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Presents to its members

The 2013 GSDCV Annual Report

This annual report presents to members the activities and involvement of the Club, including the audited financial statements, for the year ended December 31, 2013.

On behalf of the Executive and Management Committee, I acknowledge our deep appreciation to all members who have contributed to the running of such a large and widespread club. Without these dedicated volunteers, we would not be able to showcase our dogs and continue to provide a multitude of services to our members and the general public. We thank you all for your enormous continuing contributions.

I trust that you will enjoy reading the information contained in this report and I thank all position holders for their prompt response in providing the required reports, which has enabled me to prepare this report prior to the AGM.

Thank you also to all responsible at Maroondah Printing who have continued to provide such excellent service over the last 15 plus years.

Finally, my sincere thanks to Norma Meaney and particularly Jacinta Poole (a real eagle eye!) with their suggestions and proof reading.

We have tried to ensure all names are correct within this report and as such apologise for any errors that may have escaped us.

Louisa Rodger

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HISTORY OF PATRONS & LIFE MEMBERS

PATRON IN CHIEF & PATRONS

Patroness

Dame Mabel Brookes 1973 to late 1970's

Patron In Chief

Mr. S. I. Miller, Chief Commissioner of the Victorian Police Force 1984 to 1988

Patron In Chief

Mr. K. Glare, Chief Commissioner of the Victoria Police Force 1988 to 1993

Patrons

Mr. R. Jackson – both as Chief Commissioner & Retired Chief Commissioner of the Victorian Police Force 1984 to 1993

Mr. T. R. Luxton – current Patron



1984 to date

LIFE MEMBERS

NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED	NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED
Mrs. Rene Hayman	1972	Mr. S.A. Rowe	
Mr. Schellenberger		Mr. Tom Luxton	
Mrs. Anita Pettenhofer	1983	Mrs. Anne Watts	1983
Mr. Norm Watts	1983	Mr. Karl Heyne	1984
Mr. Wally Szillat	1988	Mr. James Rodger	1988
Mrs. Fran Farley	1989	Mr. John Hodges	1994
Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley	1994	Mr. Vince Tantaro	1995
Mrs. Fran Tantaro	1995	Mr. Ian Cameron	1996
Mr. Chris Hollingworth	1997	Mr. Ron Orchard	1997
Mr. Frank Moody	1998	Mrs. Val Moody	2000
Mr. Ian Urie	2004	Mrs. Louisa Rodger	2006
Mr. Ian Holden	2006	Mr. Dom Cafari	2008
Mr. Ben Glasheen	2008	Mr. Bernie Lester	2009
Mr. Graeme Jacobs	2009	Mr. David Berry	2010

LIFE MEMBERS (Deceased)

NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED	DECEASED
Mr. Walter Reimann		
Mrs. Caldwell		
Mrs. P. Schneider		
Mr. L. Spoor		
Mrs. Joyce Kinsman		1991
Mr. Tom Fitzgerald	1984	29/04/07
Mrs. Bonnie Gascoigne	1984	1991
Mrs. Margot Haines	1991	17/10/2003
Mrs. Margaret Valastro	2000	22/6/2000
Mr. Richard Atyeo	2002	5/11/2003
Mr. Ken Stubbs		2006
Mr. Ted van Bael		2006
Mrs. Bernice Scully (Ryan)	2001	3/8/2009
Mr. Rudy Petrella	2007	21/8/2012

VALE – Mr. Rudy Petrella



Last year (2012) saw the passing of a most esteemed and loved Life Member, Mr Rudy Petrella. A member since 1986, Rudy held many positions within the club, particularly so in the Western Branch, as well as instructing for over 25 years. His warm, welcoming smile and gentle manner will long be remembered by all those who knew him. A true gentleman and friend of the German Shepherd Dog.

GSDCV MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2013

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

OFFICE BEARERS

President	Mr. Vince Ebejer
Vice President	Mr. Graeme Jacobs
2 nd Vice President	Mrs. Louisa Rodger
Secretary	Mrs. Norma Meaney
Treasurer	Mr. Michael Simmons
Breed Affairs Administrator	Mr. Ian Urie
Obedience Training Administrator	Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley



2013 Executive L to R: Michael Simmons, Marilyn Wrigley, Vince Ebejer, Ian Urie, Norma Meaney, Louisa Rodger. Abs: Graeme Jacobs

BRANCH MANAGERS

Ballarat
Bendigo
Eastern
Geelong
Gippsland
Malvern

Mr. Tony Hassett
 Mr. Brett Crutchfield
 Mr. Peter Garbett
 Mr. Dennis Gladman
 Mr. Ray Batchelor
 Ms. Jacinta Poole

Northern
Skye
Specialist Show Branch
Western
Wodonga

Mr. Mark Stedwell
 Mr. Ken Smith
 Mr. Alastair Henderson
 Mrs. Shirley Petrella
 Mr. Gordon Cole

POSITION HOLDERS

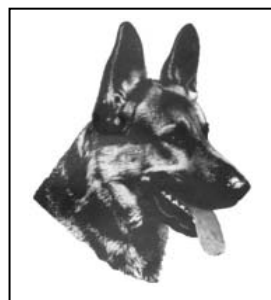
Demo Team Manager
Membership Officer
Promotions Officer
Rehoming Officer
Shepherd News Editor
Website Chairman

Mr. Michael Simmons
 Mrs. Lin Ebejer
 Mrs. Dearne Jackson
 Mr. Mike Nelson
 Ms. Jacinta Poole
 Ms. Jacinta Poole

CLUB LOGO HISTORY

From the early 1970's our club's logo featured the head of a German Shepherd Dog, namely *Barry vom Rebgeleland "a" (Imp Gmy), a dog owned by the late Walter Reimann, a life member of the GSDCV and a stalwart of the GSDCA.

This head, along with the distinctive Old English script was used on all letterhead, publications, club merchandise, promotions, etc



In 2013, the club undertook to update the logo with the result being a total change of head and design.

The new logo, features *Ch. Kwint vom Juerikstall "a" ED Hneg (Imp Ndl) who was the Open Dog winner at the 2010 National.

Reprinted courtesy GSDCV Website

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mr. Vince Ebejer

I would like to welcome you all to our 2014 Annual General Meeting.
It is an honour to present my report as your President.

The GSDCV operates in a dynamic and fluid environment where we are well aware of the demands that today's society places on our members, officers and the Breed itself. We are constantly trying to improve what we offer and whether it be to the membership or the public, our structure and the goal is the same, the improvement, promotion and protection of the German Shepherd Dog.

The GSDCV is much more than the sum of its parts. We have had an outstanding year, continuing to build upon the foundations laid down long ago, strengthening the organisation to protect and promote the GSD. I wish to thank our long term members, they provide a connection to our past that is essential to the Club and the Breed. While we are forever looking forward, to know where we are going we need to know where we have been.

This past year we have seen an increase in membership and further progress along projects previously started. Each area or project of the GSDCV is chaired and driven by an individual, and the numerous position holders, the Executive and Management Committee have operated professionally throughout the year, often putting in countless hours after their 'day' jobs for the benefit of the members and the Breed. The GSDCV is a collaborative effort, with each group made up of members working together to ensure the success and smooth running of the organisation. To them I say a very big Thank You.

I would like to thank our major sponsor, "Royal Canin". The ongoing relationship between the GSDCV and Royal Canin grows stronger every year. Royal Canin and the GSDCV have continued their long term relationship during 2013 and Royal Canin will continue as the Club's major sponsor for 2014. The relationship is one we cherish and benefits both the GSDCV and Royal Canin. Through our relationship with Royal Canin, we continue to offer members through our Branch structure, access to Royal Canin premium pet food at significant savings, as well as seminars ranging from education to general information and interest topics. We are pleased to announce that Royal Canin has agreed to sponsor the 2015 GSDCA National Show & Trial. This will be held at KCC Park on the 8th, 9th and 10th of May 2015. A National Show and Trial Committee has been formed and planning is underway to make this an outstanding event.

I would also like to thank Monash Veterinary Clinic. They have been sponsors of the GSDCV for the past three years and I am pleased to announce that this will continue for 2014. The GSDCV and the Clinic have a very strong relationship forged over the many years that members have been taking their GSD's and other pets there. The staff and Veterinarians are extremely capable and well versed in canine issues and I am sure the relationship will continue in coming years.

During 2013, the Club redesigned and updated its logo. We did not undertake this lightly as we are conscious of our heritage. Receiving input from all our members through the branch structure, taking place over many months, we achieved a final design incorporating a strong GSD head, thus keeping our connection to our past. Along with the map of Victoria, it clearly symbolises what we are and what we stand for. This new design allows us to produce a consistent image across all platforms and the new logo will be phased in over time to allow for natural attrition of assets and uniforms.

