amount of pages in each magazine. If that is done the quality of the magazine may be compromised as Fidelity is one of the best ways to keep members aware of what is happening in Queensland during the year. Thank you to the other members of the Committee for their assistance during the year and I wish the new Editor all the best in the coming year. I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year.

Diane Ballantyne

Zone 2 Report

2014 has been an exciting year for many GSD owners in Central Queensland. Heidi Crane continues to do well with Ollie who is very close to his Grand title and still such a young boy. Irene Fitzgerald titled her girl Ch Aimsway Riska AZ. Terri Le Paige is having fun with her dogs. Of course we can't forget Marg and Bob Reidy who continue to do well with *Ch Kantenna Coz I Can AZ who was the State Siegerin this year and also did well at the National. I can't omit my own little brag. My girl Laverance Delta AZ BSCI 1 came sixth in her class at the National and her next big exciting event will be motherhood in a couple of weeks. Chloe is much loved by her breeder and trainer, Julie Hogan Smith. Congratulations must go to Pieter Tjerkstra on obtaining his All Breeds Licence. I dare say some exciting contracts will be coming his way. We are hoping to have a Breed Survey either in Rockhampton or Mackay in the New Year but I am still waiting upon the verification of this. So let me know if you would like your dog surveyed up here. Writing this column can be difficult at times. Members are not forthcoming with their dogs' achievements and I have to rely upon social media to do this. I cannot travel every weekend to shows away from Rockhampton and I know there are dogs out there winning in the ring or at obedience so I would appreciate your advising me of their results so it can be included in the report. I hope each and everyone has a wonderful festive season and stay safe if travelling.

Liz Kruger

Puppy Listing Report:

A big thank to all members who consistently use this Club service when listing their expected litters, pups or older dogs/bitches for sale each month. The numbers have increased a tad this year, up from 2013 total of 41 listings to this year's 42, yet down a little from 2012's total of 48 and 2011 of 46 listings.

The breakdown for the year is as follows:-

January x 1	February x 3	March x 2	April x 2	May x 4	June x 5
July x 7	August 0	September x 8	October x 3	November x 3	December x 4
Total listings of 42 with an average of 3.5 listings every month.					

I must, as always, send a massive thank you to both the Club Secretary Nicole Hammond and Website Manager Irene Hayton for their continual support and assistance each month and it is very much appreciated. On a personal note, for those of you that don't know, I spent a month in Rwanda and Tanzania few months ago literally in the company of 250kg Highland Mountain Gorillas – the massive silverback had decided to get up close and personal with me and the head tracker told me afterwards that this is an extremely rare occurrence with complete strangers. Let me tell you, there is nothing on this earth that can even compete with that – well apart from having hyena's and lions walking past your tent at 3.00 am in the morning! There is something very special about spending time with Mother Nature at its purest – it strips you back to reality and it is both inspiring and frightening at the same time. In 2015 I look forward to continuing working with both the members and the in-coming Committee in my continuing capacity as Puppy Listings Officer and I wish everyone a Happy Xmas and New Year.

Annie Tamblyn

German Shepherd Dog Rescue Service:

The past year has been pretty busy with numbers of people ringing and emailing about the same as those of previous years. There have been around 60 dogs available and a few less enquiries. There are a few very



capable Rescue Services for German Shepherd Dogs around in Brisbane now and the rescue load is being well spread.

The area we are covering is quite large with Tweed Heads, Gympie, Townsville, Mackay and Kingaroy among the enquiries. One of the dogs we placed was sent up from Victoria and there was a bit of a mix-up and he had to be re-homed again. The reasons for re-homing these dogs includes too much barking, returning to overseas home (UK/South Africa), small children not coping with energetic playmate, older children left home and can't take their pet with them and of course they just can't afford the Veterinary or feeding costs. One person after 7 years decided that the dog they had was not really what they wanted. It's sometimes hard to know what to say to this sort of decision. There have been dogs available from 6 weeks old to 11 years old. The youngest was bought impulsively by the husband from a pet shop for \$1200. On arriving home wife said 'No! No!' and so it had to go and for free. One dog came with a lifelong trainer. The older dogs are particularly heartbreaking as they are of course very hard to place. Coat and colour range from normal coat, long coat, white, sable, black, black and gold and of course what is available is usually not what the enquirer is looking for. However it is very rewarding when a good matchup occurs and we enjoy helping the genuine people immensely. I hope this service is continued as I'm sure it is very good publicity for the Club.

Jean and Brian Hansford

Facebook Report

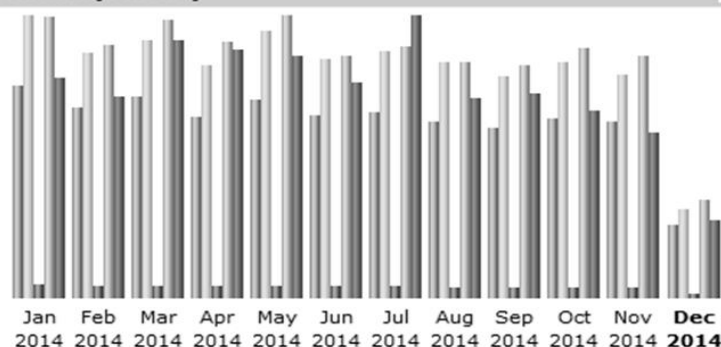
Facebook has been a great tool for communication once over the last 12 months. In the day of social media it is wonderful to be able to post a message on the Facebook page and know that most people will see it as opposed to email, when not so many people are even turning their computers on. Facebook notifies us when there has been maximum boost to a page and notifies us which pages get our audiences' attention. Unfortunately that information is only provided on a daily basis which is a little disappointing. We are also getting a lot of enquiries via the Facebook page where we can then refer them to our website for any information or about any puppies available.

Other than that there is not much else to report in relation to the Club's Facebook page and we wish everyone a safe and happy New Year.

Lyn McIntosh

Web Site Report:

Monthly history



Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
Jan 2014	2,548	3,385	5,623	124,419	1.13 GB
Feb 2014	2,277	2,938	5,153	111,480	1.03 GB
Mar 2014	2,415	3,086	5,081	122,884	1.32 GB
Apr 2014	2,177	2,801	4,887	113,422	1.28 GB
May 2014	2,385	3,207	5,438	124,515	1.24 GB
Jun 2014	2,198	2,861	5,045	107,202	1.10 GB
Jul 2014	2,220	2,961	5,279	111,341	1.44 GB
Aug 2014	2,124	2,827	4,752	103,878	1.02 GB
Sep 2014	2,039	2,654	4,492	102,847	1.04 GB
Oct 2014	2,152	2,830	4,752	110,418	978.73 MB
Nov 2014	2,115	2,686	4,731	106,572	869.20 MB
Dec 2014	874	1,060	1,659	42,902	402.91 MB
Total	25,524	33,296	56,892	1,281,880	12.81 GB



Website Report

All seems to be going along as normal with the Club website. Please have a look at the summary above as this gives you an idea of the number of hits and people who look at the site. I try to get it updated as soon as I possibly can after receiving new information. If you see anything up there that is incorrect please drop me an email and I will correct it. I wish all members a Happy Christmas and a safe New Year.

Irene Hayton

President GSDC of South Australia – Mr. John DeLucia

It is my pleasure to once again present a report on the activities of the GSDC of SA for the 2014 club year.

Once again, this will be a brief overview as our club activities are well documented and detailed in our Annual Report which covers all club activities, financial report and reports as presented by each portfolio holder.

It is pleasing that the club has again made a profit as it has done for the past four years. This is a credit to the hard working group of committee and volunteer members and also as a result of other clubs and groups utilising our facilities and grounds. The upgrade to the Adelaide Shores precinct is still ongoing with changes to our area possibly commencing in 2015. Unfortunately, it is still a wait and see moment.

We have made changes to our Shepherd News magazine due to necessity due to production costs. Our magazine is now available on our website and notices of latest editions are emailed out to members. Most of the comments to date have been positive bearing in mind that this new format did take some getting used to and is still a relatively new concept.

I look forward to 2015 and have started the ball rolling by introducing club initiatives which will move the club forward in terms of being more community active.

OBEDIENCE

The Balmead Shield Trial this year held particular significance as it was the 50th Anniversary of this most prestigious event. It is both a tradition and a historical event which still attracts a good entry and enthusiasm from other dog clubs. To mark this special occasion, commemorative medals were struck which were handed out to all competitors and helpers and they were very well received. It is pleasing to report that our instructors have increased in number and our club looks forward to a bright obedience year ahead.

BREED AFFAIRS

Our shows and training sessions were well attended this year. We held puppy days over the Christmas break and will do the same again in January 2015 as these prove to be extremely popular with our existing members and prospective members alike. The participation rate in our Breed Surveys remains high which is very pleasing.

I sincerely thank all the people who assisted the club in any way during 2014. Your assistance and efforts are sincerely appreciated.

In closing, I will say that we need to be ever vigilant with regard to government legislative changes. At present in South Australia, we are faced with attempted changes to the way we conduct dog activities and breeding which is currently before the government. I congratulate Dogs SA for their active participation with regard to these proposed changes.



President GSDC of Tasmania – Mr. Ken Millhouse

2014 has proven to be a very positive year for the GSDCT Inc. After a number of personnel changes in 2013, this year saw just 2 committee position changes at our AGM.

We have been very fortunate to have both private and business sponsors continue to support our club this year and it is pleasing to say that with their support, and the tireless work of our committee and members and their fund raising efforts, we have again been able to finish the year off with a small but very important profit.

Currently our membership numbers continue to hold at around 70 members.

This year we held 3 championship specialty shows and our State Breed Assessment. Entry numbers continue to hold steady with around 45-50 exhibits for each including a small number of LSC's.

As well as our regular shows we also partnered with an all breeds dog club to hold a specialty in conjunction with their show. Although entries were not as large as hoped, it was another chance for us to show off our amazing breed to many who don't get the chance to see what we are fortunate enough to do with our dogs. This has now led to another 2 all breeds clubs also enquiring about possibly partnering with us to hold shows together.

We held 3 breed surveys this year with a total of 10 animals presented.

6 were Class 1, 1 Class 2 and 3 failures.

Unfortunately tattooing hasn't been as well supported with just 2 litters having been tattooed this year.

Our small but hard working obedience members have continued to build numbers at our trials. With Rally O and Obedience being re instated in 2012, entries for these events are slowly increasing with around 40 entries for the most recent trial in November.

Over the last 12 months we have been able to launch our new Facebook page and club website. Both are proving very popular and extremely useful for keeping everyone up to date with club news and events.

As many of you will know from your visits to Tasmania, we are very fortunate to have our club grounds by the water at New Norfolk in the beautiful Derwent valley. As a club we could not ask for a better council to deal with. The grounds are beautifully maintained and green all year round and plans are under way to install a dedicated concrete slab in our show area for measuring etc at our shows. This has further supported the decision this year to hold all GSDCT shows and trials at New Norfolk, rather than a number of venues state wide which were not always suitable.

The GSDCT would like to thank the GSDCA council for their continued support and advice.

President GSDC of Victoria – Mr. Vince Ebejer

I am pleased to present my 4th report to the GSDCA. The GSDCV has had another outstanding year. With the increased pressures on members from outside influences such as other sporting activities, family commitments and monetary pressures, our membership base has remained strong and our overall numbers are consistent with previous years. Achieving this through our organisation has been the work of the Branch Committees and Instructors as well as the long term member who provides a friendly and open atmosphere. The GSDCV is a collaborative effort, made up of many parts, each integral to the smooth running of the Club; by enabling members to see the Club as a long term commitment and social experience, rather than just a short term training venue we have seen many remain past the initial stages. Hopefully, these members will make the transition into positions within the Club and continue the work of those that have been before.

The 2015 year will again see Royal Canin and the GSDCV continue their long term relationship, with Royal Canin continuing as a Premium Sponsor, providing sponsorship and support for the Club as well as providing additional support for the GSDCA National Show & Trial. Our relationship with Monash Vet Clinic as a major sponsor will also continue for the 2015 year. Both relationships are more than just a business arrangement; they are a partnership to benefit the breed.



As the years progress, we continue along our path set down by our forebears and codified by our development of a strategic plan. The path itself may change based on decision and influence; it is nonetheless a path we have chosen to take. In this way we make clear decisions based on our goals, mission and vision. With this in mind, and as a continuation of the Branch Managers manual we have developed further documentation to cover Executive roles, developed a calendar of tasks and a Management Committee Handover and Induction Package. This documentation will further enhance the smooth running of the organisation, and significantly improve succession planning.

While we are in essence a Breed Club, conducting Conformation Shows and Obedience Trials, in truth the vast majority of our members have no interest in this aspect of our Breed, mostly content to have a well behaved canine companion. Even so, it is incumbent on us to further enhance the reputation of the GSD through professional management of our organisation and resources which includes our Instructor pool. We are further developing our Instructor training program, updating the Instructor manual and enhancing the training program. This will solidify our promotion of one Club across the entire State and ensure we deliver a consistent message and a stable environment for our members and the breed.

A number of shows and trials were conducted throughout the 2014 year as I am sure was the case around the Country. Conformation and Trialling numbers have remained consistent with expected variations. The exceptions were the disciplines of Rally-O and Tracking which have seen a significant increase, with many more members enjoying the friendly and fun nature of Rally-O and the individualistic nature of Tracking.

During the 2014 year, the GSDCV hosted the GSDCA Obedience Meeting. The emphasis was on a collaborative effort to encourage 'obedience' throughout the country. While we term the exercise 'obedience', as previously stated, the significant number of the population do not wish to compete, rather they 'want' a well behaved pet to be part of the family. It is through training, which takes place both in the Obedience and Conformation disciplines with an emphasis on good canine citizens that this can be achieved. I encourage all Presidents and Clubs to actively support 'obedience' training at their Clubs. Through well behaved German Shepherds, we increase our profile; counter any stigmas associated with our Breed and position ourselves to have a greater influence on Canine issues in our States.

Event co-ordination for the GSDCA National Show and Trial has been a major consideration during 2014. Major Sponsorship has been secured through Royal Canin, Monash Vet Clinic and many other organisations, kennels and members. National merchandise samples have been available with many purchases already conducted through our online store, ring layout has been undertaken to cater for tent placement, the viewing public and the varied nature of the event. Planning for the festivities conducted throughout the event almost complete with the venue for the Presidents Dinner finalised and planning for the Official Opening Ceremony and Presentation in the final stages.

Numerous Dog and Pet expos events are attended by the GSDCV, showcasing the breed and providing information to the general public. These events, which includes the Victoria Canine Association Big Dog Day Out held at KCC Park, Caulfield Pet and Animal Expo, both widely publicised, attended by thousands of dog owner's, people and the general public. Our participation in two non dog related events, The Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal which we have taken part in for the last 31 years, and the Moomba Parade held on Victoria's Labour Day weekend, in which the GSDCV provided the pre-parade entertainment, allows us to present the Breed at its best to a community that may not necessarily consider the GSD. The participation of the GSD in canine and pet friendly events is integral to the promotion of the breed. I cannot thank the team and the members enough for their efforts in this area.

Our partnership with the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria continued in 2014, with the RASV again holding a GSD Specialist Conformation Show. The event was to feature SV Judge Herr Hans Joachim Dux. Unfortunately Herr Dux was unable to attend to personal reason. 'The Royal' is the highlight of the 'All Breeds' Calendar and any replacement for Herr Dux considered must compliment the prestigious nature of the event, to that effect, we asked our own Mrs Fran Farley, one of the most respected judges in Australia to assist the GSDCV in its time of need. It was no surprise that Fran agreed. The articulation of the judging, and commentary from our Jenny Yuen captivated the public's attention. Combined with precision obedience work from our Demonstration Team, the outstanding work done by the GSDCV Promotions Team and the friendly and open nature of the exhibitors made the event a promotional success. The promotional aspects of this event cannot truly be measured and are far reaching. The tens of thousands of people attending each day and the



Television and You Tube coverage we will certainly reach people in the hundreds of thousands, many more than at any one single event.

To finish off, the GSDCV as does all Clubs operates in a dynamic and fluid environment, we are well aware of the demands that today's society places on our members, officers and the Breed itself. It behoves us at times to remember why we are all here, and what better time than when we come together as the Council. Each and everyone of us are volunteers; there is no high paying salary, no flash cars or corporate jets that go with the term President; quite the contrary, there are long hours, 'donations' of our own resources, putting aside personal differences and personalities. The only compensation we receive and should receive is the knowledge that we did all this for improvement, promotion and protection of the German Shepherd Dog, the feeling that we have achieved a job well done and the respect of our peers. This last point more than anything is possibly the most important, for without the respect of our counterparts, what do we have?

A more detailed report will be presented in our Annual Report which will be sent to all Clubs and Council. I thank you all for allowing me to present my report on behalf of the GSDCV.

President GSDA of Western Australia – Mr. Ian Marr

Club

I am pleased to present this report to the 2015 GSDCA AGM on behalf of the members of the German Shepherd Dog Association of WA (Inc). We have had a couple of changes to the Management Committee since last year's report. The Honorary Secretary is now Anna Mitchell, and the Breed Affairs Chair is now Natalie Humphries. I welcome these two new position holders to their new roles and I thank the outgoing Committee members, Richard Hosking (Secretary), John Fenner (Breed Affairs) for their time, work and commitment to the roles during the past twelve months.

As always I also recognise the great work done by all members of the Management Committee and I encourage them to always endeavour to work towards the club motto which I introduced last year. The theme is **"We CAN make a difference if we put aside our personal likes and dislikes and ALL WORK TOGETHER for the sake of our Breed"**.

In a perfect world everyone would follow the above motto but of course in the real world that doesn't happen. I will continue to push hard for everyone to embrace the motto fully. There is little doubt that if we all work within these guidelines our club would be a much better organisation for it.

On a personal level I was unexpectedly presented with the GSDCA Service Award during the West Coast Challenge Championship Show over here in the West. The presentation was done by the National Council President, Vince Tantaró. I was very proud and humbled to receive this award and I sincerely thank the German Shepherd Dog Council Executive for the recognition that they have given me with this award.

Membership

I am very pleased to say that our membership numbers have increased from last year's numbers and this is due in no small part to the development of the four free training certificates that we introduced about 14 months ago, more of our breeders are starting to support the initiative and hopefully this will enable our numbers to improve yet again over the next 12 months. At the end of the financial year (30th June 2014) we had increased our memberships to 445 which is an increase of about 16 % on the 380 members at the end of our financial year last year.

The number of new members joining is an improvement on past years and we need to continue working hard to try and retain the members when they are due to renew. There is a full report from our Membership Officer later in this report.

We continue to have difficulties in getting enough members to our General Meetings although we have managed to get enough for a quorum at most meetings this year. When we don't get a quorum it means an extra trip for the members that do attend as we have to hold the meeting again the following week, this meeting can go ahead with or without a quorum, as per our constitution.

I don't for one minute imagine that we are the only dog club having this type of problem, but it is a worry that if we cannot get younger members involved in the running of the club eventually the club will be in trouble. The bulk of our volunteers are the same members that have been involved for the past 15+ years.



I acknowledge the great work that continues to be done by all of our hardworking volunteer workers who help in running the club on sub-committees, as obedience instructors at both of our grounds, as Judges and Surveyors, running the shop or canteen and for helping out in many other ways although not necessarily in an official capacity. Without the total commitment of these members we would be unable to exist as an organisation. Well done to you all, your efforts are always appreciated by me.

Special Events GSDA of WA

We were involved in a number of very special events in 2013/2014:-

1. We have been actively involved in the Jane McGrath Foundation Cancer Fund Raiser for a number of years now and it has been yet another successful fund raiser on November 16th November 2014. It is a very simple day when we hold a BBQ, raffles and accept donations for the Foundation, we raised over \$560 on the day. The members embrace this event every year and it is usually a very successful day.
2. We supported the Ride across Australia which is a fund raiser for the Ted Whitton Men's Prostate Cancer Foundation. This is a group of people riding across Australia on a Lawn Mower to raise funds for the above mentioned foundation. We held raffles and had a sausage sizzle (much the same as we do for the Jane McGrath Foundation. This is now an ongoing event for us.
3. Our PR Officer has been very active organising leaflet hand outs and socialising with our puppies at the Perth Royal Show. Kym arranged for most of the Shepherds to be benched near each other which made it easier for the general public to see and touch our dogs, and this was a great success. Kym also organised for us to be represented at the Armadale Council Rangers Dogs Day Out event where we once again handed out leaflets about our Breed and our Club.
4. A demo of our beautiful breed was put on at a local school and it was a huge success. There were about 500 children present at the demonstration and the behaviour of the dogs was quite brilliant. The dogs were walked among the rows of children and they had the time of their lives being patted by so many youngsters. It was a great PR event and I thank all of the members that took part. They are to be congratulated for the exemplary behaviour of their dogs.
5. Our end of year fun day was a huge success this year with a great turnout of members. Probably the best numbers we have had at this event for many years. Particularly pleasing was the number of junior members present and enthusiastically taking part in all of the events. It was great to see and we now need to work harder than ever to encourage these youngsters to stay with us into their teen years and beyond. Well done to Kym and all the helpers who made this such an enjoyable event.
6. We held our Children's Christmas Party on the 7th December 2014 with Santa in attendance. There were 27 youngsters there to get a gift from Santa, by far the highest number of children in many, many years. Following the Children's party we held our Annual Presentation Afternoon which was very well attended. This is our last event for 2014 and the club will be closed during the Christmas and New Year fortnight.

