

The German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.

**ANNUAL REPORT
2018**

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PRESENTING

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

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It is with great pleasure that I present the 2018 Annual Report of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc (GSDCA).

This Annual Report includes the activities and involvement of the Council, including the audited financial statements of the Council covering the financial year 1st October 2017 to 30th September 2018, 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.

On behalf of the Executive, I acknowledge our sincere appreciation to all those members of Member Clubs who have shown commitment and dedication with contributing towards the running of each Club and the many disciplines our dogs undertake i.e. show, trial, breeding, breed survey, public pet expos etc. Your efforts help to showcase our beloved breed across the country.

I trust you will enjoy reading the information contained in this report and every effort was made to ensure all names are correct within this report and as such apologise for any errors that may have been overlooked.

I thank my fellow Executive, Member Club Presidents and position holders for their prompt and efficient response, thereby enabling me to have this report completed in readiness for the 58th GSDCA Annual General Meeting held in Adelaide, South Australia.

Val Moody
Honorary Secretary

PATRON

Mrs. Dawn Fraser AC MBE

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Tribute to Joylene Margaret Neddermeyer



A Tribute

Joylene Margaret Neddermeyer

18th May 1953 - 30th July 2018

Dear Martin, Geoff, Lyle Strahan and your family and friends, it is an honour to be with you all here today to celebrate the life of Joylene Neddermeyer.

We are all deeply saddened by the sudden and unexpected passing of our dear friend and colleague, whose life long dedication to the German Shepherd Dog is well recognised and applauded, both within our and the wider canine affairs community.

Joylene was interested in dogs at an early age, her parents bred and she showed their Shetland Sheep Dogs. She joined the GSDC of South Australia in 1976 and her transformation to being a lover of GSD's came about as she worked as a kennel hand and handled dogs for Adelora Kennels.

Joylene became totally fascinated by the quickly evolving GSD scene. These were exciting times, the ban on importing GSD's was lifted and how dogs were shown and assessed was completely different to the rest of the canine world that modelled itself on the Kennel Club of England.

She also had as a mentor, a most respected pillar of the German Shepherd Dog Council, the late Juergen Neddermyer, who unbeknown at that time she was to marry many years later. Juergen's idealism no doubt played a huge influence on Joylene's mindset. She became totally committed to the betterment of the GSD breed, its health and welfare.

Joylene's enthusiasm, thirst for knowledge and drive saw her take on a number National Council roles in addition to her other work for the GSDC of South Australia and the no longer Broken Hill GSDC:

- GSDCA NBC Registrar from 1980-86 & 2001-16;
- Editor Breed Survey book 1985-90;
- HD Registrar 1989-96;
- Hereditary Disease Officer for 2 years;
- Rules and Regulations Officer 1999- 2010;
- GSDCA Official Interpreter 2008-18.

She was very involved at a time where much change and innovation was put to and accepted by the GSD fraternity. Her work contributed much to what was achieved by the GSDCA Executive of that time. She was awarded the GSDCA Council Service Award in 1988 and GSDCSA Life Membership in 1998.

My first recollection of Joylene was seeing her handling, we are of the same generation. She was very competitive and opinionated. Upon marrying Juergen, she along with Martin, Lyle and the late Jan Strahan shared his kennel name Adelora. She loved showing and breeding, all of which lead naturally to her becoming an ANKC Group 5 Judge, GSDCA judge and she gained GSDCA Breed Surveyor status in 1981.

I was most pleased when Joylene as newly elected NBC Chairperson joined the Executive in 2001. What immediately was evident to me as President at that time was this position was made for her! Her work for the Council spanning some 20 years at the time, made her the ideal person to take over the role. She was a most valued member of the Executive during my terms as President. Her unwavering idealism, in depth breed



knowledge, willingness to educate and mentor and be on call to members 24/7 contributed positively to the work of Council.

Joylene decided in 2016 that she would not contest the coming election and as a result saw her step down from 16 years as NBC Chairperson. A year later she also stepped down as a GSDCA Breed Surveyor after 36 years of service. These decisions did not come easily for her and were more about her feeling lost in what was now an atmosphere of mistrust in our fraternity that saw self-interest and promotion smothering the idealism she held so close. She no longer respected or trusted some of the peers she once held in high esteem.

Her new found freedom was now shared with her partner Geoff and she definitely focussed on enjoying non doggie activities. We kept in touch and it was still evident that things upset her about how the whole GSD scene was evolving, but was adamant she had no intention of making a comeback anytime soon!

An opportunity did present itself - we needed a German interpreter for one of our 2018 National judges: Bingo, I thought, ideal job for Joylene! It was great to see her involved again doing her stuff - like all of us who are control freaks she lost none of her zeal and commanded the ring in which she assisted. She truly enjoyed catching up with everyone and being part of this event as hosted by her Club.

Like many of you, I will miss our chats about ideals, the breed and its politics, her booming voice whilst translating or giving critiques, her 'Joylism's' - the unique phrasings given during her emotive outbursts at meetings, her real friendship and her 'Aw well', a phrase she would end her conversation with to indicate whatever will be, will be.

Joylene was a friend to many of us, a unique individual who dedicated much of her life to the GSD, her Club and to National Council. She was a most respected pillar of our organisation.

She will be missed but definitely never forgotten.

Rest in Peace.

Thank you,
Vince Tantaró
8 August 2018



The GSDCA Executive 2018

OFFICE BEARERS

President
National Breed Commission
Judges Committee
Secretary
Treasurer
Obedience Committee
Editor Quarterly National Review

Vince Tantaro
Melanie Groth (*Resigned 7/5/18*)
Robyn Knuckey
Val Moody
Jane Pike
Julie Urie
Jacinta Poole

POSITION HOLDERS

Public Officer
Breed Health & Wellbeing Committee Chair
Haemophilia Registrar
HD/ED Registrar
NBC Registrar
National Show Liaison Officer
Trophy Officer
Database Coordinator
Breed Specific Legislation Officer
Website Officer
Public Relations Officer
Title Verification Officer
Historian

Lenore Harris
Dr. Candy Baker
Dr. Candy Baker
Doug West
Melanie Groth (*as of 1/6/18*)
Ian Urie
Terry Jarvis
Frank Moody
Sam McGregor
Jacinta Poole
Paul York
Jenny DeLucia (*as of August 2018*)
N/A

MEMBER CLUB COMMITTEE'S FOR 2018

ACT GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG ASSOCIATION

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Training Coordinator
Breed Affairs Administrator

Wolf Meffert
Sasha Beljanski
Veronica Fairbairn
Mona Wood
Jenny Kenworthy
Veronica Fairbairn

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG LEAGUE

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
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Breed Affairs Administrator

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Graeme Stevenson
Fay Stokes
Lisa Yates
Kathie Minton
Fay Stokes

NEWCASTLE & HUNTER REGION GSDC

President
Vice President
Secretary
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Obedience Coordinator

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Paul York
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GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF QUEENSLAND

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Vice President	N/A
Secretary	Annie Tamblyn
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GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

President	John DeLucia
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2 nd Vice President Breed Affairs	Christine Collins
Secretary	Stephen Collins
Treasurer	Peter Flynn

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF TASMANIA

President	Jurgen Haase
Vice President	Jeanie Priest
Secretary	Gabrielle Peacock
Treasurer	Sandra Parker
Breed Affairs Administrator	Janet Haase
Obedience Coordinator	Gordon Mathers

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF VICTORIA

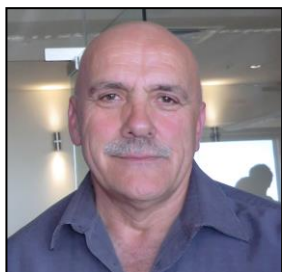
President	Tony Mercieca
Vice President	Frank Moody
2 nd Vice President	Jenny Yuen
Secretary	Vince Ebejer
Treasurer	Fiona Henderson
Breed Affairs Administrator	Ian Urie
Training Administrator	Les Rudling

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

President	Ian Marr/Brian Lubbock
Vice President	Bronson Pereira
Secretary	Anna Mitchell/Lucy Lubbock
Treasurer	Joan McMulkin
Breed Affairs Chair	Natalie Humphries
Show Chair	Tracey Roberts
Obedience Chair	Honey Gross-Richardson



PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr. Vince Tantaro



Ladies and Gentlemen, I again welcome you to the 58th Annual General Meeting of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia.

I look forward to your participation and am heartened by the fact we have members who in some cases have made a long journey and are here as visitors.

Noting this is the 7th year that I have held the office of President and despite demonstrated pessimism, discontent and factions clearly visible in our fraternity, I strongly believe that this Council has still much to offer our breed. There is no doubt that our inability to come to terms with decisions taken with regard to the WUSV Harmonisation and the 23 Schedules as presented, amended by us and decided on some 18 months ago is taking its toll.

The sad fact is, we are currently divided and this is a threat to our ability to remain relevant to the welfare of the breed and members of the public that want to own a GSD.

Those critical of the Executive and my role in trying to progress these matters are mischief makers who unfortunately continue to divide and show ignorance with regard to how this Council has worked, survived so long, and achieved significant milestones. The decisions to be taken this weekend will shape where to next for the Council. We must without creating further division work together to progress matters. It must be said that the fervour to introduce a character working test linked to BH despite the Executive offering a workable alternative as a prerequisite for GSDCA Breed Survey has been found to be wanting. The capacity and or capability of many of the Member Clubs to offer this immediately sees this decision as possibly one of the least considered by the many members who attended meetings and supported the schedules as put.

The reality is that in the 58 years the Council has existed there has never been any real desire to see a character working test be a prerequisite for GSDCA Breed Survey. A milestone was only recently reached when after 3 years of deliberations the GSDCA Character and Working Assessment was accepted and put in place! Unfortunately, I hear that the very people who are now screaming for a character and working test to be a prerequisite for GSDCA Breed Survey were the first to kill the CWA off!

I believe it's important to note that this Council was formed out of a real desire to improve the welfare and betterment of the German Shepherd Dog. Its foundation is based on an unwavering idealism which sees enthusiasts sacrifice their own self-interest in order to achieve this. Looking back, I can still hear the protestations about Breed Survey, tattoo, HD, ED, etc etc. We have always been able to progress matters in spite of the protests and fear mongering. This has been done with informed consultation and us taking small steps to achieve goals as set. I believe I must again reiterate that the decisions as made by the Council, are owned by all Member Clubs. It is the collective acceptance of what has been decided that sees matters progressed!

The last year has again seen the predominance of WUSV Harmonisation and related matters considered by the Executive and Member Clubs. This has been an arduous task for all of us! It has overshadowed our real work and because of its nature has in fact seen the membership react against whatever it is the SV wants to achieve with its plan for harmonisation. The insistence that matters be dealt without timely consideration continues to frustrate many of us. There is no doubt that pressure from a number of the more prominent WUSV Members has seen the call for implementation tempered and a softer tone taken with regard to the dictates.

Communication between the Member Clubs and the Executive continues to be excellent. I again urge Member Clubs to be inclusive of everyone and fully utilise social media. The use of the GSDCA Quarterly National Review (QNR), GSDCA Database, social media, and our websites in reaching out to the membership and public has assisted us in achieving this together. This approach will encourage maximum participation and feed interest from members in the affairs of Member Clubs and this Council.

I have had a number of conversations with some aggrieved Club members. I can only state again: The Council, Executive or I have no control over the way each Member Club conducts its affairs: that control is held by the Clubs' respective membership. The Executive and I can only promote and encourage Club members to be kept informed and have a right to contribute and or initiate debate via their Club on matters related to breed welfare and improvement of national programs



that serve the breed. It is important that the leadership group and the membership are encouraged to participate in the decision making process of their Member Club.

The gradual change of culture that now sees encouragement of frank and open discussion continues to benefit our organisation. Diverse opinion is welcomed and benefits the work of the Council. The leadership group is well informed and encouraged to contribute to the affairs of Council. It is only with them participating that decisions as made are owned by all of us! They must not shy away from their responsibilities in promoting and or progressing matters as decided on. On this point I can only again reiterate the importance of the leadership group owning decisions as made. As an example, there is little point a Breed Surveyor attending the NBC Meeting and then going back to a Club meeting and derides any decision as made by the meeting.

I am happy to report that the Executive have worked hard and as in the past, open and fearless discussion is asked for on all matters before it. This Executive continues to act in the best interest of the Council. I also thank the many Officers of the Council, and my fellow members of Executive for their continued dedication and work as undertaken in the past year. We are a team and can be proud that we have collectively continued to perform as we do and achieve so much. It must also be noted that many of the Officers have been long serving workers for the breed and in addition to their Council roles undertake significant work for their Clubs. I again thank Melanie Groth for her contribution on all matters whilst NBC Chair.

I thank the Club Presidents, Club Secretaries and their Committees for their leadership, timely responses and promoting the Council. I would also like to sincerely thank the many members in our Clubs who voluntarily devote much time, effort and money to ensure the German Shepherd Dog is well served and promoted throughout Australia.

At this point I ask we remember the sudden passing of Joylene Neddermeyer. Joylene as you are all aware was a pillar of our organisation and losing her so soon after her retirement from the NBC shocked many of us. We also lost due to prolonged illnesses, Ian Cameron, a retired GSDCA Judge and Breed Surveyor: Ian was a gentleman and mentor of many of my generation and Hugh Garvican a retired GSDCA Judge and Breed Surveyor: Hugh was a forthright but kind individual. All played significant roles and worked hard for their Clubs and Council.

On behalf of the Council I extend our sympathy and condolences to all members who have lost loved ones.

I would now like to acknowledge the retirement of Honey Gross-Richardson as a GSDCA Breed Judge and Breed Surveyor. Honey has in these roles made significant and sustained contributions to her Club and the Council over many years, she will be missed however it must be noted that she continues to hold the role of GSDCA SV Liaison Officer and is GSDCA Character and Working Test Officer for WA.

I would on behalf of the Council acknowledge and thank Louis Donald who was dismissed by the WUSV Board of Directors as WUSV Continental Director Oceania. Noting the Council was excluded from direct input with regard to the WUSV Harmonisation program, Louis work as emissary in the background forged a path forward with regard to WUSV Harmonisation. He drafted the 23 Schedules as approved by the WUSV Board to be put to us. Whilst this caused much angst it was appreciated as the Council finally after many requests had clear requirements that had to be considered if we were to remain a WUSV member. Whilst we have had major differences of opinion, degrees of angst over recent years, and lost friendships, I for one was disappointed with the way his dismissal was handled by the WUSV Board. I am able to report that in the short term Signor Roberto Caputi, a WUSV Board member has been appointed Commissar for Oceania.

The National GSD Show & Trial continues to be the showcase of our work. Its success is based on GSD enthusiasts that are idealists and supporters of the GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes and betterment of the GSD. The GSDC of South Australia must be congratulated for again hosting a well-run and memorable event.

I again highlight the real threat for our Council is an ageing membership base that sees less breeders, less dogs been shown and or trialled. This is reality, not only for our Council but is mirrored all over the GSD World. It appears we have 'lost' a generation of enthusiasts. We are well aware of the reasons which in my opinion have more to do with the 'other' life people have: pursuing a career, working, far reaching social lives, ensuring their children are exposed to many activities, sees many who are interested in pursuing showing or trialling quickly walk away and just enjoy their GSD that can sit and come back to them.

It is my reckoning that we have an overall membership of around 400 enthusiasts that breed, show and or trial. It must also be noted that this number would be far less if the Long Stock Coat variety was not recognised. So, the challenge for the



Council is how to encourage younger and newer members to pursue leadership positions, show, breed and or trial their animals under our umbrella. The real threat is our numbers falling and seeing our events diminish due to lack of competition- after all winning a class with you as the only entry has little attraction!

I again put forward that Club Presidents and their committees need to encourage and mentor our younger members to “have a go” by giving them “a go!”, there is no reason why those who have held positions for 10+ years cannot continue to act as mentors to the new generation- this single move could ensure the survival of our Clubs, but also revitalise them!

I wish to thank the Member Clubs for their consideration and hospitality extended to my wife Frances and myself during our visits. I would again thank Frances for her support in what has been another difficult year both at Council level and for our family.

I again thank the membership, the leadership group and my fellow Executive, for their continued support and confidence in me.

I trust that I continue to meet your expectations.
Thank You

TREASURER’S REPORT – Ms. Jane Pike



I present to the Members of Council and my fellow Executive the audited financial statements for the organisation for the financial year ending 30 September 2018.

I can advise that the financial report shows a reduced operating deficit for the year of \$10,562 compared to 2016/2017 of \$17,115. Last years deficit was mainly due to the SGM conducted to discuss the WUSV Harmonisation Plan. Reduced spending relating to Trophies/Medals and Sundry Expenses have all assisted to bring this down.

Of concern is the reduction of income from the HD/ED Control Scheme of \$7,367. Victoria, the League, Western Australia and Queensland have shown a marked decrease of forms purchased for HD/ED, which will ultimately affect the number of animals that are able to participate in Breed Survey. One can only predict that the roll on effect of this will see a decrease in income from Breed Survey in future years.

In regard to the cost of GSDCA medals, I wish to draw your attention to Item 13.1 on the agenda. In the past there has been no set margin placed on medals. The amount charged to Clubs has always been a recommendation from Executive and placed on the AGM agenda. In some cases this can result in substantial losses where medals may be struck in say March and if the cost exceeds or is close to the price charged Council are not recouping expenses as the amount charged to Clubs cannot be automatically increased. It is important that this motion is seen not as a revenue raising exercise, but one of necessity. Remember Council money is Club money!

Again the cost of holding Council meetings is high. When meetings are held away from Melbourne the cost of travel, at present, is always higher given the majority of Executive reside in Victoria. Executive have instigated a business rule that sees the cheapest possible airfare option booked and if members of Executive wish to travel on their preferred airline at a greater cost the difference is met by that member. Sydney is always higher in cost than both Adelaide and Melbourne which is predominately due to the cost of accommodation and all Executive members are required to travel. Given the requirement to rotate the meetings this is unfortunately unavoidable.

It is great to see the Quarterly National Review making a small profit but it is concerning to see that Club Subscriptions have dropped by \$13,280. Advertising was up by \$3,659 on last years which is pleasing to see. Consideration must be given in the future for the magazine to be available as an E publication. This will see a



saving on postage alone of over \$13,132 based in on this financial year. There will obviously be continued design costs for this to be produced but the postage alone would be a major saving which could be utilised in other areas.

Each year Council spends significant money on Junior Showmanship, Service and Obedience awards which are presented each year at the GSDCA National Show & Trial. Medallions and plaques for the HD/ED Control Scheme Bronze, Silver, Gold medallions and plaques are also provided from Council funds annually.

Stock on hand – Below is a summary as at 30 September 2018

Details	2018
Standard Excellent Conformation	250
Standard Excellent Obedience	42
National Gold Medals	14
National Silver Medals	15
National Bronze Medals	15
National Excellent	192
National Obedience Excellent	15
National Memento	120

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.

Thank you to all Member Club position holders for your assistance and prompt payment of accounts and to my fellow members of Executive for their assistance and support during the year.



Independent Auditor's Report To the Members of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc

Report on the audit of the financial report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc (the Association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2018, and the statement of profit or loss for the year then ended, and comprising notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and the statement by the Committee of Management.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc:

- a presents fairly, in all material respects, the entity's financial position as at 30 September 2018 and of its performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc to meet the requirements of the Associations' constitutions. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Committee of Management of the Association is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 September 2018, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibility of the Committee of Management for the Financial Report

The Committee of Management of the Association is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial report are appropriate to meet the needs of the Members. This responsibility includes such internal control as the Committee of Management determine are necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report to be free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Committee of Management are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Committee of Management are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors_responsibilities/ar4.pdf. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

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S K Edwards
Partner – Audit & Assurance

Adelaide, 13 December 2018

GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA INC.

STATEMENT BY THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 8:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc as at 30 September 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, mandatory professional reporting requirements and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

In accordance with the ACT Associations Incorporations Act, 1991, the Committee of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc hereby states that during the financial year ended 30 September 2018:

- (a)
 - (i) no officer of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc;
 - (ii) no firm of which an officer is a member; and
 - (iii) no body corporate in which an officer has a substantial financial interest;

has or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or body corporate and German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.
- (b) no officer of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc has received directly or indirectly from German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc any payment or other benefit of a pecuniary value other than those who are employees and remunerated under normal commercial terms.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



PRESIDENT



TREASURER

Dated: day of 13th December 2018



SECRETARY'S REPORT – Mrs. Val Moody



It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 58th Annual General Meeting of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) being held in Adelaide, South Australia and I wish to present to you my Annual Report.

The GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial, our most prestigious event held during the year, was hosted by the German Shepherd Dog Club of South Australia on the 27th, 28th & 29th April 2018, and was held at Barratt Reserve, West Beach. It was with great pleasure that the GSDCA Patron, Mrs. Dawn Fraser AC MBE agreed once again to attend the National, and she was delighted to have the opportunity to meet all members over the weekend.

I extend my congratulations to the extremely small but efficient group of workers and those from other State Clubs and the Executive that lent a helping hand prior to and during the event. As always, an extremely well run and most successful National.

During 2018, we were all deeply saddened by the sudden and unexpected passing of our dear friend and colleague, Mrs. Joylene Neddermeyer (Past Member of GSDCA Executive).

Joylene's dedication to the German Shepherd Dog, this Council and her many roles within the GSDCA over many years is well recognised. I express my sincere condolences to Martin Neddermeyer, Lyle Strachan and family. Please refer to the Tribute as written by the GSDCA President, Vince Tantaró, within this Annual Report. Joylene was my very dear friend and is missed every day and will always be in my thoughts!

I feel that when writing a report covering the year, one cannot go without thanking those that have continued to help over that timeframe.

I take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to Barbara Blythe, for her valuable expertise in taking the minutes of the meetings held during the year. Thank you so much Barbara, I and the Executive do appreciate the work and effort you put in.

As always, I would not be able to continue in my role without the unwaiving support and love from my husband Frank. The support shown to me means a lot and does enable the many hours of work to be completed within suitable timeframes. It helps to have a partner that is also understanding and committed to the organisation and what it stands for, just as I do.

I sincerely thank my fellow Executive, all position holders, especially Member Club Secretaries for their assistance and support over the year and I look forward as always to the future, with everyone within the organization working in harmony for the betterment of the German Shepherd Dog and your Council.

Congratulations are extended to the following people that received Awards at the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2018 held in Adelaide.

GSDCA SERVICE AWARDS:

Congratulations are extended to the following people that received the "GSDCA Service Award" at the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2018 for their dedication to the German Shepherd Dog and continued support and commitment at Club/Canine Control level.

- ❖ Mr. Josef Seidl (SA)
- ❖ Ms. Jane Pike (SA)

GSDCA SPECIALIST JUDGE BADGE

Congratulations are extended to Joanne Cathie on receiving the GSDCA Specialist Judges Badge at the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2018.



