



GSDCA AGM 11th & 12th February 2017

60 Day Motions

Motion 1

“That the GSD League be granted the right to host the 2020 GSDCA GSD National Show & Trial providing that the event is held during the period of Mid-April to late May but not over the Easter Weekend.”

Rationale:

Discussion took place at the AGM to establish which Club would host the 2020 National. Based on the rostering of the show, it was noted that it would be the German Shepherd Dog League (GSDL) with the event being held in Sydney.

Traditionally National's as hosted by the GSDL are held in lieu of their Championship Show which is held at Easter. Concern was expressed by a number of Member Club's, that the Easter holiday weekend is not an ideal time to conduct our premier event, as exhibitors faced higher travel cost and accommodation and scarcity of discounted flights to fly in and out together with their dogs in order to meet normal work attendance. It must be noted that members want to stay home with their families during this festive season. Further, last year saw an early Easter (late March) and very hot weather, this was not conducive to showing our dogs and in terms of duty of care, both for animals and people we must be mindful of our responsibility when our members exhibit their animals in extreme or adverse weather conditions.

GSDCA Executive Note:

It is noted that Easter dates would see the show normally held on 10, 11, 12 April 2020. The likelihood of experiencing similar temperatures as last year is low but the concern about difficulty of travel and members wanting to share Easter with families are real and is our belief that it does impact on attendance and number of animals exhibited. If the motion is approved, the Executive, NSLO will discuss and together support a case to be put to Dogs NSW by the GSDL to have a more suitable date allocated.

Motion 2

“That as 1st January 2018 the only acceptable identification method for participation in all GSDCA Breed Improvement Schemes will be micro chipping and that all GSDCA regulations pertaining to the accepted method of identification are amended accordingly.”

Rationale:

The GSDCA Executive had been advised that according to the RSPCA National Policy, the GSDCA are in breach of the rules and that the activity of tattooing our puppies is considered an invasive practice and the drawing of blood and causing pain is not recommended.

Issues considered:

- *Low Numbers now being tattooed.*
- *Lack of popularity due to microchipping.*
- *Tattooists have not been trained via a recognised training authority.*
- *The sterilisation process of “autoclaving”, used by vets, for the tattoo implements is not considered practical*
- *Welfare of Dogs*
- *RSPCA/AVA would not support our practice of tattooing.*

Member Clubs should be aware, that if this motion gets approval, Member Clubs will have to cease tattooing as it will no longer be recognized as a form of identification for our Breed Improvement Schemes.

Motion 3

“That all Executive Meetings be minuted and copies of those Minutes be sent to clubs within 30 days.”

Rationale:

The motion will if supported see the GSDCA Executive meet prior to the SGM/AGM/NBC meetings with minutes and actions of this meeting provided to the Member Clubs for their interest.

Motion 4

“The GSDAWA requests that the following Obedience Judges be added to the GSDCA Obedience Supplementary List.”

Dr. Dianne Webb PhD Dip Acc

GSDAWA Membership #: 746

Involvement with the German Shepherd Dog

I obtained my first GSD in 1982 with Emganza Capricorn Star. Since then I have had Luftschelle I'm Mishika (1993 to 2006) and TCh Eisenland Outlast CDX, RE, HTMA, DWFA, ET (adopted as a 3.5 year old in 2007, recently passing October this year) in my life. I currently have Maerceci Uber Magic UD, RM, RAE2, TD, HTMA, FSN, 'Z' (5 year old) and Sabaranburg Purple Rain RN, HTMS, 'AZ, VG' (18 months old in joint ownership with breeder).

As a GSD owner I work tirelessly to ensure my dogs are good ambassadors for the breed and am often complemented on their behaviour by others.

Association with the German Shepherd Dog Assn of WA Inc.

I first joined the GSDAWA in 1983, and was member for 2 years. My second stint with the club was also for 2 years from 1994 to 1995. I have now been a member of the GSDAWA continuously since 2007, during this time I served a period as Assistant Head Trainer and currently run Rally-O classes for the Club.

For 3 years I assisted the former Trials Secretary by producing the catalogues for ANKC Obedience and Rally-O Trials. During the years 2008 to 2015 I was awarded the Top Lady Handler Trophy 6 times.

Since August 2015 I have shown my youngest bitch obtaining Very Good grades in Junior SC classes, and she also won the Top Show & Obedience Trophy at the recent West Coast Challenge.

Judging Experience

I obtained my Obedience Judges Licence in 2014 qualifying me to judge CCD and Novice classes. In the past 2 years I have had 6 CCD & 5 Novice appointments and plan to upgrade in 2017 to include the Open class. This year I became a Rally-O judge covering all classes Novice to Masters with my first appointment in February 2017.

Ms. Debbie Hyde

I have been an active member of Dogs West since the mid 1990's training and titling my first kelpie who gained her UD and Agility titles.