Sponsorship

Our major sponsor is **Mars Pet Care (Advance Biscuits)** who has been our major sponsor for many years now and we hope will be for many more years to come. This has been a mutually rewarding sponsorship partnership. Another sponsor is our biscuit supplier – **Animal Health/Bio-John/Triangle Agencies** who give us such a great deal that we are able to sell to our members at a very competitive rate and we hope that this will help in our endeavours to increase our membership numbers because they have to be a member to purchase the biscuits at the price we can offer. If a member buys 2 bags of biscuits per year they save enough to pay their membership for the next year. **Animal Health/Bio John**, along with **Pet MegaStore**, are sponsors of our child handlers to the tune of \$350 each for a total of \$700. \$500 of this is to help pay for the Senior Child Handler's airfare to the National so that they can compete in the National Child Handler competition at very little cost to them. There is also the sponsorship of our Intermediate and Junior Child Handler to the tune of \$100 each which is presented to the Intermediate and Junior winner in the form of a Gift Voucher from a local sports store. Both Animal Health/Bio-John and Pet MegaStore also supply goods and/or vouchers for raffles and prizes during the year.

Scarboro Toyota has been a great supporter of our club for many years and makes a regular cash donation to us, which is shared between the Show Committee and the Trial Committee, plus part of the sponsorship is to help us keep the grounds in pristine condition by allocating part of the sponsorship funds to the upkeep of the club.

Armadale Mower World is into its second year as a club sponsor. They gave us a great deal on our new ride on mower and have come on board as a regular sponsor. This is a win win sponsorship because the owner of



Armada Mower World is one of the people doing the Ride across Australia that I mentioned earlier, so this is very definitely a case of two parties helping each other.

Pet MegaStore is our newest sponsor. They are a website supplier of all pet needs as well as having a number of small shops in some of our larger shopping centre. We hope that this sponsorship will develop over time and become a regular sponsor of ours for many years to come.

We have recently added **Canning Vale Fish & Chips** to our list of sponsors and they have kindly offered to sponsor the Best Obedience Child Handler to the amount of \$100 in the form of a voucher from a sports shop. I am truly appreciative of the ongoing support of all of the above sponsors. Without this support we really would struggle to offer the Shows and Trials the ongoing financial help they need to continue to promote these shows and trials in the manner that we currently do.

Awards for 2013

We presented two Service Pins in 2014. The Gold Service Pin was presented to Vicki Knight for 25 years of service to the GSDA of WA and the Silver Service pin for 10 years of service was presented to Kym Glenny. Congratulations to both of these ladies on the presentation of these well-deserved Service Pins. It is members such as these that keep our club functioning.

I also presented two of our hard working volunteers with a certificate of appreciation for the work done by them during 2014, Congratulations to John Mitchell and Kerrie Pearce on their awards.

I have, once again, invited all members of the Management Committee to submit a report for me to include in this report and these are listed below:-

Vice-President's Report – John Crace

My Portfolio includes being responsible for the Ground Managers at both of our grounds, the Public Relations Officer and the Webmaster are also part of my Portfolio.

We have had a number of breakdowns and ground maintenance problems during the past 12 months causing a slight strain on our finances but all have now been fixed up and we are still doing quite well financially. We had to replace the septic system early in 2014 and thanks to one of our members supplying the work force and equipment we were able to replace the tank and leech drains without breaking the bank. We had to replace the bore just recently with a new bore and although this cost us we were lucky that the cost of the bore was covered by our insurance. We resurfaced the driveway near the gate and also the track that runs alongside the Greyhound Straight Track. We replaced the PA system and the end result is very pleasing. Finally Western Power have supplied and fitted a new power supply line to the club.

I spend quite a lot of time liaising with our club sponsors namely – Mars Pet Care, Armadale Mower World, Animal Health/Bio John/Triangle Agencies, Scarboro Toyota, Pet MegStore and Canning Vale Fish & Chips. The time spent is mainly aimed at securing the sponsorships for future years.

We tried out the use of a sponsor's tent at our recent Fun Day where members could buy direct from one of our sponsors at a great price and the experiment was a great success. We may try it again at the 2015 State Breed Exhibition.

We recently purchased three Picnic table and seat sets to place around the grounds and a further three sets were donated by three member families, thanks to - John & Anna Mitchell, Ian & Dorothy Marr and Kim Harris (Hausosin Kennels) for their kind donations. My wife Andy and I donated a smaller version of the sets for the children. These have proved to be very successful in encouraging members to stay back after training and socialise a little before heading home. This fits in very well with our aim to make the club a family friendly club.

Below is the Public Relations Officer report.

Public Relations Officer – Kym Glenny

German Shepherds were on show at the Royal this year on Wednesday 1st October. A very long, but enjoyable day at the show once again.

First of all I must say thank you to Renae Hosking of Lashadas Kennels for bringing everything down to the show for me and for her excellent PR and interaction with the public. Renae also brought along 2 dogs, Poppy 14wks and an adult female named Vixen.

Thank you also to Kerrie Pearce for coming along with me, providing excellent PR with the public and helping with my dogs, Hondo and Jett.

This year I didn't run out of information sheets so thank you to Ian Marr, Margaret Adams and Anna Mitchell for getting all this paperwork printed for me at short notice. We had the table set up with all the information



sheets, club and breeder business cards. I also had some pens and stickers from our club shop and managed to sell a few of them as well. The public were very grateful to get the information and business cards. Our dogs were very well represented this year so a big thanks to the owners for entering their dogs. As usual, our dog's behaviour was impeccable and all the owners welcomed the public to interact with them.

Two of the most common comments I received from the public was that they were thrilled to be able to see so many Shepherds and be allowed to pat and have photos taken with the dogs.

Once again I was impressed with the behaviour of the public and children in particular. No child rushed up or got in the faces of dogs.

Two of our members, Leigh and Jackie English have an 8yr old daughter named Dakota. Jackie and Dakota came along to see our dogs. Dakota is extremely well behaved around dogs and asked if she could help me when children came to pat the dogs. She would instruct the children on exactly how you should approach dogs, where you should place your hand and where should pat them. Dakota also explained to the children why you should not put your hand straight over the top of a dog's heads. Every child she spoke to listened and did what Dakota told them. She did an excellent job. I was very impressed.

Secretary's Report – Anna Mitchell

I took on the job of Secretary of the GSDA of WA Inc. at our AGM in August.

It is a very rewarding and challenging position and a very big thank you to the rest of the Management Committee for your help and support and guiding me in the right direction, we have a great team who seem to be working together well and this reflects in our membership and attitude within the association. All has been running smoothly this year and has been very busy with the usual Shows, Trials, Obedience Training and Breed Surveys.

We have a very good turnout at both grounds every Sunday morning for Obedience Training, Socialisation and Show work. It is very interesting and rewarding to see the young puppies training and growing into beautiful adults. Also the older classes are doing great work and I am sure all the handlers feel a great sense of achievement when they graduate into the next class and do well in the shows. Our end of the year events have been exceptionally well attended.

We have had our fundraisers for the Ride to the Other Side and McGrath Foundation and we have been proud to support these charities. Usually we have a breakfast or sausage sizzle and raffles with everybody participating and enjoying themselves.

Unfortunately we have lost too many friends in this past year; many of them were long-standing supporters of our breed.

I am looking forward to the rest of my tenure of being secretary in 2015.

The Secretary is responsible for the Minutes Secretary and the Membership Officer roles and their reports are below.

Minutes Secretary's Report – Margaret Adams

I love this job – it keeps my finger on the pulse and I consider the record keeping of any association to be high priority and members require a historically accurate account of the happenings within their association.

Membership Officer's Report – Faye Ramsden

As of the 30th September 2014 we have a total of 448 members. This is made up with 173 double memberships which equals 346 members, plus 26 Life Members, plus 76 single memberships. So for the GSDCA financial year 1st October 2013 to 30th September 2014 we have 448 members.

The above figures are to cover the National Council Financial Year and are slightly different to the figures for the AGM Voting strength which are from our financial year which runs from the 1st July 2013 to the 30 June 2014. The GSDA end of financial year figures are – 171 double memberships which equals 342 members, plus 27 Life members, plus 76 single memberships giving a total of 445 members. The list below is compiled from our End of financial year figures from 30th June 2007 up to 30th June 2014.

A new innovation this year is the sending out of a Welcome to the Association Brochure that goes to new members as soon as the Membership forms and payment are received. This ensures that the new member feels a part of the Association as soon as they join.



			YEARLY MEMBERSHIP LIST			
	Voting	Total	Double	Single	Double	Single
<u>Year</u>	<u>Numbers</u>	<u>M/ship</u>	<u>M/ship</u>	<u>M/ship</u>	<u>Life M/ship</u>	<u>Life M/ship</u>
2006/07	443	293	150	120	3	20
2007/08	399	254	145	86	3	20
2008/09	449	290	159	108	3	20
2009/10	446	284	159	102	3	20
2010/11	456	301	153	123	3	21
2011/12	470	298	169	105	3	21
2012/13	380	231	146	61	3	21
2013/14	445	271	171	76	3	21

Treasurer's Report – Eric Herson

The GSDA of WA's Management Committee has adapted to the financial necessities of the times.

Yes we are a Dog Club and it needs to be run as a small business. No other approach is acceptable to secure the long term future for our members. We are blessed that we own our own grounds but with that we incur the costs of maintaining the facilities.

Our Club is very reliant on sponsorship to allow us financial viability.

We have undertaken a much disciplined approach to the fiscal aspects of the management of the members' monies. We have had robust discussions amongst our members to argue our point to trim many expenses that were expected but simply unsustainable. The members are now reaping the benefits. In broad terms every expense we encounter is scrutinised twice.

On a personal note I was disappointed that the National Review did not go electronic. The cost to our members' of \$5,676.00 per year is unsustainable and the total cost nationally is crippling. My other area of concern is the cost of meetings to run National Council. Tele conferencing needs to be introduced to reduce expenses. These topics need to be revisited.

Our delegate has a copy of the fully audited financial statement with him at the GSDCA AGM.

2014 Show Chair Report - Robyn Knuckey

The past 12 months has seen a stable Show Committee, with members Ian Marr, Angela Boeyinga, Jenny Boekelman, Ben Purves, Tracy Roberts, Mandy Burgess, Peyton Burgess, John Crace, Andy Crace, John Fenner, Robyn Knuckey and our new member Kerrie Pearce. Over the 12 months from 1 October 2013 to 30 September 2014, there have been 3 Championship Shows, 2 Members Competitions, a SBE and 1 Open Show.

- We have seen a rise in show entry numbers over the past 12 months, particularly in the Championship Shows.

WCC Oct 2013	H-P Schweimer (Gmy)	101
Champ Show March 2014	I Husain (Pakistan)	99
SBE April 2014	WA Panel	88
Members Comp May 2014	B Knight	66
Members Comp July 2014	N Humphries	67
Open Show July 2014	A Pozerski	44
WMMCS August 2014	J Yuen (Vic)	97

- Our Members Competitions average an entry of around 65 for WA judges. This is a very pleasing trend. Thank you to the breeders and exhibitors for the support of all our shows.
- We have finalized a double header for the Walter Martin Memorial Show and the proposed Rick Richardson MBE Memorial Show for the 22/23 August 2015.

At the last Show Committee meeting, on 29 June, it was unanimously supported that we would name this show in honour of our past President, Rick Richardson.

On the 6 July, we had our first combined Open Show/Members Competition. This was quite successful. The main issue was the inclement weather and lack of protection for workers in the ring and their paperwork/computer.



This was a learning opportunity, for a trainee Group 5 judge with this number of quality German Shepherd Dogs to be judged. Anna, then stayed for the Members Competition, judged by Mrs Natalie Humphries. Anna felt this was a wonderful learning tool, to listen to the critiques of the GSD Specialist Judge and consider her comments to her judging of the show previously.

The remaining show dates for 2014 were:

05/10/14	Honey Gross-Richardson Lee Parker	3 rd Members Competition Open Show
26/10/14	Luciano Musolino (Italy)	WCC

Highlight of achievements over the 12 months for the Show Committee:

- Successful introduction of the third Championship Show for the GSDA of WA, with Imran Husain judging in March 2014.
- Careful cost management of shows to achieve a financial buffer. This provides future funds if changes in club sponsorship or sharing of the SV judges with Victoria for the WCC occur in the future.
- All shows in the past 12 months have finished in the black financially.
- In July, we held our first dual show, with an Open Show and Members Competition on the same day. The rationale, is to hopefully get higher entries for the Open Show and allow for a greater learning experience for the trainee judges by staying for the Members Competition and sitting in the ring to listen to the judges critiques.
- Critiques are now only from Junior and up at all shows, except the SBE. This allows for more timely completion of shows and changes in critiques for growing animals not so relevant due to growth changes.
- Successful Youth Handlers Breakfast at the 2013 WCC with the German Judge Herr Schweimer and the GSDCA President Mr Vince Tantaró.
- Changes to the way Members Competitions are judged with no intersex or inter-variety judging, in line with GSDCA directional guidelines.
- Entries for Shows are no longer being accepted after the Monday for delivered entries and the Wednesday for posted entries. This is a vast improvement over the previous years, with entries arriving up to over a week late.

Training Supervisor's Report – Honey Gross-Richardson

What a marvellous year 2014 has been in the way of growth of membership throughout the year, bringing an upsurge of numbers of new members with their puppies in training, and of course they always welcome new members with older dogs who soon feel quite at home in their various classes.

Our classes have bloomed under the dedicated and skilful training of experienced trainers and hard working trainees and aspirants, all hoping to see their enthusiastic handlers do well in the end of term graduations, and rise to new heights of achievement in the next class.

At our Headquarters in Southern River, traditionally called Gosnells HQ, we have seen the forced retirement through health issues, of Life Member and Senior Instructor, Jessica McCowan, and you would have to see to believe, the loving dedication to her classes and the hospital and nursing home visits to Jessica, of her twin sister Jean. For decades it was Jean and Jessica, now changed to “hallo Jean, how’s Jessica”, these two triallers of yesteryear are still thought of in tandem, by many of us.

- Jessica unfortunately passed away during the compiling of this report and her funeral was held on the 17th December with many of her friends present.

Head Trainer John Glenny has seen his troupe of regular triallers grow in numbers, our GSDA members coming home with many wins and titles gained in the various performance disciplines. From DWD to Obedience and Tracking.

Also, conducting Trial Classes, working with the group preparing for CCD, is our Assistant Head Trainer, Dr. Diane Webb, herself setting a glowing example with her two beautiful girls, more often than not, featuring in the winning circles of DWD and Obedience.

- Our **Class one** is conducted by Jean McCowan, and we hope to see this class grow steadily in numbers, as the more junior dogs move up through the ranks.
- **Kindy Class** is ably conducted by keen and successful trialler Kerrie Pearce (ex Vic.) whose two girls were starring in Obedience and Tracking throughout the season.



- **Advanced Pre-Kindy Class** is conducted by Karen Westmacott who is also putting in time and effort into the ever brimming over Pre-Kindy class, and as enthusiastic an Instructor as you're likely to ever find, also conducted CGC classes, the Dogs West all breeds Responsible Dog Ownership programme on Thursdays and Saturdays.
- **Pre-Kindy class** is the metier of our GSDA President, Ian Marr, and Kym Glenny, who has developed PR skills of the highest order, and still finds time to trial her youngster.
In the Pre Kindy class, Ian, Kym and Karen are ably assisted by Trainee Trainer Kelvin Raj whose own Puppy is currently going through the ranks.
Dianne Lethbridge consistently taking classes for years, has enjoyed a well-deserved camping holiday, but came back in time to judge her class at the Closed Club Trial.

HQ Ground Manager, Maurie Read and HQ training ground Secretary Carol-Anne Davies can never be thanked enough!

At our Otago Park Venue, the **Pre-Kindy classes** are conducted by Dr. Lynette Reid, and Susan Briggs, With the **Advanced Pre-Kindy class** held by Peter Butland. (Ex NSW).

Kindy, Classes one and CCD are my own classes to have fun with! Kathy and Eric Protti have the roles of Secretary and Ground Manager respectively. My sincere thanks to you all for your dedication. My thanks and appreciation to all members of the GSDA of WA Committee, workers and helpers, who have supported the club and the members in so many different ways.

A Trials Report on trophies and titles is presented below, by the Trials Chair, Carol-Anne Davies.

Trials Committee Report for 2014 – Carol-Anne Davies

This year our Trials Committee consisted of Karen Westmacott (Secretary), Anne Smith (Treasurer), Cliff Warner, John Glenny, Andy Crace, Tina Ash, Lynne Blake, Jean McCowan, Trish Latter, Chris Stone and Carol-Anne Davies (Chairperson).

Although not officially on the Trials Committee Diane Webb always does our catalogue for us.

This year unfortunately saw the retirement of Jess McCowan due to ill health. Jess has been a member of the Trials Committee for many years and was always our Chief Steward, she will be sadly missed.

This year we have had 2 members stand in as new Chief Stewards they are Cliff Warner and John Glenny.

We have 2 new members who will be starting on the Trials Committee at the beginning of 2015, Sue Peters and Joan McMulkin.

This year we held our obedience in conjunction with the State Breed Exhibition, a Rally-O trial in April, an obedience trial in July, an ET in September and a Rally-O trial and Obedience trial for our West Coast Challenge in October and to finish off our Closed Club Trial in November.

There were 26 titles gained by our members this year ranging from CCD to UD and to Track and Search Grand Champion, a list of these is below.

It takes many helpers other than the committee to run trials, from stewards to people doing the paperwork, setting up rings and those that run the canteen and look after the judges. To all of these people my thanks for all the hours you have put into the successful running of our trials. A special thank you to Karen Westmacott who came onto the Trials Committee this year and took on the position of Trials Secretary, a rather daunting job. She has carried out this job with gusto and precision.

Many thanks to all.

TITLES FOR 2014

CCD – 3	CD – 3	CDX – 3	UD – 1
Tracking Dog – 3	Tracking Dog Excellent – 3	Tracking Champion – 1	Track & Search Dog – 1
Track & Search Champion – 1	Track & Search Grand Champion – 1	Heelwork to Music Intermediate – 2	Freestyle Starter – 1
Rally Advanced – 1	Rally Advanced Excellent – 2		

Breed Affairs Chairman's Report- Natalie Humphries

The Breed Affairs Sub- Committee is comprised of the following people.

Chairperson-Natalie Humphries, Minute Secretary Ian Marr, Veterinary Advisor-Dr Candice Baker, Honey Gross-Richardson, Robyn Knuckey, Bruce Knight, John Fenner with Vicki Knight and Margaret Adams as Club Breed Registrars.

The role of Dr Candice Baker as veterinary advisor is new commencing when I took over the Chair. Candy's advice and input I feel will be a valuable asset to the committee and I am very pleased she accepted my invitation to join us.



- Breed Affairs and Judges Sub-Committee meetings have now recommenced with a further meeting planned for January 2015 to discuss GSDCA AGM agenda items prior to our clubs meeting for voting. After discussions at our October meeting there have been measures taken to increase awareness of the health Profile Form on the GSDCA website amongst not only our breeders but the general membership and it is hoped the Veterinary Surgeons will be made more aware of it via National Council. The more information we collect the more it will help identify which health problems need our attention as a priority.

It is also our aim to increase participation in our State Breed Assessment next year by visiting the obedience classes in the lead up to entries closing to encourage members to enter the show or critique only classes we offer.