GSDCA OUTSTANDING CANINE SERVICE AWARD:

Congratulations to Police Dog “Ruger” and handler Senior Constable Craig Charles who received the GSDCA Outstanding Canine Service Award in April 2018 at the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2018.

GSDCA SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD:

At the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2018 the GSDCA Special Recognition Award was presented by the GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaró and congratulations are extended to:

- ❖ Mrs. Margaret Adams Service to Council GSDCA Breed Specific Legislation Officer (2009-2017).
- ❖ Mr. Adam Toretto Service to Council GSDCA Identification Officer (2015-2017).

GSDCA RETIRING BREED SURVEYORS AND SPECIALIST JUDGES:

At the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2018 the GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaró recognised the Services of the following Breed Surveyors/Specialist Judges that retired from Service and sincere appreciation was extended to:

- ❖ Mrs. Fran Farley, Resigned as Breed Surveyor
- ❖ Mrs. Anita Pettenhofer, Resigned as Breed Surveyor
- ❖ Mr. Barry O’Rourke, Resigned as Breed Surveyor
- ❖ Mrs. Joylene Neddermeyer Resigned as Breed Surveyor
- ❖ Mr. James Rodger, Resigned as Breed Surveyor and Judge
- ❖ Mr. Bruce Knight Resigned as Breed Surveyor and Judge

GSDCA JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS FOR 2018

MEMBER CLUB	<i>(7 years to under 10 years)</i> NAME	<i>(10 years to under 13 years)</i> NAME	<i>(13 years to under 18 years)</i> NAME
ACT GSD Association	---	---	Alexsander Beljanski
GSDC Victoria	Ayden Jones	Stephanie Jones	Trinity Jones
GSD Association of WA	Rachel Leeder	Leanna Turner	Peyton Burgess
GSD League of NSW	Brodie Morris	Paris Turoczy Zachary Bland	---
N&HR GSDC	---	---	Gracie Belle Ashlin
GSDC SA	Baylie Mercer	Amber Phillis	Darcy Clark Bree Hansen

HONOUR ROLL

Medal Winners - Stock Coat - DOGS

GOLD	*Ch. Sundaneka Young Gun AZ	Owned by Gail Wellman
SILVER	*Macho v Lamorak A ED (Imp Deu)	Owned by Haase, Oar, Donald, Groth, Jones, Green & Hickey
BRONZE	*Fremont Hells Bells AZ	Owned by Sean Lynch, Leanne & Jess Lynch

Medal Winners - Stock Coat - BITCHES

GOLD	*Zicke vom Feuermelder (Imp Deu) aED	Owned by Jurgen Haase/John Oar
SILVER	*Ch. Durnstein Glitz N Glamour AZ	Owned by Fran McAdam
BRONZE	*Andacht Gypsy Moth AZ	Owned by Peter & Denise Smith



Medal Winners – Long Stock Coat - DOGS		
GOLD	*Ch. Hasenway Major Tom (IID Deu) AZ	Owned by Chivaun Mailata & Sue Woollard
SILVER	*Ch. Hillmagic Purple Haze AZ	Owned by Edwina Bevk & Raelene Koerber
BRONZE	*Ch. Jayshell Glasgow AZ	Owned by Lorelle & David Organ
Medal Winners – Long Stock Coat - BITCHES		
GOLD	*Vanharley Promiscuous Gilr AZ	Owned by Debra Colson
SILVER	*Eroica Duchess Of York AZ	Owned by Cathy Shayler & Cristel Leonard
BRONZE	*Ch. Vladimir Insaisable AZ	Owned by Doug West
Medal Winners – Obedience		
GOLD	Uhlsmdorf Taylor Swift A UD	Owned by Vic Grzeszkiewicz
SILVER	Uhlsmdorf Black Label Z CDX	Owned by Vic Grzeszkiewicz
BRONZE	*Ch. Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy AZ RN	Owned by Tania Schumann
Breeders Group Trophy		
Alimanda Kennels		Owned by Jean Butterfiled & Gail Mercer

MEMORIAL PLAQUES		
Walter Reimann Memorial Trophy <i>Open Dog Winner</i>	*Ch. Sundaneka Young Gun AZ	Owned by Gail Wellman
Max Stokes Memorial Trophy <i>Junior Bitch Winner</i>	Jaknell Love Bomb	Owned by Jess & Anne Kada
Roy Brabham Memorial Trophy <i>Open Bitch Winner</i>	*Zicke vom Feuermelder (Deu) aED	Owned by Haase, Oar, Donald, Groth, Jones, Green & Hickey
David O'Rourke Memorial Trophy <i>Dual Performance Winner</i>	*Gr. Ch. Stobar Quentin AZ ET CDX RN	Owned by Stuart MacDonald
Rick Richardson Memorial Trophy <i>Winner of Winners</i>	Uhlsmdorf Taylor Swift A UD	Owned by Vic Grzeszkiewicz
Sam Bonifacio Memorial Trophy <i>Most Successful Breeder</i>	Uhlsmdorf Kennels	Owned by Wolf & Veronica Meffert
GSDCA Long Stock Coat Breeders Trophy <i>Most successful Long Stock Coat Breeder</i>	Eroica Kennels	Owned by Cristel Leonard
Hans-Juergen Neddermeyer Memorial Plaque <i>Open Dog Winner (LSC)</i>	*Ch. Hasenway Major Tom (IID Deu) AZ	Owned by Chivaun Mailata & Sue Woollard
Thomas Roger Luxton Memorial Plaque <i>Open Bitch Winner (LSC)</i>	*Vanharley Promiscuous Gilr AZ	Owned by Debra Colson
James William Henry Rodger Memorial Plaque <i>Intermediate Bitch Winner (SC)</i>	Vonehrlich Sassi (AI) AZ	Owned by Lance & Helen Young



GSDCA OBEDIENCE AWARDS:

The GSDCA President, Vince Tantaró and the GSDCA Obedience Chair, Mrs. Julie Urie presented the GSDCA Obedience Awards to:

GSDCA BEST COMMUNITY COMPANION DOG *Ch Kelinpark Helluva Rebel CCD 'AZ' Handler: Lyn Gregor Average Score: 95.3	GSDCA BEST NOVICE DOG *Ch Astasia Jiri CD RN HIT ET 'AZ' Handler: Sally Sandall Average Score: 195	GSDCA BEST RALLY NOVICE DOG *Ch Astasia Jiri CD RN HIT ET 'AZ' Handler: Sally Sandall Average Score: 98.6
GSDCA BEST RALLY ADVANCED DOG *Sabaranburg Purple Rain CD RE HTMS 'AZ' Handler: Diane Webb Average Score: 96	GSDCA EXCELLENT HANDLER Silver: 10 Excellents Handler: Julie Urie	GSDCA BEST RALLY EXCELLENT DOG *Sabaranburg Purple Rain CD RE HTMS 'AZ' Handler: Diane Webb Average Score: 97.8

MEMBER CLUB PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President ACT GSDA – Mr. Wolf Meffert

The association's membership has remained relatively steady through the year. This can largely be attributed to the performance and activities of our training school.

The association meets every Wednesday night on the grounds we lease from the Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC). Our lease is for our training night only, plus a set number of days for other activities such as our Championship Show etc. This means that the grounds can be leased to other organisations and this has been a major issue over the years.

Annual events conducted at EPIC such as the Summernats, The Canberra Royal Agricultural Show and the Folk Festival impact on the standard of our grounds. This is aggravated by periods of no rainfall linked to the high cost of water in the ACT thanks to the complete incompetence of our local government of all persuasions, the grass never recovers between events.

The construction works related to the latest ACT government folly, the light rail project adjacent to the EPIC main entrance and the consequential access restrictions may also have had an impact on membership numbers.

Our membership is in the order of 135 members including life members. As noted, our major activity is the obedience school with a turn-up of 45 to 60 members Wednesday night regardless of the weather. This says a lot for the management of the school and the participating instructors. It also reflects the initiative by puppy sellers to refer purchasers to the association. This is particularly important for the initial socialising of the pup and we keep the training school in action for the baby puppy classes through the Christmas recess area.

As in previous years, our obedience classes cover the basics from baby puppy socialising and lessons on how to look after and manage the puppy all the way through to CCD, CD and CDX. We have also commenced to incorporate Rally-O into our instructions. In addition the association also hosts an annual Endurance Test on behalf of Dogs ACT. Members have completed CCD, CD, CDX and UD titles – well done!

The participation of members in the area of Conformation Showing has brought success. The showing include the specialty ring as well as local All Breeds events. The success of members at the Adelaide National was particularly pleasing and congratulations goes to all concerned. In particular, Vic G who once again almost scooped the obedience pool with a First Place in UD and CD, Winner of Winners and the David O'Rourke Dual Performance Trophy. In addition Uhlmsdorf Kennels was awarded the Sam Bonifacio Memorial Trophy for the Best Performing Kennel.

Members have also done well at shows in Newcastle, Sydney and Melbourne – Congratulations!



Once again the Association conducted 2 Championship Shows on the October 2018 long weekend. For a variety of reasons the show weekend was a bit of a financial disappointment. There was the higher airfare to bring a judge from South America. Also the entries were down due to what we believe to be the increased number of show enthusiasts being in Europe for the German and Italian Sieger Shows, as well as a show in Tasmania on the same weekend. While the state of our grounds leaves a lot to be desired the show went well.

We conducted one Breed Survey in May with 5 animals being classified. I must note that the issue of the second surveyor is still of concern as we see it as a waste of money regardless of the concept of the GSDCA paying for the second surveyor.

The WUSV harmonisation program has taken up a considerable amount of time and resources. However, we note that enthusiasm is waning a little as the reality of some of the requirements are becoming clearer. It is interesting that the implementation has been extended from 4 to 12 years. I gather that the WUSV is applying lessons from the GSDCA.

President GSD League – Mr. Terry Jarvis

Well time again is the enemy ever so quickly you wonder where it has gone. The G.S.D.L. has had a good year financially and we are looking forward to 2019 to be the same, notwithstanding the legacy left to the League by a past members in the vicinity of \$1.7 million. The GSDL has had some changes to its committee this year and we are looking forward to have a committee that is cohesive and working together for the one purpose. I would like to thank Fay Stokes our Secretary who does a sterling job with her workload and also Graeme Stevenson for his efforts during the year as Vice President and Lisa Yates our Treasurer who picking up the pieces this year in the treasury department.

I would like to thank Fran McAdam as our webmaster so easy to work with and also Jacinta Poole who helps Fran with any problems that Fran has. I would like to thank Tony D'Arcy for his commitment to the Show manager position his effort was greatly appreciated for the 2018 year. Les Nichols is now our new Show Manager. Les is not new to the job and decided to have another go welcome back to the fold Les.

It would be remiss of me if I did not make mention that Ann McKenzie our long serving Show Secretary has stepped down as from her position. Ann had been Show Secretary for 27 years and any one that can put themselves through that sort of punishment deserves a medal. Ann was presented with an award for services to the GSDL at our Christmas show to the acclamation of all the exhibitors around the ground and I think I saw a little tear in the corner of her eye. Thank you very much Ann for your service to our Club and its members.

Obedience is picking up at our club and our Training Superintendent Kathy Minton and Tony D'Arcy with the help of Yvonne Spek and Wayne Wagstaff things are starting to warm up in the obedience area which is good to see. Kathy attended the Councils Obedience weekend and came back suitably enthused which should mean that the positives will start to be put in place. There is no progress on the ZAP test as yet; we have a group coming to Sydney in the New Year for a two day Seminar so we will see what comes out of that weekend.

Fay Stokes and I attended two Council meetings this year and Kathy Minton the Obedience Forum the items that are left to work with, this is work in progress by the GSDCA.

The League has been involved in a number of promotional events during the year which proved successful in promoting the German Shepherd Dog to the public. I would like to thank Karen Stevenson for her efforts in pulling these events together we are getting more enquiries for the GSDL to bring their team out to their events These are scheduled promotions that are on our Calendar year to year and I thank those members who participated in these events.

Our December Sanction Show with Ms Jo Cathy doing the honours was a success with a very good entry and the weather was not too hot. Mrs L Bettison did the Open Show with a good entry. The League is putting on another Members Competition in February for a pipe opener for the Members and their dogs, following on from that Show our Easter Show with Herr Torsten Kallenbach (SV) adjudicating at this show. We are expecting the entry for this show to be greatly jeopardised as far as entries are concerned because of the National being on two weeks prior and hardly a fair playing ground for the GSDL. One still has to wonder why Sydney has to go to May in 2020 for its National while the other Nationals were held within two weeks of Easter. In finishing I would like to thank those hard working members of our Committee and General members that I have not mentioned in my report thank you very much you know who you are.



President N & HR GSDC – Mr. Sean Lynch

This past year has seen the club come together in many ways, from the show ring to the trial ring to the renewed social functions it has seen new and old members come together for the betterment of the club and the breed.

I believe as President for the past 18 years I have never seen a happier club not only within the committee but also with the exhibitors, visitors and general members and I put this down to a very good and open Committee.

During the year we held two successful championship shows with entries around 120 which is in line with last year and seems to be the norm these days, we had two local Australian judges, we had a few raffles plus the Saturday night free BBQ and entertainment for the exhibitors which all went very well. For the first time ever I saw many positive remarks on Social Media, as these days it is mainly used to criticize so to see these positive remarks was very rewarding.

We also held two Obedience Trials after having to rebuild our Obedience Team and entries were very good with the September Trial having a total of 27 entries. It was only 2 or 3 years ago we were struggling to get double figures so at this time I would like to congratulate the Obedience Team lead by Graeme Robinson on the great effort. The free BBQ Breakfast at the Trials have been very well received by the Triallers.

At this time I would like to thank my Committee for all the work during the past 12 months, we have achieved a lot this year and with this a new revitalised energy that has inspired many members within the club. The Committee decided to appoint a Social Secretary this year which is a position that reports to the Committee. This position has been a huge boost to the Club both in promoting our breed to the Public at our Social events like our morning walk along the beautiful Lake Macquarie followed by a morning tea supplied. We have also had dinners and social gatherings of the Club Members. I can't thank all of you enough as you keep this club strong and I hope that 2019 will be even better.

Secretary – Paul York

2018 has been a great year for the club with a new invigorated membership delivering two great shows and an obedience trial that was enjoyed by all.

The fact that the general membership has decided to make the Newcastle and Hunter Region German Shepherd Dog Club the freindliest Shows and triails is a fact that all members should be proud of.

This year saw the implemention of the new constitution, New Obedience Chief instructor and some new infusion of ideas on the training field.

Membership continues to grow slowly and the club is in a stronger position now that a year ago.

The social functions have been a highlite of the year and I hope that we can keep the momentum going on these.

On the negative side the club has not been able to make any headway on the introduction of the ZAP puppy test training. A combination of limited available instructors and no interest from the general membership has made the implementation of this impossible at this time.

In closing congratulations on a great year.

Breed Services – Gavin Bean

During this year our Club has issued 14 Hip & Elbow Contracts and 2 Elbow Contracts.

We have conducted 2 Breed Surveys the first in June in which we had 4 animals presented of which 2 passed and 2 failed. October was our second Survey for the year in which we had 8 animals presented of which all passed. Our Club had scheduled our next Survey for February 2019.



President GSDC of Queensland – Mrs. Sharon Ballantyne-Gordon

This is my third year as club president and I did consider not re-nominating for the year ahead, however after receiving many phone calls of support and encouragement from our members to continue in the role I then spent considerable time contemplating the decision. I feel I still do have much to offer and achieve within the position and I do enjoy the president role. I have an amazing team around me who support me and together I believe we make good decisions, with always having the best interests of the club and the breed at heart, and this ultimately are my reasons why I reconsidered.

I am pleased that the committee has been successful in offering a wider variety of GSD activities, to not only our current membership, but with the view of trying to encourage all GSD owners to attend events that are not just skewed toward the “Show Dog”. In my opinion this is an area of the Qld club that should be a priority for any committee each year. We finished the 2018 year with 218 members, this is decrease from the previous year, of approximately 20 members.

This year one of the highlights has been the Dog Lovers Show, the event attracted approximately 15 000 people through the gates. The Club had a great stand and attracted a huge number of people to it. The next Dog Lovers show is scheduled for 2020. During the year we have included a Herding Trial, Introduction to tracking workshop, as well as our normal events which have included the Group 5 Obedience Trial, Brisbane and Zone 2 Members Competitions, Double Header Championship Shows, and Restricted Trial, and 5 Breed Surveys. As club President I have represented the club and its members at the GSDCA AGM and NBC meetings.

National News: Dogs Qld has approved the club to host on behalf of the GSDCA the 2021 National and the SV German judges have already agreed to officiate they have been announced as Malcolm Griffiths (SC females) and Christof Ludwig (Males and all LSC). Planning will commence late next year where we will need to rally the troops once again to form the National Committee. I urge anyone who would like to be involved to please contact me.

The GSDCA AGM Agenda has just been released, a Special General Meeting where these items can be discussed and voted on, will be called for shortly, please take the time to read the items and attend the meeting if you can, discussion on the harmonization and inter variety breeding will be somewhat interesting topics once again. The Zap puppy testing that is due to start rolling out within the next 12 months will prove challenging and really does require a team of experienced people to head this up. Unfortunately, due the vast size of our state many of our country members are going to be disadvantaged as they do not have local obedience clubs in their area or others around them that can assist.

The Editor position has now become obsolete, I would recommend we change this position to incorporate a Show Manager position or a Publicity/Promotions Coordinator role. Events planned for 2019 will include fun days, puppy picnics, fund raising. The Early Puppy Development Training Classes & Obedience classes are still needing considerable time and planning to get this up and running.

The club is in a good position financially and ideally, we should be working towards trying to have more of permanent home base that would include a clubhouse and our own grounds. This would also assist with storage for all the club gear including the trailer.

The committee have also discussed the opportunity of offering greater community education awareness programs like the “Buyer Beware” one we had many years ago, this could assist with offering potential puppy buyers more information about only buying puppies from registered ethical breeders and even include a check list of what questions to ask. The GSDCA is still working in the background of trying to push the LRL’s for all registered breeders to only be breeding with dogs that have been successfully classified through the breed survey system.

Vice President – Mandy Doyle, this was Mandy’s second year on the management committee team, and it was disappointing we had her resignation during the 2nd part of the year. Mandy organized the Herding Trial and Instinct test, which was well attended. Mandy has also been responsible for assisting at show training. Mandy has assisted with Obedience decisions throughout the year which has been appreciated. Thanks Mandy

Secretary – Annie Tamblyn- This is Annie’s first year back in the management team, taking on the important role of Secretary, after many years of holding the positions of Puppy Listing officer, and PR officer, which she is still doing. For anyone that has held the positions of President or Secretary would know that it is vital that these two people are able to work together both professionally and be diligent when dealing with daily correspondence of inwards and outwards, including public enquiry, membership enquiry, dealings with Dogs QLD and the GSDCA, and scheduling meetings. Annie has also stewarded at the Champ Show and the State Breed Show. Annie represented the club at the Obedience Meeting which was held in Melbourne in October (full report will be sent out shortly along with the



minutes). Annie has been committed to role the role and whilst in the early stages of the changeover was somewhat challenging, we overcome it and have ended the year strong. I am pleased that Annie has renominated for 2019 and if I am elected, I look forward to working alongside her once again. Thanks, Annie, for your support and friendship throughout the year.

Treasurer- Shelley McCammon -The wise one, always thinking outside the square on ways of how we can do things better, not only for the club but for the German Shepherd Dog in Qld, Shelley's forward thinking and planning is always appreciated. Thanks, Shelley, for your contribution, support and friendship throughout the year and I am pleased you have renominated for 2019.

Show Secretary – Mandy Scrivens - Mandy's commitment to this important position has again been noted and greatly appreciated, she continues to always get the job done, when it needs doing. The huge responsibility & tasks involved with the Show Secretary's role in the lead up to the shows and on the day can be overwhelming at times, but Mandy always gets the work done well, fair and with great attention to detail, the Trophies, sashes and grading certificates are always lovely. Mandy has made a valuable contribution to the club with her commitment to this position. Mandy has also done the club notes for the Review magazine. The GSDCQ is lucky to have you in this position. Thanks, Mandy, for your continued support and friendship.

Breed Affairs – Gail Donald – This has been Gail's first year on the Management Committee, and she has nailed it, Gail introduced a new worksheet for Breed Survey which is used on the day by the surveyors and this has now been implemented by the other state clubs, Gail's contribution has been greatly appreciated in all areas including the Webpage and Facebook, which are constantly being updated. The little special touches with that artistic flare with our schedules and notices are all thanks to Gail. I would like to thank Gail and acknowledge her contribution to the club and I am pleased she has re-nominated for the 2019.

HD-ED Registrar – Michelle Hammond – Michelle has been responsible for the distribution of the HD/ED contracts to members. Michelle also arranged the organizing of the production of the new club shirt, they were colorful and vibrant and most of the 20 we purchased have now been sold. Michelle also assisted at the Dog Lovers Show. I am pleased that Michelle has re-nominated again for 2019 and for her continued support of my role as President. Thanks Michelle.

Obedience Coordinator – Ann Clarkson – This is Ann's last year as Obedience coordinator, and I take this opportunity to thank her for your many years of commitment to the position and promotion of the club trials. Ann's knowledge in the obedience field has greatly assisted the committee and club with ensuring the trials were run effectively. Ann with the assistance from her little team of helpers has ensured the trials have been well received by the exhibitors. The Obedience competitor entries have increased, and I hope this important part of our club continues to grow once again. We have applied to Dogs Qld to hold another Restricted Group 5 Trial in September next year. I take this opportunity to thank Ann for her continued commitment to the Obedience area of the club, as at the time of this report we have not received a nomination for Obedience Coordinator position, which is disappointing considering the number of members we have who regularly compete in Obedience Trials and could offer assistance to the club but chose not to. If this is an area that you see yourself with some interest in, I ask you to please contact me.

Zone 2 Rep – Karl & Sarah Maresh. This has been Karl & Sarah's second year as Zone representatives and they have had a great year with the organization of another Bunnings Sausage Sizzles which helped to offset the costs to run the members competitions and Breed Survey's. They both are worked considerably hard with securing sponsors for the show, however it was a shame that the show was not supported as in previous years. The two members competitions which were held in Mackay, had officiating judges Louis Donald and Karen Hedberg, we also held 1 Breed Survey over the same weekend. Karl and Sarah are always willing to put their hand up and help where they can, and I have greatly appreciated their assistance within the role. Karl and Sarah have decided to have break next year and I wish them much success in the future and would welcome them back at any stage in the future. We are currently working on conducting a member's competition on the 24th August in Bundaberg and a Breed Survey. An expression of interest for the Zone 2 role has been received by Judith and Irene Hayton, which I'm sure the committee will accept and thank them for their offer.