From there I was hooked on obedience and subsequently competed with my next two Border Collies to gain their Obedience Champion titles. My Australian Shepherd Dog, Brooklyn, has attained his Obedience Grand Champion and held WA's Top Obedience Dog title for seven consecutive years and I am now trialling his son who is at the beginning of his career and loves his training.

I have given several seminars on dog training to various clubs and I have co-hosted and organised international instructors for WA obedience clubs. I instruct the top trialling class at Southern River Agility and Obedience Dog Club and I am currently the Co-ordinator for Judges training for Dogs West.

Judging is my way of giving back to the wonderful dog obedience community and I have thoroughly enjoyed my Judging assignments over many years. I am licensed to Judge all classes of Obedience, Rally O, Endurance Test and Dances with Dogs.

Mr. Paul Skewes

I started in the dog world in 1977 with my parents in Geraldton and Districts Kennel Club, with their first German Shepherd Dog.

On moving back to Perth in 1980 we joined Northern Suburbs Training & Obedience Dog Club, where at 16, I was allowed to start instructing classes.

Although I assisted and trialed my parents dogs (to UD Level) I owned my first dog at 20 a Border Collie called William, we attained our COX title in the short time I had him. I currently have a Border Collie (Ryan) who is showing a lot of potential for his obedience career.

I have been involved in many clubs throughout the state including Gosnells Obedience Club, Cloverdale Canine Companions, Karratha Wickham & Dampier Dog Club, Kalgoorlie and Districts Kennel Club (President) and most recently Midland Dog Training Club where I am currently the President of a great small club.

I attained my Obedience Judging Licence in 2008 and I am currently licensed to judge all obedience and rally classes.

In 2009 I attained my unrestricted Judging license for Dances with Dogs - Heelwork to Music and Freestyle Classes and currently on the WA DWD Club committee.

I have been involved in Rally O from its inception in Australia and take great pleasure in judging, instructing and competing.

As a handler, competitor and Judge I always love to see a dog and handler working as a team, especially if the dog is happy and willing while working.

Motion 5

“The Major Trophy awarded at the GSDCA GSD National Show and Trial to the 5 Gold Medal winners, Dual Performance Dog and the Highest Achieving Kennel (7 Trophies), as per the National Show Manual) is the “standing, sitting and lying dog” mounted on a wooden stand as supplied by Ariel Fine Arts, NSW.”

Rationale:

To ensure that the Major Trophy awarded at the GSDCA German Shepherd Dog National Show & Trial is unique and of a consistent high standard, the AGM delegates reviewed a presentation made by the Working Party who investigated trophies for this purpose and the 3 dog statue was considered befitting for this award as per pictured in Motion 6 below Appendix “O”.

The value of the Major Trophy as at 2017 is \$365.00 (GST Inc.).

Motion 6

CHANGES TO GSDCA NATIONAL SHOW MANUAL

“That the following changes to the National Show Manual in Section 13 Trophies, Sashes & Mementos be approved.”

Rationale:

*The changes clarify the exact requirements for the purchase of trophies and plaques for the GSDCA GSD National Show & Trial which will make requirements clear for National Show Managers. The dollar values listed in the existing manual have been removed as these can be subject to change without notice. The notes marked with ** and underlined have been included to assist the reader understand the changes needed.*

In the event that motion 5 is “carried”, ALL of the following changes to the GSDCA National Show Manual are required.

In the case that motion 5 is “lost” the following changes are still required however Appendix “O” will be amended to read “Suggested Major Trophy supplied by”.

The changes are shown in tables on the following pages for ease of comparison.

Motion 6 – (Continued)

CURRENT	CHANGE/ADD
<p><u>**Rationale: 13.3 has been split into 13.3.1 and 13.3.2. Effectively this is not a change to the intent of the current wording in the manual but it clarifies precisely who is awarded what.**</u></p>	<p>13.3 The names of the annual winners of all Memorial Plaques and Major Trophies will be recorded on a special page of the GSDCA website as per regulation 2.10.3.</p>
<p>13.3 Memorial Trophies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walter Henry Reimann Trophy - awarded to the Open Dog (SC) class winner, • Roy Brabham Trophy - awarded to the Open Bitch (SC) class Winner, • Rick Richardson Trophy - awarded to the Winner of Winners in the National Trial, • David O'Rourke Trophy - awarded to the best "Dual Performance" exhibit in the Show and Trial (refer also to National Trial Manual, appendix "G" for rules). • Sam Bonifacio Trophy – awarded to the Kennel that receives the highest aggregate score at the National (see Appendix "N" for scoring system). The cost of this trophy will be borne by the GSDCA. <p>The winners of the above memorial trophies are presented with a commemorative plaque (see examples Appendix "L" - Open Dog, and "M" - Open Bitch) and a trophy (e.g. silverware) to the value of \$350. The names of the annual winners will be recorded on a special page of the GSDCA website.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Max Stokes Trophy – will be awarded to the Junior Bitch (SC) class Winner, and the trophy for this award is a commemorative plaque, in addition to the class trophy. 	<p><u>**Replaces the current 13.3**</u></p> <p>13.3.1 Memorial Plaques:</p> <p>The winners of the following memorial trophies are presented with a commemorative plaque (see examples Appendix "L" - Open Dog, and "M" - Open Bitch). This is in addition to the 1st place plaque.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walter Henry Reimann Plaque - awarded to the Open Dog (SC) class winner, • Roy Brabham Plaque - awarded to the Open Bitch (SC) class Winner, • Rick Richardson Plaque - awarded to the Winner of Winners in the National Trial, • David O'Rourke Plaque - awarded to the best "Dual Performance" exhibit in the Show and Trial (refer also to National Trial Manual, appendix "G" for rules). • Sam Bonifacio Plaque – awarded to the Kennel that receives the highest aggregate score at the National (see Appendix "N" for scoring system). • Max Stokes Plaque – awarded to the Junior Bitch (SC) class Winner. <p>13.3.2 Major Trophies:</p> <p>The winners of the following will receive the Major Trophy approved by the GSDC of A at an AGM. (see Appendix "O").</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gold Medal Long Stock Coat Dog • Gold Medal Long Stock Coat Bitch • Gold Medal Stock Coat Dog • Gold Medal Stock Coat Bitch • Gold Medal Winner National Trial • Best Dual Performance in the Show and Trial • Highest Performing Kennel - The cost of this trophy will be borne by the GSDCA.