I have organised the following Breed Events and Forums-Since commencing this role in August:

- September 2014 Deena Harding Registered Veterinary Nurse and Blood Bank Co-ordinator for WAVES (Western Australian Veterinary Emergency and Speciality) attended the club grounds to speak to members about canine blood donors. She explained the process of what happens during your dog giving blood (donating) to the members present and answered any questions people had about it. Since then several members dogs have donated blood and helped save someone's beloved fur baby in the process. Vets rely on healthy canine donors as it's the only way of sourcing blood and the bigger breeds like the GSD are ideal as they are generally over 25kg. This is a great PR exercise for our breed with the Veterinarians and the general public.
- November 2014 we had Carmel Keylock a Veterinary Nurse who owns and runs Active Animal Rehabilitation come to the club grounds and give the members a talk on the different types of rehab that can be used to help sick and debilitated pets gain better mobility and improve their quality of life. Subjects covered include massage, balance exercises, Aqua treadmill and acupuncture. The talk was very well attended with everyone staying for the free sausage sizzle provided by the club.
- Planned events for 2015 so far include a talk from Dr Karin Swindells an emergency and critical care specialist Veterinarian and part owner of WAVES on Emergency First Aid for your dog. This is planned for early 2015. I have also approached a specialist Veterinary Orthopaedic Surgeon about a lecture at the club and am waiting for this to be confirmed at this stage.

The following information was supplied by Vicki Knight, Club Registrar, under the Breed Affairs Portfolio:-

BREED SURVEY 1 st October 2013 – 30 th September 2014			
CLASS 1 MALES	CLASS 2 MALES	CLASS 1 FEMALES	CLASS 2 FEMALES
6	2	17	1
FAILURES		TOTAL SURVEYED	
4 x Males		30	

TOTAL HD/ED CONTRACTS ISSUED – 1st October 2013 – 30th September 2014

91 – Ninety One.

Breed Survey Registrar – Vicki Knight

The following information was supplied by Margaret Adams in her roles of Editor, Breed Identification Officer, Puppy List Officer and Breed Specific Legislation Officer in WA.

Editor of the GSDA Club Magazine – Margaret Adams

As challenging as ever – we have changed to an electronic newsletter and it seems to be going reasonably well although there are always people who would prefer a hard copy (myself included), however financial and environmental considerations have to be taken into account and the truth is that many don't read the work which is produced. An offshoot of this has been an information update which circulates urgent matters for the attention of members.



Breed Identification Officer – Margaret Adams

There is only one breeder in WA who is still tattooing and they had three litters during the 12 months period of the 1st October 2013 to the 30th September 2014. For a total of 19 puppies tattooed.

I still need to find time to try and upload as many of the old tattoos as possible so I can archive the old documents. As time flies by so quickly this information will not be required and will be of little use to the database in a relatively short time. If this is no longer required could we please have some direction?

Puppy Listing Officer – Margaret Adams

- We need to encourage more breeders to utilise this service for a small fee of \$15 they can advertise their puppy's via the Association providing they comply with our recommended breeding practice. We are the public's first port of call. As a service we respond with the current Puppy list and any questions such as price and type – then we send out 3 further e-mails with information (we split the information into 3 because of the size of the information).
- Our delegate has a file containing all the information we send out including the initial e-mail if any club delegate wishes to view it.
- The information we send out is, part 1 - The Recommended breeding Practice, 7 stages of development, articles by Honey Gross-Richardson – Tug of War; Toilet Training: Summertime & Happy Dogs, Puppy Rule of 12, Contact details of the Association and the free training certificates. Part 2 – Why train your Puppy, Dogs & Kids Brochure, and before you get your Puppy booklet. Part 3 – After you get your Puppy booklet. This information is very well received by the new owners seems to encourage them to come, train and stay.

Breed Specific Legislation Officer in WA – Margaret Adams

As with other states, our dog laws seem to be under review constantly – the rally held here in Perth was well attended. I do receive feedback from our “watchers” here in Perth. Maybe we should consider the Public Relations Officers of each state to be B.S.L. reporters for this important portfolio.

Closing statement from the President GSDA of WA

I thank the members of the GSDA of WA, for their show of faith in me, in electing me again (unopposed) for the position of President of the Association and despite the occasional downside to the position, it is a job that I do enjoy because it gives me the opportunity to give something back to the club, the members and more importantly to the beautiful breed that we must always do our best to protect. I am also very pleased to continue as an Obedience Instructor taking the Pre-Kindy class. The role of instructor is the most satisfying of all the roles that I have had in the club over the years and it is a role that I hope to continue in for many more years.



NATIONAL BREED COMMISSION REPORT – Mrs. JOYLENE NEDDERMEYER

I have much pleasure in presenting my report as National Breed Commission (NBC) Chairman to the 2015 Annual General Meeting of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA).

My position as National Breed Commission Chairman is greatly assisted by the time and effort that each of the registrars contributes and donates to their portfolio, ensures that this area of Council runs efficiently.

In addition to the GSDCA Registrars I would like to take the opportunity to thank the position holders of the member clubs whether it is the Breed Survey Registrars, HD/ED Registrars, Identification Registrars and last but not least the GSDCA Breed Surveyors.

The competency of the registrars has ensured that all areas under the direction of the NBC Chairman have run smoothly and within the rules and regulations as laid down the GSDCA. Adherence to the rules and regulations of the GSDCA are paramount to ensure that the integrity of the schemes is maintained and to ensure uniformity and equity for all members.

I am very proud and have a great belief in the GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes and the influence that these schemes have had in shaping the breed here in Australia.

Hereditary Diseases/Haemophilia Registrar - Dr. Karen Hedberg. BVsc.

The main push this year (and probably well into next year as well) is to ensure that all health testing data is reliably recorded and stored. Accuracy of collection of data and positive identification is key to success to any health scheme. The GSDCA database is up and fully functional. The ability to up load health reports, hip and elbow data and shortly, DNA test result data.

GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme

With the hip and elbow data, the GSDCA this is well organized and has the appropriate forms with the right checks and balances to ensure accuracy of data and positive identification of each animal. We can utilise the results to see how we are improving, particularly when looking at five year rolling breed averages, and in the longer term.

The success of the GSDCA HD /ED Control Scheme from its inception to the present day is nothing short of excellent.

The ANKC is currently developing its own hereditary disease database, and is starting this off by adding the hip and elbow database for all breeds. The ANKC is aiming to have the radiologists load the data at the point of reading directly onto the ANKC Health (CHEDS) data base. The GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme data does not currently mix with the ANKC database, however, this could be directly added onto the ANKC CHEDS data base, either by the radiologists or, probably more preferably to the GSDCA, loaded by the GSDCA HD/ED Control Registrar as the results come in.

Entering the individual data of each animal into the ANKC data base is extremely quick. Access to entering any data is limited to a small number of people (radiologists etc) where results can be verified. This data cannot be viewed by other people. The activity of any person who has input access can be tracked. Statistics of all German Shepherds Australia (and probably New Zealand in time) can be generated to create annual breed averages.

The advantage of sharing the data with the ANKC is it will mean that:

- a) The incoming data is accurate (as it is supplied by the GSDCA) and
- b) It would take the onus of owners to present results when litters are registered.

DNA Test Database

The next stage of development of the ANKC database is to load DNA test results for each breed. Equally as occurs with hips and elbows, each animal must be positively identified by a microchip and the paperwork be signed by a veterinarian or registered DNA collection agent.



As the GSDCA is starting to develop its DNA testing database, it is most important that the right checks and balances are present. Positive identification of individuals and having the right paperwork trail that has been signed off by a veterinarian or authorised DNA collection agent.

Equally as can be done with the hip and elbow data, we can assess the statistics of the affected, carrier and normal/clear animals and see how they change over time. This has been occurring with the Kennel Control in the United Kingdom for some time and the results are very good across many breeds.

It should always be remembered that very few animals need ever be lost from the gene pool. Where there are life threatening diseases e.g. storage diseases, affected animals are not recommended to be bred from. However, the majority of affected animals of various inherited recessive diseases can be bred from quite safely, provided that they are bred to normal/clear partners. Carriers should also ideally be bred to normal/clear partners.

The aim of any inherited disease control scheme, regardless if it is a DNA testable disease or a screening scheme such as the hip and elbow schemes, what they are giving you, the breeder, is knowledge of what you can **AFFORD** to do.

Doubling up on poor hips and/or elbow results is clearly not desirable, and common sense generally prevails. Equally the same should apply with genetic diseases, common sense keeps the best dogs within the gene pool and all one has to do, is avoid doubling up on a problem.

National Identification Registrar - Mr. Frank Moody.

It is my pleasure to submit the National Identification Registrar report to the 54th GSDCA Annual General Meeting.

TATTOOING

Since the 1st January 2012 with the introduction of micro-chipping we have seen a drop in numbers of puppies tattooed, however, as per the chart below I am still receiving a number of requests from new breeders for Tattoo Symbols.

Symbol Applications processed (* NSW includes GSDL, N&HR and BH)

<u>Club</u>	<u>1 Oct'13 > 30 Sep'14</u>		<u>1 Oct'12 > 30 Sep'13</u>		<u>1 Oct'11 > 30 Sep'12</u>		<u>1 Oct'10 > 30 Sep'11</u>		<u>1 Oct'09 > 30 Sep'10</u>	
	Litter	AUS	Litter	AUS	Litter	AUS	Litter	AUS	Litter	AUS
QLD	3	-	2	2	1	8	7	12	5	3
NSW *	3	-	3	-	4	6	7	15	8	14
ACT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
VIC	1	-	2	-	6	-	6	3	2	3
TAS	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	3	1	2
SA	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	4	-
WA	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	1	1	-
NT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	9	0	8	2	13	14	26	35	21	22



CLUB TATTOO RESULTS

The following table lists the number of Litters and Puppies tattooed between 1st October 2013 and 30th September 2014 (and already reported to me).

	<u>1 Oct'13 > 30 Sep'14</u>		<u>1 Oct'12 > 30 Sep'13</u>		<u>1 Oct'11 > 30 Sep'12</u>		<u>1 Oct'10 > 30 Sep'11</u>	
<u>Club</u>	<u>Litters</u>	<u>Pups</u>	<u>Litters</u>	<u>Pups</u>	<u>Litters</u>	<u>Pups</u>	<u>Litters</u>	<u>Pups</u>
QLD	34	186	45	267	33	165	52	293
NSW	52	308	88	534	98	591	139	807
NC	1	5	2	8	-	-	18	108
BH	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ACT	6	42	5	38	4	28	12	78
VIC	18	99	37	215	55	333	80	414
TAS	3	21	4	24	6	32	16	95
SA	9	46	13	76	12	73	61	298
WA	3	19	-	-	2	16	76	438
NT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total tattoos	126	726	194	1,162	210	1,238	454	2,531
Total Reg'ns		4,007		4,012		3,979		3,862
Percentage		19%		29%		31%		65%

Note *

The "Total Registrations" does not perfectly align with the tattoos over that period, however this is a very close approximation. Registrations have been obtained from the GSDCA Database, and is based on DOB from 1st August to 31st July – Whereas tattoos are recorded in the month that the litter was tattooed (some 7-8 weeks later).

There continues to be a decline in tattooing since the introduction of micro-chipping, but during recent months I have heard from some breeders wanting to return to tattooing their puppies, as well as microchip.

With this in mind, and the number of new applications, it is therefore very important for **ALL** Clubs to continue to support those breeders that wish to continue tattooing their puppies as well as the compulsory micro-chipping – this is their choice!

TATTOO NUMBERS IN GSDCA DATABASE

This is the biggest concern. A number of Club Identification Registrars are EXTREMELY slow in entering the Tattoo details into the GSDCA database.

Whilst most puppies are now micro-chipped only, when the breeder does tattoo we need to ensure that this is captured on the database. This information is still vital when the dog progresses through the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme and GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme.

If the Tattoo information is NOT in the Database, the GSDCA HD/ED Certificates and GSDCA Breed Survey Certificate WILL NOT be issued until this information is entered.

Can all Presidents please reiterate the importance of this, to their breeders and Club Identification Registrars within their clubs.

MICROCHIPPING

Micro-chipping has been an acceptable form of identification for GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes since 1st January 2012.



We have had a few cases with mis-matching Microchip Numbers, due to:

- Breeders not verifying the microchip number with the Name/Registration Number of the puppy when it is sold.
- Breeders not checking the Microchip numbers recorded on the ANKC Registration papers.

In addition there have been three dogs (that I am aware of) presented to Survey over the last eighteen months where the GSDCA Breed Surveyors were unable to locate the microchip – fortunately in each of these cases the dogs were also tattooed so the dogs could continue through survey.

(NBC Chair Note: While the animal was able to continue through the breed survey the paperwork was only processed by the NBC Chair once it had been verified that the allocated tattoo number was imbed on the animal's x-ray. If the x-ray had not been identified radiographically in the x-ray this animal would have been required to be re-xray. The animal should be deemed not to be classified until this information has been obtained.)

I cannot stress enough, that Breeders can avoid most of our future issues by:

- checking the Registration papers when they get them back, to ensure there has not been a data entry error at the Canine Control, and also
- checking that the puppy goes with the correct Microchip that matches its Pedigree papers

It would also be desirable if owners had the microchip scanned just before coming to breed survey, and noting where the microchip is found (as we hear regularly of chips moving).

This will be my last report in this role, as I have decided to step down from this position. I especially wish to again thank the Club Tattoo Registrars, Joylene Neddermeyer, and the NBC Executive for the support I have had over the last twelve years.

I would like to welcome Mr Adam Toretto to this role, and trust he will receive your full co-operation as he settles in. It is encouraging that we have a younger person stepping up and taking an interest in the running of the GSDCA.

NBC Chair Comment:

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank Frank Moody for his time and dedication in this position for the past twelve years. Frank has given a large amount of time and is ever diligent to ensure the accurate recording of initially the GSDCA Tattoo Scheme and more recently the recording of micro-chips.

On a personal level it has indeed been a pleasure working with Frank over the years and while stepping aside from this position and will still be working for the GSDCA via the GSDCA Database. Without the contribution given by individuals such as Frank the amount of information placed on file by the GSDCA would not be achievable. On behalf of the GSDCA Member Clubs and the fraternity as a whole, thank you.

National Hip Dysplasia and Elbow Dysplasia Control Scheme Registrar - Mr. Doug West.

Mr Chairman, GSDCA Executive, Delegates, Ladies & Gentlemen,

Once again, I am pleased to report on the activities and results of the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme to the GSDCA AGM.

My main report is delivered to the NBC Meeting yearly and this is where I do all the Charts and statistics, in this report to the AGM I only will be reporting an overview of the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme to bring Council up to date primarily with the totals.

There has been a total of 9,331 animals presented to the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme comprising of 6,520 females and 2,811 males, and 7,997 of them gained the 'A' stamp.

To date the appointed GSDCA Readers have read;

- Dr. R. Lavelle = 4,470,
- Dr. J. Richardson = 223 and
- Prof. R. Wyburn the balance



I am not sure why Dr. Richardson isn't utilised more, as X-rays read by her has been sent to Dr. Lavelle and vice versa in an Audit process that was carried out and the results were very close. So no matter who the X-rays are sent to the results are going to be basically the same. This is good to see that both our readers are on the same page.

According to the information recorded on the GSDCA Database since 1997 the breakdown of state participation is as follows:-

ACT GSDA	170
GSDC Broken Hill	36
N&HR GSDC	391
GSD League	2306
GSDC of NT	88
GSDC Queensland	1460
GSDC of South Australia	1035
GSDC of Tasmania	309
GSDC of Victoria	1794
GSDA of WA	1155
New Zealand	596

It would be of assistance if members could please ensure they send a copy of their ANKC pedigree with the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme Application Form. This assists me to confirm all details against the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme Application form and the information recorded on the GSDCA Database.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Club HD/ED Registrars around Australia and New Zealand for their input, Joylene Neddermeyer, for her co-operation and assistance, and Jean Butterfield and Frank & Val Moody.

A warm welcome to our new HD/ED Registrar for the German Shepherd Dog League, Mrs. Caryl Morris, and to thank you to Ms. Jodi Carroll for the time and effort that she contributed to the position over the years as the GSDL HD/ED Registrar.

National Breed Commission Chairman - Mrs. Joylene Neddermeyer

I was very privileged to be elected to the position of National Breed Commission Chairman in February 2001 and with the support of the fraternity have been elected in that position until February 2017.

This does mean that a number of issues in this report have been mentioned previously however I do feel it necessary to provide an update to the meeting on the current status of these issues and to keep them on the radar so to speak.

I have never taken being elected to this position for granted and have considered it an honour and a privilege. I have been fortunate that I have been able to gain a huge amount of information which has improved my knowledge of the German Shepherd Dog. I enjoy the work immensely and while it is time consuming it is also very rewarding.

I have always believed that it is paramount that information from our breeding schemes is available to all breeders both old and new for consideration in their breeding programs.

A number of issues have needed attention during the year and while a number have been finalised, a number are still ongoing.

I have always felt that it is important to talk and communicate with a large number of members at grass root level and have always taken this opportunity on the telephone or at shows or various functions that I attend during the year.



This does enable me to be aware of their concerns relative to the future of the breed in Australia and to acknowledge the huge commitment that the breeders and the exhibitors make to the further development of the breed.

GSDCA TITLE VERIFICATIONS

All GSDCA title verifications have been processed during the year as per the GSDCA regulation.

APPLICANT TO BECOME A GSDCA BREED SURVEYOR

At the 2013 NBC meeting Mr Peter Flynn applied to become a GSDCA Aspiring Breed Surveyor and I pleased to report that his application was accepted unanimously. As per the requirements approved at the 2013 GSDCA AGM he undertook to complete mock Breed Surveys at Breed Surveys held in South Australia. The NBC Executive was pleased to be able to endorse Mr Peter Flynn's application to the 2014 NBC Meeting. The 2014 NBC meeting endorsed his application and he was awarded GSDCA Breed Surveyor status forthwith. As per the requirement his resume has been printed in the Quarterly National Review and attached to the GSDCA AGM Agenda.

An application to become a GSDCA Aspiring Breed Surveyor was received by the NBC Executive prior to the 2014 NBC Meeting. The application from this individual was not supported at this point in time.

National Breed Commission Meeting

The National Breed Commission and Judges Committee meeting was in Melbourne on the 26th and 27th of July 2014.

The meeting was very well attended and it was agreed that the meeting was a successful weekend discussing a number of issues and more importantly issues affecting our breed.

As in previous years a meeting of the GSDCA Breed Surveyors and GSDCA Specialist Judges was held to discuss not only the 2014 Sires Progeny Class but this year there was a lengthy discussion regarding the major areas of concern affecting the breed in Australia.

This matter was raised by the GSDCV Breed Surveyor panel as it was felt that the NBC Chair has raised a number of issues in her report over many years however the peer group had not discussed how these concerns should be dealt with in the show ring and at Breed Survey.

Photographic evidence was provided by the NBC Chair to highlight the areas of concern e.g. over-angulation of the hindquarter, short, deep underchest etc.

I must say after attending a number of shows in the past year, the breed is currently at a cross roads. Compared to past years I do not believe there is a stand out group of sires that are producing progeny of the required standard. It is very evident that generally the quality of the males being exhibited especially in the young classes over the past twelve months is disappointing.

I have written an article 'Selection of a breeding partner' which will appear in the next edition of the QNR. As a GSDCA Breed Surveyor I am finding it difficult to complete Section VI on the GSDCA Breed Survey Certificate with beneficial direction regarding a "selection of a breeding partner" and this is a first for me.

First and foremost breeders should be aware of the particular virtues and faults of their own animal and what any sire can give to that particular animal.

In this day and age soundness in both body and mind is paramount as it is imperative that the German Shepherd Dog is promoted as a valuable and responsible pet for a family.

To achieve this aim it is important that the factors below are considered for both the sire and dam:-

- Hip and elbow results not only for the sire and dam but also noting the family history;
- Size of the individual animals within the pedigree;
- Character and temperament of the sire;
- Reaction to the gun test of animals within the pedigree;



- That the pedigree of the resultant progeny is well constructed with no close inbreeding. It is preferred that linebreeding is no closer than (3-3).

Just because the animal is the “*flavour of the month*” or the “*newest import*” it does not mean that it is the right animal for your female. Nor should a sire be used over all of the animals in a kennel, a breeding partner needs to be selected on a one on one basis. If for some reason a sire is not interested in mating your female then you must have a backup plan or second sire chosen and this does not necessarily mean a sire from the same kennel. However, if you view the litters produced within a state or in fact a kennel it is apparent that this advice is not being considered.

