



German Shepherd Dog
Council of Australia Inc.

ANNUAL REPORT

2025

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Introduction

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 2025 Annual Report of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc. (GSDCA).

The Annual Report includes the Council's activities and involvement, the audited financial statements of the Council for the financial year from 1st October 2024 to 30th September 20245, 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 invited to submit a report, and I very much appreciate those who have taken the time to provide an overview of their activities throughout the year.

On behalf of the Executive, we thank Member Clubs for their commitment and dedication to the German Shepherd Dog and for supporting the many disciplines our dogs undertake, including show, trial, breeding, breed survey, assistance dogs, and public pet expos, in an effort to help showcase our breed across the country.

I trust you will enjoy reading the information contained in this report.

Janet Haase
Honorary Secretary

PATRON Mrs Dawn Fraser AC MBE

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The GSDCA Executive 2025

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

Mr Sean Lynch
Mrs Melanie Groth
Mrs Jenny De Lucia
Mrs Janet Haase
Mr Peter Flynn
Mr Alastair Henderson
Mrs Gail Donald

Position Holders

Breed Health & Wellbeing Committee Chair
HD/ED Registrar
NBC Registrar
Dog Database Coordinator
Title Verification Officer
National Show Liaison Officer
Trophy Officer
Webmaster
Youth Coordinator
Breed Research and Legislation Officer
Public Relations Officer
Public Officer

Dr Candy Baker
Ms Jacinta Poole
Ms Jessica Kada
Mr Frank Moody
Mr Kurt Moton
Ms Jessica Lynch
Mr Terry Jarvis
Ms Jacinta Poole
Ms Chelsea Bird
Vacant
Mrs Gabrielle Peacock
Ms Debbie Smith

Member Club Committees For 2025

ACT German Shepherd Dog Association

President
Vice President
Secretary:
Treasurer:

Sasha Beljanski
Daniel Dojcinovski
Wolf Meffert
Ludie Popowycz

German Shepherd Dog League

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Training Coordinator
Breed Affairs Administrator

Matthew Morris
Tony D'Arcy
Deborah Borg
Maurice Jara
Helen Ratcliff
Glenn Gregory

Newcastle & Hunter Region GSDC

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer

Paul York
Jessica Lynch
Kay York

German Shepherd Dog Club of Queensland

President	Sharon Thorp
Vice President	Kylie Zimmerle
Secretary	Tracey Rehberg
Treasurer	Karl Maresh
Breed Affairs Administrator	Michelle Hammond
Obedience Coordinator	Laura Schimke

German Shepherd Dog Club of South Australia

President	John De Lucia
1 st Vice President Obedience	Jenny De Lucia
2 nd Vice President Breed Affairs	Andrew O'Loughlin
Secretary	Stephen Collins
Treasurer	Peter Flynn
Obedience Coordinator	Jenny De Lucia

German Shepherd Dog Club of Tasmania

President	Janet Haase
Vice President	Tass Massis
Secretary	Gabrielle Peacock
Treasurer	Sandra Parker
Breed Affairs Administrator	Lorraine Massis
Public Officer/Show Secretary	Russell Lowery

German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria

President	Vince Ebejer
Vice President	Tony Mercieca
Secretary	Dearne Jackson
Treasurer	Fiona Henderson
Breed Affairs Administrator	Vince Tantaro
Training Administrator	Sharon Hargreaves

German Shepherd Dog Association of Western Australia

President	Robyn Knuckey
Vice President	Iain McIntosh
Secretary	Anastasia Hope
Treasurer	Lucy Lubbock
Breed Affairs Chair	Natalie Humphries
Show Chair	LeeAnne Shea
Obedience Chair	Kym Glenny

President's Report – Sean Lynch

It is my pleasure to present the President's Annual Report to members of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia, and to do so at this year's Annual General Meeting being held in Melbourne. The past year has been one of steady progress, constructive dialogue, and continued commitment to the preservation, promotion, and advancement of the German Shepherd Dog in Australia.

Throughout the year, the Council has worked to balance tradition with practical improvements, while remaining focused on its responsibilities to member bodies, officials, and the wider German Shepherd Dog community. I would like to acknowledge the dedication of the Executive, subcommittees, and volunteers whose time, experience, and professionalism continue to underpin the work of the GSDCA.

Governance and Constitutional Review

One of the most significant initiatives undertaken this year was the establishment of a Constitutional Committee. This committee was formed to review aspects of the Constitution with the aim of identifying areas that may benefit from clarification, modernisation, or refinement.

The formation of this committee demonstrates the Council's commitment to strong governance, transparency, and long-term stability. This work is ongoing, and I thank those members who have contributed their knowledge and time to what is an important and considered process. Ensuring our governing framework remains robust and relevant is essential to the future of the Council.

Breed Survey Developments

A key operational improvement during the year was the introduction of online Breed Survey submissions. This initiative was implemented to improve efficiency, accessibility, and consistency, while reducing administrative demands for both members and officials.

The move to online submissions reflects the Council's willingness to adopt modern systems where appropriate, without compromising the integrity or importance of the Breed Survey program. Feedback to date has been encouraging, and the Council will continue to review and refine the process as needed.

International Engagement

International representation and communication remain an important aspect of the Council's role. During the year, the GSDCA had the opportunity to meet twice, once in person and the second online with the WUSV President. This meeting provided a valuable forum for discussion, relationship-building, and the exchange of ideas.

Maintaining positive and open communication with the WUSV helps ensure Australia remains actively engaged in international German Shepherd Dog matters and aligned with global standards and developments.

National Events

The 51st National Show and Trial was a highlight of the year and a significant achievement for all involved. The event was hosted by the Queensland German Shepherd Dog Club, whose efforts, planning, and commitment were instrumental in its success.

National events play a vital role in bringing together members from across the country, showcasing the quality of Australian German Shepherd Dogs, and promoting excellence in both conformation and performance disciplines. I extend sincere thanks to the Queensland GSDC, the organising committee, judges, officials, competitors, and volunteers who contributed to a successful and memorable National.

Committee and Portfolio Reports

Members are encouraged to refer to the detailed reports provided by the Treasurer, Secretary, National Breed Council Chair, Obedience Chair, Judges Chair, and the National Review Editor, which are included with the AGM papers. These reports provide further information on the activities, achievements, and challenges within their respective areas and reflect the breadth of work undertaken on behalf of the Council throughout the year.

Looking Ahead

As we look to the future, the Council remains committed to working collaboratively with State Clubs and members to address challenges and opportunities as they arise. Continued focus will be placed on sound governance, effective communication, and initiatives that support the ongoing development and reputation of the breed.

Acknowledgements

In closing, I would like to thank my fellow Executive members for their dedication, professionalism, and support throughout the year. I also thank our member clubs, officials, and volunteers whose continued commitment ensures the strength and standing of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia.

I look forward to the year ahead and to continuing to work together in the best interests of the breed and the Council.

Cheers,

Sean Lynch

President

Treasurer's Report – Peter Flynn

This is my sixth report as Treasurer. As always, I would like to thank my fellow council members for their support, as well as the club Treasurers, who are very prompt in making payments. A big thank you to Jacinta Poole, who has put the HD/ED and Breed Survey processes online, including payment, and who provides me with a monthly reconciliation of the payments.

This year the Council had a shortfall (loss) of \$(11,243) which is considerably better than the prior year's loss of \$(25,569). As advised in last year's report, the prior year's loss was mainly due to the cost of supporting the 50th National Show and Trial and the Quarterly National Magazine celebrating the show.

The QNR is now back to a profit situation with the increase in magazine charge to the clubs from \$7.50 to \$10 per issue. This financial year three issues were produced with the spring version being issued in October 2025 when the financial year ended on September 30, 2025. If four issues of the QNR were made in the financial year the shortfall would have been reduced by \$5334.

A one of cost that the council incurred in this financial year was a reimbursement of 50% for the airfare for the National Judge (Christoph Ludwig) for the Queensland National Show and Trial which was \$1,704. This was to compensate the Queensland club for giving up their judge Roberto Caputi to the South Australian club to judge the 2024 National. The Queensland club had come to financial arrangements with some All Breed Clubs to use Roberto.

Another significant cost that the council needs to review going forward is the cost of running the Annual General Meeting and National Breed Commission/Judges Meetings face to face. This year the net cost was \$10,172. While face to face meetings are important to maintain personal relations, we need to look at whether we can reduce the cost of the meeting facilities, such as using clubrooms for the meetings and using video conferencing for alternate meetings in lieu of face to face.

In conjunction with the other council members, I have produced a spreadsheet that allows the council to forecast and budget for future years' income and expenses. The first draft result shows a small surplus of \$3000 for the 2025/2026 financial year. Please note that this includes four QNR issued for the financial year.

The overall cash position of \$95,777 is still financially sound for the club, but the council committee members are clearly aware that losses/shortfalls cannot continue.

If you have any questions, please contact me before the meeting by phone (0468 814 438) or email (treasurer@gsdcouncilaustralia.org) so I can prepare the required information.



Peter Flynn
Treasurer



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 6:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc as at 30 September 2025 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.

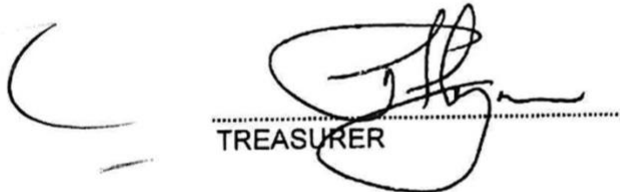
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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 2025:

- (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: 11th day of DECEMBER 2025

Independent Audit Report to the Members of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.

Qualified 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 2025, the statement of income and expenditure for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of material accounting policies and the statement by the members of the Committee.

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Association as at 30 September 2025, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Constitution.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

We were unable to obtain sufficient appropriate evidence in relation to the existence and completeness of inventory as presented in the statement of financial position for the year ended 30 September 2025. As such, we provide no conclusion on the existence and completeness of the inventory balance as disclosed or its effect on the statement of income and expenditure.

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 Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (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 qualified opinion.

Basis of Accounting

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

Responsibilities of the Committee for the Financial Report

The Committee is responsible for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Constitution and for such internal control as the Committee determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

Independent Audit Report to the Members of German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc.

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.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- a) Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- b) Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- c) Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Committee.
- d) Conclude on the appropriateness of the Committee's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- e) Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



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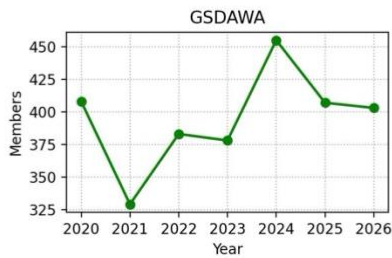
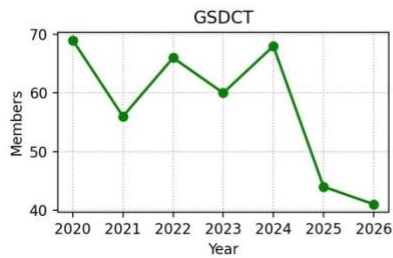
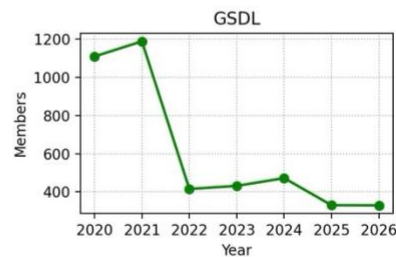
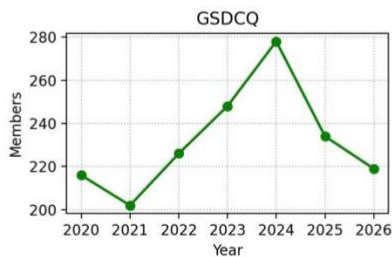
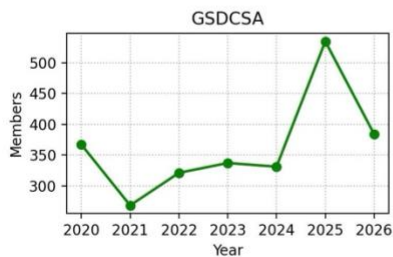
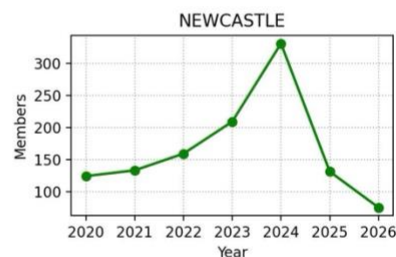
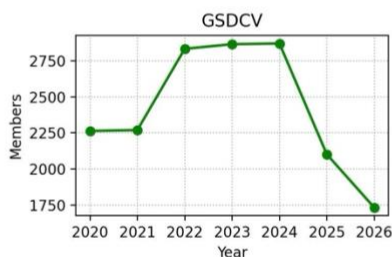
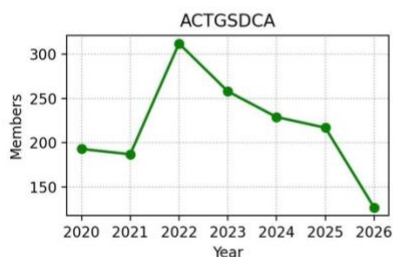
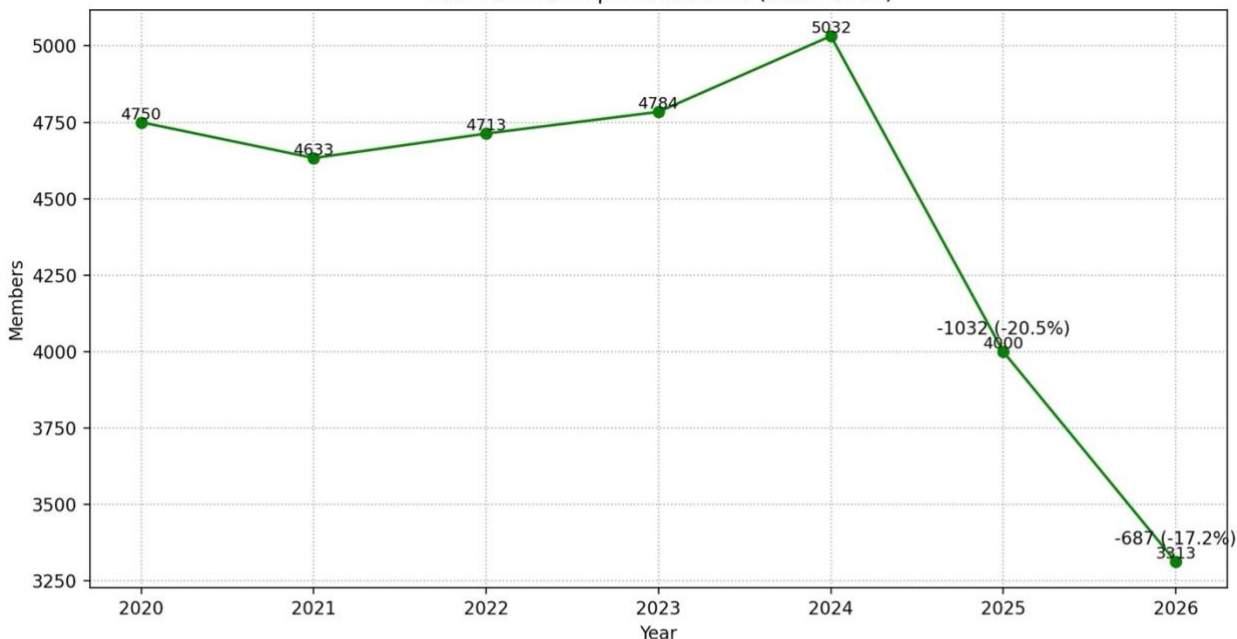
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Club Membership Statistics 2020 - 2026

Membership Declarations (2020-2026)

Total trend + small multiples by club

Total Membership Declarations (2020-2026)



Data source note:

Member counts shown for each year are taken from the AGM membership declarations submitted annually by each member club.

Secretary's Report – Janet Haase

I would like to thank my fellow Executive members for their support throughout 2025. It has not always been an easy year. Some matters have been complex, and at times, differing perceptions of motive or intent have made discussions challenging. On occasion, broader club-political considerations and assumptions have influenced how issues were approached, making consensus more difficult to achieve. External factors have also contributed to periods of tension. Despite these challenges, the Executive has continued to fulfil its responsibilities with professionalism and a shared commitment to the Council and to the German Shepherd Dog.

Our national membership is declining at a significant rate, which is of great concern. The table below shows the trend. These figures are based on the membership declared at the AGM in February.

Membership and its associated responsibilities must be a top priority for the new Council. Our attention needs to be focused on promoting and protecting the breed.

Total Club Membership Declarations 2020 - 2026

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
4750	5633	4713	4784	5032	4000	~3313

Data source note: Annual AGM membership declarations

Acknowledgements

I extend my sincere thanks to Gabrielle Peacock for her ongoing assistance, support, and advice. Gabrielle has continued in her unofficial role as Assistant Secretary, supporting many tasks throughout the year. It has been a pleasure to draw on her corporate and governance expertise.

Gail Donald is always on hand to assist with document publication and graphic requirements. She has exacting standards and a keen eye for detail. Thank you so much, Gail.

I also wish to thank Jenny De Lucia for her work and commitment over the past two years as Judges Chairperson. Jenny brought strong analytical thinking to the Executive and developed an excellent digital education tool that will continue to support our judges. She will be missed on the Executive, and we thank her for her contribution.

Correspondence

Correspondence remains a concern. A number of clubs still require several reminders before returning documents or providing feedback. These delays affect the Council's ability to progress important work in a timely manner. I encourage all clubs to prioritise their responses to maintain efficient and effective operations.

Meetings

A regular meeting schedule has continued throughout the year, including monthly Executive meetings, General meetings, NBC meetings, and the AGM. This structure has supported clearer communication and greater transparency for members about the Council's work. It is disappointing that the member clubs have not always taken the opportunity to meet, as they have failed to provide agenda items. What could we do differently to make these meetings more useful?

Tribute to Fran Farley

We mourn the passing of Fran Farley, a respected specialist judge, retired Breed Surveyor, and long-standing contributor to the GSDCA since the 1970s. Fran's knowledge, integrity, and commitment helped shape the breed's development in Australia. She was a generous mentor and a trusted authority whose influence will continue to be felt for many years. We extend our condolences to her family and friends.