Significantly, the GSDCV, in partnership with the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria, held a GSD Specialist Conformation Show featuring SV judge Herr Hans-Peter Fetten (Gmy) at the Royal Show in September. 'The Royal' is the highlight of the 'All Breeds' Calendar and the provision of critiques and grading's for the GSD's, something not usually seen at the Royal, was a great opportunity to showcase the breed to the general public. It was truly a cooperative effort with many parts meshing together. The large entry featuring both Stock Coat and Long Stock Coat, including some well known interstate animals, combined with commentary from our Breed Surveyors' captivated the public's attention, as did the precision obedience work from our Demonstration Team which conducted displays for the entire time the Royal was open. The GSDCV Promotions Team did an outstanding job of dealing with the public, with a well manned promotions stand, information flyers and banners featuring our new logo. The promotional aspects of this event are without measure, with in excess of 20 thousand people attending the Royal on the day of the Show, and in excess of 150 thousand over the course of the 'Royal', not to mention the television coverage. We will certainly be endeavouring to hold the event in 2014.

Vale

In 2013 we have lost a number of dear friends. On behalf of the Management Committee, members and myself personally, I extend our condolences to the family and friends who have lost loved ones throughout the year.

There are a number of significant position holders that are integral to the smooth running of the Club:

Vice President: Graeme Jacobs

Graeme took on the position of Vice President in 2013 after many years as Treasurer, and has been essential in assisting me in the many and varied duties that the position entails. After many years on the Management committee in various roles, Graeme has decided to take a well earned break and will not be renominating 2014. We wish him well and are certain that we will see both Graeme and Barb helping out when needed.

2nd Vice President: Louisa Rodger

While a new addition to the team this past year, Louisa has always been involved in Club activities, and undertaken many tasks over the years. 2013 saw Louisa take on the additional role of 2nd Vice President, and has been an integral part in the leadership group of the Club. Assisting both Graeme and myself in Presidential duties, as well as assisting others where needed, the well being of the Club and the Breed is always at the front of Louisa's actions. We are pleased that Louisa has decided to renominate for 2014 where she can continue the good work done so far.

Secretary: Norma Meaney

The President's right hand and the backbone of the organisation is the secretary. Norma took on the role in 2013 and has fitted in very well, dealing with the many traditional 'secretarial' duties of the organisation, being part of the decision making process and undertaking tasks that are unique to an organisation such as ours. Norma has decided to renominate for 2014 where I am sure that she will continue to undertake the role with the same passion and dedication already shown.

Treasurer: Michael Simmons

Another new addition to the Team this past year was Michael, and while managing the Clubs finances is a complex and demanding role, Michael ably fulfilled his duties using his vast experience as a CPA to comply with the intricate nature of our organisation and government legislation. Michael has decided to nominate for 2014 where I am sure that his expertise will assist the Club in managing its finances.

Assisting Michael were two very capable Assistant Treasurers. I wish to thank Helen Simmons and Fiona Henderson for undertaking these roles; they both did an amazing job dealing with all the issues that arise in an organisation as large as ours. I thank them both for the effort and dedication they showed the position.

Breed Affairs Administrator: Ian Urie

Ian continued in the role of Breed Affairs Administrator in 2013 continuing on from 2012. There are many aspects to the portfolio and throughout the year has dealt with many issues that are Breed related. Ian has taken a sideways step for 2014, nominating for the position of Vice President and I look forward to working with him.

Obedience Training Administrator: Marilyn Wrigley

Marilyn has held this important role for the past 16 years. OTC is responsible for the Obedience training conducted across the Branches, and Marilyn leads the Instructors in their dealings with the members. I thank Marilyn for the work she has put in and look forward to working with her over the next twelve months.

Branches:

The GSDCV has the largest membership base of all the German Shepherd Dog Clubs in Australia and the Branch Structure is the key to the size and strength of the Club. The Management Committee is where the Executive and Branch Managers come together to provide leadership and direction for the future of the GSDCV and the German Shepherd Dog. It is here that we come together as ONE CLUB, with an equality of votes regardless of position or Branch size. I would like to thank the Branch Managers for your commitment and dedication to the Club as a whole and to your own Branch.

There are numerous people and groups of people within each Branch that I wish to thank. The Obedience and Show Instructors, without which there would be little reason for the members to turn up each week. The Branch committees that provide the framework for the Instructors and members to get together. And of course, the members themselves. If we did not have any members we would not have a Club. Thank you one and all.

Breed Surveyors:

The Breed Survey Panel in Victoria provides valuable breed advice and guidance to our members, as well as being an integral part of structure. Through our Breed Affairs Committee, they provide valuable insight and are integral in the decision making process. The commitment and effort they put in spans more than just survey days. This past year saw James Rodger and Fran Farley reinstated as Breed Surveyors and we welcome them back with open arms. Alastair Henderson has led the Victorian Surveyors for the past two years and I thank him for his work and dedication.

An often unrecognised member of the survey process is the Breed Survey Registrar. This important administration position has been filled by Gillian Cafari who has done an admirable job keeping things running smoothly. Thank you Gillian for your efforts.

Show Committee:

Andrew Jones continued in the role of Show Manager for 2013 and has done an outstanding job. The Show Committee, reporting to the Breed Affairs Committee, manage and plan our Show events throughout the year, which includes assisting those Clubs that provide us with Specialist Shows. Ably assisting Andrew as Assistant Show Manager is Vince Tantaró, who brings to the role the commitment that he shows in everything he undertakes. We must also thank Vince for hosting and playing taxi service for visiting Judges. This can be a time consuming and thankless task. So we thank Vince for his superb handling of the Judges, which makes Victoria a place that the overseas Judges want to visit. An integral part of the committee is the Show Secretary. This vital and very demanding role is ably filled by Vicki Dobson, dealing with all the issues that ensue. Thanks also to the many hands that assist the Show Committee do their jobs.

Trial Committee:

Dearne Jackson continued in the role of Trial Manager in 2013, bringing to the position the dedication and passion that Dearne shows in any position she holds. The Trial Committee which reports to the Obedience Training Committee is made up from many other members that ensure the smooth running of the events. The good work that Dearne and the Team have done has seen overall trial entries higher in 2013 than in 2012. On behalf of the Management Committee, my thanks to all members of the team.

Position Holders:

The many Position Holders who take on the various tasks for the Club are extremely valuable in the roles they perform. Without these people we could not provide the services we currently do.

Shepherd News and Webmaster: Jacinta Poole

As well as GSDCV Webmaster, Jacinta Poole also held the role of Shepherd News Editor in 2013 continuing on from 2012. Jacinta brings to both roles the insight, flair and dedication that has made the magazine and website the envy of the other Clubs around Australia. The publication of the Shepherd News, the Shepherd E-News, the Club Facebook page and the Club website, www.gsdcv.org.au places the GSDCV at the leading edge of social interaction where we can reliably communicate with our members in these busy times. Significantly the 'E-News' allows the Club to communicate on mobile platforms and allows us to communicate with interested parties and non-members

I also extend the Clubs thanks to Daryl Bourke who continues to work on the technical issues that pop up from time to time.

Membership Officer: Lin Ebejer

Lin continues to fill this position, ably handling the complexity of the role and dealing with the many issues that arise in order to ensure the smooth processing of new applications and renewals. The information that the membership database can provide is invaluable in gauging the 'health' of the Branches and the success of the Puppy Training Certificates / Renewal Process.

Thanks also to Ray Jones who built and maintains the programming of the database; we continue to have an outstanding product at no cost.

Promotion Officer: Dearne Jackson

Promotions is an especially important role and encompasses providing dogs for the public to pat, a Breed Stand at numerous events around Victoria, liaising with the Demo Team manager, as well as providing assistance to the Branches with their local events. Dearne handled this role extremely well, continuing in the role from 2013. Previously covered was the promotional work conducted at the 'Royal', and I wish to reiterate the Clubs thanks for the effort the entire team put in.

We have previously participated in the Moomba Parade fitting in with the theme set by the organisers and this year was no different. The 2013 Parade was to honour the efforts of the Emergency Services. Instead of the traditional King and Queen, the Moomba Parade organising committee had a representative from each branch of the Services on the Royal Float. The GSDCV was tasked with providing the 'honour guard' for the 7 Kings & Queens, a high profile position directly behind the Royal Float, ensuring a great deal of television exposure and numerous 'side' trips to the cheering public for pats and cuddles. Congratulations to the entire team that took part.

Dearne could not manage the promotional aspect of the GSDCV alone, and I extend my thanks to the entire team of helpers that travel around Victoria manning the breed stands, showcasing our wonderful breed at events such as the Pet Expo held at the showgrounds and the Royal Melbourne Show.

I take this opportunity to remind everyone that whenever our GSD's are in public we are promoting our Breed, whether it be an event, walking down the street, at a park or even talking about the GSD and the GSDCV, you and your furry friend are the best ambassadors the Breed and the Club can have.

Demo Team Manager: Michael Simmons

Michael took on this role in 2013, leading the Team during the year at the various events around the State and liaising with the Branches to assist them with local Demonstrations. Michael also led the team at the Royal over the many days that the event took place. I thank the entire team for the effort they have put in over the year.

Publicity : No Position Holder.

During 2013, there was no specific member filling the role of Publicity Officer, and the various stories were handled by numerous members. Thank you to all that contributed.