For a number of years in fact since my visit to Germany in 2008 I have advised the fraternity about the issue of deep and over-angulation of the hindquarter that has crept into our breed. This is a far more serious issue than size and to be perfectly frank impedes to the working ability of the dog. Some animals have recently been viewed at shows through the country where the hindquarter is so unstable the animal has difficulty in standing or moving. This issue was the major discussion at the GSDCA Breed Surveyors and Judges meeting and without question this is an area that needs to be addressed both in the show ring and at Breed Survey. I must say though when you view the 2014 VA animals (attached), it will be a slow process to improve this area within our breed.

Since becoming NBC Chairman in 2001 I have made numerous comments regarding the length of the lower chest. The issue of the length of the lower chest has been well documented since the early 1990 and is firmly entrenched in our breeding program. As advised in 2014 on my recent visit to Germany this issue of the length of the lower chest was also apparent but what was even more disappointing was the fact that not only was the lower chest short but in fact was also deep and therefore giving the appearance of an extreme tuck up. A highly respected SV judge once told me that if the lower chest is not of the required length that there is a tendency for that animal to fall on the forehead. This does make sense as I certainly believe that deep, slightly short lower chest impedes the lung capacity of the animal and the restriction becomes more apparent during movement. There are also some opinions that feel this also can lead to a pre-disposition to bloat. The problem is that I believe we see the slightly lower chest as normal and we have very few animals in our breeding program that have the correct length of lower chest. The animals below all have restrictions in the length of the lower chest.

After reviewing the Breed Survey worksheets for 2014 there are a number of animals recorded with under-developed teeth, the lower jaw is only sufficiently strong and a number of animals are also now being recorded as sufficiently strong in the upper jaw. I have been criticised for documenting issues in regards to the development of teeth however the standard states that the dentition should be healthy, strong, without gaps, scissor bite. At recent shows judges have been noting an increase in incorrect bites in some cases slightly overshot and in a couple of cases level bites at a young age. A number of P1s are just visible above the gum line which is not correct. The strength of the lower jaw is a major issue and both the strength of the skull and foreface needs to be improved.

The other issue which is more apparent during the 2014 Breed Survey season is the size and placement of ears. A number of animal entering the breeding program display slightly wide set and or large ears. The set of ears was a problem with Cayos Noriswand progeny and has been further compounded with progeny from Vegas Dongmiran and the lines of Vegas Haut Mansard. The other issue is slightly large ears which have been contributed through the lines Sanjessa Crusty Demon and Orrinshir Elton John. In my opinion linebreeding of any of the above animals is not advised. Again this restriction is apparent in the photographs of the 2014 VA animals.

A further presentation was delivered to the meeting on the sires that presented a progeny group at the National Show and Trial. The presentation also included a group of perspective sires, and also information on recent imported animals. Prospective sires of both varieties of the GSD were discussed.

This presentation forms the basis of the breed talk that I presented in South Australia, Tasmania and Queensland during the year. This presentation is a work in progress and is being always updated with the latest information and inclusion of young dogs and the VA animals from Germany.



In total twenty groups were eligible for assessment by the NBC Executive in the Sires Progeny at the 2014 National Show and Trial however only fourteen groups were presented. Amazingly of the sires only two were locally bred with twelve being imported sires. Four sires presented a group for the first time. It should be noted that eleven of the fourteen sires presented carry the Quanto Wienerau bloodline, two the Canto Wienerau bloodline and one the Mutz Pelztierfarm bloodline.

Whilst the NBC Executive overall was pleased with the quality of the groups, it must be noted that the groups of Kwint Juerikstall, Jimmy Baruther Land, Orrinshir Elton John and Toby Plassenburg were very impressive with a number of high quality animals presented of the desired type and overall harmonious construction.

It is disappointing that the number of Australian bred animals being able to present a group has decreased with the only two locally bred sires: Orrinshir Elton John, and Schneeberg Fire Storm. This confirms the NBC Executive's opinion that a number of Australian bred sires have not be seriously considered by the breeders and have been overlooked as having the ability to positively further add to the development of the breed in Australia.

I must say that I much prefer the Sires Progeny to include the Minor Puppy Class especially for the exhibitors to see the value in up and coming sires. I believe that this class is an integral part of the National Show and Trial and should not be something that needs to be done and completed as soon as possible. While I understand the time constraint at this show one must also weigh up the importance and really the only opportunity for the breeders to view progeny from sires across the board and not only from their local area.

On Sunday 26th July the NBC meeting was held and as you can see by the number of motions placed on the GSDCA AGM Agenda a number of issues were discussed and agreed by the Member Clubs and GSDCA Breed Surveyors present.

Some of the major discussions were :-

- **DNA PROFILING**

It was agreed that the GSDCA introduce a GSD profiling scheme on a voluntary basis. The sample must be taken by a veterinarian /accredited DNA Collector no self sample will be acknowledged or accepted by the GSDCA.

As acknowledged in Dr Karen Hedberg's report the breeding recommendation would be:

- ideally do not breed affected to affected
- ideally do not breed a carrier to a carrier
- ideally do not breed a carrier to an affected

- **INCORRECT IDENTIFICATION FOUND AT BREED SURVEY.**

There still appears to be some confusion regarding the correct procedure if an incorrect tattoo number or incorrect micro-chip is found at Breed Survey. It must be noted that the animal should take no further part in the Breed Survey until the issue of identification at the GSDCA HD/ED Elbow result can be confirmed. Every endeavour is given to the benefit of the animal however if the incorrect identification is on the x-ray plate, the animal will be required to be re-xrayed. (If the animal is tattooed and micro-chipped please refer to the NBC Chair's comment under the National Identification Report)

- **UNIFORMITY OF CONDUCT OF BREED SURVEYS**

At the Future Directions Workshop the "uniformity of conduct of breed surveys" and "uniformity of classification" was discussed at length. After discussion at the 2014 NBC Meeting correspondence regarding the uniformity of conduct of breed survey was circulated. I am not sure that it achieved the desired result however it was a starting point and it is imperative to achieve uniformity and consistency and that everyone is required to work as a team.

- **RESPONSIBILITY AND EXPECTATIONS FROM THE FRATERNITY OF GSDCA BREED SURVEYORS.**

For a number of years I have mentioned in my report about the standing of GSDCA Breed Surveyors and GSDCA Specialist Judges within the wider fraternity. The opinion was expressed that we as a group need to be aware on how we portray ourselves to the fraternity. With the avenues of Facebook,



Twitter and Instagram comments can be relayed widely with a minimum of effort. Everyone is free to express their opinion and disagreement however, it should be done with respect and consideration of others and the people concerned. There are means to change regulations pertaining to our schemes etc but it does not seem that everyone is open to initiating these channels.

It was unanimously agreed at the NBC Meeting that as a group we will adopt and work towards their three core values in the future.

- **Respect**
- **Teamwork**
- **Accountability**

GSDCA BS7 WORKSHEET

At the 2014 NBC meeting it was agreed that the GSDCA BS7 Worksheet needs to be reviewed. At the meeting the GSDC Victorian Breed Surveyor panel agreed to review the worksheet. The panel, lead by Mrs. Jenny Yuen has completed the review and their suggestions will be forwarded to all GSDCA Breed Surveyors for their comments so that the worksheet can be adopted at the 2015 NBC Meeting. Thank you to Jenny and her team, their input is very much appreciated.

GSDCA HD/ED CONTROL SCHEME

A breakdown of the hip and elbow results, together with the progeny charts for the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme will be circulated under separate cover prior to the GSDCA AGM.

At the 2014 GSDCA Annual General Meeting held in Adelaide on the 8th and 9th of February, the following motions were placed on the GSDCA Agenda by the German Shepherd Dog Club of South Australia and subsequently carried:

1. *That as from 1st July 2014 the GSDCA introduces the Near Normal grading for the GSDCA Elbow Dysplasia Control Scheme for those animals displaying slight irregularities or immeasurable changes. (These animals previously were awarded a Grade One grading showing 0mm of change)*
2. *That as from 1st July 2014 an animal must receive an overall grading of Normal, Near Normal or Grade One to be awarded a GSDCA 'Z' stamp through the GSDCA Elbow Dysplasia Control Scheme.*

These motions come into effect on the 1st of July 2014 which means that any animal assessed with a Grade Two grading on any elbow **will be deemed to have failed** the GSDCA Elbow Dysplasia Control Scheme and therefore will not be able to be presented to the GSDCA National Breed Survey Scheme.

GSDCA		Result
Normal	No changes	'Z' Normal(0/0)
Near Normal	Slight irregularities	'Z' Near Normal
Grade One	Osteophytes less than 2mm	'Z' Grade One
Grade Two	Osteophytes of more than 2mm to 5mm	Not recommended for breeding – Recorded as a Fail
Grade Three/UAP	Severe changes greater than 5mm	Not recommended for breeding – Recorded as a Fail

(Gradings in bold are deemed a pass and gradings in normal font are not recommended for breeding)

Since July 2014 only two animals have received the Near Normal elbow grading.

Again in my previous reports I have stated that any animal that has a parent or grandparent with a Grade Two elbow grading an elbow warning is added under Section VI "Advice for selection of a breeding partner". This practice was discussed and agreed upon at the 2006 NBC Meeting in Adelaide and has been normal practice since that time.



There has been a decrease with the number of animals that require the above warning to be added to their breed survey. The decrease in the number of Grade Two animals in our breeding program can only be seen as a positive.

We cannot however rest on our laurels and as a fraternity we must be very pro-active in ensuring that the GSDCA leads the way in adhering to responsible breeding practices.

During the Christmas holidays Dr Richardson advised the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme Registrar of a change of mailing address. Dr Richardson has advised that this address is more reliable and secure. All Club Registrars have been advised and arrangements for changes to the form have been implemented. A notice has also been placed on the GSDCA Facebook site.

The new Address is:

**DR J L RICHARDSON,
PO BOX 3477
BROADWAY NEDLANDS LPO,
WA 6009**

The GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme is very well established but there is no question that this organisation needs to remain in control of the GSDCA HD/ED Control Scheme.

The progeny statistics that we produce are invaluable to our breeders when selecting a future breeding partner and enable the GSDCA to be aware of the current hip and elbow status so to give breed direction and guidance directly relative to the German Shepherd Dog in Australia.

In this day and age with the anti-dog lobby and the threat of litigation every endeavour must be undertaken to ensure that the puppies that we breed are sound in both body and mind.

Due to time constraint at the National Show and Trial, arrangements needed to be reviewed for the presentation of the GSDCA Breeders Achievement Awards without undermining the importance of these awards. A list of the kennels will be tabled at the 2015 GSDCA AGM meeting. The following motion was carried at the 2014 NBC Meeting and I am sure will be adopted at this meeting.

GSDCA BREEDERS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS FR THE GSDCA HD/ED CONTROL SCHEME

1. The GSDCA award 100 plaque gold, silver and bronze medallions to kennels that have supported the GSDCA HD Control Scheme by breeding the required number of animals to receive the GSDCA "A" stamp (Regulation 2002) (2004)
2. The GSDCA award 100 plaque, gold, silver and bronze medallions to kennels that have supported the GSDCA ED Control Scheme by breeding the required number of animals to receive the GSDCA "Z" stamp (Regulation 2007)

The number of passes that qualify for GSDCA Breeders Achievement Award or 100 Plaque in either scheme are:

100 Plaque:	100
Gold Medallion:	50
Silver Medallion:	25
Bronze Medallion:	10

3. A list of kennels that qualify will be compiled as of 31 December in any given year.
4. The list of kennels as qualified will be tabled by the NBC Chairperson at the GSDCA AGM and the kennels to be advised in writing.
5. The medallions will be presented to Member Clubs at the GSDCA AGM and they will be requested to present the awards at an appropriate Club event such as Championship Show, Annual General Meeting and/or Presentation Night.
6. The list of kennels as qualified will be published in the QNR.
7. The GSDCA Breeders Achievement Awards are available to all kennels in Australia and also to Kennels overseas. (i.e. New Zealand and England.) (2002)



HEREDITARY DISEASES CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

Thank you once again to Dr Karen Hedberg for her work, time and commitment in the position of Hereditary Diseases Chairman.

The GSDCA Health Profile monitoring form has been updated on the GSDCA Website so that breeders are able to submit their information electronically.

Again, I can only reiterate the request of Dr Karen Hedberg that the GSDCA Health Profile forms are completed. Breeders and owners need to accept the bigger picture and the recording of information may ensure that owners and breeders will not encounter the same problem.

I have also requested the GSDCA HDC Disease Chairman to advise the number of forms that have been received during 2014 which will be tabled at the meeting.

In regards to the GSDCA Haemophilia Scheme I need to stress that all males that require to be tested for haemophilia need to have a GSDCA Hneg certificate. No other results are accepted by the GSDCA.

National Breed Survey Scheme.

I must say once again that only the correct paperwork is accepted and no Breed Survey certificate can be issued until all of the required paperwork is received.

With the introduction of producing the certificates on the GSDCA Database it made sense to change the dates of the Breed Survey season from 1st January to 31st December of each calendar year.

In 2014 it appears that the numbers are slightly on the increase and in some states have seen a significant increase in participation. It is pleasing to see the number of Long Stock Coats being presented to Breed Survey and I must say that it is also evident that the depth of quality of the Long Stock Coats entering the breeding program has improved.

As you are aware the GSDCA Database is now available to the members. The Breed Survey certificates for the past year have been produced from the database.

Frank Moody has received numerous emails from me to incorporate pedigree details of animals so that the Breed Survey page can be completed. It is time consuming to build the four generation pedigree within the database especially of recently imported animals. There is no doubt that the more animals that are being entered into the database the formation of the pedigree becomes much easier.

Mrs Dawn Evans, the NBC Registrar has been entering the past Breed Surveys into the database. The balance of the 2013 Breed Surveys are currently being entered and then 2012, 2011 etc. This is a large amount of work and I appreciate the time, effort and diligence that Dawn has shown with this task. Slowly but surely the number of Breed Surveys available for the members is steadily increasing.

Thank you Dawn for your patience and expertise.

As you are now all aware the GSDCA Database has been released (I guess that is the correct word) and I would like to personally thank Frank Moody and Daryl Bourke for their work in making this database a reality.

I know sometimes I have tested my friendship with Frank asking if this can be done or not, to fine tune the Breed Survey page and yes we did reach a number of compromises with quite a bit of give and take from both parties. Val did answer the phone a number of times "*I guess you want to talk to Frank*"

On a serious note congratulations Frank on a job well done and you have every right to be very proud of its success. Another great milestone for the GSDCA.

PHOTOGRAPHS FOR BREED SURVEY

Thank you to the owners that have supplied photographs in the first instance and thank you to the owners that have responded to my repeated requests.

Some of the photographs are not of the same quality as others and it goes without saying that an adult photograph in a show stance is required. Happy shots are not acceptable.



Just remember that the photograph remains with your animal forever and I cannot imagine anyone not wanting to show their animal to the best advantage.

2013 BREED SURVEY BOOK

The 2013 Breed Survey Book was released in time for the 2014 National Show and Trial. Unfortunately due to the increase in printing costs and the reduced sales it means that the Breed Survey Book as we know it is a thing of the past.

GSDCA TOOTH CERTIFICATES.

Since receiving the documentation from the GSDCA President in May, I have received two requests for a GSDCA Tooth Certificate.

- 1 A previously Breed Survey animal – certificate issued: Upper Left P1. Damaged tooth was noted on the GSDCA Breed Survey Certificate.
2. X-ray has been received of an animal identified with a missing P3 upper left. As per the regulations the x-ray was forwarded to a Veterinary Dentist for her opinion. Proof of an adult, normal, healthy tooth will need to be not confirmed for a certificate to be issued. Waiting to receive a response from the specialist on the exact status of the tooth.

Visit to the Member Clubs

I have been fortunate to visit shows in Perth, Hobart, Brisbane, Canberra, Melbourne and Adelaide during the year and I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Member Clubs for their hospitality during my travels it was very much appreciated.

EXTRACT FROM THE DECEMBER SV ZEITUNG

Once again I have provided an extract of the figures provided by Herr Lothar Quoll on the VA males from the 2014 Sieger Show. For those members who are members of the SV who will see a huge change in the information being supplied. I must say that in some cases the number of studs, the number of animals x-rayed and then consequently Breed Surveyed is disappointing.

I have prepared a snapshot of the information provided by Herr Lothar Quoll but I received positive feedback from my 2014 report so I thought it was beneficial to include this information once again.

In the SV Zeitung there is also a breakdown of the measurement of animals exhibited at the show and their placing; Compared to previously, measurements are precise e.g. 66.9cms, 65.3cms etc. I may not be correct but I believe this is due to a new measuring technique e.g. laser but maybe someone that attended the 2014 Sieger Show can advise.

Conclusion

Breeding and showing German Shepherd Dogs is not only a hobby I enjoy but we must remember that individuals, clubs and this Council are secondary to the reason why we are here the ***“German Shepherd Dog”***.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the breeders and owners of German Shepherds throughout Australia for their support, not only to me personally, but to the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia, its Breed Improvement Schemes and most importantly to the breed.

I must say that I enjoy the work immensely and it certainly allows one to obtain a huge amount of information and knowledge of the current status of the breed in Australia.

I have always made myself available either by email or by telephone to answer your queries to the best of my ability and I do believe that open lines of communication are paramount in this position.

Thank you for the support from the Member Clubs, Breed Surveyors and the fraternity and of course for the support and friendship of my fellow Executive.

I am happy to answer any questions from any delegate in regards to my report.



JUDGES COMMITTEE – Mrs. Robyn Knuckey

This is my first AGM report since taking over the position in February 2014. So for my time involvement for the reporting requirements, it is February to the end of October 2014.

I would like to thank my fellow GSDCA Executive members for providing the required support, to help get me up to speed as quickly as possible, once commencing in the role in February 2014. It was a very busy time, with significant workload generated from the 2014 AGM, from the Judges Portfolio, and general business for the GSDCA Executive.

I would also like to thank my fellow judges for their support with requests for information and input during my short time in the role.

National

The GSDCA National was in May 2014, held in Canberra. For a small club, the ACT GSDA, worked tirelessly to run the show with an exceptional entry of 600 animals. A highlight of the Show was the presentation of six Breeders Groups. This is an excellent entry and a wonderful opportunity for breeders to showcase their breeding to their peers.

From the National, the Tail Male Chart for excellent graded males and females was distributed to all judges, as a part of the GSDCA Judges' meeting held in July 2014. It was also published in the Quarterly National Review, thank you to Mr Stephen Collins for his work in collating these charts.

As an Executive, we debriefed on what worked and issues that arose from the National. One of the biggest issues was time management, which will continue to be a planning consideration, with the growth of the Long Stock Coat entry. With these discussions, some motions have been forthcoming for this meeting. Also ideas and discussions have been considered by the GSDCV to help with time management for the 2015 GSDCA National to be held in May.

GSDCA Judges Meeting – Melbourne July 2014

This meeting was conducted in a slightly different format this year, with a number of discussion papers presented. These topics engendered some quite robust discussion, from those in attendance at the meeting. From these discussion points a few motions have come forward to this meeting and an action sheet has been formulated, only a few actions are still outstanding.

The topics discussed were:

- ❖ **Measurement, recording of size and what we do with this measurement** – the main trust of this is to have consistency with our processes and outcomes as judges. The variance of actions by judges creates dissatisfaction with exhibitors. This was looked at in conjunction with the SV Directive to SV Judges.
- ❖ **Judging puppies** – discussed virtues and faults and the impact on development of puppies. What weighting do we give faults that can be a development/growth issue, including judging in stance or in movement.
- ❖ **Shows for 2014** – there were 36 specialist shows listed for 2014, with 22 Australian judges and 15 International judges. Discussion involved looking at ways to promote more Australian judges, credibility of judges, especially in light of the high number of international judges being contracted to judge in Australia. Also looked at ways to promote extra shows, with Members' Competitions etc.
- ❖ **Requirements to become an Accredited WUSV Judge** – draft procedure, criteria and application process presented to judges.
- ❖ **Judges for National Roster and for 2017 National** – discussion about judges on the roster plus suggested judges for the 2017 National.
- ❖ **Judges, Social Media and the Exhibitor – judge's responsibilities** – this topic created a lot of discussion, highlighting local Canine Control policies on Social Media. A number of judges were unaware of specific policies, a letter was sent to all judges and clubs to look at their local canine control policies to see their local rules pertaining to this area.
- ❖ **GSDCA State Liaison Officers** - this demonstrated differing involvement with each club with their local canine controls. The most involved clubs were the GSDCV, GSDAWA and GSDCQ with their local controls. The involvement is mainly due to a few individuals forming relationships with the general canine fraternity.