Retirements

This year, we acknowledge the retirement of two long-serving contributors, Carol O'Rourke and Fay Stokes. Both have given many years of dedicated service to the GSDCA and have played important roles in supporting the breed and the Council's work. We sincerely thank them for their commitment, their time, and the knowledge they have shared with our community.

WUSV Engagement

Melanie Groth and I attended the WUSV meeting, where we strengthened our ties with WUSV President Roswitha Dannenberg and the Board. This strengthened relationship led to the GSDCA Executive meeting with President Dannenberg in October, marking a significant step forward. We are confident these developments will benefit the GSDCA, enhancing our collaborations and positioning us to secure press access to the Sieger Show this year. This opportunity will allow us to provide our members with timely, accurate information, reinforcing our commitment to transparency and engagement.

Continental Director

I would also like to thank Heather Macdonald, our Continental Director, for her ongoing contribution to strengthening our relationship with the WUSV. Heather has been a strong advocate for the Council. She understands our context, our history, and the challenges we face, and her advocacy consistently reflects this insight. Her support has been significant in reinforcing our international connections and ensuring the GSDCA's position is clearly represented.

Constitution Review and Amendments

A major focus for 2025 has been reviewing the GSDCA Constitution. The aim of this work is to modernise our governance, improve transparency, and ensure the Constitution remains practical and relevant to the Council's needs.

I would like to acknowledge the work of the Constitution Review Team:

- Robyn Knuckey (Chair)
- Vince Ebejer
- Gabrielle Peacock

Their contribution has ensured that the proposed amendments are well-considered, clearly structured, and aligned with good governance principles.

Draft amendments were circulated for feedback, and the input received has helped refine the final proposals. These amendments will be presented at the 2025 AGM for further discussion. I am confident that this work provides a strong foundation for a more effective and responsive governance framework.

Closing Remarks

Thank you once again for your trust and support throughout the year. Despite challenges, we have continued to work together to promote and protect the German Shepherd Dog in Australia. I look forward to building on this progress in the year ahead.

Awards 2025

Congratulations are extended to those who received the following Awards at the 51st GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2025 held in Queensland.

GSDCA SERVICE AWARDS

Congratulations are extended to the following people who received the “GSDCA Service Award” at the 51st GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2025 for their dedication to the German Shepherd Dog and continued support and commitment at the Club and Council levels.

- Sharon Thorp - Service Award
- Fred Flower - Service Award
- Gail Donald - Service Award

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

- Louis Donald

RETIRING OFFICERS AND BREED SURVEYORS

- Ian Urie - Retiring Executive Officer
- Carol O’Rourke - Retiring Breed Surveyor
- Fay Stokes - Retiring Breed Surveyor

GSDCA OUTSTANDING CANINE SERVICE AWARD

Queensland

- Police Dog “Ouzo”

GSDCA JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to the following junior members who received the GSDCA Junior Showmanship Award at the 51st GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show & Trial 2025.

7 Years to Under 10

Ava Mills

Lorena Bakker

Alexis Fowler

10 to Under 13 Years

Lexie Holmes

Harrison Bland

Ava Fowler

Kaitlyn Staub

13 Years to Under 19 years

Paris Turoczy

Eliane Wetzlar

Khiva Alford-Gluskie

Divxa Mujoo

GSDCA STATE JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP AWARDS 2024

Club	7 & Under 10	10 & Under 13	13 & Under 19
GSD League of NSW	Alexis Fowler	Ava Fowler Harrison Bland	Paris Turocsy
GSDC of South Australia		Mya Cherry	Issy Fisher
GSDC of Queensland			Eliane Wetzlar
GSDA of Western Australia	Tanisha Appani		Ella Campbell
GSDC of Victoria	Kaitlyn Staub Jayde Kelly	Avery Kelly	Divya Mujoo

GSDCA OBEDIENCE AWARDS 2024

Companion Dog	Narelle Wilkins	Iccara Fame Maker
Community Companion and Rally Excellent	Hayley Lockhart	*Ch Sabaranburg Xara AZ CD RE TK SPRD
Rally Novice	Hayley Lockhart	*Ch Sabaranburg Zeus AZ N SPRD
Bronze Obedience Excellent Handler Award	Lyn Gregor	

HONOUR ROLL

MEDAL WINNERS - Stock Coat - DOGS		
GOLD	*Ineffable Emmanz AZ	Owner: K & S Maresh Handler: K Bruno
SILVER	*Salvatore vom Grafenwald A ED (Imp Deu)	Owner: P Alder Handler: J Lynch
BRONZE	*Ch Kaster van Contra A ED (Imp Deu)	Owner: J Kada, J Haase, J Haase, G Peacock Handler: C Kammertons
MEDAL WINNERS - Stock Coat - BITCHES		
GOLD	*Cinderhof Cerseii AZ	Owner: J Cathie, M Groth Handler: K Bruno
SILVER	*Ch Cinderhof Sansaa AZ SWN ET	Owner: J & J Stachan Handler: H Docherty
BRONZE	*Astasia Suri AZ	Owner: Dr R Zammit & J Carroll Handler: P Hersant
MEDAL WINNERS - Long Stock Coat - DOGS		
GOLD	*Lettland Flint AZ	Owner: B & D Houghton Handler: T Jones
SILVER	*Denargun Bad Boys AZ	Owner: S Straub Handler: J Morris
BRONZE	*Ch Babenberg Valentino	Owner: Babenberg Kennels Handle: J Lynch
MEDAL WINNERS - Long Stock Coat - BITCHES		
GOLD	*Gabmalu Liberte AZ	Owner: M & R Hornick Handler: K Bruno
SILVER	*Jaknell Black Magic Woman (AI) AZ	Owner: A & J Kada Handler C Kammertons
BRONZE	*Kingland Black Betty AZ	Owner: L King Handler: J Morris

MEDAL WINNERS – Obedience		
GOLD	*Alinka Versace AZ UD	Handler: V Grzeszkiewicz
SILVER	Vomambach Most Legal A	Handler: L Bucksath
BRONZE	*Ulmsdorf Russian Roulette (AI) AZ CCD CD CDX UD	Handler: V Grzeszkiewicz

MEMORIAL PLAQUES AND TROPHIES		
Walter Reimann Memorial Trophy <i>Open Dog Winner (SC)</i>	*Ineffable Emmanz AZ	Owner: K & S Maresh Handler: K Bruno
Roy Brabham Memorial Trophy <i>Open Bitch Winner (SC)</i>	*Cinderhof Cerseii AZ	Owner: J Cathie, M Groth Handler: K Bruno
Hans-Juergen Neddermeyer Memorial Plaque <i>Open Dog Winner (LSC)</i>	*Lettland Flint AZ	Owner: B & D Houghton Handler: T Jones
Thomas Roger Luxton Memorial Plaque <i>Open Bitch Winner (LSC)</i>	*Gabmalu Liberte AZ	Owner: M & R Hornick Handler: K Bruno
Joylene Neddermeyer Memorial Plaque <i>Intermediate Dog (SC)</i>	Bronboreo Danny AZ	Owner: J Haussler, B Pereira, R Pritchard Handler: M Turoczy
James William Henry Rodger Memorial Plaque <i>Intermediate Bitch Winner (SC)</i>	*Sheprose Heaven Can Wait AZ	Owner: B Owen Handler: K Bruno
Barry O'Rourke Memorial Plaque <i>Junior Dog (SC)</i>	Cinderhof Giotto AZ	Owner: S Lauenstein Handler: K Bruno
Max Stokes Memorial Plaque <i>Junior Bitch (SC)</i>	Bronacre Maeve (AI)	Owner: E & P Neale, A Brinkworth Handler: P Hersant
David O'Rourke Memorial Plaque <i>Dual Performance Winner</i>	*Ch Cinderhof Sansaa AZ SWN ET	Owner: J & J Strachan Handler: H Docherty J Strachan
Rick Richardson Memorial Plaque <i>Obedience Winner of Winners</i>	*Alinka Versace AZ CDX UD	Handler: V Grzeszkiewicz
Sam Bonifacio Memorial Trophy <i>Most Successful Stock Coat Breeder</i>	Cinderhof Kennels	
GSDCA Long Stock Coat Breeders Trophy <i>Most Successful Long Stock Coat Breeder</i>	Lettland Kennels	
Breeders Group Trophy	Cinderhof Kennels	

GSDCA 2025 RETIRING DOGS:

■ *Kaygarr Esther

Member Club Reports

President ACTGSDA – Mr Sasha Beljanski

The ACTGSDCA has a very limited lease on the arena adjacent to our clubhouse. However, the trend has become almost untenable, with Exhibition Park in Canberra (EPIC) the ‘landlord’ leasing out the whole complex for effectively up to four months of the year. This now includes a music/dance event called ‘Spilt Milk’ in December, followed by ‘Summer Nats’ into January, and the Canberra Royal Agricultural Show in February. We then have a 3 to 4 week period over Easter for the Folk Festival.

Add to this our cold winters, rain interruptions, plus the general economic downturn, our Wednesday night training sessions have not maintained the levels of previous years. There is still a core group of dogs and their owners who attend most Wednesday night training sessions

During the year, we have held numerous Scent Work Trials. Club members have participated in local obedience and Scent Work Trials with very successful outcomes.

In relation to conformation shows we have a couple of difficulties. The condition of the actual arena has been allowed to deteriorate by EPIC to the point where it is almost unsuitable for conducting GSD-type show events. This, in conjunction with the high cost of running a show, as well as travel costs for exhibitors, show attendance seems to be reducing significantly. We have only a very small group of local exhibitors, so we would have to rely heavily on interstate competitors.

We have held two Breed Surveys during the year.

We will be looking at diversifying our offerings to competitors to include ‘Sprint Trials’ and other minor types of competitions.

Memberships at our last AGM stood at 127. We have only one membership category, which covers up to two members.

The 2024-25 ACTGSDA Committee are:

President:	Sasha Beljanski	
Vice President:	Daniel Dojcinovski	
Secretary:	Wolf Meffert	
Treasurer:	Ludie Popowycz	
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer:	Kim Kleeman	
Training Co-ordinator:	Shaun Hodson	
Committee Members:	Emma Chambers	Caitlyn Oats
	Debbie Smith	Julie Smith
	Victoria Swalling	Brad Vincent
	Glenda Whitfield	

President GSDL – Matthew Morris

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank both past and present committee members of the German Shepherd Dog League (GSDL). Your dedication, time, and commitment have been instrumental to the continued success and progress of our club. I would also like to acknowledge the many individuals who work tirelessly behind the scenes—your contributions throughout 2025 have been invaluable and are greatly appreciated.

As I complete my first year as President, it is both an honour and a privilege to present the 2025 Annual Report to the National Council’s Annual General Meeting. I am pleased to report that the club concluded the 2025 financial year with a positive result. This achievement is particularly commendable given the logistical challenges faced throughout the year, including airfare and visa complications for judges, as well as last-minute cancellations by

local judges, all of which resulted in significant costs to the club. I extend my sincere thanks to Maurice Jara for his diligent efforts in navigating these challenges and ensuring a successful outcome.

I am also excited to work alongside our newly elected committee, which represents a strong and dynamic mix of youthful enthusiasm, experience, and deep expertise. I look forward to what we can achieve together in the year ahead.

Overview of 2025 Events

The 2025 calendar was full and diverse, offering a wide range of activities for members:

- February 9, 2025 – Breed Survey, Character Assessment and Show Training (Members Day)
- February 15, 2025 – GSDL Twilight Members Competition (6:00 pm – 11:59 pm)
- April 6, 2025 – Breed Survey and Character Assessment
- April 19, 2025 – Games and Trivia Night following judging at the Easter Show
- April 19–20, 2025 – Easter Championship Show
 - Championship Show Judge: Mr Albert Balmer
 - Members Competition Judge: Mr Glenn Gregory
- June 14, 2025 – GSDL Fun Day (9:30 am – 3:30 pm)
 - Introduction to Obedience and Rally O conducted by Kerry Pearce and Ian Heard
 - Agility and Character Assessment activities
- June 15, 2025 – Scent Work Workshop
- June 22, 2025 – Breed Survey and Character Assessment (10:00 am – 1:00 pm)
- August 16, 2025 – Breed Survey and Character Assessment
- August 16–17, 2025 – GSDL State Breed Assessment
- October 11, 2025 – October Championship Show
 - Championship Show Judge: Mr Jürgen Maibüchen (Germany)
 - Members Competition Judge: Ms Karen Hedberg
- October 19, 2025 – Breed Survey and Character Assessment (10:00 am – 3:00 pm)
- December 7, 2025 – Christmas Members Competition and End-of-Year Presentation (8:00 am – 3:00 pm)

The decision to split and relocate the June double-header Members Competitions to April and October proved to be highly beneficial and was well received by members. The June weekend was successfully restructured, with Saturday dedicated to a Fun Day and Introduction to Obedience and Rally, and Sunday devoted to a Scent Work Workshop.

CA (ZAP) Character Assessment Results

- Event Growth: Five CA (ZAP) events were successfully held in 2025, compared to two in 2024.
- Growing Expertise: The GSDL now has nine qualified CA (ZAP) assessors, reflecting the increasing depth of knowledge and capability within our club.

GSDL ZAP Club Number	Pedigree Name	Registration	Sex	DOB	Assessment date	Owner	Pass/Fail	Assessor
GSDL023	Lettland Obsidian Obsession	4100384408	Female	27.02.2023	09.02.2025	Leonie Oakley	PASS	K Morten
GSDL024	Zabenzah Vada	2100614011	Female	17.03.2024	09.02.2025	Vanessa Bland	PASS	J Kada
GSDL025	Fabelhund Admire My Strut	2100607486	Male	25.09.2023	06.04.2025	Jennifer Bourne	PASS	T D'Arcy
GSDL026	Zabenzah Vitalia	2100614012	Female	17.03.2024	09.02.2025	Vanessa Bland	PASS	J Cathie
GSDL027	Fabelhund A Likely Story	2100607487	Female	25.09.2023	06.04.2025	Helen Ratciff	PASS	J Kada
GSDL028	Not used							
GSDL029	Vonohana Kailani	2100556704	Female	27.12.2020	22.06.2025	S & L Yates	PASS	G Jones
GSDL030	Glenbala Original Ambition	2100613402LR	Male	15.01.2024	16.08.2025	Tansin Leckie	PASS	G Stevenson
GSDL031	Sundaneka Shogun	2100621033	Male	29.09.2024	16.08.2025	Paul Dam	PASS	G Gregory
GSDL032	Azincourt Cedar Spirit	2100617363	Female	07.06.2024	16.08.2025	Tanya Carr	PASS	G Gregory
GSDL033	Bernloch Evanescence	2100623107	Female	09.11.2025	16.08.2025	J Bird, C Bird, K Griffiths	PASS	M Groth
GSDL 034	Fabelhund A Calculated Risk	2100607488	Female	25/09/2023	19/10/2025	Ms S Salidu	PASS	M Morris

Key Focus Areas for 2026

- 2026 National Event Preparation
- Progress is well underway, with January set to mark a significant increase in planning activity as the team moves into full preparation mode.

In closing, I would like to thank all members, volunteers, officials, and supporters for their ongoing commitment to the GSDL. Your passion and involvement continue to strengthen our club and its future.

President N&HRGSDC – Paul York

2025 has been a challenging year for the Newcastle and Hunter Region GSDC NSW Incorporated.

Our finances have reduced due to continued low entry numbers and dwindling memberships. Our shows have been successful and have been conducted with all exhibitors exhibiting great sportsmanship, and they have been held with a really positive atmosphere.

Grounds

This year, the weather Gods were kind to us again, making conducting our annual shows much easier. The CNCC have once again taken over the upkeep of the ring resulting in the condition of the ring deteriorating significantly.

Canteen

This year we once again undertook the task of not only running the canteen for our shows but also for the Northern Districts Rottweiler Club of NSW Inc. These proved highly profitable. Several smaller Specialty Clubs have availed themselves of our Canteen, which have also been successful

Committee

This year, we have some new faces on the committee, and already they have breathed new life into the club. It is a fact that not everyone always agrees and that is ok.

GSDCA

Working with the current GSDCA Executive has this year become impossible. The fact the members of the GSDCA Executive have refused to meet with the NHRGSDC NSW Incorporated to discuss multiple issues has led me to believe that the GSDCA Executive do not wish Newcastle to remain part of the GSDCA. That being said Newcastle will not be going anywhere even if some members of the executive refuse to respond to meeting requests to discuss important issues.

Membership

Our membership numbers were decimated in the first half of the financial year due to the collapse of our obedience training. Our chief instructor had to withdraw due to personal issues causing a catastrophic decline in membership. The appointment of a new chief instructor has seen this position turn around with memberships now starting to grow again.

Summary

On the whole, I think that it has been a solid year for the Newcastle and Hunter Region German Shepherd Dog Club NSW Incorporated. I believe that we can only get better and stronger.

President GSDCQ – Sharon Thorp

An overview of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Queensland activities for the year 2025. The GSDCQ membership at the end of our year was 224, this is 36 less than last year. The club focus this year has been on the National at the expense of the general running of the club, we also held less events and due to this and our fundraising efforts going towards the National the club actually had a loss this year, of \$14,000. There was a \$9,000 drop in local fundraising and a \$10,000 drop in entry fees, which contributed partially to the loss. We are currently selling off some of the gazebos and expect to recoup at least \$5-6000 of this loss.

HDED

A total of 47 HD/ ED contracts were issued from January 22nd to November 27th, 2025. This is 10 fewer contracts from the previous year for the same time period.

Breed Survey

In total, the GSDCQ conducted 5 Breed surveys this year and had 20 animals presented to the survey, with 17 successfully classified, 1 for Verification, 2 failures and 1 withdrawn. Last year, by comparison, 31 animals were presented to the breed survey and the year before, 37.

Character Assessment

For the CA Character & Working Tests, the GSDCQ had 10 animals presented, with all animals successfully completing the assessment. Several Character Assessments have been scheduled for 2026.

Show Training

The show training roster worked well for most of the year, but people need reminding of their commitment and we have set processes in place to remind people when they are taking training. The numbers at training on Wednesday night varied and dropped off in November, and we shut it down in December until mid-January 2026. Thank you to Sharon Ballantyne–Gordon, who is coordinating the show training roster for 2026.

Shows

This year, apart from the GSDCA National, the club held one Members Competition and the State Breed on the same weekend, Sharon Ballantyne–Gordon and Melanie Groth judging. Entries were not as high as we would have liked, and at the recent Dec General meeting members have decided after 2026 we will hold the State Breed every second year. Having the shows cancelled in March, not having the Double Header Championship show in July has made a huge difference to the number of events the club held for the show fraternity.