I also would like to thank Zone 3 Phil Gillies, Breed Rescue Jean Hansford & Puppy Listing Annie Tamblyn, who receive calls and emails from our members and members of the public for their respective positions. I thank each of you for ongoing assistance and commitment to these positions. Thanks to our Breed Surveyors Louis Donald and Carol O'Rourke for their continued involvement.

I also take this opportunity to also acknowledge and thank my wife Sarah for her continued support throughout the year.



In closing I would like to thank the membership who have supported me during the year and wish all members and their families a safe and enjoyable Christmas break and healthy and prosperous 2018.

Sharon Ballantyne
President GSDCQ 2018

TREASURER

The Club's books were audited by Ferrari Warner and Associates and the Audited Profit & Loss and Statement are included in the Annual Report.

Shelley McCammon

BREED AFFAIRS/WEBSITE/FACEBOOK

2018 Survey Results : 23 Breed Surveyed 21 Classified 2 Fails

Proposed 2019 Breed Survey Dates:

- Sunday 17 March
- Saturday 11 May
- Friday 5 July
- Saturday 24 August - Zone 2
- Sunday 15 September
- Saturday 10 November

Congratulations to Sharon Ballantyne-Gordon achieving GSDCA Breed Surveyor status during the year, welcome to the Surveyor team.

Thank you to Carol O'Rourke in assisting me in settling into the role and to Mandy Scrivens who stood in for me at the September Survey whilst I was overseas. Thank you to Lance Young and Les Hersant attending for the Gun test when required.

GSDCQ WEBSITE:

Has been maintained during the year, and reference is continually made on the GSDCQ Facebook Page to encourage people to utilise the site for information.

GOOGLE SEARCH results for the website have been excellent. The addition of photographs has provided a big impact on search results for information about the GSDCQ /German Shepherd Dogs which have grown by 10,000 views during the year.

GSDCQ FACEBOOK - our FB/social media presence is a mainstay of promotion for the GSDCQ. Organic growth has been excellent with an increase of over 500-page followers from 2,400 to 2,915.

The 13 Club - 2018

We welcome five golden oldies to The 13 Club:

- Kayrossi Electra CCD - 8 April 2005 - Ros Masterman
- Altara Bacardi - 27 January 2003 - John Mobbs & Deb Muir
- O Ch Saar Broken Dreams UDX (BH,TR2) - 08 November 2004 - Lynette Ellerton
- Nujaclyn Carnival Dancer - 29 October 2004 - Sharon Harvey
- Alezan Bijou - 04 November 2005 - Simon Berry & Deb Muir

Gail Donald

GSDCQ HD-ED Registrar's Report: Oct 2017-Sept 2018

October 2017	1 contract	November 2017	3 contracts
December 2017	7 contracts	January 2018	7 contracts
February 2018	1 contract	March 2018	7 contracts
April 2018	7 contracts	May 2018	5 contracts
June 2018	3 contracts	July 2018	1 contract
August 2018	10 contracts	September 2018	7 contracts

Total 59 contracts

Michelle Hammond



SHOW SECRETARY

A quieter & calmer year than the past couple thank goodness...

Not a great deal to report but our year of “all Girl Judges” (not intentional incidentally...) was fun, as well as educational. A successful day at the Members Competition in June with the “always a pleasure to be around” Jo Cathie as our Judge – a great day, lovely dogs, a good lead-up to our July Shows.

Our Double Header Championship Shows with the delightful Heather MacDonald & Melanie Groth at the helm were a great success with many Interstate friends making the trip to support the shows – the major things that stood out for me was the wonderful atmosphere & great sportsmanship that simply flowed over both days. So thank you to our lovely Lady Judges for your part in setting “the mood” and hats off to all exhibitors for your participation and contribution.

The Open Show again not very well supported sadly, but at least it was able to go ahead this year and our Judge Stacy Guilfoyle thoroughly enjoyed the animals that were presented. Again, I stress that we MUST give the Aspiring Group 5 Judges support, we MUST present them with our quality animals so as they can learn and become experienced in our beautiful breed... PLEASE let's try a little harder in 2019.

As it was voted at Council level to retain the State Breed Exhibition/Evaluation. We held ours on 15th September with the much respected Mrs Jenny Yuen presiding. The numbers were very disappointing as you are all aware, the ever handsome Xaro took the State Sieger Title for the fourth time in a row.

We can all look forward to our 2019 shows, taking note that we have brought the Members Competition forward to March – not only a great “practice run” for those heading to Melbourne for the National but also it evens things out a lot better than holding it in June, this way we have March – Members Comp, July Champ Shows & September Open Show & SBE - and remember – get your entries in online via SHOW MANAGER and remove any chance of them not being received.

At this point I will take this opportunity to thank, on behalf of the Club, the Hersant family for their very generous donation of excellent medals & trophies. This means an enormous financial saving for the club and we are extremely grateful. I wish all members a happy and safe Christmas and all the best for 2019.

Mandy Scrivens

OBEDIENCE COORDINATOR

For 3 years we tried to get a Restricted Trial for Group 5, but Dogs Queensland flatly refused to allow it. The reason being that it would disadvantage Gympie Obedience Club who hold a trial on the same day. All enquires I made seem to point to the fact that not many competitors travel from this area to Gympie for a single trial. As you know we did manage to get the Restricted Group 5 Trial in 2019, however I was very disappointed by the lack of entries. It seemed that some GSD members didn't enter as protest, against the trial, what a pity these same members were unable to attend any meeting for the 3 years previous when the trial was discussed, it would have saved me a lot of work trying to get GSD accredited judges to judge the trial for us, and the lobby to Dogs Qld to give the club permission to hold it.

Our Restricted Trial in July was well attended, maybe with more GSDs attending local all-breed obedience clubs we may see an increase in numbers at our trials in 2019.

This is my last year as Obedience Trial Secretary and I would like to pass on my best wishes and offer of help to the incoming secretary.

My best wishes to you all for Christmas and the New Year. Take special care of your best mates in this hot weather.

Ann Clarkson

Breed Rescue

The year has been quite busy with over 40 dogs available for rehoming but unfortunately only about 30 people ringing and asking for a new companion. We've had the usual number of oddballs of course and they are usually the people who take up the most of our time and patience. An organisation called 'Young Diggers' who are doing a wonderful job of re-training rescue dogs for companions for ex-service men and women have contacted us and it would be good to be able to assist them in their endeavors to find the right dogs but no luck yet.

People have all sorts of needs, some being dogs suitable for elderly people, some people even willing to fly the dog to Cairns, and one person who particularly wanted a dog between 6 and 7 years old – not an age that is commonly wanted at all. We have had the 'available' dogs described as long coat, boisterous, black, white, already 57 kgs at 2 years old (frightening thought), gentle giant, 10 month old dog the owner paid \$2000 for and is now willing to place him for free, and a host of other reasons for giving up.



It is frustrating when a genuine, obviously caring person calls for a dog and there is not one suitable on the list right then and there. Other times of course we have a long list of 'available' dogs with not one 'wanting' call. For all the irritation and frustration that occurs it is still extremely rewarding when we can oblige with a successful changeover and the dog becomes a happy member of a caring family or new owner. A great service for a great breed - our German Shepherd Dog.

Jean and Brian Hansford

PUPPY LISTINGS

I'm still regularly receiving a large number of calls from members of the public enquiring about the pups and older dogs for sale and also sadly, a very large number of dogs that need to be surrendered due to unforeseen circumstances and either direct these calls to breeders with listings or to the breed rescue officer, Jean Hansford or the GSD Rescue Alliance/Lisa Jenkins.

This year the numbers have dropped even a little further than last year; approximately 16% down the same time as last year; within the reporting period of September 2017 to 1 October, 2018. There were 37 listings in this period, compared to the previous year with 44 listings.

Each year, the number of listings decline slightly— this clearly shows a trend in either a drop-in breeder numbers and/or most litters are now pre-sold so therefore there are fewer pups or dogs to be listed.

Annie Tamblyn



President GSDC of South Australia – Mr. John DeLucia

The President, Mr Vince Tantaró, GSDCA Executive, GSDCA Officers, Observers and Guests. I am indeed pleased to present this report on the GSDC of SA activities for the year 2018.

This is a brief summary as a more detailed report was printed in our club's annual report booklet which was distributed to all members.

I feel I need to say first off that it saddens me that a number of members, friends and lovers of our beloved breed have passed away, many of whom were guiding lights and I think of them on many occasions. May they rest in peace.

CLUB

The club once again had a busy year and enjoyed success on many fronts. Our membership was slightly down on the previous year, but attendances at general training has increased. The club ran at a small loss for the year but we have a reasonable cash balance in our accounts which still leaves us in a healthy state. I must thank our major sponsor – Advance, and also to Noah's Crossing for their continued support. A big thank you to our club Instructors and various helpers throughout the year. A special mention to Adele Booth who continues to clean the clubrooms for us weekly and after all events which the membership is extremely grateful for. It makes it hard to run a club and hold events without the dedication of these people.

OBEDIENCE

Classes are well attended and enthusiasm is high. Competition obedience is at a low which is experienced by most clubs in SA at least. We are looking into a number of options one of which was moving our Balmead Shield Obedience Trial from August to May for 2019 in the hope of boosting numbers. Our team of instructors under the leadership of our Head Trainer, Robert MacPherson continues to do a fantastic job and also have encouraged a few retired Police dogs and handlers to join our obedience classes to keep these working dogs active in their retirement.

We held two obedience trials along with two agility trials and have a new Trials Manager who has much enthusiasm in running these events in 2019.

BREED AFFAIRS

The club conducted five breed surveys throughout the club year. We also conducted seven shows comprising of three members competitions, one open show and our two Championship Shows along with the National Show and Trial. The National of course has been and gone and overall the atmosphere was good. The grounds once again were perfect with plenty of room for everyone including parking close by. Entries were within reason and probably in keeping with what we can expect. The club unfortunately made a small loss which I believe is due to not having the numbers to have a President's dinner and low numbers at the Saturday Night Dinner. In addition, not all of our raffle tickets were able to be sold which was disappointing of course. When the National comes to Adelaide again a fresh pair of hands and eyes will be in charge. I thank all the helpers and workers and especially the canteen staff and volunteers for their fantastic effort.

Our conformation training roster is working well which puts several of our judges and breeders on a roster system for taking classes on a Wednesday night and Sunday morning.

We once again will start 2019 off with a Puppy Day in January and expect large numbers again to what has proved to be a very popular day amongst new and prospective members.

I have once again been elected unopposed for the position of President of the SA Club. This is a position that I have held now for 20 years. I have given my best efforts and had an amazing team working with me and whilst I am grateful to the membership for their past and continued support, this will be my final term.

Finally, I would like to say that I still have doubts over the 'Harmonisation Plan' and as I have stated many times before, do not believe that it is in the best interest of our organisation.

I wish everyone a great year in their hobby and most importantly, for everyone to be safe and enjoy their family and dogs. Let's be encouraging of each other in a sport that we all participate in and quite frankly, if you are unable to do that then say nothing, especially on social media.



President GSDC of Tasmania – Mr. Jurgen Haase

The club held three very successful championship shows and an SBE in 2018. We thank the visiting judges for their expertise and ready engagement with members. The club acknowledges the hard work and dedication of the Show Manager, Russell Lowery and his partner Maureen. Their contribution always ensures a smooth running and enjoyable event. The club expresses its thanks to the catering team, headed up by Jeanie Priest.

The club has conducted three Breed Surveys, achieving a high participation. The club appreciates the addition of a second surveyor and members welcome the opportunity to have a choice of surveyor.

Training is conducted weekly at New Norfolk, with members involved in basic obedience training, show training and socialisation activities.

It is pleasing to note that the club membership is stable, and the club is in a sound financial position.

Unfortunately, we had the resignation of the show secretary late in 2018, Russell Lowery. The club would like to thank Russell and Maureen for the incredible contributions they've made. They've worked tirelessly to ensure the seamless running of our shows.

We also thank our Club Secretary, Gabrielle Peacock, for her expertise and diligence in the execution of her role. The club is very fortunate to have such a capable and experienced secretary, who ensures the smooth running of all club processes and correspondence. Thanks must also go to our Treasurer, Sandra Parker, and to Janet Haase, our Breed Affairs officer for their contributions to club operations.

The club looks forward to the future with optimism and to further developing elements of the harmonisation program. We look forward to a productive and cooperative year in 2019.

President GSDC of Victoria – Mr. Tony Mercieca

I'm pleased to present my first report as President of the GSDCV to the 2019 GSDCA Annual General Meeting. The year that was 2018 saw the GSDCV continue to grow in pure membership units to finish out the year at 1435 being composed of 582 single, 829 family and 24 life member memberships – this is up from 1411 in 2017. With family memberships generally being more than one person of the household participating in a variety of club activities, that total figure represents a lot of feet, and paws passing through any one of our 11 branches on any given week.

Let me start by recognising the significant support the GSDCV and its members have received from our two long-term major sponsors, Royal Canin and Monash Veterinary Clinic in 2018. I'm pleased to be able to say that both have also agreed to continue their relationship with our Club in 2019, and have also generously increased their support for the 2019 in recognition of the National Show and Trial.

The GSDCV has many strengths, none more so than its people. Naturally the week by week organisation and execution of activities on the ground requires many people to stand up and take on the many and varied tasks. In our case however, that need is replicated at each of our 5 regional and 6 metropolitan branches across the state, each with its own branch organising committee. Superimposed onto these local committees is the Main Club Structure of a Management Committee as well as Breed Affairs and Obedience Training Committees plus our Club Show Committee. Each committee performs important tasks, and each is vital to the smooth operation of our club. It's unfortunate however that all this work is generally considered to be behind the scenes, with our general pet owner member only ever seeing, and to be truthful, only really caring about a couple things – their weekly training and socialising session with their GSD, and the occasional social event. To cover this off, we are fortunate to have the services of a little over 100 qualified obedience, and approx. 30 qualified show instructors at the pure coal face, some of whom wear hats on multiple committees.

Keeping this Club running smoothly can be a feat all unto itself, and here I must recognise the efforts and foresight of those who came before. The systems and processes that our Club has in place are essential to its efficient operation. This being said however, all our systems will come to nothing if not for the people we have to run them. Here, I am extremely fortunate, and endlessly thankful to have had the support and assistance of an extremely capable Club Executive, as well as a hard-working Management Committee in 2018.



In 2018, we saw the release and adoption of our updated Instructors Guidelines, which is the culmination of what could be conservatively described as many hundreds of man-hours of work to complete. This document is pretty much a re-write, update and transformation of our training practices into the 21st century. Many thanks to all contributors, be it writing, formatting or publishing – this is truly a document that we can all be proud of.

As a Club we have had many our members actively participating in various levels of traditional conformation and obedience competitions in 2018. I'm also pleased to say that we also have many members participating in various private activities with the GSDs in public. These include some with organised groups such as therapy and community dogs of various descriptions, but are also individuals enjoying life with their well-behaved GSD in public; good, grass roots breed ambassadors are the unsung champions of the public perception of the GSD... and yes, we managed to find a good use for Social Media in being able to share our dogs good achievements in public.

The GSDCV Show and Obedience Committees have been extra busy in 2018. Along with the usual caper of what I counted to be 7 Specialist Championship shows, including our 100th Champ show and trial in November, we also held our State Breed Exhibition in May as well as an Open Show and Breed Exhibition. Restricted to breed trials were held with each of our two GDSCV Champ shows as well as the SBE. Additional trials being open and restricted to group were also held in 2018 along with an Endurance Trial being ably organised and run by our Gippsland branch.

The GSDCV also ran a total of 6 Breed surveys in 2018, all of which were supported in terms of animals to be assessed as well as spectator attendance. In addition to this, we also held a very well supported structural assessment at our Malvern Branch aimed at looking at the general member's dog.

On top of all the above, the GSDCV is well progressed in plans and arrangements for the 47th National Show and Trial scheduled for the first weekend in April 2019 at KCC park, Skye. The GSDCV is pleased to be hosting this event on behalf of the GSDCA and would be grateful to clubs if they would encourage their members to participate and attend what we hope will be an exceptional 3 day event, displaying the best of what the Australian GSD fraternity has to offer. All details are available on the GSDCV website as well as via social media.

Our club was also pleased to support the establishment of a permanent tribute at KCC Park in honour of all defence and service dogs that have died while serving in the protection of Australia and its citizens. This event was organised by the Service Dogs Memorial Committee and Dogs Victoria and was officiated by the patron of Dogs Victoria, Peter Hitchener OAM. The GSDCV was ably represented by *Sensen Mann Yokon AZ in the ceremony

It's with sadness that the GSDCV said goodbye to a number of dear friends in 2018. While I certainly don't want to try to list them all, I feel that it would be remiss of me to not to make mention of a few who had made notable contributions to our breed and Club; James Rodger – Jan, Joylene Neddermeyer – Jul, Karen Ballantyne – Aug. Ginnie Luxton & Ian Cameron – Dec

Being scheduled a few weeks earlier than usual to provide some breathing space between it and the 2019 National Show and Trial, the GSDCV Annual General Meeting has been scheduled for Saturday March 16. I have once again nominated for the position of Club President and will be honoured to fulfil that role to the best of my abilities should the membership of the GSDCV want. My aim is to prepare a more detailed annual report for presentation at that meeting which will be made available to all Clubs and Council should you wish to receive it.

In closing, I would like to once again thank all the members of the GSDCV Management Committee, and in particular the Club Executive who helped my through my first year as President of the GSDCV. The skills, expertise, knowledge and character of those around the club should never be discounted, nor ignored, as every member has a role to play in club life. We should always remember that all members of all committees and all instructors are volunteers. We do this work for the love of our breed, and for our friends who make up the membership.

President GSDA of Western Australia – Mr. Brian Lubbock

It is with pleasure that I submit this report to the 2019 GSDCA AGM on behalf of the Members of the German Shepherd Dog Association of WA (Inc), it has not been the best of starts for me, and the new committee with issues at our Premier show the West Coast Classic, unfortunately we had a banned person come onto grounds and it caused stress for all dealing with it, but I am very proud of my team who worked through the problem with a calm but firm conclusion, we then had our grounds broken into another first!!, over \$29,000 worth of mowers, blowers, etc. stolen, we were lucky that the mower company are sponsors and we have a very good relationship, so they priced and worked through our losses for us, this made our claim so much easier, we were able to recover most of the losses, so feeling much better now.



Back to club news, and although we have only had a couple of meetings the committee appear to be working well together although, a couple newbies I think did not realise the workload, only three changes to management committee which are myself to replace Ian Marr, who retired after 11 years but who is still training and assisting were able, Bronson came in as Vice President to replace John Crace, who just wanted to recharge his batteries and am sure he will be back as with Andy his wife who decided not stand, and Tracy Roberts took on position of Show Chair, we all are working within the guidelines of the club motto, which is ***“We can make a difference if we all put aside our personal likes and dislikes and all work together for the sake of the Breed”***.

As always a large contingent of our members who made the trip to Adelaide for the National Show and Trial, where we had some great success, many West Australian animals on the pegs that were either owned by WA members or bred by WA breeders, and exhibited by owners in the Eastern states, The commitment and dedication of our members who continue to support these shows in the Eastern States is fantastic and, to be keen enough to overcome the distance is to be admired especially when we are unable to return the favour, I know that as much as entering the show it is the one time for us to catch up with old friends and foes (tongue in cheek), Our change to Sundays General meetings straight after training, continues to be successful and we have had a quorum at all of our meetings.

Membership

I am delighted with the improvement in our membership and I am very pleased to say that we have once again increased our membership from last year’s 474 to about 531 which is our best figure for many years. There is a full report from our membership officer later in this report.

“Many hands make light work” as the saying goes and is very true because without our volunteers such as groundsman (unofficial) Ian Heard who cuts, weeds and everything in between, ably assisted by Kerry his wife who does everything Ian does not, Ian Marr who as I have said before is the most active retired person I have seen he helps and trains, etc., Rob Prichard has started running our now fully equip canteen, and what he serves up is incredible, and with this we are hoping to encourage more members to stay for awhile after training and socialise both them and their dogs, not forgetting the instructors at both of our grounds, our Judges and Surveyors, Stephan Gumpert who has taken on the looking after the Point Score system for all of our shows, these are just to name a few.

Sadly after 21 years supporting and working for the club Angela Boeyinga has decided it’s time to call it a day, now people will say everyone is replaceable, but there are always exceptions to the rule and Angela is one of those, most Wednesday training nights and Sundays she has been available at our shop, this lady is truly irreplaceable, happy retirement Angela.

On the subject of our volunteers, we continue with our push to try and get our newer and usually younger members involved in the running of our club it is important that we encourage these younger members, but proving hard to do, not many years ago we were blessed to have many very promising child handlers of all ages, but unfortunately these numbers dwindled badly, hopefully someday they may return as adults themselves then.

Charity events that we support

We have once again supported our two charities that we support every year and this year we have added another charity to our list.

1. We continue to support the Jane McGrath Foundation with our usual morning BBQ and Raffle in support of this foundation.
2. We also continue to support the Ted Whitten Men’s Prostrate Cancer Foundation.

My thanks to Margaret Adams for running the fundraiser days for both above charities. She does a super job every year. Margaret started running these two events several years ago and has been very successful in raising both money and awareness for both of these charities.

3. The new charity that we have decided to support is the Purple Poppy fund raiser. This is an organisation named Australian War Animal Memorial Organisation (AWAMO) that honours the thousands of Australian Animals that died whilst serving Australia in Wars, they raise funds for memorials, they attended our West Coast Challenge and set up a table to sell Purple Poppies, Bandanas, lapel pins, name tags etc. to the members, this was a very successful event and they have been offered the same arrangement at the WCC each year.



Sponsorship

We are fortunate to have retained the sponsors that have been involved with our club for many years.

They are:

- Mars Pet Care (Advance Biscuits),
- Animal Health Solutions/Triangle Agencies,
- Scarboro Toyota,
- Armadale Mower World
- Canning Vale Fish & Chips.

These sponsors have been supporters of the GSDA of WA for a long time and I offer my grateful thanks for their ongoing support, I am truly appreciative of the help from all our sponsors.

Mars Pet Care is one of our major sponsors and this has been a mutually rewarding partnership between the two organisations for many years.

Animal Health Solutions are our suppliers of dog food and items for sale from our shop and it is their willingness to supply the biscuits we sell at a very competitive price that enables us to offer the biscuits to our members at a great price. Animal Health Solution donates \$400 towards the cost of running the Children's Christmas Party each year.

Scarboro Toyota makes a regular cash donation to the club every year with part of the donation being set aside for ground upkeep and maintenance.

Armadale Mower World assists the club with supplying a free service to our ride on mower twice a year and do repairs to the mower often at short notice and very often at little or no cost to the club. In return we support the Ted Whitten Foundation which is the favourite charity of the owner of Armadale Mower World.