- ❖ **PowerPoint presentation for aspiring and recently qualified judges** – this still needs to be finalised, but is a tool for State Liaison Officers to help with understanding the different requirements for each Canine Control to aspire to be an ANKC licenced judge for GSDs. Then progresses to be a training tool for newly qualified judges in assessing and critiquing the GSD.
- ❖ **Action – Ensure all GSDCA Specialist Judges are financial with the ANKC** – the ANKC website was checked on the 1 November 2014, I am pleased to report all conformation judges on the GSDCA register are financial with the ANKC at that time.
- ❖ **Action – Working Party to design a new medal for Gold, Silver & Bronze recipients at GSDCA Nationals.** A short report on progress to be presented at the 2015 GSDCA AGM.

GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course

I contacted the three participants in the GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course, Andrew Thor, Jose Novelli and Ken Northcote, after the GSDCA AGM in February.

It is with regret that I have accepted Ken Northcote's withdrawal from the scheme, as he has not been given a judging appointment since 2008, he could not justify the expense of travelling interstate to finalise the examinations required. Andrew Thor did progress further in the Course, since February, but after reflection on his priorities, he too has withdrawn from the Scheme. I wish both of these gentlemen the very best with their future endeavours.

Jose Novelli wishes to continue in the Scheme. I have contacted him on a few occasions, but has made no further progress in the Extension Course.

I have pleasure in reporting that Andrew Jones, from Victoria, has entered the GSDCA Specialist Judges Course and has completed his first three Mentor Assessments, and at the time of writing, has his first Examination assessment scheduled for February 2015. It is also pleasing to see Andrew has been contracted for several shows, this is great so early in his judging career. I commend the clubs that are providing this opportunity for him and other recently qualified judges to gain further experience as a judge.

Another judge entering the GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course, very recently, is Salvatore Pittelli, from South Australia. Salvatore is very keen to progress in the Scheme, and is very good at communicating and asking questions to gain experience.

At the GSDCA Judges' Meeting, an additional discussion item was the regulations that pertained to the administration assessment for the GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course. From that discussion is a motion to this meeting regarding an assessment when the participant in the Scheme is actually judging. This is to provide meaningful feedback to help in the skill development as a judge.

Since the GSDCA Judges' Meeting, it has become clear there is a gap in the criteria to enter the Extension Course, depending on the qualification as an ANKC Championship Judge – whether it is a GSD only or Group 5 licence. As an additional discussion paper for the agenda for the GSDCA AGM, additional points have been added to the application criteria, so there is an even playing field for all applicants. It is purely an administration point to tidy up the Scheme.

Conclusion

I feel good progress has been made in the GSDCA Judges' Committee portfolio in the first year of my tenure. I look forward to continuing my contribution.

My main interest is to encourage younger members of our fraternity to take an interest in judging of our breed in the future. This takes planning, as there are a number of criteria to be met.

At a club level, try to meaningfully involve our younger members, they are our future. For them to be involved, we need to provide a positive environment. To do this, we need to think how we all interact with others. A number of our members do not want to be involved, as they feel it is a very negative environment, and why would they want to expose themselves to that?

We all have a responsibility to support, not squash, their enthusiasm. The very real risk is, there will be no one to move the German Shepherd Dog forward in the next 10-15 years. We need to seriously consider succession planning at a domestic and National Council level.

Thank you all for taking the time to read and ponder this report.



OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE – Mr. John DeLucia

I have received many phone calls and emails to do with obedience matters and hopefully, I have steered all in the right direction.

A C&WA draft discussion will be put forward on the manual and I thank the working party for their input and time. It is still a work in progress and I look forward to input and direction from clubs which is needed to move this to the next level.

The obedience meeting in Melbourne was well attended and a vibrant discussion took place on many issues with a number of items on this AGM as an indication that obedience is still alive and on the move. I encourage you to please consider these motions and let's help and assist each other.

I would encourage those who can participate and attend the 2015 National Show and Trial in Melbourne to do so. Hopefully, we can get the obedience numbers on the increase.

Well done to those that entered the 2014 National Show and Trial held in Canberra. Even though the trial area was away from the main arena, it must be remembered that not all clubs have the area and facilities to have them next to each other. Despite this, it was still a well run event.

I will attempt to visit a number of Member Clubs in the coming year and try to work around when you conduct your trials. I hope to have more involvement in the way Council conducts and looks into all obedience matters but I think that with the website upgrade this will be the start.

I wish you all the best for 2015

EDITOR NATIONAL REVIEW – Mrs. Yvonne Yun

From the report provided by the Treasurer, Member Clubs will note that the financial performance of this portfolio has improved significantly over the past twelve months, with the deficit being reduced by \$4223 over the operating period. The recent cover price increase to clubs will hopefully further reduce this shortfall to a cost neutral or slightly improved position by the end of this financial year.

Advertising revenues are down this year and it is becoming increasingly difficult to encourage internal advertisers part with significant amounts of money to place their ad in the QNR. Most recently, the social media critiques of ads have led to an even greater reluctance on the part of potential advertisers. Whilst the bulk of revenue for this portfolio comes from club subscriptions, at least 24% derives from advertising, so losses in advertising DO have a significant impact that could lead to cost increases down the track for clubs, a situation we truly need to avoid.

A major issue this year has been the matter of obtaining interesting and diverse copy for the QNR. Criticisms have been made that "there's nothing in the QNR". Whilst the comments are noted, it becomes extremely difficult to balance the demands and needs of the core readers (breeders and show) with the necessity to provide material that will be of interest to the majority of our readers who are either members as the result of a club as a result of a new puppy purchase or need for obedience and social activities for their dogs. This latter group is in the bulk of club membership and they frequently complain that there is nothing in the magazine for them, a very valid point. Trying to arrive at a balanced, diverse and readable publication for both cohorts is at best, testing and at worst an absolute nightmare.

This is then compounded by the fact that most of us have lives that are already demanding enough and undertaking to provide an article or a submission for the magazine is often another task that has to fall through the cracks. I would like to make two points here - firstly, I would like to thank those who have been so very generous with their time and contributions; it is appreciated that you frequently do so to the detriment of your family, dogs and friends. Thank you. I would also like to encourage those who have not yet done so to reach deep and make a contribution. I cannot guarantee that your offering will not be critiqued, but you can rest assured that the majority of readers do appreciate your efforts.



Readers will note that in the interests of not padding out the pages, just to reach the magical number of 48 pages, content for the last two editions has been reduced to 44 pages, generating a small production cost savings. Clubs have in the past mandated the return of "Club News". This in itself causes problems because pages are set aside to accommodate this item and when it does not eventuate, urgent challenges arise as to how this space will be used. I would like again to appeal to clubs to assist by having this material sent to the Editor in a timely and complete fashion, so that each Member Club voice is heard. Again it comes back to the issue of club members feeling part of the larger picture and being engaged with the Council in some way and this is one pathway for this to happen.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

National Show Liaison Officer – Mr. Ian Urie

I congratulate the ACT Club on the undertaking that they committed to, in running the 42nd National with the assistance of and in partnership with the Council. I was glad to be able to assist the Committee in their preparations, with trophy requirements and drafting of the schedule. The Show Manager Adam Toretto showed himself to be an asset to his club and as somebody new to the task he ably handled the running of the event. Thank you also to the hard working ACT committee who supported him, and to those volunteers from other States and members of the Council Executive who assisted with the conduct of the Show and Trial. I was unable to attend the National in Canberra, as I had a bitch whelping puppies at the time, and I wish to thank Sharon Thorp for standing in for me as acting National Show Liaison Officer at that show, at the request of the Executive. Sharon will be providing a report on the 42nd National to this meeting. It was apparent from reports that I heard, that there were substantial problems with the timing of the run-offs, which may in part be due to the increased number of classes to be judged since the introduction of the LSC variety. This is something to be diligently addressed in the future and I look forward to Sharon's suggestions in that regard.

During the year I attended the 2014 AGM in Adelaide, and the NBC Meeting in Melbourne. I also participated in the subcommittee to review the GSDCA Regulations. If re-appointed as NSLO, I will be unable to act in the role again at the 2015 National, due to being a member of the hosting Club. I believe Sharon once again will be stepping into the breach, and for that I thank her. I also thank Jane Pike for her continued work in updating the judge's database.

The 42nd GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial hosted by the ACT GSDA and the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc., was held on the 16th, 17th & 18th May 2014.

The following report was submitted by Acting, National Show Liaison Officer – Sharon Thorp

Task Description

- Frank and fearless review of the COMPLETE event.
- All judges.
- All stewards.
- Show Committee interactions with exhibitors.
- Social events, quality, value for money.
- Official Opening and PR value fully exploited.
- Presentations Trophy Table etc.
- Liaison and seek input from Show Coordinators (Wolf, Vince, Ian) and Show Manager (Adam).
- Liaison with and seek input from Trial Coordinator (Julie Urie) and John Delucia, GSDCA OC Chair.
- Liaison and seek input from Show Secretaries Margaret Barnes, Vicki Dobson and Jenny Kenworthy, Chief Steward.
- Liaison with and seek input from GSDCA Executive as needed according to roles undertaken.
- Drafting and distribute draft report for comment from key position holders. ·Report to include lessons learnt and recommendations for conduct of future events.
- Distribute final report via Secretary GSDCA.



Obedience Report - prepared by Julie Urie.

The 42nd GSDCA National Obedience Trial was run on Saturday 17th May 2014.

I would like to thank the judges, David Rumble, Alison Rumble and Roddy Macdonald, who were easy to work with and very well received by the competitors. Also deserving of thanks were the individuals who volunteered their time to help with set-up, running and pack-up of the Trial. They came from both from the ACTGSDA and I believe other clubs as well. The trial ran very smoothly and there was a good atmosphere around the rings. The area allocated for the trial was in excellent condition and provided optimal trialling conditions for all.

The system adopted at the 2013 GSDCA National Show/Trial, of scheduling all obedience competitors to present to the official photographer prior to the Trial, was also followed this year and has proved to be very successful on both occasions. There are no conformation classes running when this needs to be done, so the official photographer is free to attend the Obedience area to take the required photographs.

I would recommend that this system be continued at future National Trials. There is little time and effort involved in doing this and it ensures we have complete coverage for the GSDCA Quarterly Review.

It was pleasing to note that all Obedience rings were fully sponsored for Trophies, Sashes and Mementos. This also includes the major awards of the Rick Richardson and David O'Rourke Trophies.

There were a total of 50 dogs entered, with individual class numbers as follows:

UDX - 1	UD - 7	OPEN - 15	NOVICE - 9	CCD - 18
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There were a total of 9 dogs eligible to compete for the David O'Rourke Memorial Trophy. This is pleasing to see, but it is also worth noting the number would have been higher, if CCD competitors were also eligible. The winner of this trophy was Volscaïn Akira 'AZ', who competed very successfully in the Novice class by gaining 1st place with a score of 198 Exc. and gaining 16th place VG in the Intermediate class.

This bitch also went on to win the Rick Richardson Memorial Trophy and Gold Medal in Winner of Winners. Congratulations to her owner and breeder. The Silver Medal was awarded to Obedience Ch. Singha Grey Mist, who competed in the Open class. The Bronze Medal was not awarded, due to insufficient qualifiers in the eligible classes.

Feedback from competitors was positive, both on the judging and running of the trial. Overall, I would say the day was a success.

I take this opportunity to thank Julie for her report above.

The 42nd National Show and Trial Report

As acting National Show Liaison Officer my report encompasses many of the areas listed in the task description. The draft report was prepared in May and circulated to the GSDCA Executive and the ACT club, only one person since then has replied to my report.

The 42nd National Show and Trial was the first one that was a joint undertaking between a Member Club (ACT) and the GSDCA. In regards to the financial viability of the event this will not be known until the final financial reports are prepared.

As I was not part of the lead up to the Show and Trial, I am not in a position to comment on the discussions between the two parties, rather this report details my observations and after discussions with many exhibitors and spectators concerns and suggestions for addressing some of the issues raised over the course of the Show and Trial.

Firstly let me congratulate both the ACT GSDA and the GSDCA, for hosting the National, and as someone who has run a National and part of a smaller club, I believe this could be away forward for the future, given an essential, often lacking especially for smaller clubs is that of helpers.

Several items were discussed just prior to the show and trial that were of concern for either the GSDCA Editor, or the Exhibitors so I will briefly touch on them, and offer some suggestions for consideration.



Photographs of placegetters

A problematic job for the GSDCA Editor, and a handout was a late suggestion, this was given out to exhibitors, but it seems to have fallen on deaf ears. This is a recurring problem every year, and the following are suggestions that might be of some assistance.

- Placing the show photographer requirements into the catalogue, this was done.
- Announcing the requirements more frequently in the microphone.
- Have the photographer be available to take photographs of dogs prior to them being shown, could necessitate another photographer, but could encourage the advertising of the dog, if not placed. I believe the photographer in the ring to take pictures on the pegs was advantageous.

Sometimes there is nothing that can be done, and no matter how hard you try people just don't listen.

Awarding of GSDCA Breeder Awards

Despite the announcement that these would be presented at the Presidents Dinner in the ACT preliminary report to the AGM, and subsequently in the NBC Chairpersons report, exhibitors were not aware. I think here the blame lies squarely at the feet of the clubs for not making their members aware.

The time to object was back then and not at or just prior to the show. At the same time acknowledging the breeders for their participation and achievements in the schemes is very important, not only as a PR exercise but as positive reinforcement for their support of the GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes.

I also believe that the recipients could have been given more notice of the awards.

Given the time restraints during the Opening Ceremony, which was why it was moved.

Below are suggestions made to me by exhibitors and spectators as to how they think this could be improved.

Suggestion 1

All recipients gathered at the side of the ring, or in the ring.

They could be in line and the awards, announced and then given, the problem occurs when you have people walking all the way in and out of the ring taking time.

Suggestion 2

Rather than being presented at the Presidents Dinner the Saturday function is more likely to be attended by more exhibitors and could be done then.

Suggestion 3

Present the Bronze and Silver medals at main Club Champ show during the year. Present the Gold and plaques for 100 at the Opening Ceremony along with the Obedience award (as done this year)

National Show and Trial

Again I congratulate the ACT GSDA, with special congratulations to the hard working Show Committee, the members of Executive who worked hard all weekend and the people from other clubs that gave freely of their time to assist. The Show Manager, Adam, was everywhere and didn't stop the whole weekend ensuring that things ran smoothly. Stirling effort! For those of you that don't know this went above and beyond with him racing a dog with bloat to the vet one night, and his mother Peta racing another dog to a vet another night.

I see this report, as being objective not subjective and it is not a lay blame document rather I hope a report that clubs can take on board for future Nationals.

Taking on board the job description:

Overview

Great National for those exhibiting, some hiccups but mainly behind the scenes, the Show Committee worked hard, and tirelessly and though at times under stress their responses to questions by exhibitors was always in a professional manner.

Judges

The judges were well received and professional, and though their English was good I don't believe it is good enough to forgo the use Interpreters, this was evidenced with what escalated to a formal complaint of one of



the judges, by an exhibitor due to a misunderstanding during translation. This was a situation that could have been avoided with an interpreter. Also with the lack of an interpreter and incorrect use of the microphone by the judge, combined with a speaker system that did not handle the situation, the judge's comments were often impossible to understand, and many exhibitors said during the course of the show they had given up listening, as they couldn't understand. The PA System was inadequate for the size of this event, and careful consideration should be given to any PA system at future events, if the Exhibitors can't hear, they can't be blamed for not doing what they are requested to.

Stewards

A thankless and hard task, each Judge has a separate judging style and the first day it is a learning curve. The provision of one steward for the rings was not adequate especially for the bigger bitch classes.

I didn't feel there was a sense of leadership from the stewards in assisting the judge controlling the ring, especially on the Friday; with the introduction of a second steward it seemed to work slightly better though a separate assembly steward would have been preferable.

Perhaps a walkie-talkie between several stewards would be of assistance so one could be closer to the exhibitors rather than in the middle of the ring. The behaviour of a couple of exhibitors in the ring left a bit to be desired and a clash of personalities occurred, this eventuated in another incident which ended up in a formal complaint. At times we had a few overzealous handlers, and handlers that overcrowded that needed to be brought back into line. I don't know if the stewards had a meeting prior to the event or during the event, which if not would have been advantageous as to how the ring should be controlled. The appointment of a Head Steward who convenes a meeting on the Thursday prior to the event to discuss how the show is going to be run.

Rings

The rings, though not quite the size listed in the manual were adequate and it was good to see a wide double handling ring for safety of double handlers.

Social Events

I unfortunately could not arrive in time for the "Meet and Greet" so I cannot comment on this.

I did attend dinner with the Judges on the Thursday night along with most of Executive and members of the ACT club. The meal was okay, though certainly not cheap, The President of the GSDCA noted the Obedience Judges on their own and got them to join the table, what could have been a faux pas avoided, though I must say the waitress assigned to our table, was lacking in social skills.

Presidents Dinner

This was held a long way from where many people were staying and due to the lateness of the conclusion of day 1 people were late attending. The entrée was fine, the main course (I had the Chicken) was not good, it was dry and unappealing, the lack of desert given the money paid, was surprising and only some of the tables got the Cheese Platters. The entertainment was amusing.

Overall rating 2 out of 5 for value for money.

Suggestion

This event needs to be held much closer to the ground.

Suggestion it is rescheduled to maybe the Thursday night and this becomes the President Dinner. As there are very few opportunities to dress up in the dog world, I would miss this event, but it could be time to forgo this event. Another suggestion is that perhaps it is time to have a name change, and called National Dinner and have a cocktail party to bring down the costs.

Saturday Night

The quality of the food was good, there are very limited choices when catering for that many people, the armbands were a good idea, and the martialling line worked well. Elvis appeared again and as this is traditionally a night for the younger people he was well received.

Overall value for money 4 - 5.

The Spit Roast has been done to death for the Saturday night at Nationals, I am not sure if there is alternative, but something a bit different would be of value.



Opening Ceremony

This would have to have been the quickest one I have ever witnessed at a National, it was great that the patroness of the GSDCA Dawn Frazer was there, and what a lovely lady she is, there was also representation of Dogs ACT and from the major sponsor. There was no representation from the media (often very hard to achieve). There needs to be some special event to pique their interest and as there was no Outstanding Canine Service Award this year the ACT would have been battling to get any media attention for the Event.

Trophy Presentation Table

The presentation nibbles were well received by a hungry hoard, the limitation of space for the presentations meant many could not get in, nor could they see, which meant they chatted amongst themselves and this was not respectful for the judges.

I don't think the ACT club could have done much more to accommodate the numbers, given the space restrictions.

I tried to view the presentation table prior to the presentations and as such there was none, the trophies should have been on display to see rather than just stacked up. The Gold medal gifts of the cutlery was the norm, though it would have been nice to have seen them in Presentation boxes, and I thought the sticking of the plaque on the cardboard box was not the best place for it. The plaques were of a good standard, though I have been informed they were more expensive than those that could have been obtained through the GSDCA Trophy Officer.

Though not a requirement, cups or wreaths to the Gold, Silver and Bronze medal winners on the pegs adds to the spectacle of the event.

Catering

Officials

Given the large entry for this show and the 12 Long Stock Coat classes are increasing in size, the open sandwiches, and fruit platters in the ring for the judges worked well, and the lunch in the ring for the Presentation Ceremony worked well, and the quality of the food was first rate. Rating 5 - 5.

Exhibitors

Friday saw long queues for food but the kinks were ironed out by Saturday, and the selection of food, quality, and quantity was good. I didn't hear one complaint from exhibitors, though I do believe McDonalds did a roaring trade, with those that could not wait and of course the coffee van was a great idea and very well received.

42nd National Show and Trial Lessons Learnt

A good PA with good speakers is essential.

Items needing addressing:

Sportsmanship.

The last couple of Nationals has seen a rise in language that is unacceptable both in and out of the ring. The angst surrounding international handlers is not conducive for promoting Australia on the world scene of German Shepherds. It has also seen a rise in the number of Official complaints lodged; this is also detrimental to the breed and our organisation.

Perception

We live in a digital world, which facilitates the flow of information this can be used favourably, or used to disseminate information from the disgruntled.

The Australian mentality sadly reinforces the Tall Poppy Syndrome.

Hindsight is a wonderful thing but forethought is even better.

Sometimes the need to jump in and assist should be tempered with a thought of what might be the consequences.

No catalogues should be seen in the ring at any time especially being held by someone who appears to be stewarding and are not.