Obedience

2025 also saw the discontinuation of Obedience Classes. The decision to cancel the Obedience Classes was not an easy decision, as we really need to encourage our members to participate in such classes, but with the classes very poorly attended, we have ceased and will reconsider the future of the Obedience classes in 2026. There is a suggestion to offer trialling-type lessons for those members currently or considering entering dog sport competitions.

Trials

Well, what can I say about Dog Sports in 2025, except that it was an absolutely spectacular effort and result. GSDCQ hosted 15 Dog Sporting events in 2025, which I'm sure is some kind of record. In May, an Unrestricted Double Rally Trial was held, with 65 Entries across both trials and 23 Qualifications awarded. June was our Unrestricted Double Working Pack Dog Trial, which saw a whopping 71 entries over the weekend. A total of 45 Qualifications were handed out over the weekend. Working Pack Dog is becoming a very popular dog sport, and with limited trials available, the number of entries per trial is increasing. July was our single Unrestricted Endurance Trial, which saw only four entries (a bit disappointing), with only one dog qualifying. Endurance seems to be a dying sport, with few people taking the opportunity to really showcase their dogs' endurance. July was also our Unrestricted Double Tricks Test, which saw 34 Entries with 32 Qualifications handed out. In November, the GSDCQ hosted an Unrestricted Double Rally Trial and an Unrestricted Double Tricks Test, 93 and 46 entries were received, respectively, with 39 and 21 Qualifying Scores obtained.

Now, onto the biggest event in our Dog Sport Calendar: the 51st GSD National, which saw entries of 28 Obedience Competitors and 25 Rally Competitors. Although the number of entries was a little disappointing. Of the 28 Obedience Competitors, seven qualified in their respective classes, with three earning an Excellence Medallion. Of the 25 Rally Competitors, seven achieved Qualifications, and of those seven, four achieved an Excellence Medallion, which was a fantastic result. The curtain raiser at the National consisted of a Restricted Scent Work Trial and Restricted Tricks Test. The Tricks test saw five competitors, and the Scent Work Trial saw a massive 92 entries. This curtain raiser proved to be a momentous success, and we, the GSDCQ, have paved the way for other Nationals to introduce a "Curtain Raiser" and to explore adding other sporting disciplines to the GSDCA National Event.

National

A detailed report was submitted to the NBC meeting, showing that the GSCQ made a small profit. Whilst the National was a success, and a good time was had by all, and the exhibitors were very well catered for, this has come at the expense of other events that the club might have held; consequently, this has led to a loss in club activities for the year. My personal opinion is that whilst QLD always holds a great National, the time to withdraw from the roster is upon us. The numbers that travel to QLD due to a variety of economic and geographical reasons are declining, the two years of fundraising for the event put a huge burden on the club, and those running the event. It is very taxing and draining, and National burnout is a reality. So, I think it's time for us to step back while the current National format remains, and the club is still expected to carry the financial burden. This will be put to the members at our General Meeting in January for their voting, and I can report on the outcome at the GSDCA AGM.

Editor/Facebook /Website

Jess Bird has put out one newsletter, and the website is currently being updated with the 2026 information, the end-of-year awards, and the point score, and the 2025 GSDCQ Management committee has been changed for the 2026 year.

Puppy Listings

The number of listings for this reporting year (Sept 2023- Oct 2024) was 42, compared with the same time last year (51), so there is a decrease in listings from the 2023 figure. Incredibly, there was only one month, March 2025, that had no listings.

Breed Rescue

The past 12 months have seen a significant decrease in re-homing requests and even fewer people wanting a new dog. 'Available' dogs this year numbered 35, and only 15 'wanting'. The number of dogs available has substantially decreased from 2024, when 89 shepherds needed a new home.

Point Score/End Of Year

The GSDCQ Point score has run for the third year, and the awards will soon be sent to people, as will the certificates the club chose to do for the end-of-year awards, apart from major achievements, where there were trophies.

Sponsors

The GSDCQ is pleased to announce that we have Mavlab (Fidos) and Royal Canin on board for 2026.

Conclusion

We welcome Tracey Rehberg as Secretary, Karl Maresh as Treasurer, Michelle Hammond as Breed Affairs, Marcelle Wetzlar as Minutes secretary, a newly created position of Grounds Chair David Hague, and Zone 2 Rep, Stuart Hurley. A big thank you to the outgoing committee members, your work over the last few years is appreciated by me, the committee and the members. We look forward to seeing you all in 2026.

President GSDCSA – John De Lucia

A big thank you to all Committee members and club members who have helped and assisted the GSDC of SA throughout the year. Your support is greatly appreciated.

A special thank you to our major sponsor, Royal Canin, for their generous and continued support of the club and to members who have sponsored throughout the year. Sales of Royal Canin have once again helped the finances of the club, which is very pleasing. A big thank you to all our supporters who have contributed to fundraising for the club.

Our club membership has held reasonably well with all the pressures of other activities available now.

Our club library is being updated with more information and history along with magazines and general information being bound and indexed and movie tapes and DVD's being placed on USB sticks - all thanks to Annette Nation who has done an incredible job.

A massive shout out to those that have started to help fundraise for the 54th National Show and trial and who volunteered at the Dogs SA Canteen and BBQ, as the funds raised greatly contributed to our coffers along with the fantastic efforts of, Robin Archbold, who manages and organises the raffles throughout the year. We also had a very successful fundraising dinner at the Greyhound races this year.

The club manned a stand at Pet Expo over two days which was very well received by members of the public who were able to discuss the breed and meet some of our member's dogs.

The club held four Breed Surveys with a total of 30 animals presented and 29 classified animals with one failure. The club held 2 Championship Shows, 3 Members' Competitions and 1 Open Show. The club held 2 obedience trials during the year, along with our ET. Obedience is on a downhill spiral in SA, with all clubs seeing drops in entries, which seems to be a sign of the times.

Our Presentation Day was once again well received with a great turnout and all awards presented and gifts given to all who helped throughout the year. The club also added 4 new Point Score trophies this year to encourage our members to participate. Our club survives because we have a good volunteer base, and with these hard-working members and non-members, we are able to offer good club rooms and good food to all who attend our grounds, so we do thank them greatly.

The club once again has finished the year with money in the bank, and overall, the club is in a healthy financial position. A full annual report can be found on the club website, gsdcsa.org.au

President GSDCT - Janet Haase

In August, the German Shepherd Dog Club of Tasmania held its Annual General Meeting (AGM), during which we confirmed our office bearers and committee members for the 2025–2026 year. We are pleased to present the committee for this reporting period:

- President: Janet Haase
- Vice President: Tass Massis
- Secretary: Gabrielle Peacock
- Treasurer / Membership Officer: Sandra Parker
- Public Officer: Russell Lowery
- Show Secretary: Russell Lowery
- Breed Affairs Officer: Lorraine Massis
- Committee Members: Lisa Williams, Maureen Lowery, Jurgen Haase, Carol Mason, Kristy Hall

Member Achievements

Our members have continued to represent the Club with enthusiasm and professionalism throughout the year across specialty, dog sport, and all-breeds rings. A number of members also made the significant journey to the National in Queensland — a commitment of nearly 6,000 kilometres for those who travelled by road with their dogs, and a considerable financial undertaking for those who flew with their dogs. Your efforts strengthen the breed's presence and reputation within the wider dog community.

Events

This year the Club successfully conducted five Championship Shows, providing exhibitors with valuable opportunities to present their dogs under a range of judges. We also held three Breed Surveys and one Character Assessment. These events continue to play an important role in supporting responsible breeding, promoting sound temperament, and maintaining the integrity of the German Shepherd Dog in Tasmania.

Financial Update

The Club's finances remain stable, with a balance exceeding \$12,000. During the year, we utilised the flood-recovery grant received last year to replace essential equipment, including new scales, a fridge, kitchen items, a measuring stick, and other necessary assets. These upgrades ensure the Club can continue to operate smoothly and support members effectively.

Training

Our Saturday training sessions continue to be a cornerstone of the club's activities, providing camaraderie, fun, and development for both dogs and handlers. Sincere thanks go to training coordinator Carol Mason, whose consistent support and commitment remain invaluable to our members.

Looking Ahead

As a small but dedicated club, we remain proud of our achievements and the recognition earned by our members. We look forward to our February Shows, which will be judged by Melanie Groth and Jess Kada, as well as our biannual SBE in late April, judged by Jane Pike. We also anticipate reconnecting with our members and interstate colleagues as we move into another active year.

Thank you to every member for your contribution throughout the year. Your involvement keeps our club strong and our focus firmly on the German Shepherd Dog.

President GSDCV – Vince Ebejer

As President of the GSDCV, I am presenting this report to the GSDCA AGM. I would like to begin by acknowledging our members, without their continued support and belief in our organisation, we would not be here.

I am pleased to thank Royal Canin for their continued support during 2025. Their position as the Major Sponsor of the GSDCV will continue into 2026. Our relationship with Royal Canin has lasted for well over a decade and has provided our exhibitors with a wealth of donated products and other items, benefiting both the Club and the membership as a whole. Importantly, our members have access to a premium product through our extensive branch structure at a competitive price, enabling them to provide an exceptional feeding product to their GSD. We also extend our gratitude to Monash Veterinary Clinic for their long-standing support

During the past year, members across the state were able to train their GSDs, with larger branches training over 90 GSDs on any given weekend, and smaller branches training over 20. The GSDCV conducted Trials: Endurance, Rally and Obedience, two Championship Shows, a State Breed Exhibition, an Open show, Character Assessments, Structural Assessments, Breed Surveys, four Special General Meetings, as well as monthly Branch Committee meetings and monthly Management Meetings. We also trained a new batch of Instructors. These events are made possible by a multitude of volunteers, whether on one of our numerous committees, instructing, or just helping out because it was needed. They all gave up their time for the benefit of others. Their contributions are essential, and we greatly appreciate their efforts.

Numbers at the point of writing this report show the GSDCV with 2024 members comprising 1156 units across our 11 branches. Numbers are down compared to previous years; we attribute this to fluctuations in puppy births and financial pressures. However, these numbers remain significant and reflect our reach across Victoria, our structure, inclusiveness, and catering to all our members.

Planning for the **53rd GSDCA National GSD Show & Trial** to be hosted by the GSDCV is underway. The dates of 16th, 17th & 18th April 2027 have been confirmed with the GSDCA Executive and the grounds at KCC Park have been booked and allocated. Both Conformation judges, Robert Lang (SV) and Torsten Kopp (SV), have been contacted and have returned their contracts. The panel of performance judges has been submitted to the GSDCA Obedience chair and approved and in the process of being contracted for the event. The GSDCV National Show & Trial Committee will manage the event with full planning beginning in early 2026.

As in previous years, the GSDCV financial statements will be detailed in the GSDCV 2025 Annual Report, which will be mailed to the GSDCA Secretary and each of our affiliate Clubs.

President GSDAWA – Robyn Knuckey

The GSDAWA has been very active during the GSDCA business year. We had successful trials, shows and Breed Surveys. We conduct weekly obedience classes. We had limited involvement in ZAP/Character Assessments. In the coming year, we will look at how to promote this to our members to improve participation.

There has been a strong focus in March 2025 on the future direction of the club, and a Special General Meeting was held to garner feedback from the members. As we own our own grounds freehold, there is a great deal of general maintenance required. Plus, the existing clubhouse is nearing the end of its useful life. The members overwhelmingly wanted to keep our grounds.

With this, we are looking at grant applications to maintain our grounds and planning what a new clubhouse would look like. The other main thing is managing the trees on the property. In the last 12 months, 4 trees have fallen; they are called 'widow makers' for a reason. With this, we have worked hard with a plan to trim trees and remove those around the clubhouse to prevent damage to the clubhouse. We have created a building amenities fee, which is a voluntary fee from members that can only be used to build a new clubhouse.

We have maintained membership levels, sitting at just over 400 memberships at our AGM in August. Our AGM had 4 positions contested for position holders. This election was hotly contested, causing some concerns within the membership. With the highest voting numbers seen in many years. The current management committee was re-elected. The current management committee has worked cohesively during the year and has worked tirelessly for the club.

We are looking to broaden our use of the club grounds to help cover maintenance costs. We currently lease a part of the grounds to Greyhound Racing for training purposes. The lease was recently renegotiated with a 20% uplift. We also have a weekly contract with an Archery Club for the use of the grounds. We have just started primary discussions with a school to hire the grounds for using drones as a part of their curriculum.

Financially, the club is in solid territory, but with the planned upcoming expenses, we need to look at increasing our income stream some more. We are looking at additional fundraising ventures. Some ideas from members include a fair, car boot sales, and getting orders for club logo number plate surrounds. During the year, we will investigate more opportunities.

Shows

We had a successful show season with three championship shows, 2 members competitions, 2 open shows and 1 state breed exhibition. Entries ranged from 41 to 64 in specialist shows. The Show Committee raises funds throughout the year to cover the cost of 2 international judges each year, as well as judges from the Eastern States to adjudicate our shows. The Show Committee, led by Lee-Anne Shea, does an amazing job. All congratulations to the team for another successful year.

Trials

We have a dedicated trials team, led by Dr Diane Webb, that support all of our trials. In the time period of October 1, 2024, to September 30, 2025, the GSDAWA ran three obedience and rally trials, October, February and July. One obedience, rally and tricks trial in April and an endurance test in July. The ET had an entry of 10, and all 10 passed. The trial entries were on par with the previous year.

Breed Surveys

The club held 4 breed surveys during the year. For the second year, when a breed surveyor/judge from the Eastern States adjudicates one of our shows, we schedule a breed survey on the same weekend to provide greater choice for our members allows the 2 WA resident breed surveyors the opportunity to present their own animals to breed survey. The total number of animals presented this year was 19, with 1 failure. The previous year was 25, and 12 the year prior to that.

Obedience classes

We run weekly obedience classes on a Sunday morning from March to early November, covering puppy classes, beginners, then levels 1-4 and trial classes. Every fortnight, rally classes are held on a Thursday night. We are lucky to have two accredited animal behaviouralists as trainers for the GSDAWA. This enables us to offer customised training for reactive dogs when the need arises.

As per Dogs West rules, all sanctioned events from 1 December to 31 March cannot commence prior to 6.00 pm, and the temperature must be below 32 °C. During last summer, we had to cancel training a number of times due to the Dogs West heat policy.

National Breed Commission Report – Melanie Groth



Rejoining the Executive of the Council in 2025 has been a very busy but rewarding year.

Our achievements include a highly successful, informative, and educational National Breed Commission meeting with very good face to face and online presence. Enthusiasts from New Zealand, India, USA, UK, and Europe joined us for the educational day which was most gratifying. Jacinta Poole led the development of the national online application process for Breed Survey that was rolled out in September 2025. This system enables the National and state Breed Survey registrars to work in the online platform in real time and reduces their workload significantly. We have progressed our work collectively on the Breed Survey Worksheet to enable surveyors to capture subtle changes that have occurred within the breed over the past 20 years. This process has not gone as quickly as first anticipated as there are many things to consider and we want to make sure the changes are reflective of what is required by our surveyors. Thank you to the surveyors who have provided input via meetings and communications with ideas and counsel towards the BS7 worksheet development in 2025. I reported on meetings with our Continental Director, Heather McDonald and the WUSV from Nuremburg BSZS 2025, and an in-depth report on the major sires at this year's Sieger Show was also published in the Quarterly Review for members.

Thank you to the NBC meeting presenters, Jo Morris, Dr Robert Zammit and Louis Donald who at their own expense, attended and presented at the education day, in August. The sessions provided the attendees and observers with a variety of evidence-based, informative, and interesting material for a broad spectrum of the fraternity. There is much value in meeting face to face each year and for those who could not join us due to geographical challenges were able to enjoy the material via the online mode. The feedback from this event has

been very positive. Thank you to Janet Haase and Gail Donald for ensuring the technology, sound and monitoring of the feed was on point throughout the two days. Thank you also to the GSDL of NSW who provided monetary supplement for the meeting space for assistance with expenses, and to Janet and Peter Flynn for organising bookings and accommodation for delegates.

The National Sire's progeny report has been published in the Quarterly Review and is available on the website for those who wish to view it online and as per the regulations it is provided as an appendix in the GSDCA Annual report. Thank you to the Judge's Chair, Jenny DeLucia who assisted with her input, physically at the National and to the finished product. Thank you to Gail Donald, Editor for her publishing skills in ensuring that the publication of this important material is visually complementary.

Breed Surveys across Australia – Currently, there are 23 surveyors and one aspirant across Australia. It is recognised that in some states, specifically Western Australia, Queensland, ACT and Tasmania there is a significantly reduced number of surveyors resident or available to survey at member clubs. This year two of our most long-standing surveyors, Fay Stokes and Carol O'Rourke decided to retire from active surveying. We have formally thanked them for their service to the Council. However, it is important to acknowledge their continuous 40 plus years of contribution to the Council and the Breed Survey schemes. Carol served as a surveyor in Western Australia before moving to Queensland in 2008 and retiring just prior to the National. Fay has been the coordinator in NSW for as long as I can remember and retired in April.

At the 2025 AGM, a motion was passed to support clubs who have difficulty accessing a team of surveyors, to utilise Character Assessment personnel or GSDCA/ANKC Judges to assist at a survey where only one surveyor is available. Where there is a state team to choose from and GSDCA surveyors are available to survey then it is not the club's prerogative to only have one surveyor and one assistant. The rationale for the motion was geographical location and access to a reduced team such as in Qld and WA who only have two resident surveyors, to enable surveyors to breed survey animals they own or part own.

During 2025 the Newcastle & Hunter Region of NSW Club, that has access to the largest state team in the country (NSW) has challenged the motion and expressed the wish to only have one surveyor and an assistant for its surveys. Approval for this to occur was not granted, as enough NSW surveyors have been available, notwithstanding that specific surveyors have been requested by owners of dogs wishing to survey their animals at the club. This ruling has caused some considerable angst between the Council executive and the Club. The criticism levelled at myself for standing my ground is unjustified. As an example, during the year approval was sought twice by the Qld club for their October and December surveys. In October, an adjustment was made by the club to the timing of the survey to enable a second surveyor, flying in for the show that weekend could assist. Approval was granted for the December survey and Michelle Hammond; all breeds Judge and state registrar assisted as a second surveyor could not be provided without significant cost to the Council. Approval also was sought and granted to the Tasmanian club that hold their surveys in conjunction with shows for only having one surveyor present in September, where Matthew Morris assisted Peter Flynn. The other surveys held by Tasmania managed to have two surveyors present.