Royal Children's Good Friday Appeal:

The Clubs long term support of the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal entered its thirtieth year, a significant milestone and one to be proud of. Through the efforts of our members we have raised \$496,160.20 over the years, \$46,458.30 this year. It has become a significant Club event with many Branches getting involved and provides exceptional media coverage for the Club & Breed organised by Bernie Lester, Dom Cafari and Lyn Pickering who all started collecting a long time ago. The Club extends its thanks to them and many members who assist in the organisation and man the corners.

Rehoming: Mike Nelson

Mike took on the role in 2013 and has done a great job. Numerous requests are made each month either by people looking to re-home their GSD or by someone looking to obtain an older dog. Thank you Mike for the work you do to ensure that these dogs go to good homes.

Congratulations to all members who are receiving awards today. These awards are the recognition for your hard work and dedication, sometimes spanning years. You should be proud of your achievements.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Louisa Rodger for compiling the 2013 Annual Report.

In closing, I would like to thank my wife Lin for the tremendous support she has provided to me over the past twelve months. There have been times when decisions have weighed heavily, and her steady support has enabled me to get through, leading the GSDCV to the future.

Thank you to the Management Committee, for their support and the hospitality they have shown me when I visited their Branch. I have thoroughly enjoyed this past year and look forward to tomorrow.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mr Graeme Jacobs

During 2013, due to personal commitments and ill-health I have not been as involved in GSDCV Inc. activities as much as I would have liked.

During 2013 there were quite a few highlights including the Clubs' participation in the Moomba Parade, The Good Friday Royal Children's Hospital Appeal, demonstrations at various events, shows and trials, but I feel the major one was the inclusion of an SV judge at the Royal Melbourne Show. Congratulations to all who brought this to fruition.

Along with the GSD being showcased to the general public, the Club demonstration team performed over the total period of the Royal Melbourne Show. Many thanks to the dedicated handlers, together with their dogs, making the time available during the working week to proudly show what the breed can do.

2013 was my last year on the management committee, I wish to thank everyone for their assistance during the year and I wish the GSDCV Inc all the best for the future.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mrs Louisa Rodger

This being my first time as an Office Bearer of the GSDCV, it has been quite a learning experience.

Firstly, my thanks to all my fellow office bearers for their guidance and support, in particular Vince Ebejer and Norma Meaney. My thanks also to the Branch Managers and other branch office bearers, instructors and surveyors who really are the backbone of this club.

The year has been an interesting one and has presented some intriguing challenges along the way, which with the help of many people have been resolved. I am pleased to see that the Re-Homing Service is now running smoothly again and although there have not been a large number of dogs homed, the results from those who have found new lodgings have been excellent. Many thanks to Mike Nelson for stepping up and taking on this challenge.

The organisation of the 2015 National to be held here in Melbourne also got off to a shaky start. However Andrew Jones and his merry band now seem to have things well under control and I urge all members to get behind Andrew and help make this National the best ever. The GSDCV has always prided itself on hosting great events and I am sure that the 2015 event will be another great milestone for the club.

I would suggest that the biggest milestone for the club this year was its involvement in the Royal Agricultural Show, with German Shepherd Dogs being judged on the opening day with a German judge, Herr Fetten officiating!! For those who attended the day it was a spectacular event – good judging, great displays by the demonstration team and others, excellent commentary on what was occurring throughout the day by Fran Farley and Jenny Yuen and heaps and heaps of untold fantastic positive publicity for our breed. To all those who were involved, whether it be in the organisation of the show, participating in the show ring and the demonstrations or merely talking to the general public around the ring a huge Thankyou. In particular, one cannot forget to thank Vince Tantaró for all the work he did to achieve this milestone.

The Fun Day hosted by the GSDCV Eastern Branch also highlighted the enormous publicity and good will such a day can bring to our breed. To see all those animals participating in various activities on the training ground brought back many memories of the days when we had four fun days a year and such intense rivalry between branches for the Gwen Ibbott shield. (Yes, I am old!!)

I would urge all branch managers to implore their members to participate in the events held by the GSDCV. It is in the best interests of our breed for us all to keep the good publicity going and try to promote all activities we can offer. It has been disappointing at times to see the lack of commitment at meetings by some branch managers. After all, this is where the voice of your members can be heard and issues affecting them discussed. I am hopeful that 2014 will see a much stronger input from all branches and that this great club of which I have been a part for over 40 years will continue to grow and thrive and keep the German Shepherd Dog protected.

SECRETARY – Mrs Norma Meaney

Since taking over as Secretary this year, I have been on a considerable learning curve, acquainting myself with the complexities of assisting in the management of this extensive organisation. I would like to compliment Val Moody on the very professional system that she left me to follow, and I thank her for the assistance she has given me this year, particularly early on, but still there to point me in the right direction.

Louisa Rodger has been of great assistance to me, her lifetime experience and involvement with the club is invaluable. I thank all committee members for their patience while I have been working my way through the very many different procedures and practices. A special thankyou also goes to Jacinta Poole for her assistance throughout the year- I think the membership appreciate her administration of the website, and particularly appreciates her speedy loading of all news and show results. Her photographic coverage of shows, trials and the Fun Day makes everyone feel involved. Everyone likes to see a photo of their own dog- and Jacinta posts such a variety of shots that I think those pages are one of the best parts of our Shepherd News.

Interaction with the public, and showcasing our breed at the RAS show was a highlight of the year, and we have a similar opportunity to do the same in 2014. The experience of those who attended this year, will hopefully encourage more members to exhibit next year- the day was very well organised, parking and benching was very easy, and it would be great to see a bigger entry to have the classes more competitive. To have this opportunity to showcase again, and again on a Saturday, is indeed special, but really does demand that the members support the opportunity by turning out in our best numbers that we can manage. If you do own a show dog in Victoria, please support the Club, promote your breed, and enter.

It is my intention to visit branches next year on a regular basis, with the intention of meeting many distant members and listening to any ideas that you may have that can promote our breed in the community. Already we are well represented in public arenas, and it is very encouraging to see how well our dogs are received when you attend these events. All branches, but particularly Western Branch, are to be congratulated for their grand total contribution to the RCH appeal, and 2014 should see them reach that landmark amount that they almost achieved in 2013.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mr Michael Simmons

Well, I made it through my first year in the role of Treasurer.

I would like to thank the Executive and Management Committee of the Club for their support and understanding in 2013 while I "found my feet". I also thank each Branch and Committee Treasurer for his or her help and assistance and without whose cooperation I would be unable to fulfill the role.

It is pleasing to report that overall the Club improved its financial position substantially over the year and I refer you to the auditor's report and financial statements for 2013 in the following pages.

I would also like to thank the Members of the Finance Committee - Fiona Henderson, Dom Cafari and Jacinta Poole who were able to assist me greatly in providing insight into the workings of the Club, Club Policies and Procedures and Club history.

I also thank Helen Simmons in her role as Club Assistant Treasurer and Treasurer of Eastern Branch, as she gave me insight into the demands placed on Branch Treasurers and Managers in ensuring that the branch spreadsheets were correct and forwarded to me in a timely manner.

Finally, I would like to especially thank Graeme and Barbara Jacobs for their invaluable assistance to me in 2013. Without their guidance, my taking over the role would have been much harder.

There were two major financial achievements of the Club in 2013 –

- The first was the introduction of internet banking to the Main Club Bank Account. Hopefully, reimbursements of expenses will be much more efficient, reliable and more timely in future. The feedback I have from our suppliers has all been positive.
- The second achievement is that no increase in membership or training fees is required for 2014. Thanks lie with Branch Committees and the Management Committee who have shown responsible handling of the Club's finances.

BREED AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR – Mr Ian Urie

This concludes my second year as Breed Affairs Administrator, and I wish to thank all the members of the Breed Affairs committee (especially my Assistant Vince Tantaró, and Secretary Mellissa Siktars) as well as all of the Registrars, Breed Surveyors, Position Holders, Breed Liaison Officers, Tattooists, and Show Instructors for the work you have done on behalf of the Club during the last year. Congratulations to two of our Instructors who are being recognized at this AGM with awards for their service over many years. Frank Valastro has completed thirty years as a Show Instructor and Carole Osborne ten years. Thank you both for your dedication and assistance to your fellow Club members.

Thanks are also due to the Show Committee, led by Andrew Jones and Vicki Dobson, who put on some very well run events throughout the year. This year in addition to our usual shows, we had for the first time a specialist judge at the Melbourne Royal Show, where Herr Hans Peter Fetten was the first German SV judge to officiate at such an event, and fittingly an imported German VA dog, Ustinov vom Romerland, was awarded Best of Breed. Many thanks to the breed promotion stand volunteers and demonstration team members, as well as Breed Surveyors Jenny Yuen and Fran Farley who provided public commentary, for making this an excellent public promotion for our breed. Judges for our Championship Shows were Mr. Imran Hussain (Pakistan) in March at KCC Park, and Herr Hans-Peter Schweimer and Ms. Melanie Groth in November at Sunbury. Mrs. Jenny Yuen judged the 2013 State Breed Exhibition. Mr. Andrew Jones judged our 2013 Open Show, and it has been quite some years since we have had a GSDCV member officiating at that event. Victorian exhibitors had much success again at the 41st National Show and Trial held in Adelaide, including in Stock Coat classes both the Gold and Silver Medal winning bitches, Bronze Medal dog, Puppy Dog, Minor Dog and Bitch, and Baby bitch winners. In Long Stock Coat classes we had the Silver Medal dog, Intermediate Dog winner, Challenge Dog, and Junior Bitch winner. In the Obedience Trial Victorian exhibitors won two classes and also won the Gold and Silver Medals.

