

Hi all, my name is Sharon Ballantyne & I reside in Queensland and our kennel name is Kantenna.

I was born and raised in an atmosphere which centred around German Shepherds and from an early age my parents encouraged me to get involved with the dogs in all aspects of their care, well-being and training. The dogs are, and will always be, a big part of my life.



We have had the pleasure of owning some beautiful dogs. One of the many highlights has been Kantenna Nutmeg (Millie) who at the tender age of 2 years and 2months was called out first in the open bitch class and won the Gold Medal at the Canberra National in 2003, she then went on to also win the silver medal in 2004 and the Siegerin title at the 2003 MBE.

Millie is still going at the grand old age of 14, she is such a treasure to us. Her bloodline is now seen in one our current top females Kantenna Coz I Can who I have had the joy of handling over the past few years.

Some of my personal highlights in the ring handling have included the very well known Kwint Juerikstall, who I had the pleasure of handling to a Gold Medal in 2010 and

Demtori Analyze who won the Gold Medal in 2002.

I have had the privilege of handling some beautiful animals over the years from a variety of top kennels in Australia. I thank each of those kennels who have given me the opportunity to handle their dogs, I have thoroughly enjoyed and continue to enjoy handling.



I am also in the midst of studying for my final hands on examination to

complete my ANKC Championship Judges License for German Shepherds. I hope to inspire and give some of our up and coming younger handlers some guidance and help in fine tuning their handling techniques within the mentoring

programme.

This is a fantastic idea and I must thank Jess Lynch for her hard work and commitment to getting this up and running.

I look forward to catching up at this years' National in Melbourne.