I ask the Member clubs to support the GSDCA Breed Survey scheme in ensuring that the systems and processes for the running of surveys are followed by all clubs and that this regulation is utilised correctly as it was intended. Due to the choice of surveyor rule, clubs that are holding surveys in conjunction with shows, where a GSDCA Judge/Surveyor is contracted, can of course utilise that surveyor. Owners will exercise their right to choice, and subsequently the expectation is that clubs utilise the survey team in the state of domicile.

The data in this year's Registrar's reports demonstrate an overall downward trend in numbers of animals being presented to survey across the country. This decline is occurring geographically, where the number of breeders has reduced significantly over the past decade. The symptoms of the overall decline in most canine activities that align with dog shows is across most pure-bred dog breeds. A surge in Dog Sport events that are not based on anatomy or subjectively adjudicated offers an opportunity for those enthusiasts to promote breed survey as it is intended, a breed improvement scheme. There are many people now exhibiting at all breeds shows that could

be flying the flag and promoting survey to those people outside our membership reach. Some promotional work could be done by the Council in targeting people competing in these areas, to contribute to breed improvement by submitting their dogs to our schemes. We now have non-member opportunities for people to engage with us through our fees structure.

New Zealand matters In discussions with President, Mike Bradley and Vice President, Melissa Bradley of the NZ German Shepherd Advisory Council at the National and post National, I have put forward a proposal for more involvement with the New Zealand scene moving forward. I hope that Australian members support this initiative, as collectively we can work with New Zealand for the benefit of both countries.

The GSDCA Breed Survey Team have welcomed a new aspirant, Andrew O'Loughlin (SA) into the fold and I am relying on surveyors to mentor Andrew in his development. Nicky McDermott's elevation from aspirant to Breed Surveyor was confirmed at the NBC meeting and requires ratification at the 2026 AGM. Congratulations to both Nicky and Andrew for taking this important step to join the fold and provide their knowledge and expertise to breeders and owners in the future.

NBC Portfolio Team work A big thank you to Jessica Kada, **National Breed Survey Registrar**, who joined the NBC team in 2025 to take over this important job. Jess picked up the reins in February and has added value to the team, co leading the implementation of the online system with Jacinta. Jess is a collaborator and is highly professional in running her portfolio for the Council. Thank you, Jess for your great work this year. It is a big job and you have developed positive relationships with the Registrars, State Coordinators, and surveyors, particularly in following up on paperwork and turnaround of surveys to members.

National Hip, Elbow Dysplasia Control Scheme Registrar Jacinta Poole serves the Council and NBC with so many hats. I cannot thank her enough for all that she has done in her portfolio and beyond. Jacinta manages her portfolio with professionalism and confidentiality. She is future focussed and has provided the fraternity with amazing turnaround times for receiving HDED results and certificates. She works with the data and our readers professionally, providing expert advice and wise counsel for analysis of material. As mentioned earlier she was instrumental in the development of the online processes for Breed Survey and we will see a much more streamlined approach in 2026 as this system gains momentum for club members.

Breed Health & Welfare Committee Chairperson, Dr Candy Baker, continues her work with DNA and gathering information from Breeders and current issues to provide advice for the fraternity. I encourage all members to utilise Candy and complete forms regarding irregularities that may occur in breeding. This information can be used by the Council to help us guide our progress in Breed Health and Welfare. Thank you to Candy for all you do for us in this important portfolio. Dr Rob Zammit, recently retired from his Veterinary role at Vineyard has some more time to offer the fraternity and has very kindly offered his expertise to assist the Council with educational seminars and the Breed Health and Welfare portfolio. Robert joined me in a seminar for the GSDC of Victoria in October and was extremely well received by members there.

National Title Verification Officer, Kurt Morton, has been active in his role attending to applications for verifications promptly and efficiently throughout the year. Thank you to Kurt for adding value to the National Breed Commission team. Kurt has been a great resource with his knowledge of policy and regularly provides input into initiatives and working parties behind the scenes. Kurt quietly goes about his job and his input is highly valued.

Database Coordinator, as always, Frank Moody has managed the GSDCA database for another year. Frank is always on hand to provide solutions and trouble shoot any issues that occur in the background. Thank you, Frank for your generosity of time and willingness to serve the Council in this important portfolio.

Each year the NBC chair reports on dogs that have been suspended and provides a list of animals who have been issued with Dentition Certificates throughout the year. Those lists are presented for your information in the next table.

Dogs Australia Aggressive Dog Suspensions NBC Annual Report 2025

The following is a list of currently suspended aggressive dogs as advised by the relevant Member Body. The accuracy of this list is determined by the relevant bodies updating the list periodically throughout the year. Data lifted from Dogs Australia and Dogs Queensland websites, 30 December 2025.

[NOTE: Member Body offices must advise Dogs Australia once the suspension has been lifted in order for entries to be removed from this listing.]

Dogs previously surveyed and still suspended are indicated on the GSDCA Database

MEMBER BODY	DOG'S NAME	REGISTRATION NUMBER	SUSPENSION START DATE
DOGS ACT	KAIZERSTERN DUKE	2100384132LR	27/08/2016
DOGS WEST	OCC ROCH SABARANBURG PURPLE RAIN	6100093268	21/08/2023
	GEWALT JUST CRUZIN	5100126464	23/08/2025
DOGS QUEENSLAND	SHEPROSE WHAT A PERFORMER	5100115669	28/08/2021 / Life
	ANCARTRA BADAS NELSONS GIRL	4100336568	22/04/2023
	DAMONTE YOGI BEAR	5100106985	14/09/2024
	ALPHAFORCE ALBATROSS	3100464461	16/06/2024
DOGS NSW	SUNDANEKA D AMORE	2100564370	22/11/2024
DOGS SA	DESTINYGEM CATCHME IFYOU CAN	5100062797	06/09/2015
DOGS TASMANIA	KARRAINE RAVE ON	7100021738	04/03/2012
	KARRAINE XTRA SASSY	7100020006	02/06/2013
DOGS VICTORIA	KAZKIRI XIVAS MA BELLE AMIE (LSC)	3100310493	31/10/2016
	RANTINO I AM THE LEGEND (LSC)	3100372569	10/03/2019
	TRI CH (T) (TS) KILLARA THE GREEN MILL MURDER	3100309893	21/12/2019
	DERKIESER AKIRA SWN	3100461028	22/11/2025

Four certificates were issued during 2025. This information is held on the GSDCA website. It can be a worrying time when dogs injure their mouths and subsequently require the removal of dentition. I encourage owners to read the regulations regarding the issuing of tooth certificates. Certificates can only be issued for dogs who have had a tooth removed; not for broken teeth that are visible above the gum line. The dog's name is not on the certificate. The dog is issued with a number and the official certificate must be presented when exhibiting a dog in a GSDCA specialist show so that the judge is informed that the dog previously had full dentition prior to injury or removal of teeth.

Dentition Certificates issued during 2025

NUMBER	DOG'S NAME	DENTITION ISSUE	DATE OF ISSUE
10149A	GEWALT ARAMIS	Lower Left Incisor 3 (403) missing	MG16/02/2025
10150	CHEVYVALE CLEARLY DEVINE	Upper Left incisor 2 (202) missing Upper Left incisor 3 (203) medial chip	MG 09/04/2025
10151	GERMULF VALENTINE	Lower Right Premolar 1 missing (405)	MG 11/08/2025
10152	TEAM BERN TIGER OF SWEDEN	Upper Right Premolar 1 missing (105)	MG 13/10/2025

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51st National Sires Progeny Report

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GSDCA Website



In conclusion, thank you to all the NBC team for their work and dedication to their roles throughout 2025. Thank you to my fellow executive for their counsel, dialogue, and work behind the scenes. We may not always agree on things, however robust discussions and communication are a necessary part of the job and we are all trying to do the best we can for the German Shepherd Dog in our own way. Sometimes, I feel that we often misunderstand one another's intentions and draw conclusions of our own making instead of trusting that there is no hidden agenda. At the risk of sounding cliché, united we stand, divided we fall; it is not personal, it is business. It is important for all of us to stay true to the cause and that is; the promotion, health, and wellbeing of the German Shepherd Dog.

National Breed Commission Portfolio Reports

- HD ED Registrar – Jacinta Poole
- National Breed Survey Registrar – Jess Kada
- Breed Health & Welfare Coordinator – Dr Candice Baker
- Verifications Officer – Kurt Morton
- Database Coordinator – Frank Moody

HD ED Registrar – Jacinta Poole

For all your HDED x-ray needs, visit: www.gsdcouncilaustralia.org/xraycentre

The GSDCA Hip and Elbow Scheme is now embedded as a digital online processing system that has streamlined getting results quickly and easily and without hassle for owners. Having been in place for 18 months to date, nearly all applications are now online, as are x-ray submissions. Results from radiologists are generally received within 2 days of submission, often less. Registrars have also benefitted with eased workloads online. Printed AZ certificates are posted to owners next day after results.



It's hard to argue that it's not a great system from start to finish for all users! 😊

With that being said, x-ray submissions over the year have continued on a downward trend and the GSDCA and Clubs need to continue to encourage participation in this most important scheme for the health of our dogs.

GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme Records

Below is a current summary that is included on the GSDCA website homepage for public information about our schemes, current at 30/12/2025.

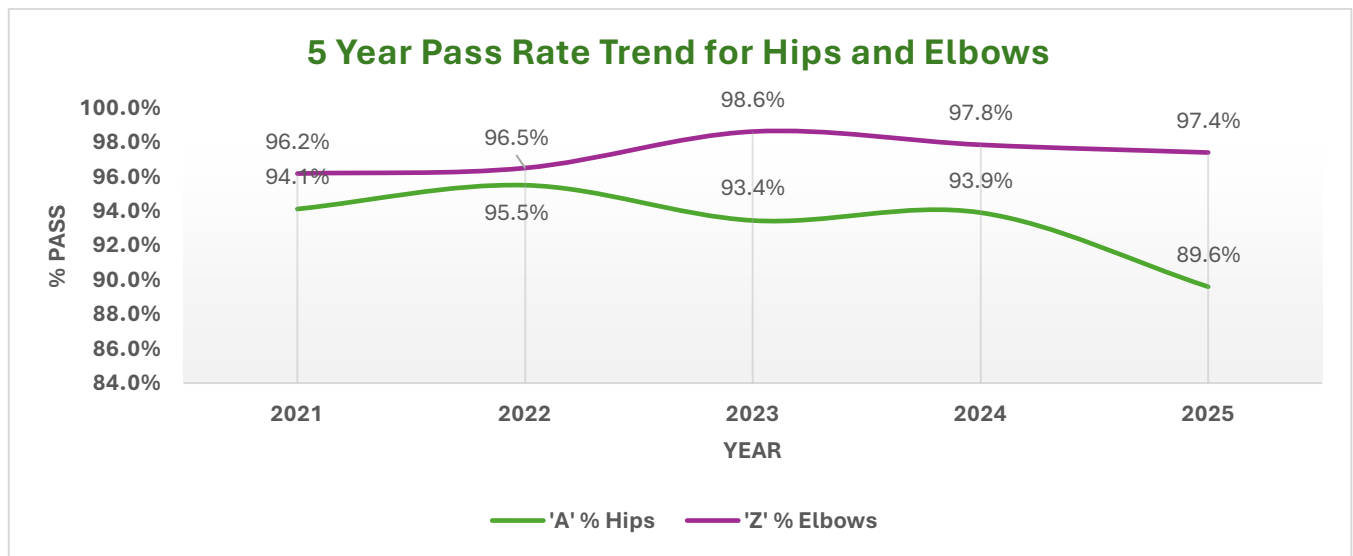
X-Ray Results in our Database	Breed Surveys in our Database	Animals completed Character Assessment	GSDCA Hip Score 5 year Rolling Ave
13357	2704	183	7.50

For the 12 month reporting period 1st October 2024 to 30th September 2025, there were 230 animals presented to the HDED Scheme with pass rates slightly lower than previous years. The 5 year trend of less animals being x-rayed across the country continues. 76% of the animals presented were females and 24 % males. UAP continues to present in a very small number of animals.

Animals submitted 1 October 2024 to 30 September 2025							
Year	total	'A'	%	'Z'	%	UAP	%
2024_2025	230	206	89.57%	224	97.39%	5	2.17%

The table and graph below display the 5-year data and trend for Hip and Elbow results for animals presented to the scheme.

5 Year Average Data of Animals Submitted to the GSDCA HDED Scheme							
Year	Total	'A'	Pass %	'Z'	Pass %	UAP	% affected
2020_2021	340	320	94.1%	327	96.2%	6	1.76%
2021_2022	400	382	95.5%	386	96.5%	5	1.25%
2022_2023	290	271	93.4%	286	98.6%	0	0.00%
2023_2024	279	262	93.9%	273	97.8%	5	1.79%
2024_2025	230	206	89.6%	224	97.4%	5	2.17%
5 Year Ave	1539	1441	93.6%	1496	97.20%	21	1.36%



Full Database Hip and Elbow Statistics

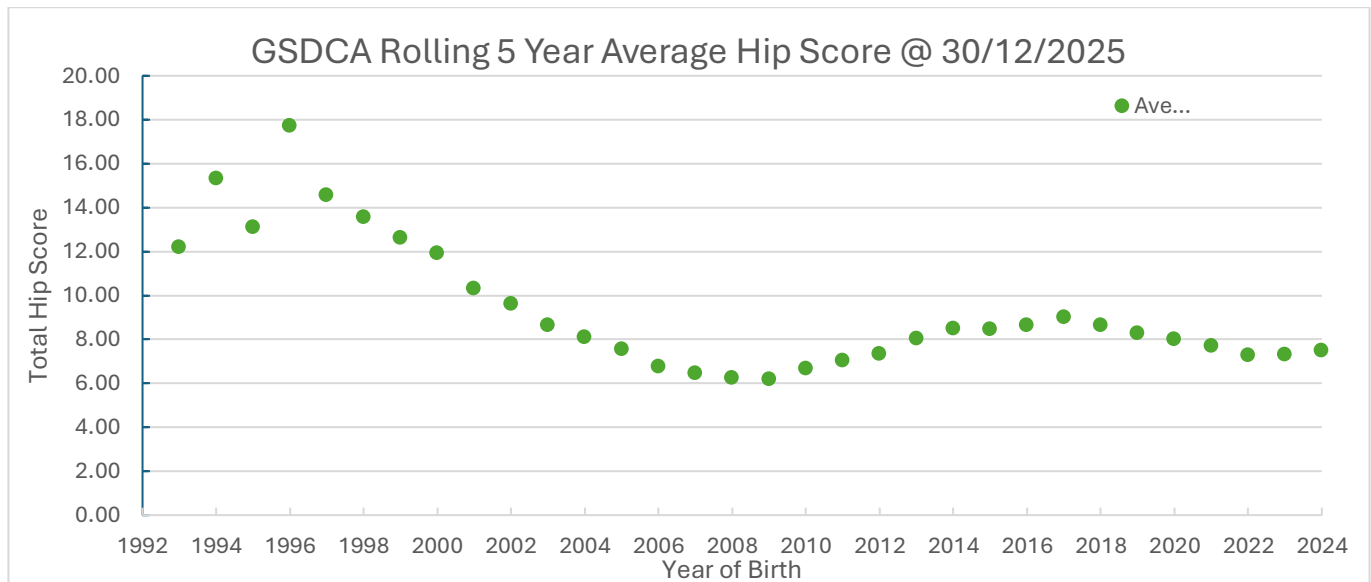
In the GSDCA database there are a total of 13357 records for hips and elbows to 30/12/2025.

Total Presented	Presented for Hips	'A' Stamp	% Pass	Presented for Elbows	'Z' Stamp	% Pass	UAP Present	% affected
13357*	13290	11683	87.9%	13288	12916	97.2%	160	1.19%

*Note for statistical purposes 69 animals were presented for hips only, 67 animals presented for Elbows only

Breed Scheme Performance – Average Hip Score

From this data, the current GSDCA 'live' 5 year rolling average Hip Score at 30/12/2025 is **7.50** and which is currently on a slightly upward trend.



Hip & Elbow Contract Costs

Again, in 2025, there was an upward adjustment of the costs for GSDCA hip and elbow contracts. This continues from the review at the request of the radiologists in 2024 and saw a further net increase in the cost of scoring hips and elbows, effective 1st August 2025. This increase reflects the value of the GSDCA scheme to the Radiologists and brings them closer in line to their fees for the CHEDS scheme. It also covers an increase in Australia Post costs for sending certificates. Following from the 2025 AGM, the scheme was also opened to use by non-members, and fees were adjusted accordingly for those participating.

HD & ED CONTROL SCHEME FEES		
From 1 August 2025		
	Charge to Members	Charge to Non-Members
HD/ED Form – Hips & Elbows	\$120.00	\$130.00
HD/ED Form – Hips only	\$74.00	\$90.00
HD/ED Form – Elbows only	\$55.00	\$60.00
HD/ED Appeal	\$135.00	\$140.00

Summary

Every x-ray submitted adds to our statistics for our breed and its betterment. We've made it easy and simple to participate in our schemes, for both members and non-members. Online, rapid contracts, easy x-ray submission and quick results. We just need to ensure more members get on board to utilise the system.

A significant thank you to the State Registrars for their efforts in processing applications and answering questions. Most would agree that the move to digital processing has eased their workload, processing contracts quickly and have been able to assist members with using the system.

Thank you to our radiologists Dr Roger Lavelle, Dr Jennifer Richardson and Dr Ana Hayes, who continued to support our schemes and utilising the digital system provided results in a very timely manner all year. Dr Mariano Makara adjudicated as required during 2025.

Thank you to Frank Moody for his database assistance and the GSDCA Webmaster for ensuring the digital HDED portal and software continues to operate smoothly.

As x-ray submissions trend down, its vitally important we continue to promote and actively encourage owners to x-ray their animals. Hopefully this can then translate to more continuing on to breed surveying too. If breeders can encourage their owners to understanding the importance of health and monitoring and guide them through the process, we can achieve much more. Thank you to those breeders who actively help and assist their owners to be part of the ongoing health promotion of our dogs.

For any questions, please don't hesitate to contact myself at any time. For anyone using the online HDED portal needing technical help, assistance is available anytime by contacting the HDED Registrar: HDED@gsdcouncilaustralia.org or phone 0403 455 858.