I wish to thank all on the Victorian Breed Survey panel for their services during the year, especially the State Breed Survey Coordinator Alastair Henderson, and Breed Survey Registrar Gillian Cafari. I was the GSDCV delegate at the GSDCA Breed Commission and Judges Committee meetings in July in Sydney, where Fran Farley and James Rodger were reinstated as Breed Surveyors. The annual Breed Seminar this year was very successful again. Speakers were Mr. Steve Moore from DEPI who spoke on the various laws affecting dog ownership in Victoria, Dr. Karen Hedberg who spoke on hereditary diseases in the breed, and also Vince Tantaró who once again presented the interactive discussion and powerpoint presentation "Let's Talk Dogs". The transcripts of these talks are available on the Club website, along with show results and other breed related articles.

Due to micro-chipping of all puppies being compulsory in Victoria the number of breeders utilizing the tattoo scheme has declined further. Club tattooists are still available however for those wishing to continue their use, but please give them at least four weeks notice if you require a booking. The GSDCV Puppy Booklets and 'Free Training Class Certificates' can be obtained from the Breed Liaison Officer at your Branch. Because many breeders have their own websites, or utilize sites such as Dogzone for selling their puppies, the GSDCV Puppy Listing Service has again often suffered from a lack of litters to recommend to potential buyers. I ask all breeders to please support this free Club service in addition to any other avenues, because it is an important first point of contact for many people who may eventually become members of our organization. As well, buyers can be assured that the parents of any puppies listed have passed the GSDCA hip and elbow dysplasia control schemes and are Breed Surveyed. I thank Judy Eppinger for her continued dedication in the position of Puppy Listings Officer. Congratulations also to the winners of the various Perpetual Trophies, and thanks to Jenny Joseph for keeping the scores for the annual show trophies.

Please remember that breeders and interested members are always welcome to attend our Breed Affairs meetings. Whilst voting is only available to Branch Liaison Officers, elected position holders and Breed Surveyors, all members are welcome to come along and join in the discussions. The GSDCV is a breed-based Club, and breed issues are as important as training of dogs. I am not continuing as Breed Affairs Administrator next year as I will be returning to the role of Vice President, and I welcome Jenny Yuen back as our Chairperson for 2014.

BREED AFFAIRS COMMITTEE 2013

BA Administrator	Mr Ian Urie	State Breed Survey Coordinator	Alastair Henderson
Assistant BA Administrator	Mr Vince Tantaró	Breed Surveyors	Fran Farley
Show Training Administrator	Mr Mark Stedwell		Jenny Yuen
Show Manager	Mr Andrew Jones		Alastair Henderson
Show Secretary	Mrs Vicki Dobson		James Rodger
Breed Affairs Secretary	Mrs Mellissa Siktars		Vince Tantaró
HD/ED Registrar	Ms Karen Ballantyne		Ian Urie
	Mrs Gill Cafari	State Breed Survey Registrar	Mrs Gill Cafari
Puppy Listings Officer	Ms Judy Eppinger		
Tattoo Officers	Mr Peter Savickas, Mr Michael Blunt	Branch Liaison Officers	Marie Mellington (Bendigo)
	Mr Frank Moody, Mrs Vicki Dobson		Mellissa Siktars (Eastern)
	Mr Neil Kail, Mrs Angela Bohdal		Julie Jordan (Gippsland)
	Mrs Julie Urie, Mr Brank Auwema		Donna Collis (Geelong)
	Ms Arlene Kerr		Gayle Johnston (Malvern)
			Mary Lanfranchi (Northern)
			Julie Urie (Skye)
			Shirley Taylor (SSB)
			Carole Osborne (Western)
			Martine Burgess (Wodonga)

Breed Affairs Position Holders' Reports:

Show Training Administrator – Mr Mark Stedwell:

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Julie Urie for her efforts and achievements over 12 years as the Show Training Administrator and for the volume and quality of the file and the way she dutifully carried out this role. I have big shoes to fill !

A sincere thank you to all Show Instructors who have given their time and expertise this year. Members attending Show training classes have benefited enormously from the wealth of experience our Instructor pool has to offer.

Special mention should be made of Instructors who have earned Continuous Service Awards in 2013.

Fran Farley: 35 years Show Instructor SSB
 James Rodger: 35 years Show Instructor SSB
 David Berry: 30 years Instructor SSB
 Frank Valastro: 30 years Show Instructor Western
 Carole Osborne: 10 years Show Instructor Western
 Barbara Jacobs: 5 years Show Instructor Eastern
 Congratulations ! These awards will be handed out at the GSDCV AGM in March.

I would also like to congratulate Geoff Dennis and Alex Gridassov for undertaking the aspiring instructor course during 2013. Both have completed their practical training and are now ready for the written examination, which will take place early in 2014. Branches are always in need of new additions to their instructor pool. If any member is interested, please see your Chief Instructor for more information.

As this is my first year in this position, I look forward to an enjoyable 2014 and many years ahead.

Show Manager – Mr Andrew Jones:

A special thank you needs to go out to my team who have worked extremely hard in preparing and running a number of shows this year. We have seen a decrease in numbers over this year that tends to be the trend. With this in mind our challenges are to be managing costs associated with a show when revenue is reduced. In 2012 total entry numbers for SC were 684 and in 2013, 653. This is a 5% reduction. LSC entries overall in 2013 were 45, in 2012 (LSC only applicable to show in Nov 2012 - WDC /GSDCV weekend 19 were entered however in 2013 only 16.)

We are currently planning the National for 2015 and have brought together some eager volunteers with specialist expertise to assist in this very prestigious event for the GSD. Attached is a list of position holders and we also hope that others will render their assistance as the appointed individuals work through their responsibilities. The National Show & Trial Committee has met to formalise the structure for the show and will continue to schedule meetings to further firm up actions and progress.

2015 National Show and Trial Committee Position Holders are as follows:

Show Manager	Andrew Jones	Assistant Show Manager	Ian Urie
Trial Manager	Deanne Jackson	Assistant Trial Manager	TBA
Show Secretary	Vicki Dobson	Assistant Show Secretary	Jean Colenso
Show Treasurer	Rachel Jones	Grounds Manager	David Berry
Planning Officer	Frank Moody	Catering Officer on ground	Peter Garbett
Ass. Ground & Planning	Vince Ebejer	Catering Officials	Louisa Rodger
Sponsorship/Ring Sponsorship	Shirley Taylor, Jenny Yuen	Social Events Coordinator	Amanda Vasiliou, Vicki Dobson
	Peter Garbett, Vince Ebejer	Merchandise	Deanne Jackson
Chief Steward & MC	Vince Tantaró	Presentation Officer	Cristine Begbie
PA System	Andrew Jones, Mark Stedwell	Trophy Officer	Debbie Colson
Website	Jacinta Poole	Media	Amanda Vasiliou

State Breed Survey Co-ordinator – Mr Alastair Henderson

As can be seen by the figures in the Registrars report numbers were down slightly for 2013.

In August this year we welcomed back Fran Farley and James Rodger as Surveyors after they were re-instated back at the GSDCA Breed Commission meeting in July and we hope that they will continue to be part of the panel here for many years to come.

In 2014 surveyors are hoping that they are able to more easily check the identification, teeth and measurement of animals presented for survey. On a number of occasions in 2013 animals behavior in this area left a lot to be desired. More emphasis should be put on practicing these exercises at their branches before submitting the animal for survey.

Once again I must thank Gillian Cafari who continues to deal with all the Survey applications and making sure paperwork is correct at each survey. Also I must thank our panel who ran the surveys on the occasions I could not attend and continue to give their time for the betterment of the German Shepherd.

Hoping all breeders and exhibitors continue to promote the breed survey scheme in 2014.

Breed Survey Registrar – Mrs Gillian Cafari:

I would like to thank the Victorian Breed Surveyor Panel, led by Alastair Henderson as State Breed Survey Coordinator, for another successful survey year where there was a decrease in the number of animals surveyed compared to the previous year. In August we welcomed back to the Surveyor Panel, Mrs. Frances Farley and Mr. James Rodger. We are indeed lucky in Victoria to have a large number of dedicated surveyors who make themselves available in the interest of further improving the GSD through the GSDCA Breed Survey scheme.

Following is a table showing the results by classification of animals presented at Victorian surveys for the year ended December 2013:

	CLASS I	CLASS II	FAIL	TOTAL
DOGS	4	2	-	6
DOGS LSC	1	-	-	1
BITCHES	13	11	-	24
BITCHES LSC	-	1	-	1
TOTAL	18	14	-	32

The number of animals assessed by each surveyor is as follows:

Ian Urie – 10	Greg Green – 7	Vince Tantaró – 5
Jenny Yuen – 5	Alastair Henderson – 2	Fran Farley – 2
James Rodger – 1		

I would like to thank Alastair and all the Victorian Surveyors for their ongoing support. Thank you also to the Speciality Show Branch for hosting our Surveys and for the hospitality shown to the Surveyors and myself.