Teeth and Testical Check

Is it time to stop this for all dogs that have been Breed Surveyed, or stop the checking of teeth in the Open Dog and Bitch Classes and rather adopt the German way of checking microchips or could be tattoos, and teeth and height check prior to presenting for their class. In Australia, it is actually the judges responsibility to check teeth if they wish. The perceived aggression of one Open dog in the ring, another who was outside the ring, when the teeth were being checked, these sort of incidents lead to gossip, and Chinese whispers, and talk of ‘IF IT WAS AN AUSTRALIAN BRED DOG’.

I know for the sake of expediency on Sunday, some were done outside the ring, and at the bitch ring in the assembly area. If teeth are to be checked they must all be done in the same place and that place is in the ring, and if a dog is aggressive then ANKC rules must apply. Do we really need to continue this practice?

Another suggestion that has been made to me “Time to introduce the “CARD”, that contains the name of the dog, microchip/tattoo number, date of survey, classification and Hip/Elbow status. As they go in the ring the dog is scanned or tattoo checked to the card and in they go. What happens if they forget their card – they cannot be shown.”

Stewarding

It is important that the Stewards and the Show Committee work closely together and that 2 stewards are in the ring (especially Bitches) at all times.

Timing

The entry at the 42nd National was the biggest for some time, and due to the introduction of the 12 Long Stock Coat classes and their increasing popularity, this saw the conclusion of one class for the Long Stock Coats finished under headlights, this is not acceptable. I commend the decision to refund those exhibitors their money.

The timing issues caused the pushing back Stock Coat male classes on 2 days.

This was caused on one day by the length of time taken for Junior Handlers. Whilst the Youth are our future, taking over 2 hours for this was far too long and in the shortened day light meant the classes that people paid to exhibit their dogs in were disrupted.

Another contributing factor was the length of time taken for the Baby Bitch class, the judge in Germany is not called on to do this class, but he did take the time to judge this class unfortunately this went for nearly 3 hours.

People have said we used to get through so many more dogs, I believe a Melbourne National had 800, this prompted me to look at the processes that were in place then:

- Puppy classes were judged by an Australian judge, is this an option to revisit, and perhaps the entry fee could be slightly less for these.

We need to look at our scheduling of classes and perhaps reorganise.

Below are some suggestions made to me by exhibitors and spectators:

- Run the National over another day.
- Have an extra Judge.
- Bring back Australian Judges for the Puppies.
- Have the Opening Ceremony Friday morning.
- Start earlier 7 am start.
- Move the National to the last weekend of day light saving.
- Hold the Child Handlers on Thursday Afternoon.
- Until the Long Stock Coats have more numbers run up to Open on the Friday one after another with both judges doing them, then move onto the Stock Coats.
- Run the Baby, Minor and Long Stock Coats Friday, the Puppy, Junior and Intermediate Saturday, along with the Sires Progeny and Breeders Groups, and the Opens on the Sunday.



To assist with consideration of this below is a chart of the number of entries by class.

Class	Stock Bitch	Stock Dog	Long Stock Bitch	Long Stock Dog
Baby	47	24	5	4
Minor	51	23	9	4
Puppy	37	12	5	2
Junior	48	18	8	2
Intermediate	69	27	10	1
Open	79	46	3	4

This report is meant to be constructive and in no way a slight on the ACT GSDA, again I commend the ACT and the GSDCA for a great National, and I hope those involved with organising, and running this event, managed to have a good break after the event.

National Database Working Party – Mr. Frank Moody

It is my pleasure to submit this GSDCA Database progress report to the 54th GSDCA AGM.

We have recently achieved a significant milestone – on 1st January 2015 access to the GSDCA Database was provided to all members of the GSDCA Member Clubs.

To do this each Club was provided a unique Username and Password which they were responsible for providing to their financial members. At the new financial year of each Club the Password for that club will be changed, to ensure that only current financial members have access. I will coordinate this with each Club Secretary.

The current level of access maintains the same GSDCA rules re confidentiality of information - Over time it is anticipated that more information will be available.

A brief update on each of the sections:

Dog Database

We have over 284,000 dogs listed on the database, with all GSD's registered with the ANKC up to mid September 2014, and regular updates from the ANKC on a quarterly basis.

Tattoo/Microchip Database

Microchip Numbers are being supplied from the ANKC with the upload of new Registrations. Club Tattoo Registrars are required to ensure ALL tattoo data is entered into the database. Some tattoos are loaded from the ANKC data (where breeders have provided this at time of registration), but if not the Tattoo Registrars must enter this info in a timely manner. **FAILURE TO HAVE THE TATTOO INFO ENTERED WILL DELAY THE ISSUING OF HD/ED AND/OR BREED SURVEY CERTIFICATES.**

There is a "search" function within this section of the database. Members now have the ability to enter a Tattoo Number or Microchip, which will identify the dog – this can assist with reuniting lost dogs.

HD/ED Database

The HD/ED certificates are issued from the database, and we have nearly 9,400 HD/ED records on the system.

Breed Survey Database

Breed Survey Certificates are now being produced from the database.

The members have access to a "page" similar to that in the Breed Survey Book.

We still have the ongoing task of entering the past Breed Survey books into the Database.

Haemophilia Database

We are in the process of incorporating historic H-Neg records into the Database. This will integrate into the Breed Survey database, to enable verification of H-Neg results (where applicable). Thank you Karen for providing this information. New results will be entered directly into the database by the H-Neg Registrar.



I would especially like to thank Daryl Bourke (the programmer) for his ongoing commitment to this project, which has grown considerably in its complexity from the original concept. Also Joylene Neddermeyer and Doug West for their time, guidance and assistance in implementing the Breed Survey and HD/ED sections.

Whilst I am extremely proud of the progress that has been made so far, the project is still evolving and I am sure will require ongoing work for years to come, as additional information and/or reports are required.

Rules & Regulations Officer – Ms. Sharon Thorp

I would firstly like to thank the team of Frank Moody and Steve Collins, who have worked hard in finishing this document that we present to you in its draft form, for adoption.

We worked on the premise that this document will be utilised by Clubs and individuals to ascertain the Regulations pertaining to the GSDCA, and as a working document to refer to prior to placing a motion for future GSDCA AGM's.

Process undertaken:

We took the list of motions passed at GSDCA AGM's up to and including February 2014 and removed all motions that didn't pertain to a regulation (i.e. buy a computer), and any duplicated or outdated motions, and then identified motions that should be grouped together.

We believe we have included all motions that were presented to us, that pertain to the Regulations of the GSDCA.

At times it was necessary to refer back to reports and minutes of AGMs to gain insight into the intention of a motion.

The "GSDCA Regulations (DRAFT) ver: Dec 2014" has been broken down into 9 sections (listed below), these are indexed and this index can be used to click directly into the section that a person wishes to view.

- Introduction
- Administration
- GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes
- Awards and Criteria
- Conduct of Specialty Shows and Trials
- Judges and Surveyors
- Quarterly National Review
- List of GSDCA forms and Publications
- Definitions and Abbreviations

On occasions we have joined motions and also changed wording slightly so that the Regulation reads clearly, but ensured that the intent of the motions has been maintained.

In these cases the full subcommittee were unanimous before the wording was amended.

We have also standardised wording (i.e. Clubs, Affiliates, to the one term of Member Clubs) for the sake of uniformity.

We have not repeated motions that are covered in other manuals (i.e. Breed Survey Manual, or National Show and Trial Manual) unless it pertains to what a person or Club needs to know prior to participating – instead we have referred to these manuals for this information.

We also have made reference to where particular documentation can be found (i.e. Schedule of Fees), which can change, and therefore are not contained within the body of this document.

We have included a list of "GSDCA Approved Overseas Breed Improvement Schemes".

This is based on the requirements already passed in motions, and current practice.

We have not included the GSDCA Constitution as that is a separate document.



Recommendations:

We would like to bring to the Clubs attention that some areas of the Regulation Manual are in need of further regulations in order to complete this document, however until these are approved at a GSDCA AGM they cannot be included or changed.

These are:

- Code of Ethics – We have not included as the previous one is very outdated and not relevant to today. We suggest that an updated version be prepared and when ratified by the Clubs added to this Manual.
- QNR –The document mentions on more than one occasion “after published in the Quarterly Review”. We suggest a date is set, rather than this, due to changes in the printing time for the QNR.
- Regarding the State Breed Exhibition rules.
What was passed recently is not the conduct of the show but rather for the judges, the previous rules (2011) are not followed and we need a set of rules for this. We suggest draft rules are prepared by the Judges Chair and when ratified by the Clubs added to this Manual.
- Obedience Meeting protocols – Unlike other meetings there are no protocols for the Obedience Meeting. We suggest that these are formulated and when ratified by the Clubs added to this Manual.

We also recommend that the National Show and Trial Manuals are placed on the GSDCA web site, as these are referenced within the Manual.

We seek the clubs approval to change the name of the document to the “GSDCA Regulations Manual”, instead of “The Rules and Regulations Manual” (the Rules are the Constitution).

Conclusion:

We hope that the clubs like the new format and the way in which this document has been compiled, and see it as a valuable resource.

We ask that Clubs review the “Draft” Manual and provide feedback in regards to this document and if you feel we have missed something we would like to hear from you.

This **feedback must come via your Club Secretary to the GSDCA Secretary** (who will forward it to the subcommittee). Feedback must reference the clause number, and your concern/interpretation, and include supporting evidence of the motion that you feel is missing, or changed.

After your review of the “GSDCA Regulations (DRAFT) ver: Dec 2014”, we recommend the clubs to pass the Regulations Manual in its entirety, as per the motion in the 2015 GSDCA AGM Agenda.

Once approved, it is up to the Member Clubs to place future motions on the GSDCA AGM Agenda to change any motion/regulation that they consider needs to be changed.

This is not part of the scope of this committee.

Trophy Officer – Mr. Terry Jarvis

Yet another interesting year! With the National held in Canberra this year posing a few logistical problems with Trophies, Statues and Plaques. This caused concern over who was ordering Trophies and who was not, what and where it was being sourced from where it was coming from and ordered by whom. This led to problems moving closer to the show but all was well in the end. The need for sticking to the Show Manual is essential and to direct clubs to the right suppliers and the personnel that are experienced in organizing the trophies for this event.

The need for the standardization is a must as over the years with clubs doing their own thing has led to some confusion and changes in artwork and sizing of plaques with extra costs to Council and clubs. To have one person in charge liaising with the club officers holding the event will alleviate the problems in this area. I think that a change to the Manual should be made with regards to the direction that the trophies will be sourced through the Trophy Steward whoever that may be at the time. Tradition should be at the front of the list in any changes that need or not need to be made.

This leads me to question the roll I hold as Trophy Officer. To handle the job needs one person to deal with input from various people, suppliers and clubs etc and in the end all roads lead to the Trophy Officer who goes



by the Manual as to what is needed and time frames etc. I hope that the next National in Victoria 2015 we will be able to organize the trophy table with the GSDCA Trophy Officer so we don't have any last minute changes or anything that may have been forgotten.

That being said, I will be contacting the Victorian Club over the break to get the ball rolling for their National in 2015. The state club have been responsive to the Ex/Merit plaques and are made and dispatched as soon as possible after receipt of order and in time for their respective functions.

The Long Stock Coat classes are getting bigger with most classes with entries in them which pose's another problem with costing for the shows but one hopes that in the near future the numbers will build and rise overall.

Clubs! Do not forget that Council has on offer the Excellent Merit plaques for Breeders being available. You order these through your club Secretary.

I would like to thank the supporting State Clubs and National Council Executive for their support during the past year.

Historian – N/A

Youth Coordinator – Jess Lynch

In 2014 it was great to see a number of young people continue to become more involved in the breed. In 2015 we need to continue to encourage activities at club level so that youth involvement is increased in all areas of the club.

At the National this year it was great to see a number of the youth becoming involved in the junior handlers, handling and double handling in the ring. This year we had two youngsters get some experience, helping to steward on the Sunday and also helping around the show. It's important that we continue to encourage this, especially at club level so that we can ensure the involvement of these youngsters in the future.

Time available to complete the Junior Handler classes will continue to be an obstacle to completing the Junior Handler classes and strategies to keep these in the required time needs to be developed. Some strategies that have been discussed include not completing individuals for the older age group instead looking at group up and backs and fast gait as many are starting to handle in the ring. Also reducing the time of the critiques on the pegs with the judge pointing out one area that was done very well and one thing they can work on as many have expressed wanting to know what they should improve. During the classes time is spent showing each child how to do something they may be having difficulty with, which takes a lot of time, one idea to reduce this is to hold a workshop in one of the other breaks with the judge and some other handlers where the kids can ask questions and be shown what the handler judge was talking about. This can be adapted to club level where all different aspects involved in the GSD can be featured eg. stewarding.

In 2014 holding a youth breakfast one morning before the show was discussed unfortunately we didn't get a chance to organise this, hopefully we can organise one for this year.

I hope our youth group continues to grow and become more involved in our breed. Hopefully this encourages them to remain a part of our sport for many years to come.

COMMUNICATIONS – Yvonne Yun

In terms of the Communications portfolio, both the Webmaster and the BSL Coordinator have provided reports for their areas. I would like to acknowledge the contribution of John Fenner and wish him well in his future activities. The re-development of the website has been a major activity this year and the Project Manager, Jane Pike will provide comment on the project status. A driving force for the process has been the new Website Officer, Jacinta Poole and I am sure you will all be only too familiar with Jacinta's work through the Victorian club. We are indeed lucky that she has agreed to take on the role, particularly with her current workload.



Eukanuba has been sold recently and we will need to secure a new sponsor for the magazine and Communications activities. I have been asked to discuss with the new owners of the brand the option of taking up this sponsorship, but we will need to cast the net to ensure that we have continued financial support for the QNR. Going forward, it is my intention to open these discussions immediately following this meeting and to also develop an EOI document for other potential sponsors. It would be greatly appreciated if those with marketing contacts in food and product companies could let me know of these so that we can make the approaches to secure support. It goes without saying that sponsors are hard to find and it is certainly not the intent of this editor to undermine club sponsorship, but merely to offer brands another channel for promotion. And it should be noted that sponsorship does not necessarily need to be for the entire \$5000 cash plus product we currently receive - it could be split to smaller multiple packages. These options will be detailed in the EOI.

Development contracts for the re-development of the website have been awarded and the product of this will be available shortly. Once the re-development of the site is complete, I would suggest that the next projects will need to be FaceBook and branding of our printed collateral. I do not anticipate that this will occur much before the end of the fiscal year, but will work with the Executive to start preliminary activity on these projects.

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Executive members for their help and support over the past twelve months, particularly Joylene Neddermeyer, John De Lucia and Robyn Knuckey for their regular contributions, Dr Karen Hedberg for her efforts, Jess Lynch and Kurt Morton for their great work in juggling Uni, their own dogs and my demands - each and every one of these individuals has made a sterling contribution and I am very aware of just what the personal cost is. Thank you. Thanks is also necessary for Margaret Adams and John Fenner, Peta Jones and especially to Val Moody who keeps me on track. The support of the Executive has been superb and again, I thank you for all you have done in 2014.

Breed Specific Legislation – Mrs. Margaret Adams

Again on the whole a VERY quiet year on the BSL front. This is always a good feeling when breeds are not targeted for what they look like!!

The biggest bubble was the placing of a German Shepherd's photograph on the ABC's website. This was used when describing a dog attack which did not involve our breed.

A letter was sent to the offices of the ABC Brisbane but to date a response has not been received. That is strike 2 for the ABC.

Previously, I did request that we consider someone - preferably the PRO from each club - to be a liaison between the clubs and myself, sadly to date this has not been fulfilled. Hopefully this can be agreed to at the A.G.M. and implemented in 2015.

Webmaster – Mr. John Fenner



The GSDCA Website commenced on 1st July 2002 and has now successfully completed twelve years and seven months of operation. **Version 1** contained 15 webpages with 55 images and was regularly updated up to 21st January 2003. **Version 2** was released on 24th January 2003, initially with 20 webpages and 80 images, which grew to 21 webpages and 90 images by the 2004 AGM. By the 2005 AGM, the website had increased to 25 webpages (2.6 MB), 12 pdf files (1.0 MB) and 121 graphic (jpg and gif) images (3.6 MB), with 110 updates to the website's information over that year. At the time of the 2008 AGM, the website content, as **Version 3**, was 39 webpages (3.31 MB), 55 pdf files (5.45 MB) and 224 graphic (jpg and gif) images (6.69 MB), totalling 15.45 MB. By December 2008, Version 3 was 29 webpages (2.84 MB) with 10 in archive, 60 pdf files (6.02 MB) and 259 graphic (jpg and gif) images (8.75MB), totalling 358 objects (17.61 MB)

On 19 December 2008, **Version 4** format was introduced with 36 webpages and 20 in archive (4.03 MB), 73 pdf files (7.78 MB) and 377 graphic (jpg, png and gif) images (15.16 MB), a total size of 507 objects (27.0 MB). Over the twelve month period (October 2009 to September 2010 inclusive), there had been 172 updates/changes to the website's information, as compared to 312 for the previous 12 months, which included the large Version 4 upgrade.



By the 30 September 2010, there were 43 webpages with 22 in archive (4.49 MB), 84 pdf files (9.51 MB) and 412 graphic (jpg, png and gif) images (17.20 MB), reflecting a total size of 561 objects (31.26 MB) and 10-15% growth. The significant changes for that period were : Promotion of the GSDCA's Fiftieth Year celebration and associated activities, Updating GSD Event Calendar, Inclusion of new pdf format files, new images (jpg, png and gif) and various textural information, Updating of General Info and links on website pages, Results of the 2010 National Show and Obedience, and continuance of website promotion techniques for the major search engines.

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A new format version of the website, **Version 5**, commenced in March 2011 and continued until February 2013, at which time it contained 55 webpages (973 KB), 2 htc files (15 KB) 3 css files (6 KB), 1 php file (1 KB), 1 txt file (1 KB), 122 pdf files (36.5 MB) 31 doc files (5.35 MB), and 597 graphic (jpg, bmp and gif) images (19.5 MB), creating a total size of 812 objects (64.4 MB) and a 100% growth in size.

Jacinta Poole (GSDCV) very ably fulfilled the webmaster role from October to December 2012, as an interim measure when the position became vacant.

From February 2013 to March 2013 inclusive, 10 webpages were updated and re-formatted, 17 document files (6.1 MB) have been added, and 8 graphic (jpg and gif) images (19.5 MB) have been created and included on the website. These 35 major updates and amendments required a total of 78 uploads to the ISP's server to comprise a total size of 865 objects (98.7 MB) and a 53% growth in size for those first 3 months of operation since the 2013 AGM. From April 2013 to the 30th September 2013, many additions were made, with the most substantial changes to information and formatting being undertaken on most webpages. Over that 6 month period, many webpages were updated and re-formatted, 35 document (PDF) files (9.1 MB) have been added, and 29 graphic (jpg and gif) images (5.1 MB) have been created and included on the website. All updates and amendments for that 6 month period have required a total of 1172 uploaded files to the ISP's server to comprise a total size of 929 objects (112.9 MB), representing a 14.4% growth in size for those last 6 months.

For the last sixteen (16) months, 1st October 2013 to 31st January 2015, prior to the 2015 AGM, the normal updates, re-formatting and maintenance was undertaken, together with archiving of redundant data. This has required a total of 147 (42.7 MB) uploaded files, as part of a continuous update procedure involving 378 update transactions to the ISP's server. The website on the server now comprises a total size of 1044 objects (153.0 MB). That represents a 35.5% growth in size for these current last 16 months. Recently, intrusions have been perpetrated and effected our website by hackers or unauthorised persons causing website performance issues.

Finally, the Website now links to a live GSDCA Dog Database for Australian GSD's. All development has always been aimed at making the site even more user friendly and user applicable. Great effort and care was taken not to provide users with untimely or misinformation, which is prevalent on other GSD websites and forums. In particular, feedback and input from individual members and affiliate clubs was welcomed, plus information to show that GSD's are truly "working dogs" or have been of service to the community, was a key element for the website!

Website Redevelopment Project – Jane Pike, (Coordinator)

The Working Group was set up at the AGM held in February 2014 and comprised:

- Yvonne Yun, QNR Editor
- John Fenner, Webmaster GSDCA
- Jacinta Poole, Webmaster GSDC of Victoria
- Jane Pike, Treasurer (Coordinator)



The group was tasked with obtaining at least three quotes for the redesign of the Council website to modernise the look and feel of the site, move to a current up to date Content Management System and facilitate the use of eCommerce in the future.