NBC Breed Survey Registrar Report – Jess Kada

NBC Breed Survey Registrar Annual Report 2025

Breed Survey numbers by State and Coat variety 1 January – 31 December 2025

A total of 32 surveys were held by GSDCA Member Clubs between February and December in 2025. This is six more surveys than for the same period last year. Victoria, Queensland, ACT and Tasmania held one extra in their states, and Newcastle held two. Although considering overall more surveys were held, compared with the same period last year, numbers have unfortunately declined for the second year running.

With 119 animals presented for classification in 2025; this is 20 less than 2024 and compared with 151 in 2023. Stock coats accounted for 72% of all animals surveyed. The percentage of Long Stock Coats presented to survey dropped slightly with 28% of all animals presented, when compared to 29% in 2024. Overall, however there is a similar trend in both Stock Coats and Long Stock Coats even with the drop in overall numbers, approximately ¾ of all animals surveyed are Stock Coats.

Table 1 – GSDCA Member Club Breed Survey Numbers 2025

Club	Survey No.	Animals presented to survey	SC	LSC	Classified	Fail	Fail reason	Imported dogs
ACTGSDA	2	10	9	1	10	0	N/A	2
GSDAWA	4	18	12	6	16	2	1 – Temperament 1 – Gun test	0
GSDCQ	6	20	18	2	18	2	1 – Height 1 – Gun test	1
GSDCSA	4	14	10	4	12	2	1 – Gun test 1 - Height	0
GSDCT	3	6	5	1	5	1	1 - Temperament	0
GSDCV	6	22	13	9	19	3	3 – Gun Test	1
GSDL	5	21	16	5	20	1	1 – Gun test	2
NHRGSDC	2	8	3	5	7	1	1 - Teeth	1
Totals	32	119	86	33	107	12		7

It should be noted that although there has been a 18% drop in overall animals presented to survey, even with more surveys held compared with 2024, there has been an increase in the number of fails from 2024, with 7 fails last year and 12 in 2025.

The reasons for failing survey should be noted, with 7 failing the gun test, 2 failing the character/temperament test, 2 animals over the Breed Survey size limitation and 1 with an incorrect bite.

Table 2 (below) provides the trend data over the past 6 years for member clubs and can be examined visually in Chart 1, between 2020 and 2025. Analysis of the data shows that the ACT club increased to two surveys held this year, most likely due to demand, often supported by members of the GSDL who live closer to Canberra than the venues offered in Sydney.

Newcastle expressed interest in holding a survey in 2024, but it did not eventuate. However, in 2025, it held 2 surveys. The numbers for this club’s survey, however, are affected, as it is only 1 hr away from the GSDL club, which conducts more surveys throughout the year.

The GSDL numbers are affected by ACT and Queensland and are once again the lowest of this six year period. The South Australian club numbers have dropped slightly in comparison to other years, and the Tasmanian club has remained consistent with its numbers through this period by comparison. Both the WA and QLD clubs have overall remained relatively consistent with the number of animals presented.

Table 2 - 5 Year Comparison by State – Dogs; Presented (P), Classified (C), Failed (F) 2020-2025

STATE	P	C	F	P	C	F	P	C	F	P	C	F	P	C	F	P	C	F
	2025			2024			2023			2022			2021			2020		
ACT	10	10	0	11	10	1	5	5	0	13	13	0	0	0	0	8	8	0
NEW	8	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0	11	10	1
GSDL	20	19	1	23	23	0	38	33	5	27	24	3	29	28	1	26	23	3
QLD	20	18	2	31	28	3	37	31	6	37	36	1	27	27	0	20	15	5
SA	14	12	2	26	25	1	27	24	3	21	19	2	26	25	1	24	22	2
TAS	6	5	1	7	7	0	10	10	0	14	13	1	8	7	1	7	6	1
VIC	22	19	3	16	14	2	22	22	0	37	31	6	27	21	6	21	18	3
WA	18	16	2	25	25	0	12	12	0	13	13	0	12	11	1	25	24	1
TOTAL	115	103	12	139	132	7	151	137	14	162	149	13	136	126	10	142	126	16

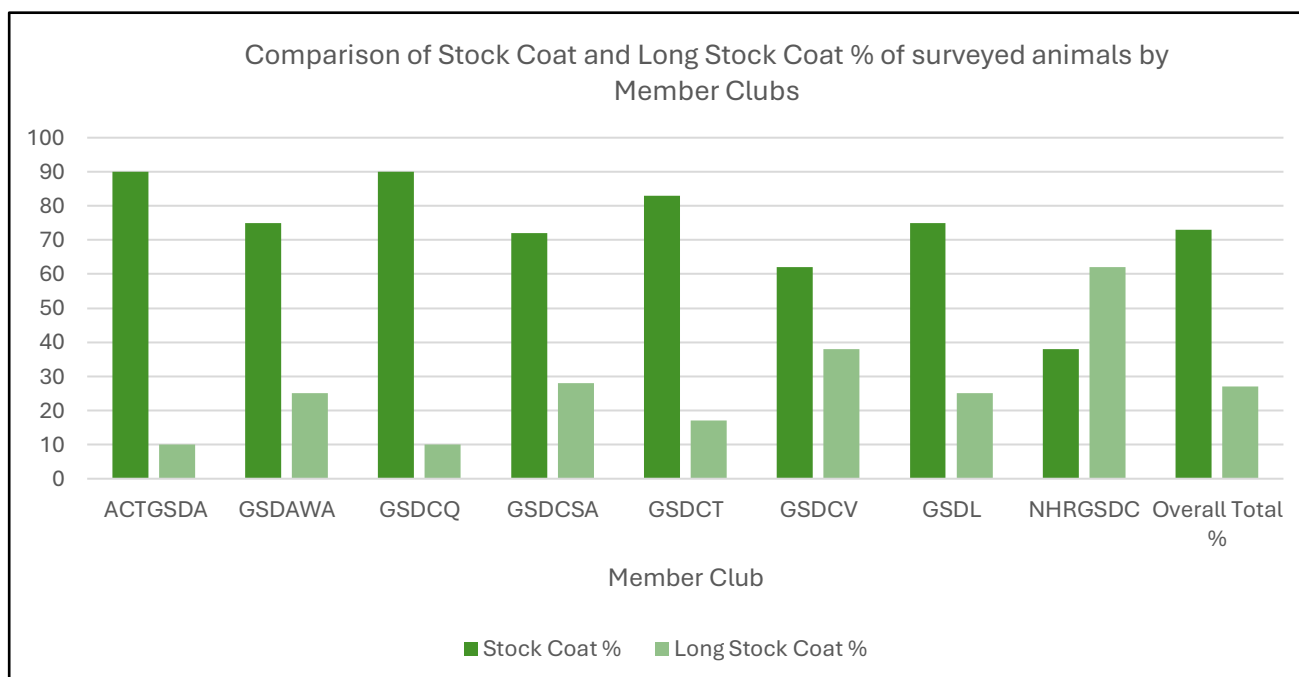
Coat variety and breed survey by state

Table 3 - Comparison of Coat Varieties Breed Surveyed per GSDCA Member Club 2025

Member Club	Stock Coat %	Long Stock Coat %
ACTGSDA	90	10
GSDAWA	75	25
GSDCQ	90	10
GSDCSA	72	28
GSDCT	83	17
GSDCV	62	38
GSDL	75	25
NHRGSDC	38	62
Overall Total %	73	27

The data collected this year interestingly shows a decline in the overall numbers of the Long Stock Coat variety in Australia being presented in each state. Clearly, they are more popular in some states than others. Table 3 and Chart 2 provide a comparison of the percentages per state across the two varieties. It is interesting to note that Newcastle is the only club this year to have a greater percentage of long coats presented to survey than stock coats, although the total numbers are low. Victoria followed behind with a split of 62/38%, whilst WA and the GSDL both have exactly ¼ of animals presented being the Long coat variety. The national trend for Breed Survey, however, remains consistent at 75/25.

Chart 2 – Visual representation of Table 3



Imported Animals to GSDCA Survey

Table 4 - Imported Animals presented to the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme in 2025

Date	Name	Sire	Dam	Sex	Country of Origin	Surveyor	Club	Survey Type
2 Feb	SO ENGLISH ROSE VON GAVAROL	VENEZE VALEN	VENEZE YUMIKO (IMP UK)	F	New Zealand	J Cathie	GSDL	Full Survey
11 May	WAJDA VON NEU GARMOND	PUPI VON NEU GARMOND	OOPSY VON NEU GARMOND	M	Hungary	J Cathie	NHRGSD	Full Survey
18 May	FALCO VON HIRSMAN	MARK VON BAD-BOX	ZAMBIA VOM HAUS MILESEVAC	M	Hungary	I Urie	GSDCV	Full Survey
20 Jul	KAMILLO VOM FEUERMELEDER	WACRON DEL RIONE ANTICO	HATICE VOM FEUERMELEDER	M	Germany	M Groth	ACT	Verified
20 Jul	PEARL VOM LARCHENHAIN	DIGGER VOM GOLDSCHMIEDSBORN	YAKI VOM LARCHENHEIN	F	Germany	G Gregory	ACT	Verified
30 Aug	TEO DI SANTA VENERE	GIOVE DI ROSACAMBRA	VIRNA DI CASA LUPO	M	England	L Donald	GSDCQ	Verified
19 Oct	EVAWELL EVETTE	RONALDO DU VAL D'ANZIN	NORMA DU VAL D'ANZIN	F	England	K Morton	GSDL	Full Survey

Seven imported dogs were presented to our scheme in 2025; three for verification of the country of survey, which only requires an id check, size, weight, character, and gun test. The other four animals presented to a full GSDCA Breed Survey due to not being surveyed previously. It is also interesting to note an interesting mix of imported countries.

Breed Survey Personnel for 2025

There have been some changes to the team during 2025 with movement in clubs. The email address of the Member Club State coordinator has also been included.

Club	Active Breed Surveyors	State Registrar	State Registrar and Coordinator contact email
ACTGSDA	Glenn Gregory (Coordinator)	Veronica Fairbairn	wmeffert62@gmail.com glenbala@outlook.com
GSDL	Jo Cathie (Coordinator) , Glenn Gregory, Melanie Groth, Karen Hedberg, Terry Jarvis, Jessica Kada, Kurt Morton, Graeme Stevenson	Pam Jarvis/ Jo Cathie	tepe@bigpond.net.au havantaa@outlook.com
N&HRGSDC	Melanie Groth (Coordinator)	Chelsea Bird	chelseajanebird@gmail.com melanie.groth62@gmail.com
GSDCQ	Sharon Ballantyne-Gordon (Coordinator) Louis Donald	Michelle Hammond	breedaffairs@gsdcqld.org.au archie011@hotmail.com
GSDCSA	Peter Flynn (Coordinator) , Jean Butterfield, Steve Collins, Jenny De Lucia, Jane Pike, Andrew O'Loughlin (Aspirant)	Andrew O'Loughlin	andrew.w.oloughlin@gmail.com peter.flynn048@gmail.com
GSDCT	Alastair Henderson (Coordinator)	Lorraine Massis	breedaffairsgsdct@gmail.com alastair1957henderson@gmail.com
GSDCV	Alastair Henderson (Coordinator) Greg Green, Nicky McDermott, Vince Tantaró, Ian Urie, Jenny Yuen	Gill Cafari	cafari@bigpond.com alastair1957henderson@gmail.com
GSDAWA	Robyn Knuckey (Coordinator) , Natalie Humphries	Leanne Irvine	hotnote1@bigpond.net.au Robyn.knuckey@gmail.com

Online Digital Processing - GSDCA Breed Survey Online Facility

From 1 September, the GSDCA began hosting a centralised online facility to purchase a Breed Survey application and a portal for upload of survey documentation direct to the State Registrar. The application is accessed via the GSDCA website and is available for both financial members of GSDCA affiliate clubs and non-members.

How Does It Work?

1. On the GSDCA website in the online BS1 application form, the owner enters owner contact information and the dog's information, attaches the Dogs Australia (ANKC) pedigree, 5 generation pedigree and AZ certificate in pdf format. They select the state and survey date to attend. The owner must nominate their member state (if they are a current financial member). Non-members can also apply and pay the designated fee. Submission includes paying for the Breed Survey Application with credit card via the online purchasing shop. Payments are processed securely by the Westpac Bank, directly into the GSDCA account.
2. This application payment generates an email to the respective member state registrar where the nominated Breed Survey will be held, that they have a Breed Survey application for checking, verification and approval.
3. The state registrar checks the data, the financial membership status (if relevant) and confirms the application details against the uploaded pedigree, 5-generation pedigree and AZ certificate. The state registrar 'approves' the application. In the event that an application is not approved, the registrar will contact the owner and a refund will be provided.
4. This approval automatically generates prepopulated BS7 documentation for use by the Breed Surveyors at the survey.
5. Paperwork post survey can be uploaded via the Breed Survey Portal by the State Registrar.
6. Breed Surveyors are still required to complete all the normal data entry and processing via the GSDCA database for each animal they surveyed, this process has not changed.
7. This generates the information required by the GSDCA NBC registrar to finalise the input of the survey to the GSDCA database and eventually generation of the Breed Survey Certificate once finalised.
8. *Paper applications and manual payments will still be available via clubs (not preferred) for the immediate future.

From the Half-Yearly report

Database Input

Most surveyors are inputting data into the database in a timely manner, thank you. Some still need reminding! Please remember that the faster the information is entered and received by me, the faster members will receive their certificates.

The NBC chair is responsible for importing dogs that fail and imported dogs. All others are the surveyor's responsibility.

Submission of BS7 Worksheets

According to the Breed Survey Manual, the Breed Surveyor is responsible for entering the details into the Database within 14 days of the survey date.

However, implemented on 1st September this year, the new online processing system requires the hand-written worksheet to be forwarded to the State Survey Registrar also.

The registrar will then collate with other paperwork, prepare the BS11 form for sending to the NBC registrar and upload to the new system within TWENTY-ONE (21) DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE SURVEY.

A reminder to all SBSR's that it is still a requirement to prepare a BS11 form – this can be done using the new system and then emailed.

Photos

A reminder to registrars and surveyors to make it a must that we remind all members that they are to provide a suitable photo within 7 days of the date of survey. The new online system also provides the perfect opportunity for owners to submit a photo PRIOR to survey, at the time of application.

However, unfortunately, we still have several animals being approved on the database with no photo having been supplied. Photos can be emailed to myself at regnbc@gsdcouncilaustralia.org

BS11 Forms - State Coordinators

The BS11 form is a useful tool in allocating council numbers to survey. If the BS11 form is sent to the NBC Registrar straight after the survey it allows time for the preparation of numbers for invoicing and processing to be printed. Some clubs still find this challenging. Please revisit the use of this form and this form can now be generated easily using the new online system. Should you require any assistance with this, please contact Jacinta who would be more than happy to walk you through the process.

Breed Survey Calendar for 2026

Member Club	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
ACTGSDA	<i>Club to inform NBC Chair 6 weeks prior to any proposed survey dates</i>										
GSDL											
GSDCQ		21/3				3/7			4/10		
GSDCV	22/2		26/4		21/6		16/8		11/10		6/12
N&HRGSDC	<i>Club to inform NBC Chair 6 weeks prior to any proposed survey dates</i>										
GSDCSA	22/2				21/6		16/8		11/10		
GSDCT	14/2		25/4					19/9			
GSDAWA	22/2		18/4			19/7			3/10		
GSDCA Events	AGM 7-8/2			52nd National 15-17/5			NBC Meeting 1-2/8				

I would like to thank all those state registrars and clubs for getting the club proposed dates to me prior to 1st Jan 2026, so the calendar could be published in the New Year. At the time of this report being generated, the NBC Chair was still awaiting survey dates for 2026 from the GSDL. The calendar can be found on the GSDCA website at the following link. <https://www.gsdCouncilaustralia.org/breed-survey/>

At the time of this report, I still have two surveys in process, the last two of the year from Western Australia and Victoria. These will be completed as soon as the BS11 forms are received.

I would like to thank all registrars and surveyors who have made my transition into the role of NBC Registrar this year a smooth and easy process.

Thank you to everyone for your hard work and commitment this year, and to the challenge of the new system. Jacinta has done an amazing job bringing this system into place, with its ease of functionality and ability to generate reports and maintain all information electronically, this is a huge step forward for our fraternity.

The NBC Chair Melanie has been instrumental in assisting me learning the ropes of the registrar position, thank you, I look forward to continuing to work closely with you in these roles. Also, a huge thank you to Frank and Jacinta for your assistance with various questions and hurdles.

If you have any questions for me, I would be more than happy to answer these.

Breed Health & Welfare Chairperson/Officer's Report – Dr Candice Baker

(BSc BVMS MANZCVS (ECC, SA Radiology))

Introduction

The past year, 2025, has presented some challenges in my role as Breed Health & Welfare Registrar, resulting in slower progress than I had hoped. I sincerely apologize for any delays and appreciate the understanding and support shown by the Council, particularly from Melanie Groth and Janet Haase. I am also grateful to Dr Robert Zammit (whom I will from now onwards affectionately refer to as “Z stamp Rob”) for his collaborative support in fulfilling the responsibilities of this position.

Health Profile Form Update

One of the key tools for tracking the health and welfare of our breed is the Health Profile Form. In 2025, submissions have unfortunately been quite limited—no forms have been submitted throughout the year. While each submission in the past provided valuable information, this small sample size is insufficient to draw meaningful or statistically significant conclusions about the broader population. For example, chronic enteropathies, cryptorchidism, haemangiosarcoma etc. These individual reports help inform our records, but we need broader participation to monitor trends and improve breed health.

To address accessibility, Jacinta Poole has developed a new, user-friendly online Health Profile Form to replace the outdated PDF version previously available on the council website. We are also considering an online submission process for veterinarians, provided owner consent is obtained. The proposed vet form would require basic identification—such as the dog's **microchip number**—to maintain data integrity. However, there are concerns about non-ANKC pedigree German Shepherd Dogs being included, which could compromise the accuracy of our data.

Technical Term Clarification

- **LUW:** Lumbosacral Transitional Vertebrae—a condition where the last lumbar vertebra has characteristics of both lumbar and sacral vertebrae, which can affect spinal health.
- **OCD:** Osteochondrosis of the Sacrum—a developmental orthopedic disease affecting the sacrum, which can lead to osteoarthritis and mobility issues.
- **ANKC/DogsAustralia:** Australian National Kennel Council—the governing body for pedigree dog registration in Australia.
- **WUSV:** Weltunion der Vereine für Deutsche Schäferhunde (World Union of German Shepherd Associations)—the international body that oversees German Shepherd Dog breed standards.