I also thank all the breeders and owners who support the Breed Survey scheme and wish you all a successful year in 2014.

Hip/Elbow Dysplasia Registrar – Karen Ballantyne:

GSDCV members and breeders continue to demonstrate their long term commitment to breed improvement by participating in the GSDCA National Hip & Elbow Control Scheme.

During 2013, 91 HD/ED forms (contracts) were issued to GSDCV members. Of these, 88 contracts were issued for hip and elbow assessment and 3 contracts were issued for resubmission of hips due to poor positioning (tilted) in previously submitted x-rays.

By way of a snapshot comparison:

- 10 years ago in 2003, 126 HD/ED forms (contracts) were issued to Victorian members. Of these, 121 contracts were issued for Hip and Elbow assessment and 5 were for Elbow assessment only; and
- 20 years ago in 1993, 208 forms were issued to Victorian members.

This decrease in the number of HD/ED contracts issued reflects the reduction in overall GSD breeding activity, rather than indicating any decrease in support for the scheme. The numbers of contracts issued over the last few years has been relatively stable.

Congratulations to Schaeferhund Kennels who were presented with the following National Breeder's Achievement Awards (HD Medallions) at the 41st National Show and Trial at Adelaide:

- Bronze Medallion - Kennels that have bred 10 animals that have been awarded an 'A' stamp through the GSDCA Hip Dysplasia Control Scheme;
- Silver Medallion - Kennels that have bred 25 animals that have been awarded an 'A' stamp through the GSDCA Hip Dysplasia Control Scheme; and
- Gold Medallion - Kennels that have bred 50 animals that have been awarded an 'A' stamp through the GSDCA Hip Dysplasia Control Scheme.

I would like to thank Gill Cafari for her ongoing support and efficiency as Assistant HD/ED Registrar. I would also like to thank the GSDCA National Hip and Elbow Control Scheme Registrar, Doug West, and the National Treasurer, Jane Pike, for their support and friendly assistance during the year. Members really appreciate receiving their official 'A & Z stamp certificates soon after the 'pink slip'.

It is also pleasing to note that the fees for Hip & Elbow assessment during 2013-2014 have not changed for several years, thus keeping participation in the scheme affordable – unfortunately the same can't be said for the cost of x-raying!

There is no doubt that the strong support breeders and owners have demonstrated for the HD/ED scheme in the past is now reflected in the excellent hip/elbow results members are achieving. A high level of participation in the scheme is the only way Australian HD/ED scheme statistics can be representative of the producing abilities of individual sires. Breeders rely on representative and up-to-date statistics being available to assist their selection of better hip and elbow producing sires.

Good luck with your X-raying during 2014.

Assistant HD/ED Registrar's Report 2013 – Gillian Cafari:

I would like to thank the Club's HD/ED Registrar, Karen Ballantyne for her support in keeping us supplied with contracts and liaising with the National Registrar when supplies become low. Karen also looks after the reporting requirements as Registrar, many thanks for tending to this.

I issued 76 forms for the year, one for hips only and 75 for hips and elbows. As these forms are provided by mail I regularly receive phone calls about the forms and thank the members for their courtesy with their enquiries.

Tattoo Registrar – Mr Michael Blunt:

The team of Tattoo Officers for 2012 was:
GSDCV Tattoo Registrar: Michael Blunt

Our Tattoo Officers are:

Brank Auwema, Angela Bohdal, Arlene Kerr, Vicki Dobson, Julie Urie, Peter Savickas, Neil Kail, Frank Moody and David Hynd.

I would like to thank all the Tattoo Officers for voluntarily giving up their time to provide this service to the Breeders.

During the period 1st January to 31st December 2013, we have tattooed a total of 23 litters, comprising 116 puppies. This has been a very big decline from last year.

The split of these litters by Tattoo Officers as detailed below.

Officer	Litters Tattooed	Officer	Litters Tattooed
Brank Auwema	0	Frank Moody	2
Michael Blunt	6	Neil Kail	1
Angela Bohdal	4	Peter Savickas	0
Dave Hynd	0	Vicki Dobson	0
Arlene Kerr	10	Julie Urie	0

I would like to remind the breeders that it is a part of the GSDCV Inc Rules and Regulations that all tattoo information must be handed to the Tattooist no later than 4 weeks from the date of Tattooing.

Thank you to the Breeders who continue to support this important scheme.

Puppy Listings Registrar – Ms Judy Eppinger:

This year the number of puppies listed on Puppy Listings was just under 200 which was marginally less than 2013, although there were more older dogs six to nine months listed.

The number of people seeking a German Shepherd through the club continues to increase, and it is obvious from the questions posed to me that many prospective owners are accessing the information offered on the website. As we never have enough pups to meet the demand, it is apparent that many go elsewhere to buy a puppy usually from a litter where if they are lucky at least one parent will be breed surveyed, but at least many will know to ask about hip and elbow scores. I have also begun getting requests from people interested in breeding GSDs who know very little about what is involved, and most likely see it as a way to make money. This situation is probably a worry for all breed clubs.

Thanks to Jacinta Poole for all her help with the website - which certainly makes my job easier - and to everyone listing their puppies with the Club.

OBEDIENCE TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Mrs Marilyn Wrigley

It is with much pleasure that I, as training administrator of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc., present my report on behalf of the training committee members whom I sincerely thank for working together throughout the year which has been rewarded with very pleasing results in all areas of this committee.

On behalf of OTC and all obedience members I would like to sincerely thank all Branch Chief Instructors and Instructors for their commitment shown during 2013 in their line of duty within our club. The Chief Instructors for their leadership and dedication in order to make sure that each training day, at each branch training, is carried out for all obedience members with dedication, from the instructors in line within the guidelines of OTC to the standard of each class within those guidelines. I believe that the fun day results of each class is testament to this fact, as members from all branches compete in their class level and must be able to be at a competent class level to do that. Thank you from OTC and our branch members to CI's and instructors for teaching and upholding this standard of instructing over the last twelve months.

I thank those CI's who attend our monthly meetings throughout the year for their attendance and input at those meetings. I would strongly encourage those not attending these meetings that they put on their agenda for the ensuing year that they make a concerted effort to change that situation in 2014, as we want all our committee to be well informed from our meetings. Even much more important, is that they then discuss items from our meeting at their instructors meetings back at their branch, and also pass on information to members of their branches within the GSDCV Inc. One cannot do this effectively when relying on minutes from previous meetings or worse still, second hand information passed onto them. I and other members of OTC committee look forward to more participation by all at our monthly meetings. This situation is even more vital now than previous years as we have our new aspirers course happening and need information at times passed on by Chief Instructors to them and other instructors at their branch.

Obedience Aspirers Instructor Course: The introduction of our two year course for aspirers has been a major achievement of the Obedience Training Committee with the first induction receiving twelve applications with nine completing that course in 2013 and I sincerely thank those nine for their application and commitment to the course knowing that their services will be very valued by their various branches.

This year we had 25 applicants for the course from varied branches throughout the club but out of that number eight were from Western Branch, a remarkable effort to say the least. Our theory programme for 2013 was completed on October 19th with the breed lecture by James Rodger followed by those who were able to be present sitting the theory exam on November 30th. Despite all aspirers showing nervousness and apprehension, I am pleased to say all those who sat the exam passed with their pass rate ranging from 99.5% to 96% {required pass rate is 95%}, and it is clear by their exam papers that they have benefitted by being better informed by the lectures and handouts during their theory year. I thank those aspirers for their inspiring efforts and wish them well in their practical year at the metropolitan branches and their practical test.

I also wish to thank all who lectured on the many subjects covered throughout the year and whilst pleased with the overall result, advise that the committee will always be aware of upgrading the programme for an overall benefit of our aspirers at all times and make appointments to the committee running the aspirers course as necessary. Thank you to Chief Instructors who attended the lectures in support of their aspirers and helped out in many and varied ways—this help was greatly appreciated and I trust that attendance at these lectures will improve as qualified instructors can attend should they wish to do so. I thank the Western Branch for the use of their clubhouse and facilities for our lecture days as we truly appreciate being able to hold the lectures there where we have indoors and out door areas to facilitate our programme.

On behalf of myself, OTC and aspirers sincere thanks to Mark Stedwell for his outstanding input into putting the aspirers programme in place and for the professional manner which it is presented to our aspirers. I fully realise how busy Mark is, however I am sure that each aspirer proudly receives their folders and other information throughout the year, mostly all completed in club colours which would have to give the aspirer an appreciation of what they are undertaking. It makes a difference when someone takes the time to present to them their lecture notes/info in a most comprehensive and professionally presented folder. Thank you sincerely Mark. I am very confident we present to our aspirers the most comprehensive and informed obedience instructor course available and it is fitting that we remember that "it is a privilege to become an instructor not just a right"

We look forward with anticipation to our 2014 intake of aspiring obedience instructors who will then become an asset at their branch in training members to train their dogs.