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<p><i>Delete Trophy Values as it is not relevant in this section</i></p> <p>13.6 Excellent Medallions</p> <p>Excellent Medallions shall be awarded to all Excellent graded animals, dogs and bitches. Medallions should be fixed to a ribbon (see sample – appendix ‘G’).</p> <p>Trophy Values</p> <p>Memorial Trophy and Gold medal winners \$350.00 Class Winner Plaques \$50.00</p>	<p>13.6 Excellent Medallions</p> <p>Excellent Medallions shall be awarded to all Excellent graded animals, dogs and bitches. Medallions should be fixed to a ribbon (see sample – appendix ‘G’).</p>
<p>13.11 Suggested Suppliers</p> <p>Plaques Order from the GSDCA National Trophy Officer.</p> <p>Gold, Silver & Bronze Medals Order from the GSDCA Treasurer, five of each medal - four (4) sets for Conformation and one (1) set for Obedience</p> <p>Excellent Medallions and Octagonal Mementos Order from the GSDCA Treasurer</p> <p>Sashes, Medallion Ribbons and Pennants</p> <p>Both these suppliers specialize in gold lettering on sashes:</p> <p>Steward Gillman 67 Merola Way, Campbellfield VIC. 3061 Ph. (03) 9357 0497 Fax. (03) 9357 8226 email: ordering@stewartgillman.com.au</p> <p>Terry Wilcox Computer Sashes & Rosettes Factory 6C Green Street Thomastown VIC. 3074 Ph. (03) 9465 7957 Fax: (03) 9464 1305 email: terry@computersashes.com</p> <p>*(Lower cost sashes can be purchased from local supplier if the same format and equal quality is guaranteed)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenge Trophies If applicable are purchased by the Host Club. • Challenge Certificates If applicable, from the Kennel Control. • Grading Certificates Order from Host Club’s usual supplier. *(Card should be 200gsm plus and follow the format shown at Appendix C) 	<p><u>**Supplier has closed down and 200 gsm will not fit through most laser printers.**</u></p> <p>13.11 Suggested Suppliers</p> <p>Plaques Order from the GSDCA National Trophy Officer.</p> <p>Gold, Silver & Bronze Medals Order from the GSDCA Treasurer, five of each medal - four (4) sets for Conformation and one (1) set for Obedience</p> <p>Excellent Medallions and Octagonal Mementos Order from the GSDCA Treasurer</p> <p>Sashes, Medallion Ribbons and Pennants</p> <p>This supplier specializes in gold lettering on sashes:</p> <p>Computer Sashes & Rosettes Factory 6C Green Street Thomastown VIC. 3074 Ph. (03) 9465 7957 Fax: (03) 9464 1305 email: terry@computersashes.com</p> <p>*(Lower cost sashes can be purchased from local supplier if the same format and equal quality is guaranteed)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenge Trophies If applicable are purchased by the Host Club. • Challenge Certificates If applicable, from the Kennel Control. • Grading Certificates Order from Host Club’s usual supplier. *(Card should be a minimum of 120 gsm plus and follow the format shown at Appendix C)

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	<p><i>**New Appendix – added the word “suggested” if Motion 5 is lost.**</i></p> <p>Appendix “O”</p> <p>Major Trophy supplied by</p> <p>Ariel Fine Arts NSW http://arielfinearts.com.au/ Email: arielfinearts@bigpond.com</p> <p><i>Standing, Sitting & Lying dog mounted on stand.</i></p> <p>Order to be placed by 31 January prior to the National being hosted.</p> 