Four companies were selected to quote on the specification prepared by members of the working group, two of which were referred to the Member Clubs for consideration with Larkscapes, a Melbourne based firm, recommended for this task.

The recommendation was endorsed by the Member Clubs in November. Since this has occurred a framework for the website has been sent to Larkscapes to commence the build phase of the project. Much work will be required to update fact sheets and documents from the current site for uploading.

We are hopeful that we will be able to present to the delegates the framework with some content loaded at the AGM.

Public Relations Officer – N/A



NATIONAL SHOW REPORT 2014 – Host – ACT GSDA & GSDCA

ACTGSDA Inc. Report - 42nd National Show & Trial Conducted in Canberra on 16, 17 and 18 May 2014

Due to the GSD of Queensland being unable to host the 2014 National in Brisbane, the ACT was asked by the GSDCA Executive to host this event. We agreed to this on the basis that with a younger, enthusiastic team on the ACT Executive it would be an opportunity to pass on the National experience of the mature members of the Committee. It also enabled me to test a long held belief that the National should be conducted in a central location, with all affiliates contributing towards the running of the event. Following a meeting with members of the GSDCA executive an agreement was drawn up. However, my own committee believed that as the event was being held in Canberra any glitches with a shared workload arrangement would reflect on the ACT Club. Hence it was decided to do most of the work in-house.

As it turned out the one club that was asked to assist with the 'Marketing' declined the request so the shared workload option was not tested.

I sincerely thank the members of my Club and Committee for the effort put into this event. I also extend my appreciation to those interstate enthusiasts who assisted on the weekend.

The entry of 600 animals reversed the trend of declining numbers and was therefore very pleasing. The addition of the LSC has created some new scheduling challenges which at this point was well managed. The only problem arose from the excessive time taken on the junior handlers which had a Domino effect on timing for the rest of the weekend.

A couple of issues which created an email frenzy were:

The 1000x1500mm Welcome Banner – The artwork was great, however a minor change requested by the ACT became a major trauma. The end result was an aesthetic dud and our request (to be at the ACT expense did not eventuate)

The issue of the 'official lunch' also turned into a major argument. The ACT was in the best position to be aware of the restrictions of our facilities and how to best manage this event. The added assumption by the Obedience section that we were not going to provide lunch for the Obedience judges did not help the situation.

These issues, which had nothing to do with the actual 'dog show' did create some frayed nerves at a time when my committee was focusing on the final lead up to the event.

While the 'shared concept' did not work out as hoped, I believe the concept should be considered and possibly introduced fully at future Nationals.

The Show

Basically the show ran very well and I believe that the exhibitors were pleased with the event. Our shared show manager option worked out well, except that on the actual weekend most of the running around was left to our very energetic Adam, while Sasha had both parents ill in Hospital, and I developed a bout of Shingles which made getting about rather uncomfortable.

The exhibitor and handler behaviour was pretty good, however the increasing use of offensive and abusive language does detract from the enjoyment of the event. This is something that must be addressed at shows in general.

The PA system was new and an aerial was installed to improve reception from the Bitch ring. However, the positioning of the microphone while talking is an important factor and is not always mastered by our judges. This can be aggravated by a lack of confidence in presenting the on the peg critiques.

Scheduling of the classes generally worked out well. It is getting to the point where we cannot afford to wait for handlers, especially if they do not assist by not remaining in the ring for the on the peg critiques. This can be solved by starting a class say 3 minutes after the other ring has moved onto the pegs.

The problem caused by the timing of the Junior Handler judging was unfortunate and reflects on the competence of the judge. At this stage we should assume that this will not be an issue at future Nationals.



This led to issues with the judging of a LSC class. The ACT and the GSDCA agreed to refund those LSC Exhibitors their entry fee.

The issue of teeth and testicle checks by someone other than the judge should be reviewed. This test must be conducted in the ring regardless of the reaction of the animal. It must be realised that this is also a form of temperament test and this is another reason why the judge must undertake this task.

The Obedience section ran smoothly within a reasonable distance of the show.

It was pleasing that traffic into and out of the judge's tents was kept to a minimum.

We had 2 official complaints that were dealt with at the show.

Trophies were as per standard, with the added set for the LSC classes. The number of major trophies (@\$350 value each) should be reviewed to reflect the actual worth of the award. At this stage when enough important members of the fraternity have died we will end up with 30+ silver tea sets or similar.

Grounds

Due to the prolonged drought, Summernats, the Royal Canberra Show and the idiotic cost of water in the ACT our grounds were not in a very good condition. The National provided an incentive to EPIC to return them to an acceptable standard. The club also contributed a couple of thousand dollars toward this exercise.

Social Events

We have to be careful not to turn the National into a series of social events with a dog show attached.

Presidents Dinner – perhaps we should look at returning to the original format of an informal sit down dinner on Thursday night. It would be for just the Presidents, Officiating Judges, Show Committee and GSDCA Executive, including partners of course.

Meet and Greet – Retain the current format on the Thursday night.

Official Lunch – While out of courtesy I attend the sit-down lunches when invited, the ACT believes that they are very time consuming with, including the official opening, the show stops for well over an hour. This is of particular concern with the added scheduling pressure of the LSC classes. I believe that our stand up finger food option was well received and kept timing to a minimum.

Saturday Night Function – This turned out to be a financial problem with too many 'free drinks' hanger on. Consider no BYO and no free drinks from the bar for anyone. The host club can nominate someone to purchase drinks for the Judges and arrange reimbursement.

Sunday Night Presentation – This requires a fairly large facility which may be difficult to find close to the show. The presentation of almost 50 awards is very time consuming. The junior handler first 2 result sheets which I used to order the 2nd and 3rd place plaques were in winning order. However I did not notice that on the 3rd sheet the placing's were all over the place – hence the dodgy outcome for the plaques for those 2 handlers. This was eventually corrected with some delays on one as the supplier was on holidays in Finland.

Summary

Overall the show was a great success. We had a very good entry and great weather to go with it. Thankyou to all those who contributed to the running of the show.

Mr. Wolf Meffert (*President ACT GSDA*).



GSDCA SERVICE AWARD PRESENTED DURING 2014

Congratulations are extended to the following people as the recipients of the 2014 GSDCA Service Award, which took place at the 41st National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial and presented by the GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaro.

- Lenore Harris
- Rhonda Daley

During 2014 the GSDCA Service Award was also presented to Mr. Ian Marr (WA) by the GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaro, at the West Coast Challenge.

At the 41st National the GSDCA Special Recognition Award was presented to Mrs. Elke Effler and Rodatt Cito (Jochen) by the GSDCA Patron Mrs. Dawn Fraser AO MBE.

GSDCA CANINE OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>NAME OF DOG</u>	<u>CANINE OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD PRESENTED</u>
2005	Police Dog "Titan"	June 2005
2005	Iljaberg Yokone Gold "Famous Amus" SES	June 2005
2006	Police Dog "Silky" (Vic)	March 2006
2006	Police Dog "Duke" (Qld)	September 2006
2007	Police Dog "Tyson" (Qld)	September 2007
2007	Police Dog "Hutch" (Qld)	September 2007
2007	Police Dog "Bear" (SA)	December 2007
2008	Police Dog "Carts" (NSW)	March 2008
2008	Police Dog "Koby" (SA)	March 2008
2009	Police Dog "Ike" (Qld)	June 2009
2010	Police Dog "Salem" (Vic)	May 2010
2010	Police Dog "Zac" (Qld)	July 2010
2011	No Awards Given	-
2012	Police Dog "Bosun" (QLD)	May 2012
2013	Police Dog "Riggs" (May 2013
2014	No Awards Given	-

GSDCA Canine Outstanding Service Award Presented During 2014

This year there was no awards presented to any Service Dogs.



GSDCA “NATIONAL” WINNERS

<u>1st National 1967 – North Sydney NSW</u> Ch ALMARK BLACK PRINCE S: La Salle Avalon Raja D: Redwood Lady Star	Ch GLEN ANGUS TONI S: Fair Haven Mateo D: Ch Bieder Della CD
<u>2nd National 1972 – Canberra ACT</u> Ch HORAND PRINCE HUZZAR S: Bratara Lord Huzzar D: Bratara Miss Gypsy	BRATARA ADELE S: Ch Horand Prince Huzzar D: Ch Glen Angus Toni
<u>3rd National 1974 – Dandenong Victoria</u> Ch SHOOTERSWAY URBANUS S: Rossfort Premonition D: Shootersway Europa	Ch KINGSMENS WITCHCRAFT S: Hendrawens Syrius Norge D: Kingsmens Naomi of Jugoland
<u>4th National 1976 – Nurioopta SA</u> Ch INGO v HAFENLOHRTAL (Imp Gmy) S: Lido vd Allmannspforte D: Gitta v Hafenlohtal	Ch TANDINA MOLLIE S: Ch Shootersway Urbanus D: Rossfort Sahara
<u>5th National 1977 – Canberra ACT</u> Ch INGO v HAFENLOHRTAL (Imp Gmy) S: Lido vd Allmannspforte D: Gitta v Hafenlohtal	Ch GOLDSTEINS ORLINDE S: Ch Ingo v Hafenlohtal D: Delicia of Krakatoa
<u>6th National 1978 – Camden NSW</u> Ch VOLSCAIN JESTER S: Hendrawens Saggitarius D: Brydel August Sunset of Volschain	Ch EDENSMUIR VITAL SPARK S: Rossfort Premonition D: Edensmuir Aurora
<u>7th National 1979 – Ballarat - Victoria</u> BARRY v BERTELSDORFER HANG (Imp Gmy) S: Xanto v Coburger Rosengarten D: Cora v Hauterberg	EDENSMUIR LIZ’S GIRL OF BEDWIN S: Rossfort Premonition D: Amulrees Michaela
<u>8th National 1980 – Nurioopta SA</u> Ch DUNMONAIDH JUNKER S: Elan v Michelstadter Rathaus D: Dunmonaidh Branda	TANDINA JENNI S: Jacco v Steigerhof D: Heike v Steigerhof
<u>9th National 1981 – Sydney NSW</u> Ch DUNMONAIDH JUNKER S: Elan v Michelstadter Rathaus D: Dunmonaidh Branda	Ch BRATARA JOLA S: Nico di Val del Tiepido D: Silvy Dell’Alta Quercia
<u>10th National 1982 – Canberra ACT</u> Ch DUNMONAIDH JUNKER S: Elan v Michelstadter Rathaus D: Dunmonaidh Branda	Ch DINA v RESTRAUCH (Imp Gmy) S: Argus v Aducht D: Alfa v Restrauch



<u>11th National 1983 – Dandenong Victoria</u> BESCHUTZ BENHEIM S: Feger v Grunen Teufel D: Xarra Graf Edelmann	TANDINA MATCHMAKER S: Bedwins Reza D: Sadira Petit Fleur of Bedwin
<u>12th National 1984 – Nurioopta SA</u> FIDELITAS KAISER A S: Voirlich Amigus D: Fidelitas Flora	CELLY v OLFENER KIRCHSPIEL a (Imp Gmy) S: Lasso di Val Sole D: Sara v Olfener Kirchspiel
<u>13th National 1985 – Penrith NSW</u> Ch KARLRACH SATANS RITES A S: Liakar Satan of Fuhren D: Fairycross Clickety Click	EIKE v MONS TABOR a (Imp Gmy) S: Quai vd Boxhochburg D: Anja v Mons Tabor
<u>14th National 1986 – Canberra ACT</u> Ch AMOR v DREIBIRKENHAUS a (Imp Gmy) S: Igor v Hylligen Born D: Viola v Dreibirkenhaus	Ch KARLRACH WYOMING BELLE A S: Liakar Satan of Fuhren D: Kurtlee Minnisota
<u>15th National 1987 – Dandenong Victoria</u> Ch HASENWAY PUTZ A S: Condor v Arminius a (Imp Gmy) D: Dina v Restrauch a (Imp Gmy)	Ch LANDRINA MAJIC MELODY A S: Karlrach Kentucky Lad A D: Duval Royal Velvet
<u>16th National 1988 – Nurioopta SA</u> Ch QUINCITO AWOL A Z S: Heiko vd Burg Hausbrunn a (Imp Gmy) D: Hella v Staark	Ch ALDERHAUS YONNI A Z S: Karlstadt Tumblin Dice A D: Alderhaus Lara
<u>17th National 1989 – Richmond NSW</u> Ch QUINCITO AWOL A Z S: Heiko vd Burg Hausbrunn a (Imp Gmy) D: Hella v Staark	Ch DARKANA KALANI A Z S: Ch Hasenway Putz A D: Karlstadt Hot To Trot A
<u>18th National 1990 – Durack Queensland</u> Ch PRIMA ZORBA A Z S: Ch Erntemond Gold Lancer A D: Prima Tiffany A	Ch DARKANA KALANI A Z S: Ch Hasenway Putz A D: Karlstadt Hot To Trot A
<u>19th National 1991 – Canberra ACT</u> Ch DORSTEN MONTE CITO A Z S: Hasenway Putz A D: Ambala Lovely Lady A	Ch DARKANA KALANI A Z S: Ch Hasenway Putz A D: Karlstadt Hot To Trot A
<u>20th National 1992 – Lyndhurst Victoria</u> Ch INIFF VAGRANT A Z S: Ch Baccara Red Beret A Z D: Iniff Majesta A	Ch INIFF TAPESTRY A Z S: Karlstadt Tumblin Dice A D: Karlrach Wyoming Belle A
<u>21st National 1993 – Nuriootpa SA</u> Ch DORSTEN MONTE CITO A Z S: Hasenway Putz A D: Ambala Lovely Lady A	Ch HAGENSTOLZ DRAW CARD A Z S: Ch Dorsten Monte Cito A Z D: Landrina Majic Melody A



<u>22nd National 1994 – Newcastle NSW</u> KARDIN CHATS CHAMPION A Z S: Ch Prima Zorba A Z D: Hasburn Back Chat A	HASENWAY TRULY RULY A Z S: Iso v Friedenspark a (Imp Gmy) D: Hasenway Rina A
<u>23rd National 1995 – Durack Queensland</u> Ch HASENWAY WILD KNIGHT A Z S: Ch Dorsten Monte Cito A Z D: Darkana Nerida A	Ch HAGENSTOLZ DRAW CARD A Z S: Ch Dorsten Monte Cito A Z D: Landrina Majic Melody A
<u>24th National 1996 – Lyndhurst Victoria</u> Ch DORSTEN MONTE CITO A Z S: Hasenway Putz A D: Ambala Lovely Lady A	Ch SAN RANCHO CINNAMON A Z S: Ch Iniff Vagrant A Z D: Randinka Gitta A
<u>25th National 1997 – Castle Hill NSW</u> Ch LESKO v WILDSTEIGER LAND a (Imp Gmy) S: Unto v Loherstein a D: Rita di Casa Mary a	Ch ASTASIA YANA A Z S: Alk v Domenica a Z (Imp Gmy) D: Ch Astasia Lola A
<u>26th National 1998 – Canberra ACT</u> Ch IWAN v LECHTAL a Z (Imp Gmy) S: Immo v Batu a D: Kimba v Lechtal a	Ch TURNBERRY HONDA A Z S: Bedwins Siegfried A Z (Imp UK) D: Turnberry Topaz A
<u>27th National 1999 – West Beach SA</u> Ch TURNBERRY STANDS ALONE A Z S: Adam aus Wattenscheid a (Imp Gmy) D: Turnberry Nicolette A Z	Ch SAN RANCHO CINNAMON A Z S: Ch Iniff Vagrant A Z D: Randinka Gitta A
<u>28th National 2000 – Durack Queensland</u> Ch DENARGUN BROWNE OFF A Z S: Ch Iwan v Lechtal a Z SchH3 (Imp Gmy) D: Ch Denargun Blue Print A Z	Ch TURNBERRY SMARTY PANTS A Z S: Eng Ch Bedwins Siegaro A Z (Imp UK) D: Turnberry Nicolette A Z
<u>29th National 2001 – Lyndhurst Victoria</u> Ch DENARGUN BROWNE OFF A Z S: Ch Iwan v Lechtal a Z SchH3 (Imp Gmy) D: Ch Denargun Blue Print A Z	SALVIKO MONTANA A Z S: Eng Ch Bedwins Siegaro A Z (Imp UK) D: Aimsway Raving Poser A
<u>30th National 2002 – Erskine Park NSW</u> DEMTORI ANALIZE THIS A Z S: Ch Turnberry Stands Alone A Z D: Zenrista Tabriz A Z	Ch EISENLAND ZILLI A Z S: Ch Triumphs Kazan a ED (Imp Swd) D: Eisenland Persuasion A Z
<u>31st National 2003 – Canberra ACT</u> Ch AMBALA CAPRIO A Z S: Tacko vd Felsen-Grotte a Z (Imp Gmy) D: Trissi v Wildsteiger Land a (Imp Gmy)	Ch KANTENNA NUTMEG A Z S: Ch Troy vd Noriswand A Z (Imp Gmy) D: Kantenna Ally McBeal A Z
<u>32nd National 2004 – West Beach SA</u> Ch LEISHJACLYN ZPARTACUS A Z S: Ch Leishjaclyn Rain Dancer A Z D: Leishjaclyn Livin Doll A Z	Ch ICCARA VEGAS SHOWOFF A Z S: Ch Iwan v Lechtal a Z SchH3 (Imp Gmy) D: Iccara Dirty Dancer A Z



<u>33rd National 2005 – Durack Queensland</u> Ch UNOX v ADUCHT a Z (Imp Gmy) S: Mack v Aducht a D: Brenda v Aducht a	Ch BHUACHAILLE JAZZ LEADER A Z S: Ch Aimsway Abacus A Z D: Bhuachaille Xpectations Z
<u>34th National 2006 – Lyndhurst Victoria</u> Ch UNOX v ADUCHT a Z (Imp Gmy) S: Mack v Aducht a D: Brenda v Aducht a	Ch SUNHAZE INTRIGUE A Z S: Ch Ambala Caprio A Z D: Sunhaze Luv on the Rocks A Z
<u>35th National 2007 – Erskine Park NSW</u> Ch AIMSWAY ABACUS A Z S: Balou v Eppelein a Z (Imp Gmy) D: Rakishka Ali A Z	AIMSWAY KOODA-TA A Z S: Ch Aimsway Abacus A Z D: Aimsway Santa Fe A
<u>36th National 2008 – West Beach SA</u> *VIMO vd HOPFENHALLE a ED(Imp Gmy) S:Zeppo v Klebinger Schloss a D:Chandra v Arline a	*Grand Champion VONPETA TAYKALL BY STORM A Z S:*Vonpeta Questor AZ D:*Ch. Eisenland B Witched AZ
<u>37th National 2009 – Durack Queensland</u> *ITURNA NOBLE KNIGHT A Z S:*Ch.Sannjesa Crusty Demon A Z D:*Randinka Yana AZ	*Ch. VOITLANDER PINA COLADA A Z S:*Cayos vd Noriswand a ED (Imp. Gmy) D:*Stunadel Olympia AZ
<u>38th National 2010 – Lyndhurst Victoria</u> *Ch. KWINT v JEURIKSTALL a ED (Ndl) S:*Levis di Fossombrone a ED D:*Perry v Arjakjo a ED	*LAGO BIANCA A Z S:*Ch. Kwint v Jeurikstall a ED (Ndl) D:*Adelora Zena A Z
<u>39th National 2011 – Erskine Park NSW</u> *Ch. JIMMY v BARUTHER LAND a ED (Imp Gmy) S: *Naxos vomHoltkamper See D: *Yenti vom Baruther Land	*Ch. SANNJESA ELECTRA AZ S: *Ch. Kwint v Juerikstall a ED (Ndl) D: *Sannjesa Copy Cat AZ
<u>40th National 2012 – Newcastle NSW</u> *KAZKIRI XAVI AZ S: *Mika vom Overledingerland a (Imp Gmy) D: *Jannire Black Betty AZ	*Ch. SANNJESA ELECTRA AZ S: *Ch. Kwint v Juerikstall a ED (Ndl) D: *Sannjesa Copy Cat AZ
<u>41st National 2013 – West Beach SA</u> *USTINOV vom ROMERLAND a ED (Imp Gmy) S: *Quantum v Arminius a D: *Kira v Lacros a ED	*BRONACRE DARK DIAMOND AZ S: *Ch. Orrinshir Elton John AZ ET D: Bronacre Imogen AZ
<u>42nd National 2014 – Canberra ACT</u> *GERRY vom SCHACHER a ED (Imp Gmy) S: *Arex v d Wilhelmswarte a ED D: *Zaskia vom Schacher a ED	*JAKYNA ALEXIS AZ S: Ch. Kwint von Juerikstall a ED (Ndl) D: *Karmay Kasey AZ