Canning Vale Fish & Chips sponsor our Show Child Handlers (Junior, Intermediate & Senior) and our Obedience Best Child Handler, to the amount of \$400 (\$100 for each winner)

As always, I ask our members to support the sponsors that continue to support the GSDA of WA.

Ground Hire

We have two groups who pay to use our grounds on a regular basis. They are the Western Australian Greyhound Association who use the straight track for training (our members can utilise the straight track outside of the times that have been allocated to the Greyhound club), and the AIM Archery Club who use the grounds every Monday morning, we also hire the grounds out to other organisations from time to time as long as they have their own insurance cover. This has developed into a much-appreciated cash flow for the club.

Vice-President's Report – John Crace

It has been another busy year with ongoing repairs to our retic system, clearing tree roots from the septic system, pruning back the trees on site and doing a long-awaited burn off greenery built up over the 12 months.

Much of my time is spent with our Sponsors and they are all happy to continue with their support of our club. Our Children's Christmas Party now appears to be an accepted annual event thanks to our sponsors.

We now have flags to fly at all our events, both show and obedience, and the concept seems to be appreciated by the members and Judges at these events.

I have just recently arranged to have movement sensor security lights fitted around the clubrooms and there will be some ongoing maintenance in the repainting of the club house floor and the veranda whilst the club is closed during the holidays.

The hire of the club house and grounds seems to be successful and of course this brings in a source of income which helps to keep the membership fees down.

Finally, the main part of my role as Vice-President is to support our President which I hope I have done throughout the year.

Secretary's Report –Lucy Lubbock

All is well in the West and starting to warm up. Night training will be a lot cooler and the evenings are lovely.

The year has gone well with no great dramas, the Shows and Obedience trials have also all gone very well.

Congratulations to our members who did well and not so well in the shows and those members who gained their Obedience, Rally O, Tracking and Track & Search Titles this year, well done all.

Our memberships have increased and lots of new puppies on the ground for training which is great to see.

We have had our Raffles and Fund Raisers for the E.J. Whitton Foundation & the Jane McGrath Foundation; our members did very well raise funds for both these worthwhile charities



We are also having a raffle, run by, Ian Marr, to help pay for the Children's Christmas Party in December with a Bouncy Castle, Farm Animals and Face Painting and the all-important Father Christmas and afterwards we have our trophy presentations.

Then our dedicated trainers will all be having a well-deserved break over the Christmas & New Year period. I wish everybody a Very Happy Christmas & a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

The following three reports come under the portfolio of the Club Secretary.

Membership Officers Report – Faye Ramsden

As of the 30th June 2017 we have a total of 531 members which includes 42 Life Members.

This total is made up of:

- 206 Double Memberships
- 119 Single Memberships

For a total of: - 531 Members

I have included a list of our memberships from 2011 up to 2017 as an indication of how our membership is increasing.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Voting Numbers</u>	<u>Total Memberships</u>	<u>Double Membership</u>	<u>Single Membership</u>
2011 – 2012	470	301	169	132
2012 – 2013	380	234	146	88
2013 – 2014	445	274	171	103
2014 – 2015	469	279	187	95
2015 – 2016	474	290	184	106
2016 – 2017	531	325	206	119

Minutes Secretary & Editor – Margaret Adams

I have linked these two portfolios together as they both provide me with the opportunity to keep abreast of happenings within our association. I have always enjoyed keeping in contact with the grass root members and it is important that they feel comfortable contacting someone for information (other than the President!!!). Both of these positions fall under the umbrella of the Association's Secretary.

Historians Report – Ian Marr

This is just a brief report on the progress of the history of the GSDA of WA that I have been working on for some time. I have finally completed the task of going through all the boxes of past minutes and now comes the task of putting it all together in the form of a book on our history. I will be asking for old photos etc. shortly which I hope to include in the book. This project has been such an eye opener for me and has given me a much better idea of the great work done by our earlier members. It is thanks to their forward thinking that we have the magnificent grounds that we own, and I hope that the history, when completed, does credit to the pioneers of our club.

Treasurer's Report – Joan McMulkin

Good grief another year has zipped by and 2018 is just around the corner.

The club is in a good financial position and providing that we don't experience any large outlays during the next year, finances should remain fairly steady. Thanks to everyone for being mindful of their spending.

Thanks to all the members of the Management Committee who have been working as a collective team for the good of our club and our dogs to ensure that we have a future. Thanks also go to the members of the various sub committees and to all our volunteers who do a wonderful job for the benefit of all club members.

I wish you all the very best for the festive season.

The Club Finances were audited, and the Auditors report is below

CERTIFIED AUDIT CERTIFICATE

Lisa Holland

Bachelor Business

Certified Practicing Accountant

Master Administration Business

Thursday 27th July 2017

I have audited the financial records of the German Shepherd Dog Association of Western Australia for the financial year ending 30th June 2017.



The audit was in accordance with the generally accepted accounting procedures to provide a reasonable assurance whether the financial records and statements attached are an accurate account of activities.

During the audit I have reviewed, on a test basis, the internal record keeping procedures & cross-referenced internal accounting against external records.

The evidence provided to support the income and expenses in the financial statements attached, present fairly in all material aspects, the financial position of the German Shepherd Dog Association of Western Australia.

Opinion

In my opinion, the financial records and statements, present fairly the financial position of the German Shepherd Dog Association of Western Australia, in accordance with the generally accepted accounting principles.

Regards, Lisa Holland.

Public Relations Officers Report – Kym Glenn

We had a fabulous group of members at the Perth Royal Show which was another very busy day for our breed representatives. The group spent all day at the show and set a great example for our breed to the general public. We happily distributed information to the public and they all enjoyed the opportunity to have their photographs taken with our dogs.

We held a couple of Public Relations displays during the past 12 months. The first one was a demonstration at a local Primary School. The children enjoyed the demonstrations which included a tracking demonstration plus some agility and obedience. We also had a couple of young puppies that were enjoyed by all. The school enjoyed it so much that they sent us many thank you cards which we displayed in the clubrooms, and we were invited back again in November 2017

The second was a little different in so much that we were approached about a young boy who loves to watch TV shows with German Shepherd Police Dogs. He was having his birthday party to be themed on dog training and we were asked to put on a display for him at very short notice. It was a great success and really made the day for the young boy. Thanks to John Glenn and Iain McIntosh for putting this together at such short notice.

Our club Fun Day and Children's Christmas Party were both a great success. The Fun Day gives the members the chance to have a lot of fun with their dogs and of course the Christmas party is our way thanking our members' children / grandchildren who are "dragged" out to training every week. This was followed by the club presentation evening to recognise all the Obedience and Show winners along with a number of achievement awards.

Trophy Officer's Report – Rachael Laubsch

I took over this role from John Crace at the start of the year and feel that I have grown into the role as the year has progressed. John introduced me to the owners of Classic Trophies who have been great to work with. A new owner took over the Trophy shop and the new owner, Eddie Holt, has been extremely helpful and very prompt with the trophies. I do endeavour to keep the price of the trophies at a reasonable level and try to keep the cost around about the same as the previous year.

The ordering process is very simple. I have supplied Eddie with the schedules for all shows in 2018 and email the trophy order for each show approximately 1 week after the entries close. I visit the shop just before the official order is placed and choose the required trophies.

The turnaround time is extremely fast since Eddie has taken over and the trophies are usually ready for pickup within a few days and no more than a week after putting on the order. Pre-ordering the trophies ensures if they are not in stock Eddie has the time to order them in so there is no delay when we give him the list

Show Chair Report – Andy Crace

We have had a great show year here in the West. I took over the Show Chair from Bronson Pereira in March and have so far really enjoyed the role. This year we held the following shows: - 3 Championship Shows, 4 Members Competitions, 2 Open shows and 1 State Breed Exhibition. We also held a Child Handler competition, for all age groups, at all of our shows which were all hotly contested.

Listed below are the numbers for each of our shows: -

Members Competitions:

- 1st = 33 entries, including 5 LSC's
- 2nd = 62 entries, including 8 LSC's
- 3rd = 75 entries, including 10 LSC's
- 4th = 52 entries, including 8 LSC's

Championship Shows:

- 1st = 57 entries, including 13 LSC's (Rick Richardson Memorial)
- 2nd = 62 entries, including 14 LSC's (Walter Martin Memorial)



- 3rd = 65 entries, including 11 LSC's (West Coast Challenge)

State Breed Exhibition:

- 75 entries, including 13 LSC's

Open Shows:

- 1st = 27 entries, including 8 LSC's
- 2nd = 27 entries, including 6 LSC's

Although the numbers have been a little down this year, we have had a great atmosphere at the shows and fantastic sportsmanship.

Obedience Chair Report - Honey Gross-Richardson.

Pleasing Growth in Membership!

At a time when there is a world-wide trend for a drop-in membership of all club activities, an incredible array of sports and entertainment available to young and old, the dog clubs have amazing success in keeping a stable membership and continuing to fulfil the needs of the public.

The GSDA of WA has been able to record an increase in membership and offers an invaluable service to the breed and to every owner, and breeder and exhibitor of the German Shepherd Dog.

The Instructors of the GSDA of WA,

The instructors of the GSDA of WA are out there, conducting their classes every Sunday morning, with a fair number putting in extra time and dedication on week days for specialized training for Show, Obedience, DWD and Rally O' in the evenings, under our powerful flood lights. We have an average entry of 35 dogs at our Graduations, and for our Obedience trials, around 30 competitors. Our Results are on the Homepage.

There will be separate reports submitted by our Trials Committee, chaired by Diane Webb, ably assisted by Glenda Wellman, our Trials Secretary and a strong committee.

There will also be a report from our Training Secretary regarding Titles gained during the year. Training Secretary Carol Anne-Davies presents her report on titles gained throughout the year.

Titles achieved for 2018 – CCD = 2, CD = 1, UD = 1, Rally Novice = 1, Rally Advance = 1, Rally Excellent = 1, Rally Champion = 1, ET = 1, OCH = 1, TD = 1, TSD = 3, TSDX = 5, TSCH = 1 & TTSGCH = 1. This gave us a total of 21 titles for the year. Well done to everyone.

Our Instructors, together with Angela Boeyinga, in Sales. And Tamara our trusty Kitchen manager, our Management and Show Committees, all successfully and harmoniously work together as one many faceted teams. It is good to see the cooperation between the various committees, especially our Show and Obedience committee members working together at our main events.

Our Obedience Instructors on the main, work in their set classes for the year, with minor changes as necessitated at our Gosnells Head Quarters in Southern River.

Our Classes are;- Pre-Kindy for the ages of 8 weeks to 5 months, conducted by Kym Glenny, Senior Instructor of many years' experience and Ian Marr who also has many years of experience, with Laurel Cowell and Rachael Laubsch assisting.

Advanced Pre-Kindy for Puppies over 5 months and Adults in charge of Karen Westmacott, who is also a qualified Canine Good Companion Instructor.

Jean McCowan, Senior Trainer is always ready to assist with handlers that need one on one monitoring and advice on building up relationships and focus in the beginners' classes, and both Kym Glenny and Karen Westmacott deal with any dogs that have special needs and require behaviour shaping.

Kindy Class is still pretty much family pet training that is also aiming for precision, from PK to UDX. Here our Assistant Head Trainer Iain McIntosh puts the class through their paces.

Class one and CCD Classes have been run by Ian Marr, our President, and long term Instructor, a club President still very much in touch with grass roots of club membership!

Our Head Trainer, John Glenny combines the trials handlers Novice through to UD and UDX.

Rally O' training is in charge of Diane Webb, former Assistant Head Trainer.

Trainers Diane, Kerrie Pearce, Kym, Rachael and Laurel are currently deeply involved in showing and trialling, keeping the GSDS in the rings and in the ribbons!

At Otago Park, Craigie, our North of the River Grounds, I conduct all the classes from Pre-Kindy to CCD in two sessions.

Endurance Test: Not a very popular sport with our members since we lost the picturesque venues that we had worked in over the years, but certainly well loved by members of the Dobermann and Rottweiler Clubs! We, the GSDA of WA are the only club conducting the ET. Currently we only conduct one ET annually, but I can see that this will most likely change, when the GSDCA will, under the WUSV harmonization Programme be conducting the ET called Ausdauer Prüfung in German. The ANKC Rules Changes in regard to Endurance Tests are creating some interest.



Rally O' Trials are proving to be very popular, as the reader will see in the Trials Report.

Dances with Dogs: Never a dull moment, but as far as GSD participation is concerned, apart from Di Webb's 2 dazzlers things are quiet on the Western Front. With another Rules Change on the way, and discussions for further classes, interest might increase!

Tracking: Our handlers may train with Track West, of which Rick and I were Foundation Members, and/or the Advanced Tracking Club, of which we were Patrons.

The C&WA: We have high hopes for the future of the Character and Working Aptitude Test that we plan to conduct 3 times per year, in order for our Breeder Members to become more acquainted with the concept of some challenging exercises for them to master with their most promising youngsters!

My sincere thanks to the trainers and committee members, helpers and members, who give their combined expertise and love to our club and the German Shepherd Dog,

Breed Affairs Report – Natalie Humphries

The previous year has been busy and somewhat trying at times for the general membership with a lot of time and angst being caused with the introduction of the WUSV Harmonisation program and its subsequent meetings to vote and the agenda items of the counter proposal put by the GSDCA. The most controversial aspect being the IPO proposal to the ANKC. Hopefully now the voting has occurred we can all work together to implement the changes to the requirements for breed survey over the next few years.

I would like to thank my fellow committee members for the continued help and support throughout the year and take this opportunity to wish retiring committee member Breed Surveyor and Judge Mr Bruce Knight all the best in his new endeavours.

The 2017/2018 Committee consisted of - Mrs Robyn Knuckey Breed Surveyor/Judge. Mr John Fenner Breed Surveyor/Judge. Mrs Honey Gross Richardson Breed Surveyor/Judge. Ms Candice Baker Veterinary Advisor. Mrs Margaret Adams Puppy Listing and ID Officer. Ms Vicki Beaton HD and Breed Survey Registrar. Mr Ian Marr Club President and Minute Secretary

In July I represented our members at the SGM to discuss the WUSV Harmonisation voting and the Judges and Breed Commission meetings. I was happy to relay the important points of those meetings to our members on my return.

At the NBC Meeting I was voted in as a Trainee Breed Surveyor and look forward to continuing my education in the upcoming year.

We have had several queries in regard to Health issues as well as queries regarding breeders which have been handled promptly and I thank Candy for her support and professional advice with this area.

Unfortunately, the planned lecture on DM has had to be postponed until 2018 due to the specialist Vets availability and it's envisioned we will run this lecture as part of a Breed Forum with Robyn and John presenting short lectures to the members on the same day.

Wishing you all a wonderful 2019.

Puppy Listing Officer/I.D. Officer & Stud Dog Registrar – Margaret Adams

These portfolios come under the umbrella of the Breed Affairs Portfolio and once again require contact with the general public. The main strategy is to educate people that when considering the purchase of a puppy that they only look at litters which comply with our Recommended Breeding Practices. We endeavour to educate the general public to do the right thing by our breed when considering breeding and have a contact person to check the microchip details when a dog is lost or when new owners require a "history" of a dog they may have rescued.

We have an extensive information pack which contains our booklets on training, interaction with children, helpful hint pages, general data on our association such as the monthly calendar, membership forms and the free training certificates.

GSDA of WA AGM Booklet Officer – Margaret Adams

I collate everyone's report at the end of the financial year and formulate it into a report booklet which is available to our members at the AGM. This position is very pleasing to me as it enables me to show the general membership, in an extensive and comprehensive manner, the huge quantity of work which is done by our volunteers. It is vital that our members are fully aware of the disciplines, facilities and dedication put in by a few for the benefit of so many.

Club Registrar / HD&ED Registrar Report – Vicki Beaton

Survey Records 1st October 2017 – 30th September 2018:



The total number of animals Breed Surveyed in the 12-month period was 28, this was made up of 15 Class 1 animals, 5 Class 2 animals, and 2 Failures. With the advent of the removal of Class 1 and 2 as at the August 13th Breed Survey, there were a final 6 animals Breed Survey Classified.

HD/ED

There were 77 animals X-rayed, this total includes 1 for 'elbows only' and 2 'for hips only'.

Closing statement from the President GSDA of WA

As always, I offer my sincere thanks to the partners of our many volunteers for their ongoing support throughout the year. Our volunteers could not put in the hard work and many hours in time that they do without the total support of their partners. I look forward to the coming year and working for our beloved breed and club.



NATIONAL BREED COMMISSION REPORT

Mr. Vince Tantaro



and

Mrs. Robyn Knuckey *(NBC Executive)*



Since the last AGM and as previously reported we saw Melanie Groth due to personal and health reasons step down as NBC Chairperson in May 2018. The Executive's decision not to fill the position and allow both Robyn Knuckey and I as the NBC Executive administer the role, in hindsight was wrong. The additional workload for both of us as well as more pressure from our day jobs has proved trying but we still have been able to progress a number of matters as can be evidenced by the items as listed on the agenda.

The primary role of the NBC is to be the vehicle that initiates and or improves our Breed Improvement Schemes. It has numerous sub roles and relies heavily on GSDCA Breed Surveyors, Registrars and its Officers to administer, carry its work forward and serve the German Shepherd Dog.

On behalf of the Council I would again thank all who have contributed to the work of the NBC and despite rumblings from time to time we are well aware of many members appreciation its work.

We again thank all who made a contribution to the NBC Meeting held in July: There is no doubt that the new format as put in place as a result of the 2016 GSDCA Breed Survey Review has been supported and welcomed by club delegates and the breed surveyors. The focus of this meeting is now more about the breed than making more rules! An important task undertaken at the meeting was to make the 'GSDCA Breed Survey Manual' less ambiguous and refine procedures. This is a huge task and whilst the goal was to present the revised manual to this meeting, we unfortunately report that the 'revised' manual will be distributed to clubs and breed surveyors for review prior to and at the 2019 NBC meeting and final rewrite will then be presented to the 2020 GSDCA AGM. We again thank Jane Pike and Steve Collins for taking ownership of this task and ensuring its progress.

We are happy to report that the Breed Survey Improvement Program Working Group Education & Personal Development is making progress and initiated a format that will see a weekend seminar hosted by the GSDL. The program can be easily conducted and or added to by each Member Club utilising local expertise. We look forward to the Working Group developing programs that outreach to GSD breeders who do not share our idealism and or dispel their understanding of exactly it is we want to achieve.

We have with the endorsement of the Executive appointed GSDCA Character and Working Test Officers whose primary role is to liaise with breeders and Member Clubs in order that we see a shift in our culture that sees far more emphasis placed on the character and working ability of our breed! This has been stated many times over will not happen overnight and will require patience to see any progress in the near future. Like all things the Council does we crawl before we walk etc etc.

The GSDCA Database continues to be developed and utilised by the fraternity. It must again be reported that much of the work undertaken to improve it functionality and relevance. We thank Frank Moody and his team for their work and assistance given to NBC.

Sharon Ballantyne & Natalie Humphries appointment as GSDCA Breed Surveyors will be ratified at this meeting and we are pleased that as 'younger' members they will serve the NBC and breed well into the future! We would also like to acknowledge the retirement of Honey Gross-Richardson as a Breed Surveyor. Honey is again thanked for giving many years of sustained service to not only the NBC and breed but her own Club and this Council.

The one concept we need to emphasise and promote is 'idealism' when breeding the GSD. There is no doubt that self-interest and kennel blindness are the major threats to our collective aim of improving the GSD construction and health.



In promoting what is best for the GSD at the expense of the animal one owns needs to be applauded! This attitude is much needed to ensure we continue to breed according to the Breed Standard but of equal importance, improve the health and wellbeing of our breed. Simple actions that must be promoted at Member Clubs is all members to please upon the sad passing of their dog or chronic health problems, please submit the GSDCA health reporting form and or if you have your animal presented to the GSDCA HD/ED Schemes that you submit your x-rays regardless of the result!

We also thank members of the Executive that have assisted and contributed on a number of matters and to the work of the NBC.

We ask that the following reports as presented are read in full as they all provide much information and insight into each area.

Vince Tantaró

President

For and on behalf of NBC Executive.

National Breed Commission Registrar's Reports

National Breed Survey Registrar – Ms. Melanie Groth

Breed Surveys

A total of 33 surveys took place across Australia during 2018 with 182 dogs presented to survey, ten less than last year with 166 gaining classification. A break down of the number of surveys, animals presented and classification by state is presented below in Tables' 1 and 2.

Table 1 No. of surveys per state 2017/2018 and scheduled for 2019

State Club	Year	ACT	N&HR	GSDL	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA
Surveys	2017	1	2	6	4	4	3	6	5
	2018	1	2	5	6	5	3	6	5
Scheduled	2019	0	1	5	6	4	3	7	5

SA held an extra survey in 2018 due to the National being held in that state.

The ACT club continues to schedule surveys as required by its members in collaboration with the NBC Executive.

There is a good spread of surveys across the year. The Tasmanian club schedules its surveys in conjunction with shows throughout the year as does Queensland when organising surveys for its northern members. This means that generally the club contracts a surveyor/judge and the GSDCA subsidises the cost of the second surveyor. Newcastle, Queensland, ACT and Tasmania have all utilised this service through the Council.

The 2019 Survey Calendar is available on the GSDCA website.

Table 2 indicates the comparison between the last three years at survey.

Table 2 Animals presented to survey in each state 2016-2017-2018

State Club	Total BS	Classified	Fail	Total BS	Classified	Fail	Total BS	Classified	Fail
	2018			2017			2016		
ACT GSDA	5	5	0	6	6	0	5	5	0
N&HRGSDC	12	10	2	11	9	2	5	5	0
GSDL	25	23	2	45	44	1	30	27	3
GSDCQ	25	22	3	17	16	1	30	27	3
GSDCSA	39	38	1	33	31	2	30	26	4
GSDCT	14	12	2	9	8	1	9	9	0
GSDCV	39	37	2	42	41	1	44	41	*3
GSDAWA	23	19	4	29	29	0	19	16	3
Totals	182	166	16	192	184	8	169	153	16



The number of classified animals presented to Breed Survey fell by ten. The number of animals failing survey has doubled from 8 in 2017 to 16 in 2018.

The number of dogs presented for breed survey has fallen markedly in the GSDL. Qld has enjoyed an increase in breed survey numbers. SA is steadily increasing its numbers 6 up on 2017. Tasmania's numbers have steadily increased over the past 12 months also.

Reasons for Fail

Sixteen animals across Australia failed survey and that number has doubled from the year before.

Gun Test	Anatomy/oversize	Character/Temperament	Total
10	4	2	16

Long Stock Coats

Table 3 provides a comparison of numbers breed surveyed in each state over three survey years. In 2018, 40 animals were presented for Breed Survey with 38 gaining a classification. The number of long stock coats being presented to survey is increasing particularly in South Australia and Victoria.