Database and Monitoring Suggestions

I recommend that any comments regarding lumbosacral transitional vertebrae (LUW) on hip and elbow scoring sheets be systematically added to our database. While these findings are currently tracked statistically, recording them in our central database will help ensure consistency with WUSV standards, which use the LUW and OCD systems. A score of “0” or “normal” indicates the absence of transitional vertebrae or osteochondrosis, which is the desired outcome.

Future Plans and Requests

To enhance our breed's health monitoring, I strongly encourage all breeders and owners to complete and submit Health Profile Forms for their dogs.

Next Steps:

- **Increase Health Profile Form Submissions:** Council members and breeders are asked to promote the new online form and encourage widespread participation.
- **Working Group Meeting:** I propose forming a working group to finalize the online veterinary submission process, ensuring it meets privacy, data integrity, and breed-specific requirements. Interested members, please contact me to join this initiative.
- **NBC Meeting Topics (2026):** At the upcoming National Breed Council (NBC) meeting, Rob and I will present and discuss:
 - Updated plan for DNA parentage verification
 - Integration of inbreeding coefficient data
 - Update on the Elbow Dysplasia Scheme—including a review of European protocols

Conclusion

In summary, expanding our data collection and improving our monitoring systems are essential to advancing the health and welfare of our breed. I urge all council members and breeders to participate actively by submitting health information and joining collaborative efforts. Together, we can ensure the best outcomes for our dogs now and into the future.

Verification Officer Report- Kurt Morton

The German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) continues to actively verify the credentials of imported dogs and semen to protect the integrity of Australian breeding programs. This thorough process ensures that German Shepherd Dogs brought into Australia match the documentation provided and align with records from their country of origin.

A reminder for our GSDCA surveyors, State Registrars and owners of imported animals and semen

The Verification steps can take several weeks, depending on what's submitted, and must be completed before the Breed Survey Verification:

Application submission: Owners register their imported animals in Australia to their local state/territory. Following payment to the GSDCA, owners submit the necessary documentation to the GSDCA Verification Officer via email (verification@gsdcouncilaustralia.org.au).

Document validation: Submitted documents are verified against accepted registered databases and records.

Issuance of Verification letter: Upon confirmation, the GSDCA provides a verification report letter. This letter is distributed to the owner and across GSDCA position holders and State clubs to support the Breed Survey verification process. Verified animals are then documented on the GSDCA database and on the website.

Dogs verified within this period - The following dogs have been successfully verified

Edvin von Neu Garmond

Wadja von Neu Garmond

Falco von Hirsman

Kamillo vom Feuermelder

Pearl vom Larchenhain

Teo di Santa Venere

I want to sincerely thank everyone who continues to support the Verification Scheme - especially Mrs Honey Gross-Richardson and Mr Vince Tantaró. Their willingness to help with interpretation is vital to the process and schemes continuation.

GSDCA Database Report – Frank Moody

I am pleased to submit this GSDCA Database progress report to the 65th GSDCA AGM.

HD/ED Sire Statistics

The updated HD/ED Sire Statistics as at 31st Dec 2025 as prepared using the GSDCA Database, will be available approximately mid-January and placed on the GSDCA website

Data Update

- Dog Database - Registrations are currently up to 26th November 2024 – being 324,994 dogs.
- Tattoo/Microchip – Microchips are uploaded when we receive the ANKC Registrations.
- HD/ED - There are now over 13,357 results in the database.
- Breed Survey - There are now over 2,704 results in the database.
- Character Assessment – There are now over 184 results in the database.

Database Changes during 2025

We have recently undertaken changes to the ZAP Results template, as requested by Alastair Henderson and the GSDCA Executive. These were implemented on 1st Sept 2025, along with a name change from “ZAP” to “Character Assessment”.

I have also started working with Melanie on changes to the Breed Survey template to incorporate terminology changes and updates as discussed at the NBC Meeting. This will be completed later in 2026 once the details are finalised.

User Activity

From year to year we continue to see slight variations in the Monthly Averages, which is to be expected, however, there are still a very large number of Breeders/Members continuing to use this facility.

Monthly average				
YEAR	Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits
2015	372	659	18,277	28,744
2016	398	722	16,870	28,795
2017	427	857	19,682	34,451
2018	477	992	18,629	35,840
2019	597	1,200	19,005	37,155
2020	656	1,267	16,732	34,161
2021	634	1,399	17,242	32,151
2022	551	1,400	17,425	30,899
2023	496	1,322	17,332	30,182
2024	593	1,238	15,586	28,642
2025	607	1,257	14,646	27,815

Breed Survey photos

Please continue to encourage Owners to submit photos for inclusion in the database.

Photos are very important so that we have a pictorial record of the dogs surveyed, so please supply these to the NBC Registrar ASAP.

Thank you

Thank you to Rob Filardo (Database programmer), Melanie Groth (NBC Chair), Jacinta Poole (National HD/ED Registrar), Julie Urie (National CA Registrar) and the Breed Surveyors/CA Assessors for their time, and assistance in ongoing data entry and maintenance of the Database.

Judges Committee Chair Report– Jenny De Lucia

I have pleasure in presenting the 2025 Judges Committee Chairperson annual report which is my second and final report as Judges Chairperson.

I take this opportunity to thank the Secretary, Janet Haase, for her assistance and support during my term. I also thank the NBC Chairperson, Melanie Groth, for her help during the year as too, my fellow Executive. Importantly, I thank the member clubs whose members put their faith in me to fulfil this role.

NSLO

The National Show Liaison Officer is a position held by, Jess Lynch and I thank her for her time and efforts. To quote from the *National Show Manual* – the responsibility of the NSLO is to “ensure that the GSDCA National Show and Trial is conducted in strict accordance with the GSDCA National Show Manual”. Clubs who have run National events in the past have undertaken a significant task, and it is a considerable commitment and expense for any club to host this event. However, the Manual was produced to ensure uniformity and consistency. While clubs do put their own flair to the event, the format must remain consistent. Jess has been working closely with clubs and, in particular, the GSDL, which will be hosting the 2026 National, which I am certain will be a success, and I congratulate all involved for their efforts thus far.

GSDCA Judges Training

There are currently no new aspirants undertaking the Specialist Judges Extension Course. I encourage any Judges who would like to participate in the Extension Course to please familiarise themselves with the requirements as listed in the Regulations Manual Part 6.

The training PowerPoint presentation that I had been working on has now been completed, and the GSDCA Secretary distributed it via email in January 2026 to all eligible judges. I hope that Judges find it useful and take the time to complete it. I thank Robert York for his assistance in putting together the presentation. If any Judge did not receive the email from Janet, please contact her via email to request it. I encourage all Judges to keep abreast of the Breed Standard and refresh your memory from time to time by reading it and also the Extended Breed Standard.

Judges Appointment List

The list of Judges/Surveyors that appears on the GSDCA Website is maintained and updated by Jane Pike, who also updates the list of Judges’ appointments for shows in Australia and I thank Jane for her time and efforts in undertaking this role. I would encourage Judges to advise Jane of any appointments you accept so the list can be kept up to date

I encourage clubs to utilise the National and Overseas Judges Booklet that was created, for reference purposes when considering Judges for their shows. The link for this document is:

<https://www.gsdcouncilaustralia.org/gsdcacontent/uploads/2025/01/National-and-Overseas-Judges-V3-Jan-2025-FINAL.pdf>

This booklet will need continual updates as new Judges are approved and others who retire and I hope that the incoming Chairperson will take this into consideration.

NBC and Judges Meeting

At the 2025 GSDCA AGM, motions were put forward regarding eligibility of HD & ED passes to enter Intermediate Class at any GSD Specialty Show in Australia and the requirement for Breed Survey status to enter Open Class at any GSD Specialty Show in Australia. These motions were submitted as 60-day motions and passed by a majority of member clubs. I see this as a positive and necessary step forward for the breed in terms of promoting sound animals in both mind and body. As custodians of the breed, we must put the welfare of the animals at the forefront.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the past two years have been challenging in many ways. As an elected Officer of the GSDCA, one not only has responsibility for the portfolio they hold, but also the day to day matters that arise and the need to work collaboratively to resolve issues. With differing opinions and very passionate people, desired outcomes are not always achieved; however, the primary focus must remain on the breed and its welfare in this Country.

I have served in the role of Judges Chair to the best of my ability and if time had allowed, I would have liked to contribute more. I wish the GSDCA Executive all the very best for the future and trust that the breed will be in safe hands.

We are living in increasingly turbulent times in Australia, with ongoing changes to government regulations, drops in puppy sales, fewer breeders breeding, and reduced participation in shows and trials. These challenges place greater responsibility on all of us involved in the breed to remain informed, adaptable, and united in our approach. It is incumbent upon us, both collectively and individually, to uphold the standards, ethics, and traditions that underpin our breed. By working together with respect, integrity, and a shared purpose, we can ensure the German Shepherd Dog continues to thrive, not only today but for generations to come

National Show Liaison Officer Report – Jess Lynch

Following the successful Queensland National, attention has now turned to New South Wales as the host of the upcoming National. Planning is progressing, and there are several positive developments to note.

The introduction of the Sprint Dog event is a particularly encouraging addition and is expected to be an exciting feature for both exhibitors and spectators. Over the coming months, there will be a significant amount of work required to ensure the success of the National, and strong, consistent communication across all areas of the organising team will be essential.

All judges have now been contracted, and the judging schedule has been completed. The next focus is on finalising ribbons and grading certificates to ensure these are completed in a timely manner.

The club has confirmed a two-ring setup, which will allow for generous ring sizes and improved movement space. While the positioning of the rings and tents has been finalised, it is hoped that the club will continue to work closely with the photographers to ensure optimal placement for quality photographs for both the National review and exhibitors.

Major sponsors have been secured, which is a positive outcome; however, there are still some classes available for sponsorship. Fundraising to date has been limited, and it is hoped that additional fundraising initiatives will be undertaken to help reduce the financial burden on the club.

A number of vendors have been sourced, providing a variety of food options throughout the event. A Saturday night function will be held on the grounds, featuring food and games, and the club is currently working on sourcing prizes for this event.

Merchandising has been advertised for some time, and it is pleasing to see items that differ from the usual offerings, which should be well received by exhibitors and attendees.

One area of concern is stewarding. While the appointed Chief Steward is experienced, they have not previously stewarded at a National. This has been raised with Glenn, with the suggestion that he may be a more suitable option for the role, given his experience as a specialist judge and breed surveyor and his strong understanding of how a National operates.

In closing, it is recommended that the club increase communication between all teams in the coming months to ensure everyone is informed of progress and aware of responsibilities at each stage of the show. Clear coordination will be key to delivering a successful NSW National.

Obedience Chair Report– Alastair Henderson

- In 2025 I attended events in various states on behalf of GSDCA.
- February was the Council AGM in Adelaide with the majority of obedience motions being approved however, the alterations to the scoring for the David O'Rourke Dual Performance Trophy in an effort to make it more balanced between Show and Obedience has been deferred.
- In February attended GSDCTasmania as the second Breed Surveyor.
- Easter was spent in Perth judging their SBE, officiating at their Breed Survey, Zap/Character Assessment and watching their Obedience Trial.
- May 29 to June 1, the National Show and Trial was held in Brisbane, hosted by GSDCQ, who worked very hard to welcome competitors and spectators from around the world and all over Australia. The Scent Work Trial run on Thursday provided an extra competition that was very successful with entries from both show and Performance Disciplines.
- The Obedience and Rally Trials were fortunate enough to be completed before the heavy rain with a very good and friendly judging panel to go with a very good Trial Committee ably led by Laura Schimke.
- On Sunday, I was honoured to be involved in the presentation of GSDCA Obedience Awards to members who achieve very good passes in various levels of Obedience and Rally. A special mention to Hayley Lockhart from WA who won awards with both her dogs.
- Sunday the Winner of Winners was run off in the Dog Show ring.
- The Gold Medal was awarded for the second year in a row to Vic Grzeszkiewicz and Allinka Versace.
- The Silver medal was awarded to Lauren Bucksath who won CCD with Vomambach All Most Legal
- Vic Grzeszkiewicz competing with his UD Dog Uhlmsdorf Russian Roulette was awarded the Bronze medal. Uhlmsdorf Russian Roulette was also Excellent 9 in Open Dog conformation class, a top effort.
- During the year every club has held at least one Character Assessment (Zap Assessment) and all clubs have qualified Assessors to officiate at these events in the future.
- In 2026 Dogs Australia new rules changes will take effect in most Obedience classes with group stays being removed. It will be interesting to see if this brings more entries.
- Also during the year, I attended the NBC/Judges meetings in Sydney which were well attended with some great presentations on relevant topics.
- Along with Executive and Presidents meetings made 2025 a busy year.

Quarterly National Review Editor Report – Gail Donald

Overview

In 2025, we raised the magazine's profile and usefulness, with stronger coverage at home and greater credibility overseas.

Highlights

- Contributors from the GSDCA Executive, Specialist Judges and Surveyors supplied timely reports from Australia and abroad, giving readers a clear view of the breed here and internationally.
- Clubs provided a steady flow of real club life: results, reports, member achievements and local news. This consistency is the backbone of the magazine and lets the national body see itself accurately.
- Several articles were picked up outside Australia, reflecting a publication that looks professional and worthy of publishing world-exclusive articles. These articles were significant in their content and were well received both here in Australia and overseas.

Advertising and Funding

Our advertiser base has grown significantly over my two-year term. Thank you to every kennel, product, service and sponsor that invested. Your support funds print, postage and design, and assist us in maintaining standards. Your support matters!

Subscription-Based Private Digital Access Proposal for 2026

With club support for another term as Editor, I will propose a motion to the AGM to adjust how the magazine is shared online. Members already fund the printed copy through their fees, yet the PDF is placed on the website shortly after mailing and can be read worldwide at no cost.

Proposal:

1. password-protected access to the PDF for members, and
2. a paid digital-only subscription for non-members in Australia and overseas.
3. This values the work, respects the members who pay for it and can create a modest new income stream for Council.

Content Priorities

To stay useful, the magazine needs strong pieces on training, judging, health and genetics, breed history, performance, profiles, club success stories and photo essays. If you have an idea, notes from a seminar or a draft, please send it. Completed submissions are welcome, and I am happy to help shape them.

Membership Data and Charts

Accompanying charts provide the 2025 membership subscription numbers. These show a general decline since 2024. The figures will help guide planning, advertising targets and member engagement work in 2026.

Membership Base and Viability

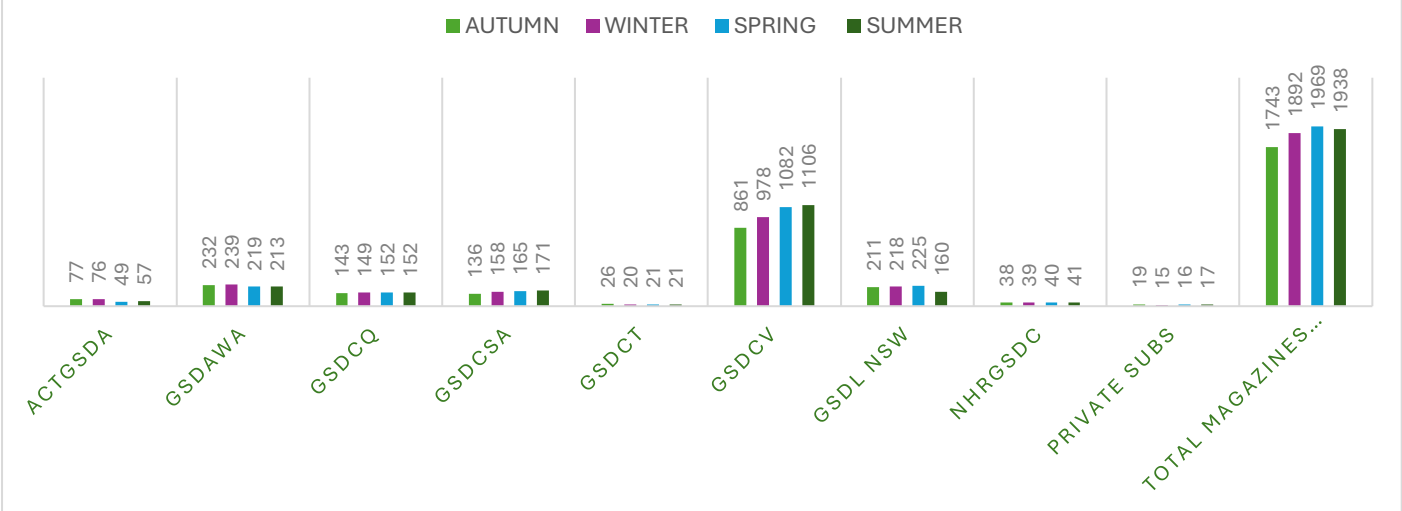
Membership underpins the QNR. The subscription base sets the print run, advertising reach and cost recovery. The charts show a slow decline in total numbers; however, the strength of the GSDCV membership is the mainstay in keeping the magazine viable. Their scale stabilises circulation and keeps unit costs sensible while we work with other clubs to lift renewals and recruitment.