I wish to report that OTC is reviewing our training manual and whilst we have done some work in this area there is not enough to report on at this stage. This review will be very extensive, ranging from puppy class right through to trialling and tracking, as well as new disciplines that have started up in the last two years. As this is a huge task it will of course take time to put in place. However, I can assure everyone that it will be better than what was used previously. Because of its size, it will be completed section by section. We have started on the process of gathering information that we hope will vastly improve our puppy classes and when that is complete we will look at continuing on some of those ideas through into higher classes, as well as progressing to a higher standard of teaching as members progress through classes. This will involve a number of workshop days and so I would think that it will take some time before we have it all done. However, at this stage, we anticipate that the puppy class training manual will be finished mid to late 2014.

I sincerely thank the following: Club executive and Management committee for their help and assistance throughout 2013, it is greatly appreciated.

The following people have also assisted OTC greatly throughout the year.

- Jacinta Poole for setting up and running our instructor website for 2013.
- Dearne Jackson and trial committee for all organisation to make our trials a success throughout 2013.
- Everyone who has lectured or helped out in any way at our aspirers lecture dates.
- James Rodger for his comprehensive breed lecture on Oct 19th covering many subjects during the day.
- Eastern Branch, committee and members for hosting the Fun Day for 2013, Michael and Helen Simmons for their efforts.
- Lois Goodes for attending to minutes and agenda for our monthly OTC meetings.
- Western Branch for the use of their facilities for our monthly meetings.
- Thanks to branches I have attended for their and their members hospitality when visiting them.
- My assistant Les Rudling for all his help throughout 2013, his branch visits and reports.

In conclusion on behalf of OTC I hope all members had a lovely break and have come back refreshed to renew their activities. To those continuing training with puppies/classes as it is a long break from December to February you would all have be off to a flying start to this year. I sincerely trust that 2014 will be another good year for all at management, branch, breed, showing, obedience, trialling and training, as we as a club start organising and prepare in 2014 towards hosting the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia Inc., National in 2015 in Melbourne where we will need assistance from many to make it a huge success. It is also a chance for many members and their dogs to compete without travelling many miles to do so and is something which we should all look forward to.



Never too young to start.

Photo: Courtesy GSDCV Website.

Trial Manager's Report – Mrs Dearne Jackson

The GSDCV has had a good year with obedience with consistent numbers trialling and an overall increase above the numbers trialling at GSDCV trials in 2012.

	2012						2013						Increase over 2012	
	Obedience Trial Entry breakdown by class						Obedience Trial Entry breakdown by class							
	CCD	CD	Open	UD	UDX	Total	CCD	CD	Open	UD	UDX	Total	Actual	%
March Champ Show (RTB) Trial	8	5	5	4	3	25	8	11	12	3	1	35	10	40%
State Breed (RTB) Trial	8	9	7	5	3	32	10	6	9	5	1	31	-1	-3%
Open Endurance Trial June						18						26	8	44%
Open Double Trial (Afternoon)	10	8	13	8	2	41	16	12	15	11	5	59	18	44%
Open Double Trial (Evening)	6	10	14	9	3	42	15	15	22	12	4	68	26	62%
Nov Champ Show RTG Trial	4	7	9	4	1	25	5	1	5	3	0	14	-11	-44%
Total for Year	36	39	48	30	12	183	54	45	63	34	11	233	50	27%

The introduction of the Rally / Obedience Classes at Restricted to Breed GSDCV feature events held at KCC Park saw some new handlers and dogs entering that had not previously entered in the ordinary obedience trials, so the added discipline has increased the numbers attending the trials. Hopefully these will convert to obedience trial entries in future. Rally Obedience has only been a formal ANKC sanctioned competition for 12 months and it was pleasing to note that in a restricted to breed setting, the GSDCV could field competitors at every level of competition. As more branches make this discipline available to their membership the numbers will continue to increase.

Rally Obedience Trial Entries	Obedience Trial Entry breakdown by class					
	RN	RA	RAB	RE	REB	Total
2013 State Breed (RTB) Trial	4	2	3	3	3	15
March Champ Show (RTB) Trial	7	4	2	2	2	17
Total for Year 2013	11	6	5	5	5	32

Note Rally titles available are: RN= Novice, RA = Advanced, RE = Excellent.

RAB and REB classes are for teams competing for the Title of RAE "Rally Advanced Excellent". These teams have to have qualifying scores of 70 or more in the two B classes at the same trial over 10 different trials to qualify for this title.

Tracking Trial Entries	2012 Entry breakdown by class								2013 Entry breakdown by class								Increase over 2012	
	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	T7	Total	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	T7	Total	Actual	%
Open Tracking Qual April (Test 1 only)	4							4	Not held								0	0
Open Track Trial June	8	2	4	3	3	3	6	36	6	12	5	7	6	8	4	48	12	33%
Open Track Trial August	6	10	6	2	6	4	6	40	5	6	8	5	8	3	11	46	6	15%
Total for Year	18	12	10	5	9	7	12	80	11	18	13	12	14	11	15	94	14	18%

Considerable administration and resources (land and person availability) are needed to run tracking trials and in 2013 these elements were not available within the GSDCV so the administration and running of the tracking trials was outsourced and done by Ballarat Obedience Dog Club on behalf of the GSDCV. My thanks go to John Hodges and Raeleen Mcleod for doing this work on behalf of the GSDCV. If the GSDCV is going to continue to run tracking trials in future years the club membership must be prepared to get behind the scenes and assist in the running of these events. Otherwise they will not happen.

I have to thank my administrative support team for the obedience/rally and endurance trial – without their help these trials would not run. Wendy Prais, Lois Goodes, Judy Eppinger and Lin Milne have during the year provided me fantastic support, good humour and propped me up when necessary. Many thanks also to Jacinta Poole for placing all the results on the GSDCV website. There are also many other GSDCV "unsung hero" members out there doing tasks at individual events (ring put up/pull down, catering etc) behind the scenes to make sure that the obedience events happen. Thank you to all.

GSDCV POSITION HOLDERS

Demonstration Team Manager – Mr Michael Simmons

Anyone who knows me will be familiar with my determination to get dogs out of back yards and into family activities and out in public. Our Breed needs to be well known in the Community for the wonderful dogs they are. A good way of achieving this is through the "Demo".

During 2013, all of the Club's Branches, city and country, got dogs out in public, whether at the Royal Show, the Moomba Parade, a suburban or country Pet Expo or just a walk in a park or a shopping centre and all contributed in some way.



The public loves to see our "Inspector Rex's" in action and dogs and handlers having fun, and so dogs went through tunnels, worked in teams, retrieved things - including teddy bears and chicken legs - people jumped over them and crawled under them. Some did high level Obedience work to show what a joy a trained dog can be.

*Demo Team performers at the Royal Melbourne Show 2013:
 L to R: Lynda Britten & Sarge, Barbara Stewart & Amber, Alice Williamson & Archer,
 Rosie Garbett & Bentley, Michael Simmons & Kato, Mary Hawthorne & Mister,
 Andrew McAnuff & Ozka and Michael Holden & Tash.*

Western, Eastern and Northern Branches again walked on Good Friday with their dogs into Etihad Stadium on a day when it was hoped to hit the \$500,000 raised for the Children's Hospital and again took over part of the area outside the main entrance and conducted an Obedience Demonstration Presentation.

The usual thanks go to Andrew Saliba and Bernie Lester for organizing this, which can be difficult for the dogs and handlers involved, as the crowd is very close.

So much good work has been done out there amongst the general public to improve the image of our dogs, that the whole Club needs to give appreciation to the work these volunteers do, sometimes at considerable cost of dollars and time to themselves. This is not to mention the helpers who assist the teams and without whom the presentations would be less successful and enjoyable.

On behalf of the Club and its Obedience Training Committee, I would like to thank all Chief Instructors/Demonstration Team Managers and everyone else who is directly or indirectly involved with Demonstration Teams for their efforts this year.

Membership Officer – Mrs Lin Ebejer

I am pleased to present my 5th membership report for the GSDCV.

2013 again saw an increase in the number of members renewing their membership through the online renewal system, with many members renewing prior to the end of the financial year.

Membership applications increased during 2013 in comparison with 2012 with an overall increase of 70 units totalling 147 members. There were several spikes in new member applications, which occurred during February which is the start of the training year and September. New member applications are related to the number of puppies available so may vary based on breeder activities.

The end of the year saw an overall increase in membership numbers which gave the GSDCV 1134 membership units for 2013, (1064 units in 2012, 1053 in 2011) accounting for 2265 members (2118 in 2012 and 2109 in 2011).

The trend over the last few years has seen membership numbers slowly increase both in new members and retention of current members, despite the added pressures of today's society, financial and social issues and is in contrast to the anecdotal evidence that dog ownership is declining. I am sure this has been achieved by a resurgence in the popularity of our wonderful breed and the extra effort by our instructors and committees of the GSDCV who show that it is not just a place to train your GSD but truly a way of life. With our continued support and inclusiveness of new and current members, this increase is sure to continue.