Table 3 Number of Long stock coat breed surveyed 2016-2018

State Club	Year		
	2018	2017	2016
ACT GSDA	0	1	2
N&HRGSDC	3	2	2
GSDL	9	9	2
GSDCQ	2	3	3
GSDCSA	12	5	4
GSDCT	0	1	0
GSDCV	10	7	6
GSDAWA	4	6	1
Totals	40	34	20

State Registrars

I would like to acknowledge the work of the Registrars in each state. At times it is an unenviable task dealing with people who are not prepared with the proper paperwork and fail to meet the deadlines of having this in a week prior to the survey. This can cause anxiety for those in the role and I would ask the general members to be more mindful in the lead up to having their dog surveyed so that the process runs smoothly for all involved.

A warm welcome to the incoming Registrars and encourage them to call me with any questions they might have in preparing for surveys in their state and the collation of data, post survey. All Registrars have been furnished with an outline of what is required to ensure a seamless transition of information. However, some of the surveyors need to be mindful of ensuring that original paperwork is returned within a two-week period to the State Registrar. Delays in doing this causes a hold up as all originals need to be batched with a cover sheet from the survey and sent to the nbc registrar. The state registrars are the people who bring it all together for the surveyors and there are many hours involved in preparing for surveys, following up on paperwork, ensuring photos are sent in etc. A number of Registrars have also picked up the Victorian initiative, where surveyors are furnished with photos of the parents of dogs being surveyed and details of linebreeding, hip and elbow results are provided to enhance and give added information for the survey report on each dog.

I have also noticed that registrars have also been proactive in providing details of results of surveys for members on their Club Facebook pages. Queensland have taken it one step further providing photos. Clubs could consider appointing an official photographer at surveys and this may assist in ensuring photos are provided for the database.



Breed Survey State Registrars 2019

Table 4 – GSDCA Surveyors and club personnel by state

Club	Active Breed Surveyors	State Registrar	State Registrar email
ACTGSDA	NBC Chair appoints	Veronica Fairbairn	wmeffert62@gmail.com
GSDL	Fay Stokes (Coordinator) Melanie Groth, Karen Hedberg, Terry Jarvis, Graham Stevenson	Pam Jarvis	tepe@bigpond.net
NHR GSDC	NBC Chair appoints.	Gavin Bean	Gavin.bean@honeywell.com
GSDCQ	Carol O'Rourke (Coordinator) Sharon Ballantyne, Louis Donald.	Gail Donald	gscqbreedaffairs@gmail.com
GSDCSA	Peter Flynn (Coordinator) Jean Butterfield, Jane Pike, Christine Collins, Doug West, Steve Collins.	Jenny Delucia	jjdelucia@bigpond.com
GSDCT	NBC Chair appoints.	Jan Haase	janet1602@gmail.com
GSDCV	Alastair Henderson (Coordinator) Greg Green, Ian Urie, Jenny Yuen Andrew Jones (Aspirant), Vince Tantaro.	Gill Cafari	cafari@bigpond.com
GSDAWA	Robyn Knuckey (Coordinator) John Fenner, Natalie Humphries Honey Gross-Richardson (retiring 2018).	Vicki Beaton	bruvic2000@gmail.com

The Database and Breed Survey

I encourage members to use their logon and find their way around the database and do their homework as to which dog might be suitable to be used within their breeding program. Statistics from HDED can be looked at for sires, bearing in mind that if a dog has less than 10 progeny in a scheme it is not really statistically viable to judge the dog on that result. By using the filters you can find out all sorts of information.

Due to heavy work commitments in the second half of the year I have been slower with the processing of surveys. I apologise for any inconvenience this has caused. At the time of writing this report I am now in possession of almost all paperwork from the 2018 Breed Survey year and there are a few surveys still to be checked against original paperwork. These will be processed, printed and sent to owners in late January, provided photos have been supplied prior to the AGM in February 2019.

Photographs

Photographs remain an issue for about 10-15% of animals surveyed. A reminder that photographs should be sent to the Breed Survey registrar at the time of survey so that they can be uploaded as soon as possible. Unfortunately, we seem to be chasing many photos and as a result the survey does not appear up on the database even though the dog has been surveyed months prior. After a period of 12 months if the owner has not supplied a photograph, the dog will be approved on the data base and appear with a jpeg that indicates that a photo is unavailable. This is definitely not the preferred option. Thanks so much to the registrars who periodically follow this up for me. It is a thankless task and quite upsetting for them when owners completely disregard their polite and continued requests. If your dog appears on the database without a photo, please send a photo with the name of the dog and the date of survey to the NBC registrar and it will be uploaded.



The quality of photographs supplied is at times questionable. Dogs should be photographed in show stance with minimal background at the survey if the owner does not already have a suitable photograph. It would be helpful if Breeders and experienced dog people assisted newcomers and novices to obtain a photograph of their dog at the survey. Shots of dogs taken in a field in long grass do not necessarily present the dog in the best light and are not always indicative of the surveyor's comments. So, it is in everyone's best interests to provide the best possible photograph to record the dog's survey.

Final comments

Thank you to the registrars and members of the executive for their work throughout the year and welcome the incoming registrars to the team; Jenny (SA) and Gavin (N&HR). I wish the incoming NBC Chair all the best in this demanding role and offer my assistance with the transition - regnbc@gsdcouncilaustralia.org

Breed Health & Welfare Committee Chair - Dr. Candice Baker BSc BVMS MANZCVS (ECC)

Firstly, I would like to thank those council members and general membership who have continued to liaise with me and support me in my breed health and welfare position. My passion for the breed has not weakened, the majority has the right mind set and all want to achieve the same end point in breeding and raising their German Shepherds. Healthy, well rounded dogs.

I feel as though it has been a busy year on the communication and liaison front, which can take time away on forward thinking at times, but it is all relative and important in this position. Issues that have arisen this year, include:

- Juvenile seizures – why are they occurring, can they be prevented?
- Renal dysplasia – the difficulty in understanding the genetics specific to our breed
- JPS – if it is being performed, we need to foolproof the system and protect our breeding animals
- Spinal diseases – they haven't gone away!
- Haemophilia testing – who should we be testing and by what means?

Juvenile seizures

I have been contacted about some young puppies that have developed early onset epilepsy, they have been impossible to control their seizures and subsequently euthanized. This is devastating for any breeder or new owner. There are multiple tests to look for the cause of seizure activity in any dog of any age, however, when all of the obvious causes are ruled out, we are left with no known cause of seizures in a young animal, making juvenile onset epilepsy the only potential cause. Epilepsy in the breed is also known, however, it seems to have had an increase in incidence more recently. Looking at our line breeding, dominant lines/parents etc may be beneficial. The collection of health reports and data would help look for a link to try to advise breeders of avoiding combinations of certain blood lines for this reason.

Food for thought?

Renal dysplasia

In low numbers, I have had contact with a few about Renal Dysplasia claiming the lives of young animals, any from 8 months to 3 years. Females and males. Unfortunately, the research in the small number of other pure breeds for Renal dysplasia all have a different genetic mutation to cause it. Which, in essence means that the renal dysplasia DNA testing would not be specific to GSDs. This has been proven by one breeder already, I praise these breeders who have gone to such lengths to investigate the issue. When we have enough compiled information to make a reasonable pool of cases it can hold more weight with the right contacts overseas to benefit our breed.

Juvenile Pubic Symphysiodesis (JPS)

Juvenile Pubic Symphysiodesis procedure uses an electrocautery to stop the growth plate at the top of the pelvis. The effect of this is to halt bone development from this growth plate so that as the rest of the pelvis continues to grow, to provide better coverage of the hips. The best results are achieved if surgery is performed at 14-16 weeks of age, while the pelvis is still growing and developing. Between 16-20 weeks of age a good outcome is still possible, but significantly reduced compared to 14-16 weeks. Dogs greater than 20 weeks of age are unlikely to get a successful result.

Whilst controversial, given the difficulty in diagnosing or predicting hip dysplasia in such young animals, we cannot ignore the fact that it will be performed on our breed. As such, an attempt is being made to contact all veterinarians across Australia about our concerns and how to prevent any breeding animals from entering the scheme if they have had the procedure performed.



Spinal diseases

Transitional vertebrae – the last vertebrae in the lumbar spine (at the start of the pelvis) is unbalanced, containing anatomy from the sacrum and the lumbar spine, due to the imbalance degenerative changes can occur readily. As a result they end up with Cauda equina syndrome or narrowing of the lumbosacral spinal column. Signs result from compression of the spinal cord or the nerve roots at this location (through the pelvis). Back pain is noticeable during jumping, climbing or any kind of hyperextension on the back. The tail may be weak in advanced cases and compression will lead to weakness and paralysis of the hind limbs, finally faecal and urinary incontinence will follow. Osteochondrosis of S1 (occasionally L7) is also a predisposing factors and German Shepherd Dogs appear to be over represented for this condition. We should probably be considering this condition as a main differential in the common diagnosis of degenerative myelopathy for somewhat similar presenting signs – weakness, limp tail, uncoordinated hind limb gait etc.

Evidently, if a transitional vertebrae is noted on hip radiographs, serious thought should be given to breeding with that animal, as the trait can be passed on. To the average person degenerative changes in the spine in this location and higher up can present very similar to Hip Dysplasia and more degenerative spinal conditions that are non-painful such as Degenerative Myelopathy.

Health Profile Forms

I feel that consideration needs to be given for ethics approval before any formal collection and analysis of data obtained from the general population with the Health Profile Forms. *If* this can be achieved, a lengthy study may have benefit going forward for multiple different aspects of research. From dominant blood lines and parentage to common disease that may have been thought to be less common in the breed. However, I am still looking into whether we need ethics approval at all.

Taken from University of WA website:

Research that may be exempt from formal ethics review

Most research activities involving human participants will require a human research ethics review and approval prior to their commencement.

However, an institution may choose to exempt from formal ethics review any research that satisfies both of the following criteria:

- Involves only 'negligible risk', (i.e. there is no foreseeable risk of harm or discomfort to participants and any foreseeable risk involves no more than inconvenience to participants); and,
- Involves the use of existing collections of data or records that contain only non-identifiable data about people, e.g. publicly accessible records, archives or publications.

Please note: The definition of 'negligible risk' is documented in the National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research, Chapter 2.1, Paragraph 2.1.7, i.e. 'negligible risk' means there is no foreseeable risk of 'harm' or 'discomfort' to participants, and any foreseeable risk involves no more than 'inconvenience' to participants. The definition of 'existing data or records' that are 'publicly available' is self evident. If you will be collecting data, then the data are not 'existing data'.

Inter-variety breeding

In order to ensure the well-being of the future of the LSC portion of the breed (and the breed in general), inter-variety breeding should be considered strongly going forward. There is the potential to bottle neck the variety into serious health issues without the option to consider inter-varietal breeding.

Allowing the female LSC variety to breed with either LSC or SC males to open up the genetic diversity should at least be considered. If there are only a handful of LSC males of optimum quality to choose from, we have serious potential to cause harm.

Risking breed health over focusing on only breeding variety to variety raises concern for me. Whilst there may be the occasional LSC male from a SC to SC mating, they are exceptionally low in numbers. Breeding dogs is fraught with challenges, why make the breed look any worse?



National Haemophilia Scheme Registrar - Dr. Candice Baker BSc BVMS MANZCVS (ECC)

Haemophilia A testing (Factor VIII deficiency)

Haemophilia A is a clotting disorder which can affect our breed. As many are aware, we currently perform factor VIII level testing on imported males, sons of imported females and sons of imported semen. However, given the X-linked genetic inheritance and expression of the genetic mutation, there is no point in testing sons of imported semen, in fact, sons of females who are progeny of imported semen need to be tested, not the former. An amendment has been put forward to the current council Rules and Regulations to this effect, however;

Over the past 15-20 years, the GSDCA has not had a factor VIII deficiency for Haemophilia A in any imported, progeny of imported males or Australian bred male dogs. The haemophiliac population was identified some 30 years ago, and we have to date had no re-occurrence.

At that time the Haemophilia Negative scheme was implemented by GSDCA with advice from Professor Bruce Parry, Melbourne University, who provided expert advice with regard to blood clotting disorders in domestic species. Factor VIII level testing is a means to ensure that the male himself is not affected and potentially pass on to his daughters and their sons. Currently there is a Haemophilia A DNA test available, the council sought advice from Professor Bruce Parry from University of Melbourne on the reliability of using this test for the future.

His conclusions drawn from the DNA test available are not as reliable as performing factor VIII level testing through an appropriate laboratory. Given that there are many subtle differences in the genetic mutation causing different severities of Haemophilia A (mutationally heterogenous), this could be missed on a DNA test that is only looking for one type of mutation. Testing for factor VIII levels is the most appropriate to look for the disease and it indicates the severity. He also felt as though the lack of Haemophilia A cases within the breed are negligible and therefore, future testing may not be required.

Dogs presented to Haemophilia A Testing Scheme through testing levels of Factor VIII and assessed as normal:

- Vamos von Heveling (IMP GMY)
- Kaygar Arko
- Monsimbee Frodo
- Sundaneka Huggy Bear (AI)
- Haveloc Hammer (AI)
- Kovacs Kaiser
- Lashadas Z Z Top
- Hasenway Marcus
- Roger vom Weiherturken (Imp Deu)
- Riddick vom Demina Hof (Imp SRB)
- Veneze Ricardo
- Freinhauf Hannibal

A single imported male dog was presented to Haemophilia A Testing Scheme and clear through DNA, which is not a recognized satisfactory way of passing the Testing Scheme.

- Rudy von Haus Edmond

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

Once again, I'm pleased to present my report to the GSDCA AGM, this report covers the period 1st Oct 2017 to 30th Sept 2018, however the first paragraph and the 2 charts pertaining to Sires, I have reported on the whole data base. Primarily this Annual Report is a snap shot of the 12 Month period and a more comprehensive report is presented to the NBC Meetings.

As at 19th December there are 11,118 Hip & Elbow records in Councils Data Base, 3,252 Males (29%) and 7,866 (71%) Females, 9,775 (88%) have been tattooed with 4,291 (39%) being microchipped. The 'A' stamp was gained by 9,599 submitted resulting in a pass rate on Hips of (86.34%) slightly down on last year's (86.74%). Those submitted for Elbows 10,751 were successful in gaining the 'Z' resulting in a pass rate of (96.7%) slightly down on last year's (96.78%), 8,306 of those were "Normal" (74.71%), UAP 124 (1.12%).



For the period 1st Oct 2017 to 30th Sept 2018 which is the period I'm required to report on, 370 animals were presented to the scheme as depicted in the chart table 1 below. Comprising of 101 males (27.30%) and 269 (72.70%) Females. The 'A' stamp was achieved by 328 resulting in a pass rate of (88.65%), the 'Z' stamp was gained by 350 giving a pass rate on Elbows of (94.59%). A total of 8 animals were affected by UAP (2.16%), coming from 6 Sires and 7 Dams, with 1 sire producing 3 (37.50%) of them, and 1 of the dams (25%) producing 2 progeny from the same Sire.

Table: 1 Data Base from 1/10/2017 to 30/09/2018:								
Club	Submitted		'A'		'Z'		UAP	
ACT:	5	1%	5	1%	5	1%	0	0.00%
NCHR:	13	4%	12	3%	12	3%	0	0.00%
NSW:	89	24%	79	21%	87	24%	1	0.27%
NT:	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0.00%
NZ:	18	5%	17	5%	17	5%	1	0.27%
QLD:	49	13%	45	12%	46	12%	1	0.27%
SA:	64	17%	58	16%	61	16%	0	0.00%
TAS:	13	4%	12	3%	10	3%	1	0.27%
VIC:	80	22%	66	18%	73	20%	4	1.08%
WA:	39	11%	34	9%	39	11%	0	0.00%
Year 2018:	370	100%	328	88.65%	350	94.59%	8	2.16%

All percentages above based on 370 animals.

As can be seen by the figures above, NSW has submitted the most dogs over the 12 Month period with a total of 89 (24%), which is 20 down on their last year's total of 109 (24.49%). The National Pass Rate during the 12 Month period on Hips is (88.65%) and Elbows is (94.59%). There have been 8 with UAP (2.16%) an increase of 2 (25%) on last year's total of 6.

Victoria had 4 animals with UAP (50.00%), NSW, NZ, QLD and Tas all had 1 each (12.5% each), the ACT, NCHR, NT, SA and WA recorded no UAP during the 12 Month period.

A total of 172 Kennels had progeny pass through the scheme during the 12 Month period. A total of 12 Kennels presented 5 or more. The top 2 are SUNDANEKA with 11, 4 Males & 7 Females, 9 gained the 'A' and 11 out of 11 passed Elbows. And VONRAUTEN with 10, 3 Males & 7 Females, 10 out of 10 gained both 'A' and 'Z'.

Below is a chart with the 12 Kennels that presented the 5 or more Progeny during 1st Oct 2017 to 30th Sept 2018.

Kennel		%	M	%	F	%	'A'	%	'Z'	%
SUNDANEKA	11	2.97%	4	1.08%	7	1.89%	9	2.43%	11	2.97%
VONRAUTEN	10	2.70%	3	0.81%	7	1.89%	10	2.70%	10	2.70%
KINGVALE	7	1.89%	0	0.00%	7	1.89%	7	1.89%	7	1.89%
KARASTRO	6	1.62%	1	0.27%	5	1.35%	6	1.62%	6	1.62%
KOORONYA	6	1.62%	1	0.27%	5	1.35%	4	1.08%	5	1.35%
OAKWAY	5	1.35%	1	0.27%	4	1.08%	4	1.08%	5	1.35%
CONKASHA	5	1.35%	2	0.54%	3	0.81%	4	1.08%	4	1.08%
EROICA	5	1.35%	4	1.08%	1	0.27%	5	1.35%	4	1.08%
GILARISHA	5	1.35%	3	0.81%	2	0.54%	3	0.81%	5	1.35%
GLENBALA	5	1.35%	0	0.00%	5	1.35%	5	1.35%	5	1.35%
HAUSILLEVON	5	1.35%	1	0.27%	4	1.08%	5	1.35%	5	1.35%
WESTFIELD	5	1.35%	1	0.27%	4	1.08%	5	1.35%	5	1.35%

2 of the above 12 Kennels produced 1 UAP each. Percentages above based on 370 animals.



The pass rates vary between the whole data base and the data used for the 12 Month period I'm reporting on to the AGM. The whole data base comprises of 11,118 animals compared to the 370 for the 12 Month period.

From the 370 animals presented between 1st Oct 2017 to 30th Sept 2018, Dr R. Lavelle scored 275 (74%) and Dr J. Richardson scored 95 (26%).

The following 2 charts are Sires with 10 or more progeny and have produced progeny in the last 7 years, but the No. of Progeny shown has been draw from the whole data base.



Sires with 10 or more progeny for the Whole Data Base 11,118, and 10 to 20 Prog. Based on last 7 Years.	No. Prog	%	No. Dams	A'	%	Z'	%	UAP	UAP %	M	F
ALIMANDA FIRE WALKER	11	0.10%	9	11	100.00%	11	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	8
ANDACHT FEEL THE FIRE	17	0.15%	11	13	76.47%	16	94.12%	0	0.00%	4	13
ANDACHT I AM LEGEND	13	0.12%	8	9	69.23%	13	100.00%	0	0.00%	5	8
ANDACHT RAZ N HELL	12	0.11%	7	12	100.00%	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	8
ARTUS VOM SCHLOSS AM WORTHERSEE (IMP GER)	12	0.11%	10	10	83.33%	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	10
ASTASIA PACA	12	0.11%	8	9	75.00%	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	9
ASTERIX VOM HANNESS (IMP DEU)	20	0.18%	11	16	80.00%	20	100.00%	0	0.00%	5	15
BLUEMAX SHREK	14	0.13%	9	12	85.71%	13	92.86%	0	0.00%	1	13
BLUEMAX TIGER TOWN	20	0.18%	14	17	85.00%	20	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	16
BLUEMAX ZOOMBA	16	0.14%	8	15	93.75%	16	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	13
CRAJENDO EIKO	10	0.09%	8	8	80.00%	9	90.00%	0	0.00%	4	6
DELLAHUND PARTY PRIZE	10	0.09%	8	10	100.00%	10	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	8
DJAMBO VOM FICHTENSCHLAG (IMP DEU)	12	0.11%	8	9	75.00%	10	83.33%	0	0.00%	1	11
DURNSTEIN CAPTAIN KIRK	11	0.10%	7	11	100.00%	11	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	9
EIGENSCHAFT HEARTBREAKER	16	0.14%	9	15	93.75%	16	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	14
EROICA CATCH ME IF YOU CAN	16	0.14%	6	14	87.50%	16	100.00%	0	0.00%	6	10
ESKO VON DEN ZWEI STEINEN (IMP DEU)	10	0.09%	9	10	100.00%	10	100.00%	0	0.00%	1	9
FAKIR VOM HEINRICHPLATZ (IMP DEU)	51	0.46%	28	43	84.31%	47	92.16%	0	0.00%	11	40
FELLOW VON SANTAMAR (IMP GER)	19	0.17%	12	15	78.95%	19	100.00%	0	0.00%	6	13
FREMONT HELLS BELLS	14	0.13%	8	14	100.00%	13	92.86%	0	0.00%	6	8



FREMONT TOO HOT TO HANDLE	20	0.18%	10	19	95.00%	19	95.00%	0	0.00%	7	13
GAZZA VOM TAMARASPITZE (IMP BEL)	20	0.18%	13	19	95.00%	20	100.00%	0	0.00%	8	12
GIOTTO DI FOSSOMBRONE (IMP ITL)	17	0.15%	13	13	76.47%	16	94.12%	1	5.88%	2	15
HAYO AUS AGRIGENTO (IMP DEU)	16	0.14%	9	16	100.00%	15	93.75%	0	0.00%	3	13
ITURNA NOBLE KNIGHT	12	0.11%	11	11	91.67%	11	91.67%	0	0.00%	5	7
KANTENNA CILANTRO	11	0.10%	7	11	100.00%	11	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	9
KANTENNA HUNTE	15	0.13%	11	13	86.67%	14	93.33%	1	6.67%	4	11
KANTENNA SARRATOGA	14	0.13%	9	14	100.00%	12	85.71%	1	7.14%	2	12
KELINPARK TRAVELLIN MAN	12	0.11%	6	10	83.33%	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	10
LOGO VOM RADHAUS (IMP SRB)	12	0.11%	9	11	91.67%	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	10
MANPRINCE HOT PROSPECT	14	0.13%	9	14	100.00%	14	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	10
NINO VON TRONJE	12	0.11%	5	12	100.00%	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	9
NUJACLYN LATIN DANCER	15	0.13%	9	15	100.00%	14	93.33%	0	0.00%	4	11
OAKWAY QUIZ MASTER (IMP NZL)	16	0.14%	13	13	81.25%	16	100.00%	0	0.00%	6	10
PHILIPP AUS DER NEUEN HAUFFSTRASSE	17	0.15%	11	12	70.59%	16	94.12%	0	0.00%	2	15
SCHEER JOSE CUERVO	10	0.09%	6	10	100.00%	10	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	7
SCOOBY-DOO VOM TEAM ZELLWALDRAND (IMP GER)	10	0.09%	5	10	100.00%	8	80.00%	0	0.00%	3	7
SEIGEN VANTAGE POINT	11	0.10%	8	10	90.91%	11	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	7
SIORAHN APOLLO	10	0.09%	5	10	100.00%	10	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	8
SIRIO VOM RAUHTAL (IMP DEU)	22	0.20%	17	19	86.36%	22	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	20
SUNHAZE KORONA	15	0.13%	6	13	86.67%	15	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	11
TAIS VOM HAUS ALFABO (IMP SRB)	12	0.11%	5	11	91.67%	12	100.00%	0	0.00%	5	7
TRACALEX BRACKEN (IMP UK)	10	0.09%	8	10	100.00%	10	100.00%	0	0.00%	2	8



VABLO VOM OSTERBERGER-LAND (IMP DEU)	18	0.16%	14	17	94.44%	17	94.44%	0	0.00%	5	13
VANHARLEY ZEUS	11	0.10%	4	11	100.00%	10	90.91%	1	9.09%	5	6
VEL SATIS VOM ERSTEN PLATZ (IMP CRO)	11	0.10%	7	11	100.00%	10	90.91%	0	0.00%	2	9
VENEZE LUTZ (IMP UK)	20	0.18%	15	20	100.00%	20	100.00%	0	0.00%	8	12
VLADIMIR ENVY THIS	13	0.12%	10	8	61.54%	11	84.62%	0	0.00%	2	11
VONPETA FOR THE MAX	12	0.11%	6	10	83.33%	11	91.67%	0	0.00%	4	8
YKE VON HAUS CHARLY (IMP GMY)	13	0.12%	9	13	100.00%	13	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	10
ZANDRAC THE HARD WAY	11	0.10%	7	8	72.73%	10	90.91%	1	9.09%	1	10
51	748		475	667		720		5		186	562
	6.73%			89.17%		96.26%		0.67%		24.87%	75.13%

The number of Progeny percentage is based on 11,118 and the rest are based on the number of Progeny.