GSDCA “MAIN BREED EXHIBITION” WINNERS

SIEGER	SIEGERIN
<u>RICHMOND NSW 1987</u> *Ch Edlenblut Orkan A Hneg S:*Ch Edlenblut Fedo (Imp UK) D:*Ch Brackenbrae Disco	*Ch Landrina Magic Melody A S:*Ch Karlrach Kentucky Lad A *Ch Duval Royal Velvet A
<u>CANBERRA ACT 1988</u> *Ch Edlenblut Orkan A Hneg S:*Ch Edlenblut Fedo (Imp UK) D:*Ch Brackenbrae Disco	*Ch Landrina Magic Melody A S:*Ch Karlrach Kentucky Lad A D:*Ch Duval Royal Velvet A
<u>LYNDHURST VICTORIA 1989</u> *Ch Prima Zorba A Hneg S:*Ch Erntemond Gold Lancer A Hneg D:*Prima Tiffany A	*Ch Darkana Kalani A S:*Ch Hasenway Putz A Hneg D:*Karlstadt Hot to Trot A
<u>WEST BEACH SA 1990</u> *Ch Prima Zorba A Hneg S:*Ch Erntemond Gold Lancer A Hneg D:*Prima Tiffany A	*Ch Bluemax Flare A S:*Masuta Piaute (Imp UK) D:*Bluemax Geisha A
<u>CASTLE HILL NSW 1991</u> *Ch Quincito Awol A Hneg (Imp NZ) S:*Ch Heiko vd Burg Hausbrunn a (Imp Gmy) D:Hella v Staark	*Ch Darkana Kalani A S:*Ch Hasenway Putz A Hneg D:*Karlstadt Hot to Trot A
<u>CANBERRA ACT 1992</u> *Ch Dorsten Monte Cito A Z Hneg S:*Ch Hasenway Putz A Hneg D:*Ambala Lovely Lady A	*Ch Kantenna Love Match A S:*Ch Heiko vd Burg Hausbrunn a (Imp Gmy) D:*Cabernae Inspired A
<u>LYNDHURST VICTORIA 1993</u> *Ch Iniff Vagrant A Z CDX TD Hneg S:*Ch Baccara Red Beret A Hneg D:*Iniff Majesta A	*Hasenway Truly Ruly A S:*Iso v Friedenspark a (Imp Gmy) D:*Hasenway Rina A
<u>WEST BEACH SA 1994</u> *Ch Dorsten Monte Cito A Z Hneg S:*Ch Hasenway Putz A Hneg D:*Ambala Lovely Lady A	*Ch Denargun Flying Colours A Z S:*Vasall v Kirschental a CDX Hneg (Imp Gmy) D:*Denargun Charisma A
<u>ERSKINE PARK NSW 1996</u> *Ch Hasenway Wild Knight A Z Hneg S:*Ch Dorsten Monte Cito A Z Hneg D:*Darkana Nerida A Z	*Ch Hagenstolz Draw Card A Z S:*Ch Dorsten Monte Cito A Z Hneg D:*Ch Landrina Magic Melody A
<u>LYNDHURST VICTORIA 1998</u> *Ch Iwan v Lechtal a Z Hneg (Imp Gmy) S:*Immo v Batu a D:*Kimba v Lechtal a	*Ch Turnberry Honda A Z S:*Bedwins Siegfried A Z (Imp UK) D:*Turnberry Topaz A



<p><u>WEST BEACH SA 2001</u> *Troy vd Noriswand a Z Hneg (Imp Gmy) S:*Hinnerk v Kiemoor a D:*Jenny v Falltor a</p>	<p>*Ch Bronacre Ramoth A Z S:*Ch Hasenway Wild Knight A Z Hneg D:*Hagenstolz Hi Noon A</p>
<p><u>ERSKINE PARK NSW 2003</u> *Ch Denargun Brownd Off A Z Hneg S:*Ch Iwan v Lechtal a Z Hneg (Imp Gmy) D:*Ch Denargun Blue Print A Z</p>	<p>*Kantenna Nutmeg A Z S:*Troy vd Noriswand a Z Hneg (Imp Gmy) D:*Kantenna Ally McBeal A Z</p>
<p><u>LYNDHURST VICTORIA 2005</u> *Ch Aimsway Abacus A Z Hneg S:*Balou v Eppelein a Z (Imp Sing) D:*Rakishka Ali A Z</p>	<p>*Ch Denargun Moz On You A Z S:* Ch Iwan v Lechtal a Z Hneg (Imp Gmy) D:*Ch Denargun Flying Colours A Z</p>
<p><u>NEWCASTLE NSW 2006</u> *Ch Astasia Heico A Z Hneg S:*Troy vd Noriswand a Z Hneg (Imp Gmy) D:*Astasia Xcess A Z</p>	<p>*Sunhaze Intrigue A Z S:* Ch Ambala Caprio A Z Hneg D:*Sunhaze Luv On The Rocks A Z</p>
<p><u>WEST BEACH SA 2007</u> *Ch. Sanjessa Crusty Demon A Z S:*Jasso vd Bimsgrube a Z D:*Kronika Arni A Z</p>	<p>*Ch. Iccara Vegas Showoff A Z S:Ch.*Iwan v Lechtal a ED D:*Iccara Dirty Dancer A Z</p>
<p>2 0 0 8</p>	<p>As approved at the 2009 GSDCA AGM <i>"As at 1st July 2009 the Main Breed Exhibition is to be held in abeyance."</i></p>
<p>2 0 1 1</p>	<p>As approved at the 2011 GSDCA AGM under a "60 day" Motion. <i>"That the Main Breed Exhibition be terminated".</i></p>



GSDCA - SERVICE AWARDS

NAME	STATE	YEAR OF PRESENTATION	VENUE OF PRESENTATION	AWARDED BY
Dr Harry Spira	New South Wales	1987	MBE - Sydney	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Bob Curtis	New South Wales	1987	MBE - Sydney	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Terry Jarvis	New South Wales	1987	MBE - Sydney	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Max Stokes	New South Wales	1987	MBE - Sydney	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Fay Stokes	New South Wales	1987	MBE - Sydney	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Tom Luxton	Victoria	1987	MBE - Sydney	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Joylene Neddermeyer	South Australia	1988	National - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Ivor Snaith	South Australia	1988	National - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Rae West	South Australia	1988	National - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Riley Wing	South Australia	1988	National - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Malcolm Willis	United Kingdom	1988	English National Show	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Bill Kinsman	Victoria	1989	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Roger Lavelle	Victoria	1989	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Fran Farley	Victoria	1989	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Anita Pettenhofer	Victoria	1989	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Louisa Rodger	Victoria	1989	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Doug West	South Australia	1990	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Jan Strachan	South Australia	1990	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. John Cowdroy	New South Wales	1990	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Harold Ireland	Queensland	1990	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Phil Ireland	Queensland	1990	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Barry O'Rourke	Western Australia	1990	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Carol O'Rourke	Western Australia	1990	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Mary Davidson	New South Wales	1991	Sydney - Royal Easter Show	Mr. Sam Bonifacio (GSDCA Judges Sub-Committee Chair)
Mr. Ray Stephens	ACT	1992	MBE - ACT	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Wolf Meffert	ACT	1992	MBE - ACT	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)



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Mr. Louis Donald	ACT	1992	MBE - ACT	Mr. Jurgen Neddermeyer & Mr. Max Stokes (Distinguished & Meritorious Service Award)
Mrs. Jean Butterfield	South Australia	1993	National - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Myra Smith	South Australia	1994	MBE - South Australia	Mr. Louis Donald (GSDCA President)
Mr. Lance Young	Queensland	1995	National - Queensland	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Dianne Ballantyne	Queensland	1995	National - Queensland	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Col. Underwood	Queensland	1995	National - Queensland	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Pearle Weise	Queensland	1995	National - Queensland	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Louis Donald	ACT	1996	National - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Jurgen Neddermeyer	South Australia	1996	National - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Ron Orchard	Victoria	1996	National - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Ian Cameron	Victoria	1996	National - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Bill Dunn	Victoria	1996	National - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Vince Tantaró	Victoria	1996	National - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Anne Mitchell	Western Australia	1997	45th SA Championship Show	Mrs. Carol O'Rourke (GSDCA Public Relations Officer)
Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley	Victoria	1998	National - Canberra	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Margot Haines	Victoria	1998	National - Canberra	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Christine Collins	South Australia	1998	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Steve Collins	South Australia	1998	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Max Stokes (GSDCA President)
Mr. Ron Donaldson	Queensland	2000	National - Queensland	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Nancy Croston	Queensland	2000	National - Queensland	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Coralie Kirkpatrick	Queensland	2000	National - Queensland	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mr. Alan Christie	Queensland	2000	National - Queensland	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mr. James Rodger	Victoria	2001	National - Melbourne	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mr. Chris Hollingworth	Victoria	2001	National - Melbourne	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mr. Frank Moody	Victoria	2001	National - Melbourne	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Sandy O'Rourke	New South Wales	2002	National - Sydney	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Ann McKenzie	New South Wales	2002	National - Sydney	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mr. Peter Worthing	New South Wales	2002	National - Sydney	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Gay Worthing	New South Wales	2002	National - Sydney	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)
Dr. Eva Francis	New South Wales	2002	National - Sydney	Mr. Vince Tantaró (GSDCA President)



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Ms. Veronica Fairbairn	ACT	2003	National - Canberra	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Jenny Kenworthy	ACT	2003	National - Canberra	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Gillian Oats	ACT	2003	National - Canberra	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Paul Oats	ACT	2003	National - Canberra	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Fay Christie	Queensland	2003	National - Canberra	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. John DeLucia	South Australia	2004	National - South Australia	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Lyle Strachan	South Australia	2004	National - South Australia	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Glen Hickey	Queensland	2005	National - Queensland	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Prof. Robert Wyburn	Western Australia	2005	National - Queensland	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Honey Gross-Richardson	Western Australia	2005	National - Queensland	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs Elke Effler	Victoria	2005	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Hon. Don Chipp	Victoria	2005	MBE - Melbourne	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Rick Richardson	Western Australia	2006	National - Melbourne	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Roy Brabham	South Australia	2006	MBE - Newcastle	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mr. David O'Rourke	New South Wales	2006	MBE - Newcastle	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Dr. Karen Hedberg	New South Wales	2006	MBE - Newcastle	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President) (Special Presentation Large Medallion)
Mr. Robert Zammit	New South Wales	2006	MBE - Newcastle	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mr. John Fenner	Western Australia	2007	National - Sydney	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Dawn Howard	Victoria	2008	National - South Australia	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mr. Graeme Stevenson	New South Wales	2009	National - Queensland	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Yvonne Yun	New South Wales	2009	ACT Championship Show	Mrs. Jenny Kenworthy (GSDCA Treasurer)
Mrs. Helen Galbraith	New South Wales	2011	National - Sydney	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Christine Davis	New South Wales	2011	National - Sydney	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mr. David Kilner	New South Wales	2011	National - Sydney	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mr. Greg & Mrs. Jeannie Priest	Tasmania	2011	National - Sydney	Mr. Bruce Knight (GSDCA President)
Mr. Bruce Knight	Western Australia	2012	NBC Meeting 2013 - Sydney	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Dale Halling	South Australia	2012	National - Newcastle	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Sean & Mrs. Leeanne Lynch	Newcastle	2012	National - Newcastle	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Judy O'Loughlin	South Australia	2013	National – South Australia	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Tom Ory	South Australia	2013	National – South Australia	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)



Mrs. Marie Merchant	South Australia	2013	National – South Australia	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Lenore Harris	ACT	2014	National – Canberra	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mrs. Rhonda Daley	ACT	2014	National – Canberra	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)
Mr. Ian Marr	Western Australia	2014	West Coast Challenge (WA)	Mr. Vince Tantaro (GSDCA President)



GSDCA EXECUTIVE OFFICIALS HISTORY

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PATRON</u>	<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>FIRST VICE PRESIDENT</u>	<u>SECOND VICE PRESIDENT</u>	<u>THIRD VICE PRESIDENT</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>	<u>EDITOR QNR</u>
1960	Vacant	Mr R Brabham	N/A	N/A	N/A	Mrs B Ryan	Mrs B Ryan	N/A
1961	Vacant	Mr R Brabham	Mr V Huth	N/A	N/A	Mrs B Ryan	Mrs B Ryan	N/A
1962	Vacant	Mr R Brabham	Mr K Stubbs	N/A	N/A	Mrs B Ryan	Mrs B Ryan	N/A
1963	Vacant	Mr R Brabham	Mr D Carnegie	N/A	N/A	Mrs B Ryan	Mrs B Ryan	Mr R Brabham
1964	Judge Mitchell	Mr R Brabham	Dr G Giles	Mrs B Ryan	N/A	Miss J Atkinson	Miss J Atkinson	Mr R Brabham
1965	Judge Mitchell	Mr R Brabham	Mr B Cooper	Mrs B Ryan	N/A	Mrs J Brabham (nee J Atkinson)	Mrs J Brabham	Mr R Brabham
1966	Judge Mitchell	Mr R Brabham	Mr B Cooper	Mr G Hardham	N/A	Mrs J Brabham	Mrs J Brabham	Mr R Brabham
1967	Judge Mitchell	Mr R Brabham	Mr B Cooper	Mr G Hardham	N/A	Mrs J Brabham	Mrs J Brabham	Mr R Brabham
1968	Judge Mitchell	Mr R Brabham	Mr B Cooper	Mr G Hardham	N/A	Mrs J Brabham	Mrs J Brabham	No Review Published
1969	Judge Mitchell	Mr R Brabham	Mr B Cooper	Mr G Hardham	N/A	Mrs J Brabham	Mrs J Brabham	No Review Published
1970	Judge Mitchell	Mr R Wing	Mr R Brabham	Mr G Hardham	N/A	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Neddermeyer	No Review Published
1971	Judge Mitchell	Mr B Cooper	Mr E Van Bael	Mr J Neddermeyer	N/A	Mrs F Stokes	Mrs F Stokes	No Review Published
1972	Judge Mitchell	Mr V Atkinson	Dr I Upton	Mr J Neddermeyer	N/A	Mrs F Stokes	Mrs F Stokes	No Review Published
1973	Judge Mitchell	Mr I Murrell	Mr G Hallinan	Mr S Beeton	N/A	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Neddermeyer	No Review Published
1974	Mr D Chipp	Mr I Murrell	Mr S Beeton	Mr G Moody	N/A	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Neddermeyer	No Review Published
1975	Mr D Chipp	Mr S Beeton	Mr G Moody	Mr G Hallinan	N/A	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Neddermeyer	No Review Published
1976	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr G Moody	N/A	Mr G Hallinan & Mrs G Donald	Mr G Hallinan & Mrs G Donald	Mr W Reimann
1977	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr G Moody	N/A	Mr P Burrett	Mr P Burrett	Mr W Reimann
1978	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	N/A	Mr P Burrett	Mr P Burrett	Mr W Reimann
1979	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	N/A	Mr P Burrett	Mr P Burrett	Mr W Reimann
1980	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	N/A	Mr W Steinbacher	Mr W Steinbacher	Mr W Reimann & Mr J Rodger
1981	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	Mrs F Moody	Mr P Burrett	Mr W Steinbacher	Mr W Reimann & Mr J Rodger



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1982	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	Mrs F Moody	Mr W Steinbacher	Ms F Gehring	Mr J Rodger
1983	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mrs F Farley (nee Moody)	Mr M Stokes	Mr W Steinbacher	Ms F Gehring	Mr J Rodger
<i>* In 1983, the AGM approved an Executive recommendation that the Vice Presidential system be abolished and be replaced on a functional basis as described below.</i>								
<u>YEAR</u>	<u>PATRON</u>	<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>* CHAIRMAN NATIONAL BREED COMMISSION</u>	<u>* CHAIRMAN JUDGES COMMITTEE</u>	<u>* CHAIRMAN OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>	<u>EDITOR QNR</u>
1984	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	Mr D O'Rourke	Mr P Burrett	Ms F Gehring	Mr J Rodger
1985	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	Mr U Schwab	Mrs M Barnes	Ms F Gehring	Mr J Rodger
1986	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr M Stokes	Mr U Schwab	Mrs M Barnes	Ms F Gehring	Mr J Rodger
1987	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mrs A Pettenhofer	Mr M Stokes	Mr D O'Rourke	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Rodger
1988	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mrs A Pettenhofer	Mr M Stokes	Mr D O'Rourke	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Rodger
1989	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr M Stokes	Mr S Bonifacio	Mr F Valastro	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Rodger
1990	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr M Stokes	Mr S Bonifacio	Mr F Valastro	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Rodger
1991	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr M Stokes	Mr S Bonifacio	Mr F Valastro	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Rodger
1992	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr M Stokes	Mrs F Farley	Mr F Valastro	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr J Rodger
1993	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mr M Stokes	Mrs F Farley	Mr F Valastro	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr R Stephens
1994	Mr D Chipp	Mr L Donald	Mrs F Farley	Mr B O'Rourke	Mr D O'Rourke	Mrs M Barnes	Mr J Neddermeyer	Mr R Stephens
1995	Mr D Chipp	Mr M Stokes	Mrs F Farley	Mr V Tantaró	Mr D O'Rourke	Mr N Richardson	Ms F Gehring	Mr R Stephens
1996	Mr D Chipp	Mr M Stokes	Mr B O'Rourke	Mr D O'Rourke	Mrs H Gross-Richardson	Mr N Richardson	Mr L Young	Mr A Christie
1997	Mr D Chipp	Mr M Stokes	Dr K Hedberg	Mr D O'Rourke	Mrs H Gross-Richardson	Mr N Richardson	Mr L Young	Mr A Christie
1998	Mr D Chipp	Mr M Stokes	Dr K Hedberg	Mr L Donald	Mrs H Gross-Richardson	Mr J Rodger	Mr L Young	Mr A Christie
1999	Mr D Chipp	Mr V Tantaró	Dr K Hedberg	Mrs F Farley	Mrs H Gross-Richardson	Mrs M Barnes	Mr S Collins	Ms C Spalding
2000	Mr D Chipp	Mr V Tantaró	Dr K Hedberg	Mr D O'Rourke	Mrs H Gross-Richardson	Mrs M Barnes	Mr S Collins	Ms C Spalding
2001	Mr D Chipp	Mr V Tantaró	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mr D O'Rourke	Mrs H Gross-Richardson	Mrs V Moody	Mr S Collins	Mr A Christie
2002	Mr D Chipp	Mr V Tantaró	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Dr K Hedberg	Mrs D Howard	Mrs V Moody	Mr B Knight	Mr A Christie



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2003	Mr D Chipp	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Dr K Hedberg	Mrs D Howard	Mrs V Moody	Mr B Knight	Mr A Christie
2004	Mr D Chipp	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Dr K Hedberg	Mrs D Howard	Mrs V Moody	Mr B Knight	Ms Y Yun
2005	Mr D Chipp	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Dr K Hedberg	Mrs D Howard	Mrs V Moody	Mr B Knight	Ms Y Yun
2006	Mr D Chipp (Deceased)	Mr B Knight	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs D Howard	Mrs V Moody	Mrs J Kenworthy	Ms Y Yun
2007	Vacant	Mr B Knight	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs M Wrigley	Mrs V Moody	Mrs J Kenworthy	Mr D Halling
2008	Vacant	Mr B Knight	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs M Wrigley	Mrs V Moody	Mrs J Kenworthy	Mr D Halling
2009	Vacant	Mr B Knight	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs M Wrigley	Mrs V Moody	Mrs J Kenworthy	Mr D Halling
2010	Vacant	Mr B Knight	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mr B O'Rourke	Mrs M Wrigley	Mrs V Moody	Mr S Lynch	Mr D Halling
2011	Vacant	Mr B Knight	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mr B O'Rourke	Mrs J Urie	Mrs V Moody	Mr S Lynch	Mr D Halling
2012	Vacant	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mr B O'Rourke	Mrs J Urie	Mrs V Moody	Ms. J Pike	Mrs Y Yun
2013	Mrs D Fraser AO MBE	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mr B O'Rourke	Mrs J Urie/ Mr J DeLucia	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Mrs Y Yun
2014	Mrs D Fraser AO MBE	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mrs R Knuckey	Mr J DeLucia	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Mrs Y Yun