I thank Ray Jones from Malvern Branch for his continued technical support over the year.

Finally, I thank all the Branch Membership Officers for their work during 2013, and I look forward to working with them in 2014.

Promotions Officer – Mrs Dearne Jackson

2013 has been a busy year with many large and small events being attended by the GSDCV (either formally or informally) to get our breed in the public spotlight in a positive sense.

Every branch does activities in their local community as part of festivals, pet/produce store open days, regional RSPCA Million Paw Walks, radio talks, council pet days, "show" canteen/kiosks the list just goes on of the formal things being done. If there is an opportunity to be involved in a community event, 95% of the time the GSDCV members are there to display or talk about what the club can provide and support for our beautiful breed.

Branch	No. Of Members	No. Of Units	New Members 2013
Ballarat	95	47	29
Bendigo	89	37	39
Eastern	294	156	121
Geelong	136	68	52
Gippsland	77	43	23
Malvern	327	170	112
Northern	343	153	162
Skye	380	187	171
SSB	56	37	0
Western	377	184	140
Wodonga	71	35	24
Others	21	17	1
Total	2265	1134	874

Behind the scenes there are also individuals who quietly attend elderly citizen homes and palliative care units to visit elderly & ill residents, step forward and provide dogs for media photos when asked, attend funerals as guards of honour with their dogs or as individuals take their dogs to cafes and have "coffee dates". During these outings the dogs become an attraction and the opportunity to talk about our wonderful breed is rarely lost by the dog's proud owner(s). I have to thank all those members who cheerfully became involved in the organising and participation of these events both big and small/formal and informal, right across the state. Without your help none of this would happen. If I single an individual out then I will be undervaluing each and every other individual's contribution so I won't do that. It's a team effort by every member of the GSDCV.

While not downgrading the importance of the small events attended in local areas, the GSDCV took part in some major events in 2013. In **February**, the Melbourne Pet and Animal Expo returned to the Royal Melbourne Showgrounds after many years being at Caulfield Racecourse. The GSDCV had a breed stand and demo team in on each of the event days.

March saw the GSDCV invited back to participate in the Melbourne Moomba Festival street parade as a guard of honour for the King & Queen Royal Float. The hot summer had changed the focus of the Royal float from individual king & queen to emergency service organisation acknowledgments. Instead of being in front of the Royal Float as originally intended, the GSDCV members walked in full parade uniform (supplied by the Moomba organisers) following the fire, police and ambulance members to close off the Royal section of the parade.

As our chosen dog breed participates in emergency services work it was fitting that we were there as well. Added value for the day was the official television coverage achieved and the many photos and YouTube video of the team that surfaced after the event.



GSDCV in action at the Moomba Parade 2013

May had the RSPCA Million Paws Walks happening around the state. Many branches participated in this event at the regional locations and in some instances also did demonstration displays as entertainment for the public present. The Royal Melbourne Show in **September** started with a breed spectacular day for the German Shepherds. A breed stand was provided along with a demonstration team (which did six separate days at the Royal) to showcase the GSD on the day. Every GSD exhibitor contributed to the day by redirecting public queries across to the breed stand and every dog in the show proved to be outstanding examples of the breed in their behaviour. **December** rounded out the promotions year with a large GSDCV presence at the Big Day Out for Dogs organised by Dogs Victoria at KCC Park.

Providing positive promotion of our breed to the public continues to be essential. With every year passing, the need to remain vigilant about what we do with our dogs and how they present when in the public remains a responsibility for each and every person who owns a GSD or holds one on the end of a lead. Again thanks for the help from everyone for taking the opportunity this year to be able to get out and promote this wonderful breed.

ReHoming Officer – Mr Mike Nelson

The last six months of rehoming I have been led to believe have been slower than the reported turnover of the past. If this is indeed correct I think that there are a number of reasons this may be so:

- 1) We now operate strictly to the club guidelines of being a REHOMING service - that is dogs who are surrendered for re-homing by their owners.
- 2) Dogs with obvious behavioural problems are not placed for re-homing
- 3) Persons who do not appear genuine or do not provide the correct forms to obtain a dog are not accommodated
- 4) There are less dogs being offered for re-homing than in the past

It is of interest and gratifying to note that quite a number of the people approaching the re-homing service have been directed from branch officials and other club members - it really good to see that members are aware of this service and are prepared to recommend it to others.

There has been 5 rehoming to date - all of which have turned out to be successful. A sixth re-homing is about to take place now to an ex-member a who had previously re-homed a dog.

We receive a small but steady stream of inquires both to re-home and/or acquire a dog - on average 6-8 calls per week. Approximately one third wanting to re-home their dog and two thirds wishing to get a dog. Among those wanting to access the service, there is a fair degree of misunderstanding as to the purpose and scope of the re-homing service - some believe it to be a rescue service for lost or maltreated dogs, a kennelling and placement service for dogs with various temperament or behavioural problems, others wanting specific requests such as "fully trained dog" or "dog/bitch under 12 month but obedience trained".

A great success story – Samson was rehomed with an ex GSDCV member who took him on in a very poor state. He now lives in luxury!!



I had hoped to introduce a database system to better handle our re-homing history by the end of this year, but outside business commitments have caused this to be delayed but not forgotten.

I personally have felt this to be a worthwhile and rewarding service by our club for the benefit of the German Shepherd Dog in general.

Shepherd News Editor – Ms Jacinta Poole

The written word has always been our key form of communication to members, via the 'German Shepherd News'. It is the GSDCV's key communication link to our members. In 2013 however, the **German Shepherd 'ENews'** was created as an adjunct to our hard copy news. Social and electronic media continue to be at the forefront for getting the message out there, so we took the plunge to create an email option for both members and general public subscribers.



Short sharp content with quick links to not only info or stories that are club related, but also general and interesting content for those with an interest in the GSD. It does not replace the Shepherd News, as the focus is more on external promotion. Details on this innovation can be found in the website report.

The hard copy magazine reaches each and every member and their family members in print 8 times each year to provide key information and news. Members continually reiterate the value of our magazine. Our magazine will continue in hard copy and is a significant investment of club resources as our formal communication method and we must always strive to provide a publication of benefit to the members.

The Shepherd News magazine continued to focus on providing interesting and useful articles of relevance to the broader membership, including health articles and also training tips provided by OTC. We've reported on all major events within the GSDCV and provided some great interviews with members and their dogs who'd done or achieved great things within our club. Educational topics and articles were also well received.

Branch news reports are the cornerstone of our magazine. Branch news about everyday activities and their members are always entertaining and highlight our grassroots members and their pets at branch level. Branch publicity officers are our key contributors. Thank you to the 11 branch publicity officers who provide such great material and photos of your members and activities, your efforts were much appreciated.

Thank you to all who contributed reports, articles or interviews when approached – I'm sure all members were appreciative of your contributions. Thank you also to those who provided photographs and other useful material, any submissions are always welcomed.

Thank you to our regular contributors, who ensure that all aspects of the club are covered for news and updates. Thanks to Vince Ebejer for his President's reports, Marilyn Wrigley for OTC reports, Dearne Jackson for Promotions reports and Judy Eppinger for puppy listings from breeders.

My particular thanks to Norma Meaney for help in her role as magazine proofreader, a difficult but necessary task and always done under time constraints. Also, thank you to Louisa Rodger for her assistance when needed and provision of articles.

Thank you to everyone who has assisted in any way with the magazine and to those who submitted advertisements for publication to support the magazine. I hope the members have enjoyed their magazine and that you continue to enjoy receiving the Shepherd News long into the future. I also hope that the ENews develops into a core communication tool for promotion and highlighting our club and breed via your email inbox !

The Shepherd News is the members' magazine. Any contributions, ideas for changes and improvements, suggestions or feedback are always welcome to sheped@gsdcv.org.au

If you have not been receiving the ENews, make sure you subscribe via the homepage of the GSDCV website www.gsdcv.org.au

Website & Electronic Media Co-Ordinator – Ms Jacinta Poole

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The GSDCV's website is our central communication platform to both members and the public. Our use of electronic media provides us with a very powerful presence in the online and social media platforms. The GSDCV website continues to build content, report news and focus our promotion of the breed and club. The website one of the most valuable assets of the GSDCV, particularly in its ability to reach, teach and promote our club and the German Shepherd Dog. The power and impact of online communication continues to grow and we will continue to advance with our online presence.

Our 2013 electronic innovation that joined both the Website and Shepherd News platforms was the GSDCV's 'ENews'.

The Enews is delivered to members registered email address four times each year. Non-members can also subscribe via the website. The ENews is really a snapshot of GSD news or club highlights that are detailed by a few lines of text and the opportunity to follow a link to useful videos and is obviously in colour for pictures and text. Its aim is to promote the GSD in a more general context. By the December 2013 4th issue, we were emailing to a list of over 1500 people, with an open rate of close to 65%. Not bad for those interested in this format of communication!



We'll continue to expand on this format in the future, as it's also a great way to educate and promote to non-members about our breed and what we do.