Thank you

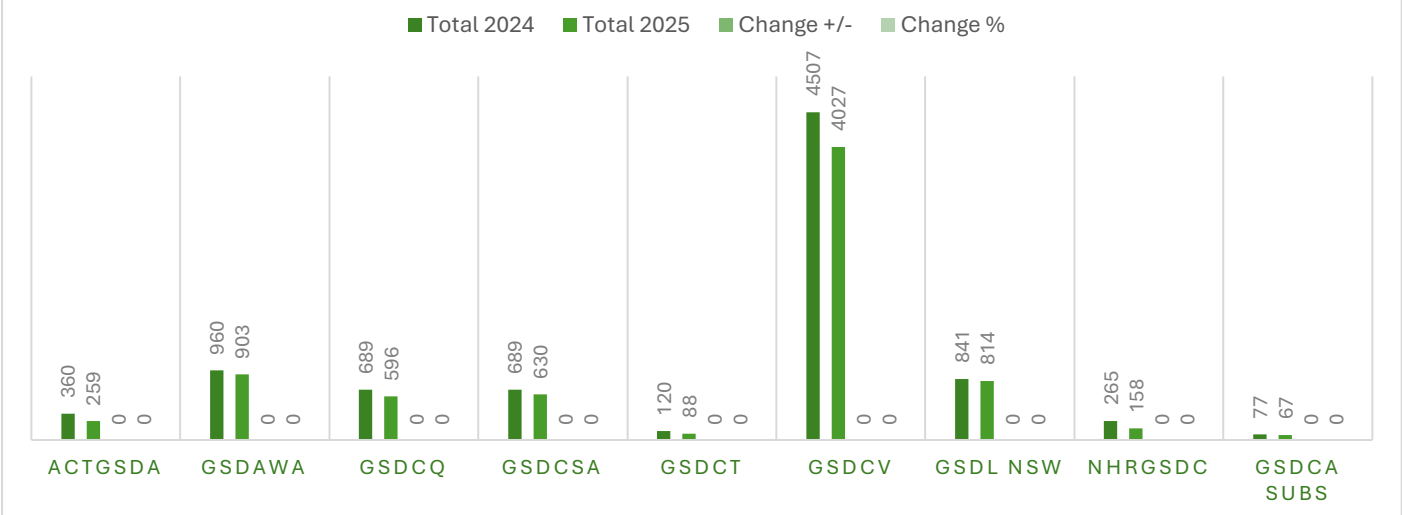
To everyone who contributed, edited, translated, photographed or sent feedback during 2025, thank you. Your efforts keep the standard high and the magazine relevant.

2025 Total Magazines per Club per Edition						
CLUB	2025 AGM MEMBERSHIP DECLARATIONS	AUTUMN	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER	Total YTD
ACTGSDA	217	77	76	49	57	259
GSDAWA	407	232	239	219	213	903
GSDCQ	234	143	149	152	152	1162
GSDCSA	535	136	158	165	171	630
GSDCT	44	26	20	21	21	88
GSDCV	2102	861	978	1082	1106	4027
GSDL NSW	330	211	218	225	160	814
NHRGSDC	131	38	39	40	41	158
Private Subs/PR		19	15	16	17	67
2025 TOTAL MAGAZINES	4000	1743	1892	1969	1938	7542

2025 TOTAL MAGAZINES PER CLUB PER EDITION



TOTAL MAGAZINES PER CLUB 2024 VS 2025



CLUB	Total Magazines 2024	Total Magazines 2025	Change +/-	Change %
ACTGSDA	360	259	-101	-28.1%
GSDAWA	960	903	-57	-5.9%
GSDCQ	689	596	-93	-13.5%
GSDCSA	689	630	-59	-8.6%
GSDCT	120	88	-32	-26.7%
GSDCV	4507	4027	-480	-10.7%
GSDL NSW	841	814	-27	-3.2%
NHRGSDC	265	158	-107	-40.4%
GSDCA Subs	77	67	-10	-13.0%

Sub Committee Reports

Webmaster – Jacinta Poole

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The GSDCA website continues to grow as the central base for GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme online Processes. Following on from the hip and elbow portal going live in 2024, the breed survey application process then moved online on 1 August 2025. This has enabled purchase of breed survey applications. It now means that State BS registrars process all applications digitally, all paperwork is uploaded and stored online and both the state and the NBC registrar can process and complete breed surveys in a more timely manner with greater oversight and a reduced workload, without relying on slow Australia Post methods. The Character Assessment process is set to follow and be released as an online application process in January 2026.

The software and processing are now in place for all online systems the GSDCA may wish to centrally implement that includes purchase and submission of forms, uploading files etc. All payments are securely made directly to the GSDCA account, further reducing the workloads at Club level for payments, and ensuring the GSDCA receives payments in real time.

Building the breed survey portal used the software in place and did not incur costs, only labour to complete which was at no cost to the GSDCA. Software costs are ongoing, as is the technical upkeep to ensure the system operates satisfactorily and stores all the relevant information. The system is built to ensure everyday use for state registrars is a simple and easy workflow. These systems enable easy access to applications, generated contracts, uploaded documentation and results. The GSDCA owns and has full control of the software and data to manage the processes.

The website also holds the core information for our breed in Australia. Documentation, results, past editions of the Review magazine, judge appointments and breed information are the most popular pages accessed.

An example of some of our most read and accessed articles on the website over the 2025 year.

Article	Accessed
Rate of Weight Gain in GSDs	5,224
Reproduction problems in the bitch	1,918
GSD Extended Breed Standard	1,182
ZAP Presentation English	1,024
Hip Dysplasia and What Price A Normal Hip	869

Important website content

- Hip & Elbow contract purchase, Breed Survey Application and payment
- X-ray submission portal to GSDCA Radiologists
- Recent HD & ED statistics, updated twice yearly
- GSDCA Regulations, current forms, fees and charges
- Reference Manuals – Breed Survey, National Show & Trial
- Editions of each Quarterly National Review, from 2015
- A summary of all title verifications completed for imports
- Full details on the National Show & Trial, both past and present
- Future Judge appointments for each member club
- Show results and critiques – from every club show
- Veterinary and health articles

The **GSDCA Dog Database** is accessed via the website homepage and is well utilised. Complete HDED, Breed Survey and Character Assessment records for all dogs are available. The repository of dogs and records is a valuable breed resource.



The **Breed Health Feedback form** accessible via the home page is under utilised. It is vital to collect data on our dogs and their health. Anyone can contribute by filling in the form, which is collated by Dr Candy Baker. Information submitted is confidential and will be used to monitor health trends in the GSD. **We encourage everyone to take the time to submit their dog’s medical information – for the betterment of the breed.**



Our Facebook page is used to promote news announcements, highlight what’s available on the website and compliments our online presence.

Our stats for 2025 indicate visits and use of the website continues to increase. This year return visits are again up, indicative of the use of the online HDED and BS portals. Other pages and articles visited demonstrate a visitor mix of those looking for information about our breed and members keeping informed about the GSDCA.

	Number of unique visits	Pages	Hits
Total 2025	74,005	879,775	2,367,179

Our website hosting costs \$177/year. Hosting the GSDCA Dog Database costs \$317/year. Domain registration per year is \$21.05. All software updates and maintenance are undertaken internally at no cost. Our total expenditure relating to the Website and Dog Database is \$515 per year. In addition, the software embedded to manage HDED online and Breed Survey online processes runs at an additional ~\$1480 per year.

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

Public Relations Officer – Gabrielle Peacock

Overview

The past year has been one of strategic focus, with much of my time dedicated to strengthening the governance foundations of the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) to support the visibility, credibility, and reputation of the German Shepherd Dog (GSD) across Australia.

Constitutional Working Party

My primary focus this year has been my role as a member of the Constitutional Working Party on behalf of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Tasmania. This work has required extensive hours of analysis, drafting, and review.

The Working Party’s efforts have highlighted the importance of modern governance practices across the Council and its member clubs. Throughout the drafting process, and through observation of practices at Council and Club level, it became clear that:

- Some clubs and officers would benefit from targeted governance training, particularly in understanding the legal responsibilities of officers in incorporated associations.
- There are instances where actions presented at club level may inadvertently expose clubs, officials, and members to unnecessary governance risk.
- Such situations not only create legal and reputational vulnerabilities but could also undermine public confidence in our organisations and, by extension, the breed.

Strengthening governance literacy is therefore not only a compliance matter but a public relations priority. A well-governed organisation is a credible organisation.

Report on the 51st GSDCA National – Dogs Queensland Magazine

I prepared a comprehensive report on the 51st GSDCA National, hosted by the German Shepherd Dog Club of Queensland, for publication in *Dogs Queensland's* magazine *Dogs World*. The report showcased the professionalism of the event, the dedication of exhibitors, and the ongoing commitment of breeders and clubs to the betterment of the breed.

Official Photography – Need for Centralised Access

At present, exhibitors and the public must identify individual photographers, follow their personal pages, and navigate multiple platforms to locate images. This is inefficient and excludes those who may not know where to look.

I recommend that:

- All official photographers publish images to their own pages (if desired) and
- Also upload them to the National Facebook page or the GSDCA Facebook page (decision to be made regarding the preferred site).

This would create a single, accessible, well-organised repository of National images—improving visibility, consistency, and public engagement.

Social Media and Public Engagement

Social media remains the primary source of information for the general public, puppy buyers, and prospective club members. It is where reputations are formed, narratives are shaped, and first impressions occur.

I commend those breeders and clubs who actively use social media to:

- Promote the German Shepherd Dog
- Educate the public and prospective owners
- Share positive training, health, and welfare messages
- Showcase club activities, expos, demonstrations, and events

These efforts significantly enhance the breed's public image and help counter misinformation or negative stereotypes.

Positive public experiences also play a crucial role in shaping perceptions of the breed. Opportunities for the public to meet personable, knowledgeable breeders; attend training clubs; and see well-presented GSDs at Royal Shows, expos, and community events help build trust, interest, and confidence in the breed. These interactions reinforce the message that the GSD is a versatile, stable, and well-managed breed supported by responsible custodians.

Need for a Unified Organisational Voice

At present, the GSDCA Facebook presence is split between the official Council page and a separate page operated by the President. This creates fragmentation and risks inconsistent messaging.

I recommend that:

- The GSDCA Facebook page and the President's page be combined or formally integrated
- All official communications be issued through a single, clearly identifiable organisational channel

A unified voice strengthens credibility, reduces confusion, and ensures that members, breeders, and the public receive consistent, authoritative information.

The Modern Role of Social Media

In today's environment:

- Social media is the primary platform through which organisations build trust and visibility
- Audiences expect timely, transparent, and centralised communication
- A strong digital presence is essential for attracting new members, supporting responsible breeding, and promoting positive breed experiences

To remain relevant and accessible, the GSDCA should also consider expanding its presence beyond Facebook. Platforms such as Instagram and TikTok offer significant opportunities to reach younger audiences, showcase high-quality imagery and video, and highlight the versatility, temperament, and working ability of the German

Shepherd Dog. Member clubs may also benefit from adopting these platforms to broaden their reach and modernise their communication practices.

The GSDCA must continue to evolve its digital strategy to remain relevant and accessible.

Public Relations Considerations for the Coming Year

Based on observations across the year, I highlight the following priorities:

- Governance training for Council officers and club committees to reduce risk and improve organisational professionalism
- Centralised communication channels to ensure clarity and consistency
- Improved digital asset management, particularly for National events
- Proactive social media engagement to promote responsible ownership, training, and breed welfare
- Reputation protection, especially where governance or communication gaps may expose clubs or individuals to unnecessary scrutiny or conflict

Conclusion

This year has underscored the importance of strong governance, clear communication, and a unified public presence for the GSDCA. As Public Relations Officer, my focus has been on supporting these pillars through constitutional work, event reporting, and strategic communication recommendations. I thank the Executive, member clubs, and volunteers for their ongoing commitment to the breed and look forward to continuing to support the Council's reputation, visibility, and organisational strength in the year ahead.

Youth Officer - Chelsea Bird

2025 has been a positive and encouraging year for youth engagement within the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia. A highlight of the year was the strong performance and enthusiasm shown by our Junior Handlers at the 2025 National held in May. The standard of handling, sportsmanship, and confidence displayed reflected the dedication of the juniors, their mentors, and supporting families.

It has also been pleasing to see several state clubs take the initiative to introduce Junior Handlers Classes at their club level shows, along with dedicated Junior Handler classes provided. These opportunities have provided valuable experience, increased visibility for youth involvement, and helped with a welcoming environment for the next generation within our sport.

In addition, we have seen several articles published in the quarterly magazine which have been well received, and we hope to have helped in engaging and inspiring younger members. These contributions have helped showcase junior achievements and highlight pathways for youth participation.

Looking ahead to 2026, it is hoped that this momentum will continue, with further support for Junior Handler programs, continued youth-focused content in club publications, and increased opportunities for young members to become actively involved at both state and national levels. Strengthening youth involvement remains a key priority for the future of our breed.

Constitution Review Subcommittee

The 2025 AGM directed that a sub-committee review the GSDCA Constitution and make recommendations to the 2026 AGM.

The subcommittee members:

- Robyn Knuckey (Chair)
- Vince Ebejer
- Gabrielle Peacock

The review closely considered:

- The *Associations Incorporation Act 1991 (ACT)*, including Schedule 1: Matters to be provided for in rules other than the model rules
- The *Associations Incorporation Regulations 2023 (ACT)*, incorporating Schedule 1: Model Rules
- Other opportunities to modernise and strengthen the Constitution, to support the ideals and functioning of Council in the best interests of the German Shepherd Dog, the Member Clubs, and their members.

The review identified five key areas for improvement:

- **Compliance**
Add legally required provisions, including conflict of interest, discipline, appeal rights, and dispute resolution.
- **Modernisation**
Remove outdated clauses, update terminology and language, reflect current contemporary practice, identify matters that are redundant.
- **Governance & Accountability**
Strengthen and clarify governance arrangements, including terminology, formal role accountabilities, meeting functions, and quorum requirements.
- **Conduct**
Embed the Guiding Principles, Code of Ethics, and Communication Code of Conduct to strengthen trust, and provide structured and fair investigation, discipline, and appeal procedures.
- **Inclusivity**
Recognise the diverse reasons members own German Shepherd Dogs, which is not just for breeding and showing, but also for dog sport, companionship, and as family members. Support responsible dog ownership and affirm our role as a community-focused not-for-profit breed organisation.

Implementation Notes

- Each proposed change stands alone as a separate motion. This allows individual amendments to be accepted or rejected without affecting the entire document.
- Where proposed constitutional changes affect GSDCA Regulations, corresponding motions have been presented.
- Clause renumbering and adoption of gender-neutral language will be finalised once the amendments are approved.
- Phase 2 of the GSDCA Constitution review, in 2026, will work on the Dogs Australia review of Breed Council's, and the model Breed Council's Constitution, which will be considered at their October 2026 Board Meeting.
- It is recommended that further work on the GSDCA Regulations take place alongside work on the Constitution.

Background

- The original GSDCA Constitution was adopted on 9 July 1965.
- GSDCA affiliated with the ANKC as a Breed Council in 1987.
- The Constitution was last updated in February 2014.
- A previous working party was appointed though did not report.
- At the 2025 AGM, the Secretary was tasked with convening a sub-committee to review the Constitution and present recommendations to the 2026 AGM
- Sub-committee members are Robyn Knuckey (President, GSDAWA); Vince Ebejer (President, Victoria); Gabrielle Peacock (Secretary, GSDCT, GSDCA Public Relations) and Janet Haase (Secretary, GSDCA – ex officio)

- In February 2025, Dogs Australia issued a directive to change the GSDCA's voting structure or risk suspension.
- The GSDCA wrote to Dogs Australia on 7 May 2025 raising significant concerns with their directive. Dogs Australia responded that the matter would be discussed at its October Board Meeting.
- On 9 May 2025, the sub-committee invited all clubs to provide more general input aside from their initial responses which centred around the Dogs Australia letter. No additional material was received.
- The Chair Robyn Knuckey briefed Clubs on the review at the August 2025 NBC This followed various email to communications to Clubs about the project, including the input request above.
- Following their October 2025 Board Meeting, Dogs Australia (DA) advised that:
 - DA's timeline for reviewing Breed Council's and developing the model constitution is their October 2026 Board Meeting
 - DA considers it reasonable for the GSDCA to review its Constitution for alignment with Regulation 13 of the ANKC by their October 2026 Board Meeting
 - DA asked for comments on their draft model Breed Councils constitution by 31 March 2026. This has been circulated to Clubs for input.

Next Steps

- Following endorsement, the amended Constitution will be submitted to Access Canberra in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 1991 (ACT), and to Dogs Australia.
- Constitution Review Sub-Committee to further review the Constitution in 2026 (phase 2) for changes arising from Dogs Australia's model constitution for Breed Councils.
- A broader review of the Regulations Manual is also recommended for 2026.

WUSV Meeting Report

WUSV Meeting Overview 2025 - 8 September 2025 - Notes compiled by NBC Chair Melanie Groth

President, Frau Roswitha Dannenberg welcomed the member countries to the meeting and hope everyone enjoyed the BSZS 2025. An explanation of the voting and translation technology and testing was completed. This is a much better voting system than in previous years enabling more time for discussion items. Forty-five (45) clubs were present at commencement of the meeting. More delegates arrived after the start time.

Report from the WUSV President

Frau Danneneurg expressed relief that the difficulties of the past are over. The SV and WUSV can embark on a positive future. She has had many discussions with the WUSV member clubs over the past year. Division of previous year has been overcome and she thanked the clubs for standing together and reiterated that attacking our union is unacceptable. The future must be about problem solving, and showing respect when dealing with one another. She reiterated that differences of opinion will of course occur but it is always the duty of Board of Directors to find the common ground for the WUSV. Roberto Caputi has initiated and co-led the working group, with Berndt Weber to Think global Act local for the WUSV. She is working on improving contact with the FCI by attending events and having discussions with the President of the FCI, Mr Jakkel. Mr Jakkel has been re-elected and is now in the role for the next two years.

Activities over the past year

- IP and Agility in Meppen – 50th Anniversary WUSV. It was a safe and high-quality venue. Agility for the first time offered as an event.
- The Universal Show in Hannau- Patrick Muller and a large team of 130 workers helped to run this event. Great atmosphere. Thank you to those who have brought the event together. Slovenia – IP and Agility World Championships. In 2026 the Universal Sieger Show will be held in Netherlands for IG in Spain. The WUSV has assisted with financial support for these events. The cost is high to run these events, therefore to support host clubs the Board has decided to looking at the financial situation. 15000 Euros has been assigned to assist.

- Furthermore, the implementation of the WUSV World Championship AGILITY. Björn Bröker from the SV was appointed WUSV-Coordinator AGILITY. Very much to the regret of the WUSV Board of Directors, Egon Gutknecht resigned from his office as WUSV-Coordinator IP & UNIVERSAL, and he shall be awarded for his achievements on this day. As his successor Mr. Josef Vonarburg was appointed and immediately began his work. Mr. Vonarburg has already performed successfully at the WUSV-World Championship UNIVERSAL in Hanau in his position as Coordinator of IP.
- IP and Agility are now part of the World championships. Two people to coordinate Bjorn Bricker coordinator Agility for a few weeks. Coordinator of IP stepped down. Mr Von Arbour from Switzerland is a judge – very good cooperation and is now leading the IP.
- Frau Dannenberg thanked Mrs Seidl for her cooperation. She also thanked the Continental Directors their assistance and direction in working with their country members.
- Judge releases to non WUSV clubs must be possible and the WUSV and SV are obliged to enable this to happen. She acknowledged that we must achieve more for our WUSV member clubs as well. Harmonisation was not well accepted and the Think global, Act local is attempting to address those difficulties. She also expressed that she will try and visit member countries but that time constraints don't always allow for this.
- Working Group headed by Berndt Weber and Roberto Caputi for further training programs to be offered to WUSV training clubs.
- BSZS 2026-2028 is locked in for Nuremberg. The FIFA Calendar has impacted on the dates.
- **BSZS is scheduled for 24-27 September 2026**
- Doping Controls - Introduced last year on Main Breeding Show and Trials. In 2024 there were only a few cases. We are dedicated to ensuring the wellbeing of the dogs. Very strict Veterinary controls also exist in Nuremberg.