Out of the 51 Sires there are 13 (25.49%) of the Sires with progeny that have scored 100% pass rate in both Hip & Elbow. 20 of them scored 100% in Hips & 30 scored a 100% in Elbows.

There is 748 progeny from these 51 Sires above, 186 are Males (24.87%) and 562 (75.13%) are females. A total of 5 (0.67%) progeny were affected with UAP. From the 748 progeny 667 (89.17%) achieved the 'A', and 720 (96.26%) received the 'Z'.

Sires with 21 or more progeny for the Whole Data Base 11,118 and 21+ Prog. Based on last 7 Years.	No. Prog	%	No. Dams	A'	%	Z'	%	UAP	UAP %	M	F
AIMSWAY ABACUS	140	1.26%	86	136	97.14%	135	96.43%	1	0.71%	38	102
AIMSWAY STONE COLD	31	0.28%	17	28	90.32%	31	100.00%	0	0.00%	7	24
ARKON VOM ALTENBERGER LAND (IMP DEU)	30	0.27%	19	26	86.67%	30	100.00%	0	0.00%	7	23
AS DU DOMAINE DU VAL D'AULNOY (IMP FRN)	48	0.43%	28	41	85.42%	48	100.00%	0	0.00%	14	34
AYKO VON NORD WIND (IMP HUN)	27	0.24%	14	22	81.48%	26	96.30%	0	0.00%	4	23
BLUEMAX SALT	34	0.31%	17	26	76.47%	33	97.06%	0	0.00%	8	26
BODECKA GRANDSLAM	31	0.28%	17	14	45.16%	31	100.00%	0	0.00%	5	26
CALLE VOM WESTERVENN (IMP DEU)	25	0.22%	19	25	100.00%	25	100.00%	0	0.00%	7	18



CALLI VOM FIEMERECK (IMP DEU)	22	0.20%	14	19	86.36%	22	100.00%	0	0.00%	7	15
CAYOS VON DER NORISWAND (IMP GMY)	220	1.98%	114	213	96.82%	215	97.73%	0	0.00%	56	164
CONBHAIREAN FREDDIE (IMP UK)	21	0.19%	13	21	100.00%	20	95.24%	1	4.76%	9	12
DENARGUN JABIRU	29	0.26%	10	29	100.00%	29	100.00%	0	0.00%	10	19
EISENLAND FERNANDO	21	0.19%	17	17	80.95%	20	95.24%	1	4.76%	7	14
ESKO AUS DEM HAUS ZYGADTO (IMP DEU)	53	0.48%	18	47	88.68%	52	98.11%	0	0.00%	2	51
FASTIE'S ELLE WILLY WONKA (IMP NOR)	42	0.38%	29	37	88.10%	41	97.62%	0	0.00%	12	30
GERRY VOM SCHACHER (IMP DEU)	47	0.42%	28	46	97.87%	47	100.00%	0	0.00%	13	34
GIGOLO VOM ELZMUNDUNGSRAUM (IMP GMY)	55	0.49%	36	53	96.36%	52	94.55%	2	3.64%	8	47
HASENWAY WILD KNIGHT	80	0.72%	47	76	95.00%	77	96.25%	0	0.00%	33	47
HATTO VOM HUHNENGRAB (IMP DEU)	30	0.27%	20	27	90.00%	27	90.00%	0	0.00%	9	21
HERO VON RENDERAU (IMP BEL)	21	0.19%	15	20	95.24%	20	95.24%	0	0.00%	5	16
HOMER VON AMASIS (IMP ITA)	22	0.20%	18	15	68.18%	22	100.00%	0	0.00%	7	15
ICCARA UNDERCOVER AGENT	22	0.20%	17	17	77.27%	22	100.00%	0	0.00%	5	17
INDIO DI CASA NOBILI (IMP ITA)	26	0.23%	18	24	92.31%	26	100.00%	0	0.00%	5	21
JIMMY VOM BARUTHER LAND (IMP GER)	35	0.31%	21	31	88.57%	35	100.00%	0	0.00%	11	24
JUWIKI DESTROYER (IMP DEN)	47	0.42%	34	43	91.49%	45	95.74%	0	0.00%	10	37
KARDIN KRUGER	35	0.31%	26	28	80.00%	34	97.14%	1	2.86%	8	27
KARLOS VON DER WERTHER-MUHLE (IMP GMY)	33	0.30%	17	33	100.00%	33	100.00%	0	0.00%	9	24
KWINT VOM JUEKSTALL (IMP NDL)	182	1.64%	108	169	92.86%	181	99.45%	1	0.55%	46	136
LABO VOM SCHOLLWEIHER (IMP DEU)	54	0.49%	34	53	98.15%	49	90.74%	3	5.56%	13	41
LEISHJACLYN ZPARTACUS	39	0.35%	22	39	100.00%	39	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	35
MIKA VOM OVERLEDINGERLAND (IMP DEU)	32	0.29%	17	30	93.75%	32	100.00%	0	0.00%	13	19
NATZ VERACRUZ (IMP GER)	21	0.19%	10	21	100.00%	21	100.00%	0	0.00%	6	15
NILSON VOM WILDSTEIGER LAND (IMP GMY)	83	0.75%	38	78	93.98%	80	96.39%	1	1.20%	25	58
ODIN DELLE TERRE MATILDICHE (IMP ITA)	46	0.41%	28	42	91.30%	44	95.65%	1	2.17%	13	33
ORRINSHIR ELTON JOHN	91	0.82%	52	78	85.71%	86	94.51%	2	2.20%	19	72
PEPE VON DER ZENTEICHE (IMP DEU)	86	0.77%	58	83	96.51%	86	100.00%	0	0.00%	3	83
RAY VOM FICHTENSCHLAG (IMP GMY)	25	0.22%	11	24	96.00%	19	76.00%	4	16.00%	6	19
RICO VON DER KLEINEN BIRKE (IMP GMY)	24	0.22%	15	17	70.83%	23	95.83%	0	0.00%	4	20



SCHAEFERHUND RAFAEL	24	0.22%	17	23	95.83%	24	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	20
SCHAEFERHUND XESKO	43	0.39%	30	35	81.40%	42	97.67%	1	2.33%	11	32
SCHNEEBERG FIRE STORM	30	0.27%	16	24	80.00%	30	100.00%	1	3.33%	8	22
SEIGEN SURIS ALFIE	27	0.24%	14	23	85.19%	26	96.30%	0	0.00%	8	19
SENSEN MANN YOKON (IMP DEU)	26	0.23%	18	21	80.77%	20	76.92%	0	0.00%	8	18
TOBY VON DER PLASSENBURG (IMP DEU)	98	0.88%	65	89	90.82%	95	96.94%	0	0.00%	19	79
TURBO VOM CASSELSWALD (IMP GER)	32	0.29%	21	24	75.00%	30	93.75%	2	6.25%	4	28
URAS VON TRAFALGA (IMP GMY)	60	0.54%	35	43	71.67%	57	95.00%	0	0.00%	23	37
URY VOM ZISAWINKEL (IMP DEU)	34	0.31%	24	32	94.12%	34	100.00%	0	0.00%	4	30
USTINOV VOM ROMERLAND (IMP DEU)	43	0.39%	29	41	95.35%	42	97.67%	0	0.00%	9	34
VEGAS VON DONGMIRAN (IMP NLD)	101	0.91%	69	95	94.06%	97	96.04%	2	1.98%	26	75
VIMO VON DER HOPFENHALLE (IMP GER)	33	0.30%	19	31	93.94%	33	100.00%	0	0.00%	7	26
XARO VON DER PLASSENBURG (IMP DEU)	65	0.58%	36	62	95.38%	62	95.38%	0	0.00%	7	58
XENO VON ARJAKJO (IMP DEU)	29	0.26%	20	25	86.21%	25	86.21%	3	10.34%	9	20
YESTER VOM FEUERMELEDER (IMP DEU)	56	0.50%	27	40	71.43%	52	92.86%	1	1.79%	14	42
ZAMB VOM SCHWARZAUGEN (IMP DEU)	26	0.23%	18	22	84.62%	24	92.31%	0	0.00%	5	21
ZAMB VON DER SANDSTEINKUSTE (IMP GER)	28	0.25%	18	28	100.00%	28	100.00%	0	0.00%	7	21
ZONY VON HAUS GERSTENBERG (IMP GER)	56	0.50%	27	25	44.64%	26	46.43%	1	1.79%	10	46
56	2721		1625	2431		2605		29		651	2070
0.50%	24.47%			89.34%		95.74%		1.07%		23.93%	76.07%

The second Chart above is for Sires with 21 or more progeny and has produced progeny in the last 7 years.

The number of Progeny percentage is based on 11,118 and the rest are based on the number of Progeny.

There are 56 Sires in this group with 2,721 progeny, comprising 1,625 Dams, 2,431 (89.34%) that have gained the 'A', and 2,605 gaining the 'Z' (94.74%), 29 with UAP (1.07%).

Total male progeny in the table above is 651 (23.93%) with Females having 2,070 (76.07%) of the 2,721.

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I would like to thank the Breeders from the 179 Kennels reflected in the chart below that supported the scheme with the 370 animals submitted over the 12 Month period.

Kennel		Kennel		Kennel		Kennel	
ADASHAD	1	EBONINCA	1	KEVGAR	1	SHARDON	2
AIMSWAY	6	ELSASS	1	KHANIQUE	2	SHAYGAR	2
ALBATA	1	EROICA	5	KHAYEM	3	SHEPROSE	3
ALDERHAUS	1	FREESTIEN	3	KINGVALE	7	SHEZNOVA	2
ALIMANDA	2	FREEVALE	4	KOORONYA	6	SIEGERHEIMS	1
ALJUDAN	2	FREINHAUF	3	KYNDOM	4	SIOBAHN	1
ALLENDELL	1	FRIEDENTAL	2	KYOARA	1	SOLANA	1
ALLTITANS	1	GARSOVA	4	LAGO	2	STOBAR	1
AMBALA	2	GELBREGEN	1	LASHADAS	1	STOLZERHUND	2
AMBERG	3	GEWALT	2	LAWINE	1	SUNDANEKA	11
AMOR	1	GILARISHA	5	LEBERHINE	3	SWARTZLIC	2
ANNJAMIN	1	GLENBALA	5	LEILAHUND	1	TAKIMBRE	4
ARKAHLA	1	GRANDWEST	2	LEISHJACLYN	1	TAURORN	2
ARTWIZ	1	GRUNDELHARDT	1	LEPPSDORF	1	THUNDERBOLT	1
AUFGEHTS	2	HAUBERK	1	LETTLAND	1	TIERGARTEN	1
AUGERSWELL	1	HAUSILLEVON	5	LEWISLAND	1	TONAKER	2
AWATEA	1	HAVELOC	4	LORDAVO	1	TRANGOLD	4
BABANGA	4	HEIKAI	1	LOZANI	1	TRAYKEN	1
BABYAWN	3	HERRZIG	1	MAADRICA	2	TRENBO	2
BEAUTRAE	3	HILLMAGIC	1	MACKLIN	1	TUABU	1
BELLUNA	1	ICCARA	3	MALTAKNIGHTS	1	TYRILEBEE	3
BHUACHAILLE	1	IMAGICK	2	MANPRINCE	1	UBLONG	1
BIGURRA	1	IZONME	3	MAXSFACTA	1	UHLMSDORF	3
BLAKNGOLD	4	JAKNELL	3	METALHOUND	1	UNFEHLBAR	1
BLUEMAX	2	JANEME	1	NATCHEZ	1	VANDEMHAUS	1
BODECKA	1	JAYJOVAN	2	OAKWAY	5	VANHARLEY	1
BOSSFACE	2	JAYSHELL	3	PAMAKAY	4	VENEZE	1
BRAJANDI	1	JAYZSTYRKE	1	RAMARA	1	VLADIMIR	3
BRIGENTI	2	JENTOL	3	REDHAUS	1	VOLSCAIN	3
BROJAN	1	JEZLAHN	1	RHOSYN	3	VOLSCARO	3
BRONACRE	1	JONKAHRA	1	RIMERINI	2	VOMAMBACH	4
BRONBOREO	4	KANEKARA	2	RONANLINE	2	VOMKOGELBERG	1
BRYNICK	1	KANIKULAR	2	ROSSHEIM	2	VONAACHEN	1
CAMNUSCH	2	KANTENNA	3	ROXAMBURG	2	VONDARCOR	1
CASTASTAR	4	KAPERVILLE	1	SABARANBURG	3	VONDELRAE	1
CINDERHOF	2	KARABACH	1	SADRIA	3	VONDYNAST	2
CONKASHA	5	KARALCIN	2	SANNJESA	1	VONEHRLICH	1
CRYTARA	2	KARASTRO	6	SCHAEFERHUND	3	VONEINEM	1
DAMONTE	1	KARHAM	1	SCHERZAR	1	VONPETA	2
DAMPDOUGES	1	KARRAINE	1	SCHFAX	1	VONPRAXX	1
DELKIT	2	KASSAAR	2	SCHONFEUER	1	VONRAUTEN	10



DELLARESS	1	KAYGARR	2	SEIGEN	2	WESTFIELD	5
DERHARV	1	KAZKIRI	1	SENADAR	2	WILDESHOLZ	1
DRUMARHUIS	1	KELINPARK	2	SENMORA	1	WOHLSTAND	1
						WYNGARAH	3
	82		101		86		101
170 Kennels						Total Progeny:	370

I would like to thank the State Registrars around Australia, ACT: Wolf Meffert, NCHR: Jess Lynch, NSW: Caryl Morris, QLD: Michelle Hammond, SA: Robert Evans, TAS: Heather Mathers, VIC: Gillian Cafari, It was a tragic loss with the passing of Karen Ballantyne who had been Victoria's registrar for many years, WA: Vicki Beaton, and Tizzy Scheres in New Zealand for all their input and continued support of the Scheme.

As a suggestion I would like to recommend that we change the process with the Hip and Elbow Scheme.

My suggestion is that the Veterinarian that takes the X-Ray should send the X-Ray together with the Application Form directly to the nominated reader. I believe we would receive the results quicker and capture more, this would bring our records up to date sooner and they would be more accurate, as I have found some X-Rays are not submitted for some time, and some not at all.

I hope to continue in this position, I have enjoyed doing it over the years.

National Title Verification Officer - Mrs. Jenny DeLucia

I took on the role of GSDCA Title Verification Officer in August 2018, unfortunately due to the sudden passing of, Mrs Joylene Neddermeyer.

Since my appointment date to the present time, I have completed two title verifications

- Vamos von Heveling (SC)
- Gavin vom Hasenborn (LSC Semen)
- Roger Weihertürchen
- Riddick vom Demina Hof

Requests for verification are emailed directly to me and once received, I have completed the verification and sent back to the owner within a few days of receipt. This role is very time consuming as details need to be carefully checked by accessing various databases and Breed Surveys translated into English. However, I have set myself a target to have titles verified within one week of receipt.

Thank you to the GSDCA for entrusting me with this task.



JUDGES COMMITTEE – Mrs. Robyn Knuckey



I would like to thank my fellow Executive for their support during 2018, it has been a very busy time for me with my increased responsibilities in my professional life. With that being said, a number of achievements have been formalised within the Judges Portfolio.

1. The education package for trainee GSD Judges has now been circulated to all GSDCA Judges and members of the fraternity that were ANKC aspirants.
2. State Breed Exhibition rules are in place and all clubs are abiding by these.
3. GSDCA Judges Agreements were signed by all but one GSDCA Judge.
4. The workshops now completed at the NBC weekend have been very well received, this year the focus was on critiquing.
5. Education package completed by Jo Cathie on presenting dentition as a handler.

This was required following the poor behaviour of a number of animals when the handler was trying to present dentition at the 2018 National. This was printed in the GSDCA National Quarterly Review.

6. From January 2019, all Judges are required to provide a brief summary of the show to be a prelude to the critiques.
7. Actions from the 2018 GSDCA Judges Meeting have been completed, except one.
8. Work has commenced on the revamp of PowerPoint for the GSD Extended Standard, this will be presented to the 2019 GSDCA Judges Meeting

Critiques

It is now a requirement to record the height and depth in all critiques for classes from Junior to Open. Please ensure it is noted in the critique if the animal is deep. In a number of critiques, the depth can be almost 50/50, and there is no mention that the animal is deep, or there have been some critiques to go on and say well proportioned, when they cannot be where the standard says 45-48% depth to height. With height, it is a requirement to use the appropriate descriptors for size, this is not always the case. An email has been sent to all judges to remind them of size descriptors, the requirement to complete a summary of the shows judged and to ensure depth is appropriately critiqued.

Clubs that have newer judges, please provide them with the opportunity to review their critiques prior to uploading onto websites. A further reminder to all Judges and Clubs that completed critiques are to be forwarded to the GSDCA Judges Committee Chair for distribution via the GSDCA Secretary. Also, if Clubs and Judges also keep me informed of shows that have been contracted to judge and also if these have changed later. This allows me to keep the Appointments Database up to date. These are updated on a three monthly basis.

2018 GSDCA National

The GSDCA National was held in Adelaide from 27 to 29 April 2018. The GSDCA did an excellent job overall, especially considering they are a small club, with a small band of dedicated workers. It was evident, the Club had worked very hard on details to ensure it was a successful weekend. Well done to John DeLucia, Judy O'Loughlin and the club crew.

The National Report, prepared by Ian Urie, as the GSDCA National Liaison Officer, in consultation with the GSDCA is under a separate section of the reports.

A breakdown of the excellent graded animals is presented as Tail Male charts for both males and females for the 2018 GSDCA National. Thank you again to Stephen Collins for his continued support and assistance in presenting these charts, these were printed in the National Edition of the GSDCA National Quarterly Review.



