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60 Day Motions from the AGM 2026

A decision made at the Annual General Meeting on any additional item will only take effect if confirmed by member clubs within 60 days of the AGM (or 30 days if deemed appropriate). This rule ensures that regulations are implemented efficiently and in a timely manner. ***Due to the Secretary, no later than midnight on 9 April 2026.***

MOTION	CARRIED/LOST
<p>Motion 1: “That for dogs born after 1st July 2026, the GSDCA Character Assessment (CA) is introduced as a prerequisite for participation in the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme.”</p> <p>Moved: GSDCV Second: GSDCQ</p> <p>The Rationale: The GSDCA Character Assessment, which was introduced as a prerequisite in 2021 was reviewed and made voluntary at the 2021 GSDCA AGM. The Assessment has been conducted and has been accepted to a degree. To continue promoting the GSD as a working dog, the CA should be made a prerequisite for breed survey classification. The value of the assessment is that it gives breeders insight into which flaws need to be enhanced and which may need to be scaled back. The only way a dog fails the assessment is if it is gun-shy, fearful, or aggressive.</p>	<p>Click or tap here to enter text.</p>
<p>Motion 2: “That the GSDCA implement restricted digital access to the QNR magazine on the GSDCA website, making digital editions available exclusively to current financial members via a password-protected system, while continuing to provide public access to advertisements and stud dog listings.</p> <p>The GSDCA will introduce a paid digital subscription option for non-members, domestic and international, at a proposed rate of \$50.00 per annum, with a 2-year trial period and subsequent review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non-member digital subscribers will receive access to all National Review issues in the calendar year of their subscription.• GSDCA Club members will have password access to the current National Review issue and all archived issues on the GSDCA website.• The printed magazine remains unchanged and will continue to be distributed to all members.” <p>Moved: NHRGSDC Second: GSDCQ</p>	<p>Click or tap here to enter text.</p>

The Rationale:

Background

The clubs' general membership voted at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in February 2025 to continue publishing the QNR magazine in hard copy, rejecting a digital-only version. To accommodate rising production costs, membership fees were increased from \$30 to \$40, which covers the printing and mailing of the magazine to members' home addresses, as updated on the mailing list before each edition. Approximately one month after the hard copy distribution, a digital version of the QNR magazine is uploaded to the GSDCA website, where it is currently freely accessible to the public. Since 2015, all editions have been available, creating a valuable global resource that is funded entirely by our Australian membership.

Issue

The digital version of the QNR magazine, a resource paid for by the membership, is freely available to non-members worldwide. This unrestricted access may undervalue the investment made by members and limit the organisation's potential revenue opportunities. While advertisements and stud dog listings benefit from public access to promote Breed Surveyed animals and would remain available to all comers, the core content of the magazine could be better protected to enhance its value and generate additional income and represents a solid marketing opportunity to create more revenue for the magazine/GSDCA.

Proposal

To maximise the value of the QNR magazine and create a new revenue stream, it is proposed:

- **Restrict Digital Access to Members Only:** Implement a password-protected system for the digital QNR magazine on the GSDCA website, using the same club password issued to access the GSDCA database.
- This ensures that only paying members can access the full digital content, aligning with their investment through membership fees.
- **Maintain Public Access for Advertisements:** We will continue to make advertisements and stud dog listings freely available on the GSDCA website to promote Breed-Surveyed animals to the general public, supporting the organisation's mission to advance the breed.
- **Introduce a Digital Subscription for Non-Members:** Offer a digital subscription to the QNR magazine for non-members in Australia and internationally at a proposed rate of \$50.00 per year.
- This subscription would provide access to the password-protected digital editions, creating a new revenue stream to support the magazine's production and the organisation's activities.

The knowledge base of all QNRs on the website is in the public domain, but members have paid for this. A digital subscription creates a stream of income for GSDCA. Concern was raised about access for Australian members. This would require a password to access. Only Club members will be able to see magazines; they will not be available to the general public. The QNR will not be emailed to subscribers as a PDF, but will be available on the website. The proposal means a password or subscription will be required for all magazines. No open access. All archived issues will be protected.