Finances and Auditors reports approved. Membership fees have remained stable. Some member have not paid fees, however new members have joined the organisation that has kept income relatively stable.

WUSV future staffing arrangements – Daniele Strazzeri

The new Board will be changing the way we operate in managing the work of the SV and WUSV going forward. This will require adjustments to the Statutes to follow the regulations. Discussion took place.

Daniele Strazzeri explained that an active judge/breeder in the Secretariat role has a much better feel for what the clubs around the world are facing and that they should be a German resident.

Some club delegates believed this position **should not** be an active breeder or a judge.

General discussion points were raised by several member clubs and the consensus was that the General Secretariat should be a resident of Germany and that it was a positive move to have a judge/breeder in the position as they bring a unique perspective to the role that previously was non-existent.

Uwe Sprenger was happy to continue if this proposal is agreed. The delegation voted for the modification and Uwe Sprenger will continue in the General Secretariat role for both the SV and WUSV.

Breeding program working party – presentation of partial results

It was explained that the previous proposed Breeding program (Harmonisation) was too high level – objective to review and agree of levels of achievement across the world.

The GSD is a utility working dog – we should determine the level that the breeding program should be accessible for all member clubs. We want more than just the basic level and then give the respective countries their own autonomy based on what they can achieve.

WUSV Membership countries

The following countries were approved for full membership to the WUSV

- Algeria
- Nicaragua
- Hungary - membership suspended due to a lack of communication and unpaid bills. It is acknowledged there is a new leadership group.
- Proposal by the WUSV Board – membership rights suspended until all debts are paid. Deadline is one year – if not fixed; membership will be terminated in 2026.

Exclusion in 2026 due to unpaid fees – will be placed on 2026 WUSV meeting agenda

- Belarus – no response thus far trying to recover debts
- Republic of Dominica
- Kenya
- Russia
- Uganda

Future of the seminar schedule - Roberto Caputi

Proposing that the WUSV embarks on improving communication and providing seminars. Looking to improve and provide: Institutional alignment, educational excellence, strengthen the knowledge of our members, provide seminars. Proposal by the member clubs to support this idea to be explored further.

Review of the Working Male and Female Classes provided by Marco Oßmann and Bernd Weber

WUSV Spain World Championships – Show and IGP

October 3 – 11 2026 Monday 5 days like Lerma will be held in Brivesca in the north of Spain. This will be advertised in due course.

Agility world championship is still looking for an organiser.

Closing remarks from President, Frau Dannenberg - The Swedish Club celebrating 75th birthday this year. All the best for the next 75 years, The Saudi Arabian club will apply for membership next year to the WUSV.

Judges' Overview of the Auslese (VA) Working Class Males and Females of the BSZS 2025

MARCO OBMANN (FEMALES)

Overall, I was very impressed with the top group of females. Of the twelve VA, 10 have different fathers and 12 different mothers. Some relatively young females hopefully will be used in a sustainable way in the future.

Stock Coat Working Female Class Statistics 12 VA, 83 V, 6 Ungraded 9 withdrawn 5 Failed TSB

VA1 Siegerin - Lucy von Ghattas - previous youth winner. She has had offspring presented. A female without exaggeration, convincing anatomy, presentation is always convincing off lead and on. Further development, presented twice before.

VA 2 -Tana du Val d'Anzin – Nickel daughter from Uvo, excellent mother bloodline carrying Remo 2 and ¾ years old one litter of 3 puppies. Top quality. Nice structure, excellent movement, and nobility. Better by one position twice before winner at the Sieger show. The du Val d'Anzin kennel are excellent breeders.

VA3 - Razzia von Arminius by Schwiago line bred on the 'N' litter Holtkamper See. Vice winner last year; no puppies yet. Great movement and anatomy, no exaggerations. Won the state Youth show. Very good presentation. Better than expected. Jan Martin grandson of previous SV President, Hermann Martin exclaimed 30 years later, we are back! Razzia was very convincing.

VA 4 Aline vom Wolfsbruch – a favourite of mine. Carries Mentos and Tiana Fichtenschlag. She was the Youth 2nd winner from 2023. She has had 7 puppies; 3 offspring exhibited in the first position at shows. Very positive development. Three times shown under me this year. Gaiting presentation was not as good as the other females

VA 5 Perdy vom Larchenhain - Digger daughter. Quite a lot of line breeding. V 8 last year. 21 puppies in two litters which is quite remarkable. Shown puppies and a young male competed. Excellent structure and presentation.

VA 6 Dara von Melanchthon - Reno daughter from VA Kara von Melanchthon. No puppies yet. Great appearance and anatomy. Convinced in Bellheim earlier in the year. Presented very well. A candidate into the VA group.

VA 7 Evawell Elisa - carries Remo via Fina du val d'Anzin, mother from the famous N litter du Val d'Anzin, half-sister to the V1 female this year. Just 2 years of age. She was SG13 in the youth class in 2024. Her first time presented in the utility class. Excellent anatomy with father in the VA group. A great family. 5 Ronaldo daughters in the Open class. I considered

her because of the family. Incredible presentation. She can pass on great characteristics with future offspring. Look forward to seeing how she develops further.

VA 8 Risetete 11 du Val d'Anzin – Usher daughter from Nirvana du Val d'Anzin. SG 10 in 2022. Risetete 11 carries linebreeding to Remo, Ilbo Holtkamper See, and the Roma/Raica Holtkamper See. She has had 17 puppies, 6 participants in the national breeding show. She has a V2 daughter and is the mother of the young winner and a sister in LSC coat class. Very good progeny results at regional shows as well.

VA 9 Odette della Valcuvia – a Grimm daughter from VA Utha della Valcuvia. No puppies as yet. She has a harmonious structure, super movement.

VA 10 Sansa zum Kolbenguss - carries Asap and linebred to Vegas. She has had 2 litters. Excellent presentation this year.

VA 11 Dany vom Senator - previously V6 2022, V7 2023, VA8 2024. 2 litters with only 4 puppies. Presented herself well. Lost three positions this year.

VA 12 Zara vom Wolfsbruch - She attained a high position V1 2024. She is a Pancho Fichtenschlag daughter. 2nd bitch from this kennel in the VA group in 2025. After the class was completed she displayed an adverse reaction to the filming and considered withdrawing her from the group, however she recovered when represented.

LSC Working Females - Statistics 6 VA / 33 V / 6 UG / 6 EZ withdrawn/ 1 T4

VA 1 Siegerin - Pyrrha vom Länderspiegel - Grey female 3/1/2. Grizzly daughter, one litter; 4 puppies. Very convincing anatomy without exaggeration. Great moving on and off the leash. Far beyond average for TSB Presented in out of coat condition, became clear due to her presentation that she would win the class.

VA 2 Easy vom St.-Michaels-Berg - Digger daughter, one litter; 2 puppies. SG 10 2023, not presented last year. Very nice female.

VA 3 Prisha Primo Mio Grande – Surprise female to the VA group, a Bazooka daughter, now 2 years of age. SG3 last year and litter sister winner of young class last year. No puppies yet. Very well presented.

VA 4 Denise von der Rieser Perle - 3 & ½ 2022 winner 2023 VA3, an Obama du Montgison daughter, one litter; 6 puppies. Without exaggeration. Very nice female.

VA 5 Dafne Bella Lupo - VA6 from Otto Fichtenschlag, 2 years of age, no exaggerations harmonious very convincing examination. Went back places during the movement phase.

VA 6 Alexa Team Haus Romuender - A Calvados daughter already with IGP 3, her mother's litter sister is the mother of Perdy Larchenhain. 2 & ½ years, no puppies yet. Last year she was injured. Great character, ideal proportions. Very good anatomic structure. Linebred on Willy.

BERND WEBER (MALES)

Stock Coat Working Males Class

Statistics (136 entries 89 presented) 9 VA / 59 V / 1 G / 3 ungraded / 13 EZ (withdrawn) / 4 T4

Several males presented for the stand judging but did not register for the TSB test. Some of these were highly ranked dogs from previous years. It is concerning that previous SG2 and SG3 dogs did not present and did not participate in one single show. It is a matter of respect to last year's judge to present in the following year. Dogs should be presented for the protection work after the stand judging. I am unsure why people are doing this. Breeders decide whether they use the dogs; we cannot force them. Two Spencer sons were elevated to the VA group. I have prepared the menu and now they must choose!

VA 1 Sieger Mio vom Team Hühnegrab - Last year's winner and winner of young dog the year before. Always in good condition. 3rd offspring group. Number of high-quality winners and the Young (Junior) dog class, Ulkan vom Elzmundungsgraum. Very good movement on and off leash. Due to Mio's quality and anatomy and his offspring group he was deeply convinced that he should return him to the winning position in 2025.

VA 2 Schiwago von Bad-Boll - SG10 young dog class in 2022 and VA8 2023 VA 3, 2024. Vice Sieger this year. He has strong bones. Performed a great protection test this year. Offers a great alternative bloodline, breeders can continue without Omen or Opus in the pedigree. Robust male that presented his 2nd group of offspring. He achieved very high rankings 2023 without group and 2024 and 2025.

VA 3 Grimm della Valcuvia - Vice winner of young dog class in 2022. V1 2023, VA6 2024 Last year, I criticised the presentation. He is much better this year. The offspring show very good genetic inheritance. The mother line Unday del Rione Antico is also the mother of Re della Valcuvia, and produced Yankee Cimmeri. This is a very good and secure bloodline with a strong genetic pull. Presentation much better throughout the entire season. He definitely improved this year.

VA 4 Sam von Dakota - SG2 Junghund (Intermediate) 2023 behind Yankee. V7 2024. Very high level of maturity and anatomy. Very good presentation not good hair condition this year. Better running this year with more enthusiasm. Very well-bred male that was V2 last year. Presents an offspring group that is convincing. In both SH and LSH; great proportions.

VA 5 Ronaldo du Val D'Anzin - Strong genetics of this kennel. The offspring is a very homogenous group. Very good structure. Presented a bit overweight at this show. He is a correct male characterised by his very good presentation. He has worked hard to get to the VA group but yesterday proved his worth. Previously V14 2023, V6 2024. Very good bloodline and because of his strong genetics and producing capability he was elevated into the VA group. He produced the SG3 Young dog (Intermediate) and female winner Young bitch class and Youth (Junior) female winner.

VA 6 Ugos du Parc à Mitrailles - Previously V8 2023, V1 2024 and VA6 2025. Very well-structured dog. Strong in the hindquarter. First progeny group ring very good strong bones character and temperament.

VA 7 L'orange di Casa Beggiano - Previously V5 2023. V2 2024 and this year VA7. Very good development, correct physical structure. Free of Willy and Opus. He gave a Very good impression. Very strong bones correct dimensions and proportions. He presents a very good alternative.

VA 8 Re della Valcuvia - Winner young dog class last year. VA 8 this year. He showed a good willingness to run. He has made the top group without an offspring group as he is too young. A son of Spencer and second male into the group from Unday del Rione Antico, mother of Yankee and Grimm. Strong dog. Top bloodline family, a very good alternative for females' line bred to Remo and Opus.

VA 9 Pacman vom Terdannenhof - Surprise dog for the fraternity this year. His first time in the Working class. He was the Universal IGP champion this year. At 3 ½ years old he fulfils the image of a universal dog. He has a high willingness to work, with excellent confidence and very good anatomical structure. He had the best TSB performance this year. He presented twice in the working class this season. Very good presentation on and off leash. He is a son of Whillo Zenteiche 69 breed value and utility.

Long Stock Coat Working Males Class

Statistics 4 VA/ 33 V / VG 3 / 2 ungraded / 1T4 / 8 Absent

Breeding size is still at the upper end of the height scale. There are medium size dogs as well in the population. The stability of the rear legs focus has been kept up again this year. After being tolerated over decades this issue cannot be reversed in two years. We must keep working on it.

I have selected on the highest number of different fathers as possible, concentrating on trying to limit the past dominating bloodline of Remo. The strong inheritance of Remo over sons and grandsons is compounded by always producing very good dogs. We must continue searching alternative bloodlines to counteract this dominance. It has affected the breeding population.

VA 1 Sieger Calvados vom Holtkamper Hof – Show results @ BSZS included SG2 Junghund (Intermediate) 2022. VA4 under Hausmann in 2023, VA2 2024 and elevated to sieger 2025. Calvados gave a very good performance in the open class and throughout the season. VA6 in LSC females 2 winners in the Junghund (Int)males and females. Great offspring group well deserving. No exaggerations.

VA 2 Solaar du Val d'Anzin - Show results @ BSZS 2022 Winner of Jugend (Junior) Klasse, 2023 V1, 2024 VA3, 2025 VA2. Solaar always gives a very good presentation in the ring. He provided a very convincing offspring group this year. Winner of young (Junior) dog class and SG4 females. SG3,5 & 10 in the Youth (Intermediate) class

VA 3 Hagrid di Riviera Italia - Show results @ BSZS SG 3 2022 Jugend (Junior), class V3 2024 and VA3 this year. He has a high-quality litter sister, correct structure, and willingness to run. No offspring group is presented this year. It is difficult to find young LSC males with offspring groups to promote.

VA 4 Fight vom Gebenbecher Land - Show results @ BSZS SG7 2023 Junghund (Junior) class, V5 2024, VA4 2025, Fight is from a LSC pairing. Presentation is very good every time he has been presented this season. His mother former winner in 2022. He was elevated due to presentation and correct anatomical structure.

Continental Director Partner Countries Meeting - Notes compiled by NBC Chair Melanie Groth

5 September 2025

Meeting Overview

The meeting brought together representatives from multiple WUSV member countries to discuss progress on the new Breeding Program, international coordination, and several operational issues affecting national organisations.

Heather McDonald reported that the updated Breeding Program is now partly complete, introducing greater flexibility for countries without full IGP infrastructure. National HD/ED DNA systems will now be accepted, and the “noch zugelassen” rule will not restrict top gradings at local Sieger Shows. Countries unable to conduct protection work may propose equivalent working or obedience tests for local VA gradings. The program aims to harmonise standards while allowing practical adjustments across countries.

Concerns were raised about communication with the SV, with all delegates agreeing that feedback and updates are insufficient. There was strong support for increasing meetings from annually to quarterly to improve collaboration and problem-solving.

A major topic of discussion was the rejection of Australia’s press and photography pass at the Sieger Show, which was viewed as unfair given the country’s size and distance from Europe. Heather explained that the pass system had been revised, and follow-up discussions with SV officials were planned.

Other issues included SV fees for international judges, which place financial burdens on judges who already fund their own training and travel. Delegates questioned the fairness of the current system and the restrictions on SV/FCI judges using their FCI licences abroad.

The meeting also covered rules around lifetime korung, working titles, and eligibility for Sieger Shows and World Championships. Norway raised concerns about pedigree integrity and inconsistencies in working dog regulations and inter-variety breeding rules.

Finally, the discussion turned to New Zealand’s affiliation with WUSV, with Heather advising that New Zealand could affiliate through Australia (GSDCA) if both parties agree.

Overall, the meeting highlighted progress in harmonising breeding regulations, ongoing issues with communication and administrative procedures within SV, and the need for more equitable and transparent international policies.



GSDCA CANINE OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

Year	Name Of Dog	Presented
2005	Police Dog "Titan"	June 2005
2005	Iljaberg Yokone Gold "Famous Amus" SES (WA)	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
2019	Police Dog "Ike" (VIC)	April 2019
2020	No Awards Given	-----
2021	Police Dog "Kaos" (Qld)	August 2021
2022	Police Dog "Kronos" (NSW)	June 2022
2023	Police Dog "Zeus" (VIC)	April 2023
2024	Police Dog "Bandit" (SA)	May 2024
	Police Dog Raptor (WA)	April 2024
	Police Dog Sidious (WA)	April 2024
2025	Police Dog Ouzo (QLD)	May 2025

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 OFFICER HISTORY

Year	Patron	President	First Vice President	Second Vice President	Third Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer	Editor QNR
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

Year	Patron	President	First Vice President	Second Vice President	Third Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer	Editor QNR
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

Year	Patron	President	First Vice President	Second Vice President	Third Vice President	Secretary	Treasurer	Editor QNR
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.*

Year	Patron	President	* Chairman National Breed Commission	* Chairman Judges Committee	* Chairman Obedience Committee	Secretary	Treasurer	Editor QNR
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

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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

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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
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

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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 De Lucia	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 De Lucia	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 De Lucia	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 De Lucia	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Ms J 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 J Poole
2018	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr V Tantaro	Ms M Groth <i>(Resigned 7/5/18)</i>	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs J Urie	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Ms J Poole

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2019	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr V Tantaro	Mrs J Yuen	Mrs R Knuckey	Mrs J Urie	Mrs V Moody	Ms J Pike	Ms J Poole
2020	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr S Lynch	Mrs J Yuen	Mr L Donald	Mrs J Urie	Mrs L. Phillis	Mr P Flynn	Ms J Poole
2021	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr S Lynch	Mr I Urie	Mr L Donald/Mr S Collins	Mr J De Lucia	Mrs L Phillis	Mr P Flynn	Mrs Y Yun
2022	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr S Lynch	Mr I Urie	Ms M Groth	Mr J De Lucia	Mrs L Phillis	Mr P Flynn	Mrs Y Yun
2023	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr S Lynch	Mr I Urie	Ms M Groth	Mr A Henderson	Mrs J Haase	Mr P Flynn	Mrs Y Yun
2024	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr S Lynch	Mr I Urie	Mrs J De Lucia	Mr A Henderson	Mrs J Haase	Mr P Flynn	Mrs G Donald
2025	Mrs D Fraser AC MBE	Mr S Lynch	Mrs M Groth	Mrs J De Lucia	Mr A Henderson	Mrs J Haase	Mr P Flynn	Mrs G Donald