Database for Stock Coat GSDCA National Entries

STOCK COATS		BABY MALE		BABY FEMALE		MINOR MALE		MINOR FEMALE		PUPPY MALE		PUPPY FEMALE		JUNIOR MALE		JUNIOR FEMALE		INTER MALE		INTER FEMALE		OPEN MALE			OPEN FEMALE			TOTALSC		LONG STOCK		TOTAL CONFORMATION		OBEDIENCE		GRAND TOTAL	
VENUE	JUDGES	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	EX GRADE	ENTERED	SHOWN	EX GRADE	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED
1967 Sydney NSW		15	19	12	15	16	19		15	17	12	16	12	15	18	17	17	24	27	25	27	34	0	38	22	0	31	213	250			213	250			213	250
1972 Canberra ACT		15	19	15	17	11	14	19	20	10	13	15	15	16	18	22	22	16	20	7	10	32	2	27	24	4	30	202	225			202	225			202	225
1974 Dandenong VIC	H.Jochmann	0	0	0	0	24	28	16	29	18	24	23	30	23	36	20	44	26	31	31	44	25	6	35	28	4	38	234	339			234	339			234	339
1976 Nuriotpa SA	Fauser/Jochmann	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	95	37	168	43	59	51	66	45	70	69	88	29	11	43	28	7	38	322	627			322	627			322	627
1977 Canberra ACT	Hengnith/Donald	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68	101	85	143	43	58	46	62	56	81	60	90	49	10	64	49	8	56	456	655			456	655			456	655
1978 Camden NSW	W.Martin/Koelliges/M Stokes	0	0	0	0	34	62	52	81	21	27	24	45	62	73	83	104	88	111	96	132	48	10	59	52	15	74	560	768			560	768			560	768
1979 Ballarat VIC	H.Martin/Beck/Pettenhofer	0	0	0	0	44	83	64	103	30	58	48	75	72	97	83	120	97	124	90	128	42	12	74	53	14	79	623	941			623	941			623	941
1980 Adelaide SA	Fauser/Wieser/Moody	0	0	0	0	49	93	29	113	28	49	34	51	46	64	70	101	83	102	88	116	51	15	67	45	16	74	523	830			523	830			523	830
1981 Sydney NSW	Jochman/Kaspar/Cowdroy/Doyle	0	0	0	0	42	78	47	98	17	35	33	55	56	90	79	124	65	89	76	121	49	16	76	64	18	85	528	851			528	851			528	851
1982 Canberra ACT	Beck/Koelliges	0	0	0	0	37	66	55	90	16	37	24	48	37	59	67	99	62	93	69	110	40	15	60	43	15	81	450	743			450	743			450	743
1983 Dandenong VIC	Orschler/W.Martin	0	0	0	0	38	60	54	91	29	45	44	76	41	55	67	78	47	74	68	97	44	16	66	54	18	78	486	720			486	720			486	720
1984 Nuriotpa SA	Fauser/Jochmann	0	0	0	0	45	86	50	106	25	41	41	66	33	42	44	67	52	75	73	103	52	25	65	70	27	94	485	745			485	745			485	745
1985 Penrith NSW	W.Martin/Kasper	0	0	0	0	47	84	66	110	28	43	34	68	32	53	57	82	55	85	60	95	48	20	68	52	30	91	479	779			479	779			479	779
1986 Canberra ACT	Dexel/Wieneke	0	0	0	0	44	86	59	120	21	38	43	66	37	56	54	89	51	75	67	111	39	25	78	59	16	95	474	814			474	814			474	814
1987 Dandenong VIC	Koelliges/Fauser	0	0	0	0	28	49	39	59	23	32	32	43	39	53	65	93	60	80	78	111	48	28	68	60	37	104	472	692			472	692			472	692
1988 Nuriotpa SA	Kasper/Humberdros	0	0	0	0	19	31	32	58	24	34	39	56	37	44	54	74	45	56	51	75	49	27	64	63	41	101	413	593			413	593			413	593
1989 Richmond NSW	Wieser/Orschler	34	48	40	53	34	49	40	72	10	23	20	31	28	40	51	79	32	39	39	73	51	25	72	65	46	106	444	685			444	685			444	685
1990 Brisbane QLD	W.Martin	16	28	36	49	19	32	31	52	16	29	28	48	27	41	32	64	33	46	45	66	35	23	52	50	39	90	368	597			368	597			368	597
1991 Canberra ACT	Schweikert/Kirchhoff	31	46	39	63	21	47	46	83	24	43	31	52	31	37	49	67	47	52	37	59	51	28	77	70	33	104	477	730			477	730			477	730
1992 Lyndhurst, VIC	Orschler/ Meyer	30	51	37	52	30	44	40	64	18	21	25	33	51	57	54	81	29	39	42	65	44	31	59	63	43	101	463	667			463	667			463	667
1993 Nuriotpa SA	Dexel/Kasper	10	28	10	39	29	47	30	53	8	13	13	24	53	70	63	86	4	7	2	7	52	34	62	48	31	75	322	511			322	511			322	511
1994 Newcastle NSW	Wieser/Humberdros	20	30	28	48	24	43	31	61	17	27	32	43	34	52	64	85	5	6	7	10	51	38	62	44	28	72	357	539			357	539			357	539
1995 Durack QLD	Kaspar/Fauser	25	35	33	45	16	29	21	42	12	19	28	40	16	26	25	35	24	26	21	34	43	29	54	43	40	65	307	450			307	450			307	450
1996 Lyndhurst, VIC	Orschler/Griffiths	26	42	32	50	13	29	22	42	19	26	26	48	32	39	50	73	30	39	35	52	44	29	61	65	54	95	394	596			394	596			394	596
1997 Castle Hill NSW	Lugbauer/Meyer	18	24	24	35	27	43	36	52	17	21	26	31	29	36	41	51	21	23	35	44	44	30	58	55	41	85	373	503			373	503			373	503
1998 Canberra ACT	Janke/ Wieneke	18	32	36	50	29	38	52	69	12	19	32	39	23	29	40	49	36	38	45	53	48	38	62	71	63	91	442	569			442	569			442	569
1999 West Beach SA	Schweikert/Scheerer	21	28	10	52	22	28	44	64	15	19	25	37	20	25	42	61	26	32	41	48	47	43	53	74	69	94	387	541			387	541	65	387	606	
2000 Durack QLD	Humberdros/Ruckert	19	27	15	23	17	23	22	33	8	12	21	27	22	28	28	42	26	34	37	53	30	20	47	55	32	83	300	432			300	432	85	300	517	
2001 Lyndhurst, VIC	Siefert/Mai	24	37	38	48	15	24	24	34	12	18	27	32	27	37	41	54	29	39	28	44	43	40	58	60	52	96	368	521			368	521	92	368	613	
2002 Erskine Pk NSW	Brauch/Lugbauer	21	28	25	31	10	18	30	39	14	17	28	33	28	37	36	48	25	26	27	35	43	33	52	56	43	84	343	448			343	448	66	343	514	
2003 Canberra ACT	Orschler/Tantaro	18	22	24	39	27	39	40	56	18	21	31	42	24	39	29	41	29	33	46	56	50	43	64	64	55	82	400	534			400	534	46	400	580	
2004 West Beach SA	Mueller/Goeke	9	15	19	26	22	32	39	51	13	18	16	21	19	0	25	36	21	27	29	37	64	56	73	56	47	76	332	412			332	412	41	332	453	
2005 Durack QLD	Woerner/Begier	13	19	28	36	12	18	32	42	9	12	15	21	10	13	24	36	24	30	33	47	40	37	53	47	44	69	287	396			287	396	51	287	447	
2006 Lyndhurst, VIC	Knaul/Bosl	19	25	34	45	29	34	23	30	11	13	22	30	17	23	47	55	25	27	35	49	46	42	62	52	46	76	360	469			360	469	54	360	523	
2007 Erskine Pk NSW	Mai/Brauch	15	20	36	50	25	28	35	49	12	15	23	30	23	27	35	44	32	36	39	47	34	29	56	41	37	60	350	462			350	462	49	350	511	
2008 West Beach SA	Fetten/Schweikert	21	24	39	49	17	20	30	37	12	15	19	25	22	27	39	45	23	27	22	40	35	31	49	53	47	65	332	423								

Database for Long Stock Coat GSDCA National Entries

LONG STOCK COATS		BABY MALE		BABY FEMALE		MINOR MALE		MINOR FEMALE		PUPPY MALE		PUPPY FEMALE		JUNIOR MALE		JUNIOR FEMALE		INTER MALE		INTER FEMALE		OPEN MALE			OPEN FEMALE			TOTAL	
VENUE	JUDGES	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED	SHOWN	EX GRADE	ENTERED	SHOWN	EX GRADE	ENTERED	SHOWN	ENTERED
2012 Newcastle NSW	Woerner	0	0	2	2	1	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	9
2013 West Beach SA	Brauch	0	0	2	3	3	3	4	4	1	1	6	6	2	2	2	3	4	4	2	2	3	2	4	1	1	1	30	33
2014 Canberra ACT	Steigler	3	4	5	5	4	5	9	9	2	2	5	5	2	2	7	8	1	1	10	10	4	2	4	3	2	3	55	58
2015 Lyndhurst VIC	Quoll	4	7	11	12	3	4	5	10	1	2	4	6	4	4	8	10	5	6	9	9	3	3	5	6	6	9	63	84
2016 Erskine Park NSW	Brauch	4	6	11	14	4	7	4	5	1	1	3	3	4	6	9	11	2	5	6	7	7	7	8	16	15	17	71	90
2017 Durack QLD	Goldlust	4	4	8	11	8	8	4	6	4	5	5	6	3	3	9	11	5	6	10	13	10	8	10	13	13	16	83	99
2018 West Beach SA	Schweimer	10	10	6	7	3	4	8	8	3	3	4	4	6	6	8	8	12	13	12	13	10	10	10	15	15	16	97	102
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TOTAL		25	31	45	54	26	32	37	45	12	14	27	30	22	24	44	52	29	36	49	54	37	32	41	54	52	62	407	475
NO OF SHOWS/AVERAGE	(Calculated on ALL)	4	4	6	8	4	5	5	6	2	2	4	4	3	3	6	7	4	5	7	8	5	5	6	8	7	9	58	68

An interesting point of note is the excellent presentation rate of Long Stock Coats, 102 entered and 97 exhibited. There was a significantly higher level of scratchings for Stock Coats, with 343 entered and 271 exhibited.



GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course

During 2018 Jenny DeLucia successfully completed her Extension Course, when judging a Members Competition for the GSDL in April. Her assessor judge was Karen Hedberg. Karen provided positive feedback on Jenny's performance on the day. Congratulations Jenny on your achievement.

Also, Salvatore Pittelli completed the Extension Course. Salvatore judged in Melbourne in August, Vince Tantaro was his assessor judge and provided excellent feedback on Salvatore's judging and adjudications on the day. Congratulations Salvatore on your success.

Both of these Judges will receive their GSDCA judge's pins and certificates at the 2019 GSDCA National in Melbourne. Jess Kada has completed her phase 1 mentor assessments with Melanie Groth, Karen Hedberg and Jenny Yuen. I will be working with Jess to set up the next phase in examination assessments, to fit in with her busy work life and her active participation in shows as an exhibitor. So far the critiques I have read from Jess, are well formulated and describe the animals individually. Jess has been well supported with the clubs with appointments throughout Australia and New Zealand.

In addition to these judges, it is with pleasure that I inform the meeting that Sue Bruno has been reinstated as GSDCA Specialist Judge. All clubs and judges have been informed of this and the judges contact list has been updated on the GSDCA website to reflect this. Sue is a valued addition.

We have recently endorsed Nicky McDermott (Vic), Kurt Morton (NSW) and Andrew O'Loughlin (SA) to commence in the GSDCA Judges Extension Course. All clubs have been notified of their commencement in the Course and their eligibility to award GSDCA gradings. I wish them the very best of luck as they commence this new phase of involvement in the German Shepherd Dog and I look forward to working with them in the future.

I would like to thank all the GSDCA specialist judges that have supported the participants in the scheme, it is quite a commitment and your support has been greatly appreciated, by me and the participants in the Extension Course.

It is often difficult to get judges to act as mentor/assessor judges, as there is an expectation that they do not exhibit at the show. With this consideration, it is suggested that Mentor/Assessor Judges exhibit no more than 2 animals and the classes these animals are exhibited in are not a part of the assessment. If all standing requirements for the relevant assessment/examination are met, as per the regulations.

Shows for 2018

We currently have 43 GSDCA Specialist judges able to award GSDCA gradings, of these, two are trainee GSDCA specialist judges. The GSDCA show calendar has 41 specialist shows for 2018, this is 2 more 2017, and 4 less than 2016. These consist of the GSDCA National, 4 SBEs by a various number of judges, from 1 to 2, 24 Championship Shows, 10 Members Competitions and 2 Open Shows. There are an additional 4 shows where Australian GSDCA Judges officiated at shows in New Zealand. This shows that 22 Australian Judges have judged at least once this year. With this increase in shows available, we had one weekend this year with 4 states holding Specialist Shows, and other occasions of clashes with shows held on the same weekend or consecutive weekends that could decrease desire for exhibitors to travel.

We are also seeing some judges officiating at shows reasonably close together that again could impact on entries. I believe this is an area we need to look at, with the table presented below it shows the changes from 2015 to 2017, by each club. We have a number of Australian Judges that receive very few appointments, and others that receive multiple appointments throughout the year. Please remember to refer to the complete list on the website and give some of our judges that don't judge very often a chance.

The contact list for Specialist Judges is updated at least twice a year, or if an additional judge becomes available as a trainee for GSDCA Specialist Judges Extension Course.



The breakups of the 41 shows and comparison to the previous 2 years, are as follows

CLUB	INTER JUDGES 2016	INTER JUDGES 2017	INTER JUDGES 2018	AUST JUDGES 2016	AUST JUDGES 2017	AUST JUDGES 2018
ACT GSDA	1	2	2	1	0	0
GSDAWA	2	1	1	6	6	6
GSDCQ	0	National	1	7	4	4
GSDCSA	0	1	National + 1	6	4	4
GSDCT	0	0	0	4	4	5
GSDL	National	2	1	4	5	6
GSDCV	1	2	2	5	7	5
NHRGSDC	0	0	0	5	2	2
Totals	4 + National	8 + National	8 + National	38	32	32

WUSV Judging Accreditation – SV National Judge

The updated criteria for this Accreditation was passed at the 2018 AGM and is listed on the GSDCA website. On reviewing the SV website, there is no notification of planned seminars in 2019 at this stage.

We have 4 current applicants, 3 were accepted a couple of years ago, they were Vince Tantaró, Louis Donald and Robyn Knuckey. This year we have Ian Urie submit his application and was endorsed at the NBC weekend in July 2018.

Jo has completed her first show under Herr Dr Lauber in New Zealand in May 2018 and was successful, so is now a recognised SV National Judge, Jo intends to complete an additional 3 shows to be an SV International Judge.

Judges for Nationals

The judges from 2014 are listed so all are aware of the SV judges that have judged the recent GSDCA Nationals for rotations with sexes and time since last judged a GSDCA National. We now have several non-German judges approved to judge our National. These are Malcom Griffiths (UK/Colombia) Heather McDonald (UK) and Jens Becker-Olsen (Spain). A further SV judge, Herr Wolfgang Lauber was added to National list.

Confirmed list of judges for GSDCA Nationals:	
2014 Canberra	Herr J Stiegler (males) Herr F Goldlust (females)
2015 Melbourne	Herr L Quoll (LSCs and SC males) Herr H Scheerer (SC females)
2016 Sydney	Herr H Buss (LSCs & SC males) Frau M. Van Dorssen (SC females)
2017 Queensland	Herr J Stiegler (SC females) Herr F Goldlust (LSCs & SC males)
2018 South Australia	Herr H Schweimer (SC males and LSCs) Herr R Mast (SC females)
2019 Melbourne	Herr R Brauch. (SC females) Herr H. Hohmann (SC males and LSCs) contracted
2020 Sydney	Herr E Bosl (SC females) Herr H Buss (SC males & LSCs)
2021 Queensland	Herr C Ludwig (SC males & LSCs) Mr M Griffiths (SC females) Herr F Goldlust Reserve

In conclusion, it has been a busy year with Judges and NBC responsibilities, but progress has been made and with some younger judges coming through, we can look to the future with succession planning. Looking forward to a productive AGM.



OBEDIENCE COMMITTEE – Mrs. Julie Urie



With another busy year over, I am pleased to submit my report for 2018. I will begin with the GSDCA CWA (Character & Working Assessment), which is a voluntary scheme. This scheme has not been well supported on a National basis, with only two Member Clubs running assessments during this year. Interest and support from members also seems to be low. The GSDAWA has held two assessments. One being in April, with 1 dog participating and the other was held in October, with 7 dogs participating. The GSDCV had two assessments scheduled. The first one, due to be held in June, was cancelled due to lack of any entries, and the second was held in October with 1 dog participating. I would like to thank these Clubs for making the assessment available to their members.

I was pleased to note, in NHRGSDC annual report that they have successfully applied to DogsNSW to hold a Restricted to Group 5 Obedience Trial. In clubs where member participation may be low, this is an effective way of increasing the entry and subsequently making the trials more interesting and more financially viable. NHRGSDC also ran an Advanced Obedience and Engagement seminar for their members, with the presenter being the well-respected trainer Tammy Peters. There are many good trainers outside our organisation, which clubs can utilise to further the knowledge and improve the skills of their members when it comes to Obedience training. I would urge all clubs to consider holding such seminars for the benefit of their members.

In February, I attended the GSDCA AGM, which was held in New South Wales.

In March I attended GSDCV Ch Show/Restricted Trial. There were 30 entries in Obedience and 18 in Rally-O. It is worth noting that 8 of the Obedience entries were also Dual Performance competitors.

In April, I attended the GSDL Ch Show/Trial. There were 14 entries in Obedience, with 6 of those also being Dual Performance competitors.

April proved to be a busy month, where I also attended the 46th GSDCA National Show/Trial, which was hosted by GSDCSA. There were 31 entries in Obedience, with 16 of those being Dual Performance competitors. My sincere congratulations to the following major award winners:

Dual Performance:	*Gr Ch Stobar Quentin 'AZ' ET CDX RN,	Handler: S. MacDonald
Gold:	Uhlmsdorf Taylor Swift 'A' UD,	Handler: V. Grzeskiewicz
Silver:	Uhlmsdorf Black Label 'Z' CDX,	Handler: V. Grzeskiewicz
Bronze:	*Ch Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy,	Handler: T. Schumann

The following is a list of GSDCA Obedience Awards, which were presented at the official opening of the National. Pleasing to note, the competition was hotly contested this year, with several applications submitted for each category. I thank all those who submitted entries and congratulate the subsequent winners.

GSDCA BEST COMMUNITY COMPANION DOG

*Ch Kelpark Helluva Rebel CCD 'AZ'	Handler: Lyn Gregor	Average Score: 95.3
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GSDCA BEST NOVICE DOG

*Ch Astasia Jiri CD RN HIT ET 'AZ'	Handler: Sally Sandall	Average Score: 195
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GSDCA BEST RALLY NOVICE DOG

*Ch Astasia Jiri CD RN HIT ET 'AZ'	Handler: Sally Sandall	Average Score: 98.6
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GSDCA BEST RALLY ADVANCED DOG

*Sabaranburg Purple Rain CD RE HTMS 'AZ'	Handler: Diane Webb	Average Score: 96
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GSDCA BEST RALLY EXCELLENT DOG

*Sabaranburg Purple Rain CD RE HTMS 'AZ'	Handler: Diane Webb	Average Score: 97.8
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GSDCA EXCELLENT HANDLER

Handler: Julie Urie	Silver: 10 Excellents
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In May I attended the GSDCV SBE/Restricted Obedience/Rally Trials. There were 34 entries in Obedience, with 11 of those also being Dual Performance competitors. There were 22 entries in Rally.

In June I attended an excellent two-day training seminar, with the presenter being Arnold Kivago from Hungary, FMBB World Champion. Arnold is a much-respected competitor on the world stage and is regularly in demand for seminars in



various countries. He has a wealth of knowledge in training dogs for competition. A very personable presenter, whose shared knowledge on training and competition benefitted all in attendance. I would urge all members to attend seminars on training, wherever/ whenever possible. Especially valuable, are recognised trainers from overseas. They bring with them, the latest training methods used by the top trainers/ triallers and many years of valuable hands on experience. In July I attended the GSDCQ Ch Shows/Trial. There was a total of 16 entries in the Obedience Trial, with 4 of those being Dual Performance entries.

I also attended the GSDCA NBC meeting, which was held in Melbourne. A very productive meeting, from which some good ideas on education for members came forth. Jo Cathie was nominated as leader of the Education and Professional Development & Strategy working group. Jo and her team have since done an excellent job, organising a Breed Education Weekend, to be hosted by the GSDL on 2nd and 3rd March 2019. The weekend will cover a wide range of relevant topics, which will include a ZAP1 presentation/demonstration, discussion on the Breed Standard and understanding the way forward, presentation of the GSD in the specialist ring, health issues – breed killers/dispelling the myths, toward BH for Breed Survey and Fitness/Nutrition. Speakers will include Sanne Pederson, Karen Hedberg, Kylie Zimmerle and Melanie Groth. It is very pleasing to note the overwhelming response of support from members, who were very quick to put their names down, resulting in the weekend being fully booked (over 100 attendees) after initial advertising. Also pleasing to note, that approx. 25% of those who booked are from various interstate Member Clubs.

In August I attended a BH Trial, hosted by the Melbourne Sportdog Club. This was well run, and it was very interesting to see the various dogs go through the BH routine. The trial was also quite well attended by GSDCV members, who took the opportunity to see first hand what is involved in the BH routine from start to finish, which of course includes various forms of temperament testing. It is worth noting, that the rules for IPO have been revised and new rules will take effect from Jan. 2019. IPO (International Prüfung Ordnung) will now be known as IGP (International Gebrauchshunde Prüfung Ordnung). All phases of competition have been revised, including the BH, which will subsequently have less off-lead heeling.

In September, I attended the ACT Champ Shows held over the weekend of the 29th & 30th September. A well-run show with judging well received by exhibitors, however there was no Obedience Trial held in conjunction.

In October I attended a K9 Nosework Seminar, hosted by Skye Branch of the GSDCV. K9 Nosework is a relatively new discipline, offered for competition in the USA. By all accounts it has proven to be very popular there since its inception. This discipline is not sanctioned by the ANKC, however I believe work is in progress by a dedicated group, to have it formalised and recognised in Australia. The competition is based on dogs being able to locate/indicate certain target odours, the source of which are hidden from the dogs' view inside various types of containers. There are differing levels of competition, as with Obedience, and various titles to be achieved. The seminar was well run, and the speaker Sonja Needs, was very entertaining and certainly knew her subject. I believe, if introduced here, this will quickly become a popular form of training/competition and hope to see progress to this effect in the future.

October also saw the GSDCA Obedience Meeting held in Melbourne. Thanks must go to the GSDCV Western Branch for use of their clubrooms and for the excellent hospitality. The meeting was a productive one, with delegates from GSDCV, GSDCQ, GSDL, GSDAWA and ACTGSDA present, as well as the GSDCA President, Editor and myself. There were also several observers. The level of enthusiasm from delegates was high and it is hoped that the New Year will see this enthusiasm continue at Club level, with work being done to provide more training and education for members across the country.

In November I attended the GSDCV 100th Championship Show/Trial. There was an Obedience Trial in the morning, followed by a Rally Trial in the afternoon. Both were Restricted to Group 5 Trials. Total entry in Obedience was 42, with 25 of these being GSDs and 5 of those being Dual Performance competitors. Rally had an entry of 43.

With the number of Dual Performance competitors across the country steadily on the rise, I remind all Member Clubs of the following GSDCA Regulation:

4.2.6.1 To be offered annually by GSDCA Member Clubs:

That GSDCA Member Clubs offer annually a Dual Performance Trophy as a minimum, at one Conformation Show at which GSDCA grading is awarded when held in conjunction with an Obedience Trial. [2018].

As our ultimate aim is to demonstrate the versatility and working ability of the GSD, as well as having well trained dogs which fit more easily into society, it is important that we encourage and recognise the efforts of those members who are actively competing in Show and Obedience with their dogs.



To finish the year off, I attended the DogsVictoria Summer Spectacular Championship Show, which was very ably judged by Nicky McDermott (Vic). Nicky's judging was well received by exhibitors and I congratulate her on the appointment, which allowed her to award GSDCA gradings for the first time.

In closing, I would like to wish all members the best of luck with training and competition for the upcoming year, no matter what your chosen discipline. If I can ever be of assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me.

EDITOR QUARTERLY NATIONAL REVIEW – Ms. Jacinta Poole



Our flagship magazine is a reflection of our organisation and the members activities with our breed in the community across a broad area of interests. Efforts to ensure that each edition is interesting and relevant has again seen us cover our dogs involved in a variety of activities and highlighted their many achievements.

In maintaining our high standards, we've provided four editions for members. The highlight for the show and breed fraternity is our National edition, this year extending to 104 pages to showcase every aspect of the show and trial in full colour. This created a terrific memory of the 46th National in Adelaide. Some of the other highlight stories we've covered have included show handling tips, dentition presentation, we wrapped up our club spotlights and gave some focus to explaining the BH test and the ZAP test in the Harmonisation program. We covered other performance disciplines such as tracking and obedience and provided some interesting and useful training articles for our pet and competition handlers to understand their dogs a little more. We highlighted a couple of show stars in 'Kinta' and 'Kiah; and recognised the Queensland and Victorian Animal War Memorials. Two editions in 2018 were dedicated to the memory of GSDCA stalwarts James Rodger and Joylene Neddermeyer following their passing.

Thank you to our regular contributors, first and foremost the Clubs who submit their regular news. It's great to see who is up to what and when. Not all Clubs provide a news column which is unfortunate, as it's great to read the news from each state. Don't forget, not everyone is on facebook or the web all the time, and even if you are, it's easy to miss news. These Club summaries in the QNR are a great wrap up, a direct way to get your message out there and of course an historical recollection of each club's activities. Again, an aim for 2019 is to get all member clubs to contribute for their own members benefit. Thanks to Dr Candy Baker for our veterinary articles and Andrew O'Loughlin who focussed on our younger fraternity members. Frank Moody provided several useful updates on the Database too.

The Quarterly National Review is always a work in progress to ensure we produce an economically viable magazine. We continue to work with Maroondah Printing in Melbourne who have been great support and provide a quality product, designed, printed and delivered on schedule. Advertising is a key element of our business model. Thank you to this year's advertisers, whose support is appreciated and valued. We hope you gained value from your advertising and here's a free plug! Thanks again to Djambo vom Fichtenschlag, Roger vom Weihertuerchen, Sundaneka Young Gun, Macho vom Lamorak, Jaknell German Shepherds, Wyngarah German Shepherds and Eroica Kennels for your advertising support. Back editions of the magazine can be viewed online on the GSDCA website, and Stud Dog ads are translated onto our website for online advertising for 3 months after publishing, so please take advantage. Don't forget the front and back covers are available for photograph promotion too!

Finally thank you to the Executive for their support throughout the year for the magazine and content, and with meeting deadlines. Behind the scenes is always busy with ongoing administrative tasks to fit around a busy production schedule and sometimes it's not easy to juggle both. My extra thanks is extended to secretary Val Moody for proof reading for sign off of each edition.

So onwards into 2019 with four more packed editions. Remember, the Quarterly National Review is the members magazine. Your suggestions for stories and photos are always welcome and we'll try to accommodate. Of course, advertising is most welcome. So, if I come calling this year for an advert or a story, I hope you will be able to assist. Again, my thanks to everyone who has been involved this year. I hope the content is relevant and interesting and you enjoy reading each magazine, which indeed warrants the effort to 'go the extra mile' to get each edition into print! Articles, photos and suggestions are always welcomed, please contact me anytime revieweditor@gsdcouncilaustralia.org Enjoy your reading!



SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

National Show Liaison Officer – Mr. Ian Urie

Thanks to the South Australian Club for hosting the 2018 National, and my report on that event follows. As the 2019 National will be held in my home State, Jenny Delucia has kindly agreed to report on that show to the Council. One of the problems facing us now with the LSC numbers continuing to build, and 24 classes to be judged, is the shortage of available handlers, which leads to time problems scheduling the classes, and on several occasions has led to the agenda for the day not being completed in daylight. This is something the German judges often have trouble coming to terms with, and can't understand why they cannot just keep judging one class after the other. A suggestion I wish to propose, in order to alleviate these problems, is that measuring of dogs be done by the judge during the individual examination. Keeping the entire class in the ring after the initial laps, in order to check teeth and measure the whole class at one time may seem logical, but in a large class this can take upwards of half an hour, and in fact it ties up a great number of handlers who could otherwise be available to handle dogs in the opposite ring and allow judging in that ring to continue sooner. Dogs whose handlers are then otherwise occupied can do their individual in the larger class once the handler is free.

46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show and Trial, West Beach, South Australia, 27th – 29th April 2018

I wish to congratulate the German Shepherd Dog Club of South Australia on their hosting of the 46th National on behalf of the Member Clubs of the GSDCA. As one of the smaller clubs in terms of membership, willing workers are often hard to find, and once again a relatively small committee led by President John Delucia and Show Manager Judy O'Loughlin rose to the occasion and conducted a successful event, with assistance also of volunteer ring officials from other States. The weather over the weekend was pleasant, however without lighting being available on the ground the show suffered from time constraints, being held after the end of daylight savings, and several classes had to be deferred until the next day. Stewards, ring staff and PA announcers generally worked well together, however I was told it was hard to hear announcements from the top end of the rings. There was some confusion on the first morning due to the judging order for the dog ring as published in the schedule differing from that printed in the catalogue, but exhibitors soon got into the swing and classes proceeded well, with results being posted regularly over the weekend. Unfortunately, as mentioned previously, we ran out of daylight at the end of the first day and Junior Dog class had to be run the next morning. This then had a snowball effect in that the last class on Saturday also had to be deferred until Sunday.

The conformation judges, Herren Schweimer and Mast were well accepted, and the ring set-up worked well. The judges showed interest in all aspects of the event including progeny parade and official presentations, and they also watched the working performance in the ring for the Winner of Winners run-off. The presentation of the Sires Progeny Parade and Breeders Groups ran smoothly with few problems. Youth Handlers Master Class conducted by Craig Rice, Bronson Pereira and Jess Lynch, and the Junior Showmanship Classes judged by Kurt Morton were well attended by our younger fraternity. Once again, our Patron Dawn Fraser attended the National and appeared to enjoy herself.

Entries were 443 in conformation classes (including 95 LSC – 21% of conformation entries) plus 31 in the obedience trial, with 16 being dual competitors. Congratulations to all the winners, and for the first time since 2012 a locally bred male took the Gold Medal in Stock Coat Open Dog class.

The Obedience Trial judging was well run, and from what I was told the exhibitors appreciated the rings being located in a quieter area away from the show rings. The usual problems were experienced with the Trial presentations, with the need to compete with the show classes continuing in the background, and PA announcements being heard over the Judges speaking. I believe we need to try to raise the profile of this aspect of the National in future.

Canteen, food and coffee tent and bar catering were fabulous, something the South Australian Club always excels at. Official's luncheons were also managed very well. The social events were not as well attended as in the past, and unfortunately the President's Dinner had to be cancelled due to a lack of booking numbers. I didn't attend personally, but I heard the Saturday night party on the ground was a success. The official opening on Saturday and the after-show presentations on Sunday were conducted with the appropriate ceremony and were very well catered for. This year saw the inauguration of three new Perpetual Trophies in memory of Jurgen Neddermeyer, Tom Luxton and James Rodger, and also the introduction of a separate Breeders Trophy for LSC kennels.

The grounds at West Beach were in great condition and are one of the best venues in Australia for an event of this type, also the ability to drive onto the ground and park close to the rings and tents was an added bonus.



Appropriate consultation was made with me regarding the schedule requirements prior to the event, however due to a mix up the schedule printed was the original draft, not the amended version I had suggested.

In summary, a very memorable National once again, and well done to the small, hard working team from the host club GSDCSA.

National Database – Mr. Frank Moody

I am pleased to submit this GSDCA Database progress report to the 58th GSDCA AGM.

Over the last 12 months the new programmer (Rob Filardo) and I have been working on a number of maintenance (behind the scenes) issues. This is necessary from time to time to ensure the stability of the database.

I am pleased to report that after initial issues and difficulties all Breed Surveyors are now entering the Breed Survey information directly into the database without any concerns.

At times there are delays in getting the Breed Survey Certificates finalised. This can be due to a number of issues – Delays in getting the worksheets to the Registrar – Accuracy of the information recorded in the worksheet/database – Supply of the photos by the Owners (this is the area of most concern).

DATA UPDATE – as at 28th November 2018

<u>Dog Database</u>	Registrations are currently up to 31 st August 2018 – being 300,997 dogs.
<u>Tattoo/Microchip</u>	Microchips are uploaded when we receive the ANKC Registrations.
<u>HD/ED</u>	There are now over 11,000 results in the database.
<u>Breed Survey</u>	There are now nearly 1,700 results in the database.
<u>Haemophilia</u>	There are now 1,082 results in the database.

USER ACTIVITY

We continue to see a steady growth in the number of Visitors and the number of Visits to our Database – this is a very encouraging trend, as Breeders/Members continue to use this vital tool.

In 2015 when we first started we had:

Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits
Jan-15	703	1,216	36,376	54,828
Feb-15	324	549	14,689	24,748
Mar-15	326	590	20,120	29,346
Apr-15	342	594	12,316	21,569
May-15	341	534	14,042	23,414
Jun-15	350	586	15,761	25,138
Jul-15	350	682	24,112	35,319
Aug-15	363	735	20,174	31,497
Sep-15	312	540	11,641	20,080
Oct-15	358	662	15,326	24,378
Nov-15	390	679	23,966	35,071
Dec-15	304	540	10,806	19,537
TOTAL	4,463	7,907	219,329	344,925



Over the last 12 months (Nov'17 to Oct'18) we have had:

Month	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits
Nov-17	447	974	19,719	36,255
Dec-17	458	967	20,203	36,945
Jan-18	421	928	16,505	31,194
Feb-18	517	955	18,920	34,743
Mar-18	511	1,021	19,509	35,226
Apr-18	506	990	21,117	39,370
May-18	535	1,203	20,431	40,645
Jun-18	469	985	20,125	39,098
Jul-18	489	1,103	23,602	51,636
Aug-18	477	1,060	17,733	33,340
Sep-18	450	890	15,525	29,016
Oct-18	499	999	16,553	33,882
TOTAL	5,779	12,075	229,942	441,350
Increase	29%	53%	5%	28%

THE NEXT STEPS

I would like to see us make the information more interactive (similar to Pedigreedatabase.com), so that it is easier to navigate around the Database, and research data on Stud Dogs, etc.

This may require some significant investment as it will involve re-writing some sections of the program code.

The obstacle to achieving this may be the availability of GSDCA funds.

Thank you to Rob Filardo, Melanie Groth, Doug West, Candy Baker and the Breed Surveyors for their time, and assistance in ongoing data entry and maintenance of the Database.

Trophy Officer – Mr. Terry Jarvis

Another year has come and gone and for me some time consuming moments with the National being held in Adelaide this year and along with other items on my plate makes for a fair bit of time sharing. Adelaide went well Trophy wise and the time line was met.

The Adelaide National took a great deal of my time and I congratulate the South Australian Trophy officer Judy O’laughlin for the way she presented the paperwork for the trophies at the show it made it a lot easier for me. To be part of the making of an excellent Trophy table It is most pleasing to present a table of such quality to the members of the Shepherd fraternity.

The Ex/Merit plaques to Breeders attaining an excellent with a dog or bitch they have bred in breed and obedience and again showed improvement in participation by the clubs and members my contact details for show Secretaries is M/ 0407 271 418 or email tepe@bigpond.net.au to place orders. Those Clubs having presentation nights this year do not leave it to the last minute as it does make it more difficult for me but if you are a little late make the phone call as I would like to accommodate all if I can.

The Melbourne National is coming up and it starts all over again. I have been in touch with Ian Urie re the layout for the Melbourne show and by the time this goes to print all will be in order for the Show.

Those people that have the responsibility of collating the Handlers Trophies from each State and also the Obedience awards and Obedience handlers awards and any special Council Awards could you please contact the State reps and see if we can get these in a bit earlier otherwise again it makes it harder on me not forgetting that I will make the effort for the odd late one if I can.



Webmaster – Ms. Jacinta Poole

Have you visited the GSDCA website recently?

Do you know what it offers for members?

Well, here is a snapshot of what's available.

- Show results and critiques – from every club show
- Judge appointments for the next 12 months
- Back editions of each Quarterly National Review
- Harmonisation Program details
- Veterinary and health articles
- Recent HD & ED results
- GSDCA Regulations (yes they are worth reading), along with all forms, fees and charges
- All the recent news from the GSDCA and relevant reports and much more.



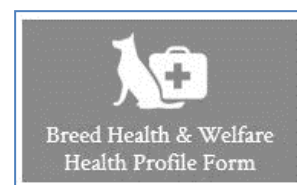
So it is worth a regular visit to the website. There are things you will miss out on if you don't. Our aim is to utilise the website to provide all relevant information. State Clubs are also being proactive in using their websites to educate. The website is useful to work in unison with facebook, to promote and drive 'clicks' to the relevant detail stored on the website. The advantage of the website is the information is then always easily accessible, no infinite scrolling required to find that old post!!

We also make easy access to our popular features. The quickest way to access the **GSDCA Dog Database** is via the website, which continues to increase in use by members.



A big push over the last 6 months is for owners of GSD's to utilize the **Breed Health Feedback form**. It is available on the home page of the website.

The data is collated by Dr Candy Baker and may be useful in the future to gauge trends or even assist with management of illnesses we find are over represented in the GSD. It is entirely possible that your feedback on your dog's illness may be used to assist others, both directly or indirectly. The information is confidential, and obviously you can discuss with Dr Baker anytime. Please take the time to submit your dog's medical information – it might save another's life one day.



Over the last few years, facebook has grown in popularity. It's a great way to provide direct information to those connected, but as we all know that massive reach must be harnessed positively. At times the opportunity for negative comments, from both within and external to our fraternity has to be monitored, and we must all remember to respect the use of social media and our policies surrounding its use. That said, both the GSDCA and member clubs utilise this forum in a positive manner that engages with many.



Costs and maintenance of the GSDCA website have not increased in 2018, incurring only minimal fees. Our website hosting, including hosting the GSDCA Dog Database, costs \$192/year. Domain registration per year is \$18.00. All software updates and maintenance are undertaken internally at no charge. Our total expenditure relating to the Website and Dog Database is \$220 per year.

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www.facebook.com/GSDCA

Any suggestions for improvements, contributions of content or other suggestions is always most welcome. Email website@gsdcouncilaustralia.org

Breed Specific Legislation – Mr. Sam McGregor

No report submitted.



Youth Coordinator – Mr. Andrew O’Loughlin

This year has been an interesting year in regards to the Youth Membership. At the National Show and Trial held in Adelaide, we saw a very large number of handlers participate in the Youth Handler Classes on the Friday. The skill level of each age group was high, which was pleasing to see. However, the Master Class held on the Thursday afternoon was not as well supported. Because it hasn’t been supported very well for the last couple of years, the decision has been made not to continue it next year in Melbourne. The Master Class was a great initiative started by Jess Lynch at the Melbourne National in 2015. It is a shame that this has fallen off, as I truly believe that handlers were getting a lot out of it.

We now need to look at new avenues to educate the Youth of our breed in fun and exciting ways. I believe in Europe they have a camp, where they can practice handling without pressure of a ring experience and use some of the top dogs to practice on. I don’t believe a National camp would be plausible for us, but perhaps this is something that could be done on a state level. If not a camp, then a full day or weekend where the main focus is giving the Youth knowledge and experience could work. This needn’t be restricted to showing either – it could most definitely include obedience, or any other working aspect that National Council and ANKC offer.

This could be achieved with a ‘Youth Education’ package – a package that contains information on anatomy, breaks the breed standard down and uses appropriate language to engage younger members, tips on working with Youth etc. The package could be made available to all clubs – whether it’s a hard copy, available to download from the website, or is emailed out as required.

I strongly believe that knowledge of anatomy and the Breed Standard are important when training and learning to become a Show handler. There are also many other aspects which can be used in both Show and Obedience – an example of this would be learning to read a dogs body language. These are key things we need to be passing on to our Youth and providing a future for our breed. Once these are in place, we should also think about ways of educating new/ Youth members about breeding and rearing puppies. If anyone has any ideas as to how we can help educate our Youth, I would love to hear them.

Public Relations – Mr. Paul York

2018 has had some hi’s and of course some disappointments.

Starting with disappointments.

Channel Nine agreed to cover the Adelaide National with a live coverage on the Saturday Morning only to cancel on the afternoon the day before. This was a huge let down and showed a total lack of professionalism on behalf of the producer in question. That being said television coverage of the National is still a major priority of mine and I am hoping for a better result in Melbourne with maybe a different carrier.

The Hi’s has definitely been the social media programme at Newcastle club.

This has proven to be a great tool in communicating with the general public.

I would like to see the GSDCA consider adopting a social media platform in 2019.

I suggest a Facebook page with links to the website. Unlike the website this has to be interactive with someone available to give advice or answer basic questions. Regular items will need to be posted to this site. The scope of the site will have to be determined by Council.

This is a great way for us to get our views across in a controlled way.

Historian – N/A



NATIONAL SHOW REPORT 2018 – Host – GSDC of South Australia

GSDC of South Australia Report – 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial conducted in South Australia on 27th, 28th & 29th April 2018.

The German Shepherd Dog Club of SA was host to the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show and Trial. There were a total of 445 conformation entries and 31 obedience entries making a total entry of 476, which included 95 LSC. 16 entries were dual competitors which was very pleasing.

Our sincere thanks to the organising committee for their hard work and dedication in organising the event and to our sponsors, volunteers and those who contributed financially towards the event. Thank you also to the exhibitors and spectators who attended to make it a most enjoyable spectacle. A special thank you to our Rottweiler friends who cooked breakfast daily.

We could not have asked for better weather conditions and the grounds were superb and offered plenty of room for exhibitors and parking. We deliberately placed the obedience rings further away this time which I understand was well received by most of the obedience competitors. Our PA system, despite being provided by professionals, still let us down somewhat.

The Thursday saw our Meet and Greet where we had kransky's on offer and which were well received by all who attended.

Due to the extra entries now created by the Long Stock Coat classes, and due to time constraints and running out of daylight, Junior Dog classes were run the following day which then affected the last class on Saturday which was deferred to Sunday. The increase in class numbers now has caused some organisational problems in terms of fitting in all classes within the specified time frame and which is something that will need to be addressed for future Nationals. Furthermore, with the increasing popularity of international handlers handling in most classes, better time organisation needs to be implemented.

It was disappointing that due to lack of numbers, the President's Dinner needed to be cancelled however, this may just be a sign of the times. The Saturday Night numbers were well down but the atmosphere and entertainment were terrific. The band on the Saturday was the same as for our previous National and was once again well received. The Friday Night and Saturday Night dinners did also have an effect on the financials.

The Opening Ceremony featured the Adelaide City Band which was well received and entertained all. The Opening Ceremony was set up to be at the centre of the club grounds in order to have the best position and visual effect.

The SA Club wishes to thank our esteemed Conformation Judges: Herr Hans-Peter Schwimer (SV), Herr Rainer Mast (SV), our esteemed Obedience Judges: Mrs Dawn Howard (VIC), Mrs Jan Brabham (SA), Mr Peter Dynan (SA) and our Junior Showmanship Judge: Mr Kurt Morton (NSW).

In closing, I again thank all of those who assisted with the running of the National both in the weeks leading up to the event and several days afterwards. Our canteen staff who did an amazing job as always. We are very proud of the quality of our food and pricing is very competitive. Our coffee tent and bar was very well received and created a very social atmosphere. As always, Dawn Fraser AO MBE, had a great time and is a fantastic ambassador for our breed.

The SA Club did make a small loss on the National.



GSDCA SERVICE AWARD PRESENTED DURING 2018

Congratulations are extended to the following people as the recipients of the 2018 GSDCA Service Award, which took place at the 46th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial and presented by the GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaró.

- Mr. Joe Seidl (SA)
 - Ms. Jane Pike (SA)
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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	-
2015	Police Bitch “Angel”	May 2015
2016	Police Dog “Rumble” (WA)	March 2016
2017	Police Dog “Quinn”	May 2017
2017	Seigen Quintessential “Cade” (WA)	May 2017
2018	Police Dog “Ruger” (SA)	April 2018



GSDCA Outstanding Canine Service Award



Police Dog “Ruger”

*Handler
Snr. Constable
Craig Charles*

Born 13/11/2011

Acquired from BROOKSVALE kennels.

Commence course on 8/10/2012

Complete course on 15/2/2013

To date Ruger has been deployed on 791 occasions resulting in 115 persons being apprehended and charged with a combined total of 274 offences. He has also located property on 81 occasions to the value of \$43,000.

Some memorable deployments are:

23/2/13: TAPEROO:

Rugers first operational deployment resulted in his first “win”, finding a man hiding in the sand hills after committing a serious criminal trespass.

9/9/2016: GREENACRES:

Ruger deployed after an armed hold up on pizza bar. Ruger tracked for about 500m to an address where he began barking. Numerous persons at address. Address searched and clothing, balaclava, and knife used in robbery located hidden in various spots.

13/7/2017: TATACHILLA

Ruger deployed after a police pursuit of a stolen car ended in an olive grove on a rural property. Ruger tracked through vineyards, roads, and a quarry in very windy and rainy conditions for a distance of 2.5 – 3 km. Track ended at a culvert along Main South Rd where it is believed suspect was picked up. Along route of track, Ruger identified numerous items – balaclava, tools, and a jumper. These items were processed and a DNA match received. A male person was arrested for this offence.

One of Rugers strengths is his scent discrimination ability.

16/7/17: QUEENSTOWN

Ruger deployed after stolen vehicle located abandoned in a unit block. Ruger tracked from the drivers’ door across Port Road to a nearby address and began barking at the front yard of a house. Several occupants of the house were persons of interest. Patrols separated persons on street and Ruger walked past all. Ignored all but one, who he began barking at. This male had been located by patrols “asleep” in bed but sweating. Arrested for the stolen vehicle and pursuit.



Ruger has certainly had some ups during his career, but there has also been some downs. In September 2016 after a rigorous internal selection process, Ruger was one of two dogs selected to represent SAPOL at the Australasian Police Dog Trials in Melbourne in October. Unfortunately, a week prior to the trials, after a sudden significant weight loss, Ruger was diagnosed with a serious bacterial lung infection. This resulted in his lungs filling with fluid and him “basically” drowning. The second day after he was admitted to the Trinity Gardens Adelaide Vet Hospital his handler was advised to attend the hospital in preparation for Ruger to be put down.

Thanks to the awesome work by staff and the support by SAPOL management, Ruger fought through and after 14 days in hospital returned home. By the end of the month he was back to his favourite past time “catching criminals”. He did however miss his opportunity at the Australasian Police Dog Trials. Ruger is easily identifiable by his trademark titanium canines.

PLEASE NOTE:

The following information can be found on the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) website www.gsdcouncilaustralia.org

- The GSDCA National Winners
- The GSDCA Main Breed Exhibition Winners
- The GSDCA Service Awards List
- The GSDCA Development Milestones



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
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



** 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.*

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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 Tantaro	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 Tantaro	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 Tantaro	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 Tantaro	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 Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Dr K Hedberg	Mrs D Howard	Mrs V Moody	Mr B Knight	Mr A Christie
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



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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
2015	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
2016	Mrs D Fraser AO MBE	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Neddermeyer	Mrs R Knuckey	Mr J DeLucia	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Ms. Jacinta Poole
2017	Mrs D Fraser AO MBE	Mr V Tantaro	Ms M Groth	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs J Urie	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Ms. Jacinta Poole
2018	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr V Tantaro	Ms M Groth (Resigned 7/5/18)	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs J Urie	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Ms. Jacinta Poole