The GSDCV Facebook page is heading towards 1300 'likes'. For clubs such as ours, the use of social media is crucial in communications. A majority of our members are active on Facebook, as are most of the general public.

Many members from interstate clubs also keep track of our activities via our page.

It's a personal connection and it's instant. Our facebook page ensures we connect with them and it's just another way of ensuring our communication is the best possible and time relevant, using all the options we have available. Smartphones ensure the GSDCV is connected wherever and whenever. Branches that have facebook pages have also found them to be invaluable in connecting with members. Visit and 'Like' us at www.facebook.com/GSDCV

Promotion, education and communication to both our members and the general public is the main role of our website. Pictures and videos provide an insight to our club events, activities and members. Picture slideshows enhances our show and trial results and for exhibitors also a memory of the event. For many they take the opportunity to access images of their dog during classes that they were unable to capture themselves. Images are freely provided by the GSDCV webmaster when available. Using videos for education and promotion is always beneficial and receives good feedback. Our veterinary and breed information pages are well utilised and popular. Videos of the Endurance Trial, Royal Show demo's, breed survey and junior handler's workshops are popular as still are our videos of the 2010 national show.

In February 2013 in conjunction with the Obedience Training Committee we launched the Instructors Knowledge Centre, a secure login area on our website for club instructors to access educational information relative to training dogs, and also for our aspirers to access course content. This area will continue to be developed.

Online entry capability for show and trial entry has grown in popularity, along with membership renewal. Online entries have proved to be a very useful service for members, with larger shows receiving well over 50% of entries and trials closer to 80% online via the website. The ability to enter dogs and pay by credit card at any time is a great convenience many who prefer the ease of technology to paper, cheques and postage. Many other clubs and all breeds shows are now also heading this way. Our online payment for membership renewal is popular and simple. All credit card payments are handled by a secure processing facility with the NAB bank. The club absorbs the transaction fees that are incurred. We believe this is a valuable service for our members which we'll continue to develop, improve and expand.

Our branch websites remain a key component of our online presence and branches are encouraged to make the most of the communication opportunity for their members, as well as potential members seeking information on their local branch. Most have their own sites and have done a great job in reporting their branch news and successes for their members with branch specific info, slideshows and pictures which are always much appreciated and worth viewing. Keeping the information current is the most critical aspect, and branches have direct access to manage their sites themselves.

One of our most visited and popular areas by members of the public is Puppy listings, for all who may be potential owners. Most contact with the GSDCV puppy listing officer has been via the website and more importantly many have read the information pertaining to purchasing a puppy so are better informed and knowledgeable buyers. Breeders have also commented on the importance of this information when buyers come to them. Our rehoming pages are well visited, with many people looking to provide a great new home to one of the dogs available.

In the 12 months to January 2013 the GSDCV website had over 115,000 visitors. Our most popular pages are our puppy listings, and the popularity of show and event slideshows see in increase in our bandwidth traffic. The most read articles continue to be those on feeding and exercising puppies, the growth charts for GSD's and some of the other veterinary articles. Many people are seeking knowledge about GSD's and caring for them and it's important that we can provide that. There is always a big spike in visits when show critiques or trial results are published. At the same time any picture slideshows receive a high number of views.

The FAQ's area of the website is powered by flexAnswer iFAQ, an intelligent FAQ service generously provided by members Grant and Lin Milne from flexAnswer Solutions Pty Ltd. Since January 2009, flexAnswer iFAQ (previously aQtual) has answered over 35,000 questions and averages about 590 per month. The use of flexAnswer iFAQ allows us to expand the FAQs we provide based on the questions users actually type in and ask, so we hope we are helping teach GSD owners about our dogs and our club. FAQs are generally restricted to answers covering the GSD and the GSDCV.

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Intelligent FAQs across all channels

Our club has several members who access the website to update specific areas, spreading the workload. Thankyou to Puppy listings Officer Judy Eppinger for her posting and managing of the litters on the Puppies Available page. Show and trial results and critiques is some of the most keenly awaited information we can provide. Our continued efforts to provide results quickly after events have been successful and appreciated. Thank you to show Secretary Vicki Dobson for the provision of results and critiques so quickly, to trial manager Dearn Jackson for the rapid provision of trial results and Marilyn Wrigley for tracking results. Thankyou to Jenny Joseph for provision of the eagerly awaited Points Score results updates.

Thankyou to Daryl Bourke who provides technical expertise behind the scenes when required for software updates, background code and host server issues.



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We will continue to improve our website to ensure it remains as current, useful and informative as possible. The ENews will hopefully evolve into a key communication tool and aims to communicate and promote both the GSDCV and the GSD to anyone who's interested. If you've not received a copy perhaps we don't have your email, visit the website and subscribe !

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BRANCH COMMITTEE & REPORTS FOR 2013

BALLARAT



Ballarat Members L to R: Bev Hardenberg & Zac, Caroline Allen & Max, Joan Parrington, Annie Allen & Lily, Melissa Bauer & Blitz, Doug Ellery & Chloe, Lynne Maniz & Jax, Bill Tobin, Jeannie Grant and Ros Tobin & Boss.

Branch Manager
Assistant Branch Manager
Secretary
Treasurer
Chief Instructor

Mr. Tony Hassett
Mr. Adam Greenbank
Mrs. Lyn Maniz
Mr. Doug Ellery
Mrs. Karen Cordell

Social Secretary
Membership Officer
Equipment Officer
Publicity Officer

Mrs. Carol Robie
Mrs. Karen Brereton
Mr. Bernie Rieniets
Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley

Ballarat Branch has grown steadily in 2013 and we have members from outlying areas eg: Colac, Avoca, Ballan, Eganstown and Malmsbury. They are not always able to attend training on a weekly basis however our numbers are reasonable considering this factor. It is certainly better than last year and the year before and what is pleasing is that we now have a group of people who want to learn about the breed, who are keen to train their dogs and some are keen to show their dogs. We also have some puppies to start in the New Year that members have been waiting for; one puppy is from Queensland and one from Western Australia. We have an older dog from Queensland who was purchased recently and he has been to training about 6 times and is progressing quite well and his owner wants to compete at 2014 National in Canberra.

The good thing about the above is that all are willing to learn about the breed, training and the club/branch so it gives a good basis to introduce a number of things that previously were not appealing to some members. One of our paid up members is waiting for a puppy and it is likely she will not have one until around March next year, yet she still attends training regularly and helps out whenever and wherever possible. Or perhaps is it that we see her standing around and think that she would like to join in whatever is going? I would hope with this group that we will be able to grow the branch in 2014 and this will be and should be one of the branch's main aims.

We make our money from catering events which are held in February, March, October and November by the Ballarat Dog Obedience Club which helps pay our bills throughout the year. I would like to thank the members who bake for these events and help out in the canteen, so making each one of these successful, although the amounts raised do vary as some shows have good numbers and some do not if the weather is considered prior to competitors leaving home which they can do by social media these days. We have a morning tea roster each week where one of our members provides morning tea for all and this is quite successful, as we all await to see what surprise is in store for us after training— thanks to all members who participate in providing the goodies for all to enjoy.

We have discussed that we will start a trialling group as we have a number of members who should be able to compete at trials around mid next year if they continue to progress as they have been. This is most encouraging for the members and the branch. Of course they will start in CCD and should get through but of course nerves will play a part as well as they must treat the trial like a training day and alter nothing that they do than when they come to training each time. We will have two puppies for puppy class in 2014 — one arrived at Christmas Eve as a present! We are also holding training at Lake Wendouree one Sunday in January and having a BBQ afterwards so that we get out and be seen as there are many dogs walked around the Lake each day.

Members were chosen to compete at the Fun Day at Eastern but unfortunately our list of entrants found they were unable to go down for one reason or another and so we only had two competitors, one won his ring with 185 and the other one was a helper and competed prior to stewarding then was missed from the call to do stays afterwards so missed out on a total score. Let's hope we have better luck next year.

We have had a working bee at our clubrooms during the year where a number of items were repaired which was a great help. Thank you to all members who came along and assisted and sincere thanks to Steven for all time spent in getting things working which did not work before he repaired them. The clubrooms look better after a clean up also and as we had another clean up for the presentation night it looks reasonable again. We had to get ready for our presentation night for our members and once again we all took a salad or a sweet and the branch bought the meat so we could all have tea together and then allow our MC Sally to get the games happening, which proved to

be entertaining for all, namely give one person a piece of paper and a pen and blindfold them, then have two other team members describe to her how to draw on the piece of paper a German Shepherd in show stance of course. Proved very interesting on the night and there was a very odd Great Dane look alike with like a rabbit in its mouth that won.

Work still continues on the soccer area of Morshead Park with lots of bulldozers and graders getting the area right for turf to be laid for some new soccer fields which replace two of the ones north of our clubhouse. When this is finished they are going to make a new entrance and another soccer field north of that. With the amount of money being spent on this area alone we just wish our dogs played soccer so we could get a few thousand thrown our way for improvements. As well, three water tanks have been installed at the clubhouse behind ours for watering the soccer fields during the summer months.

Thanks to all our members who attend training with their dogs, or help out with some small task at training or put the equipment out when we wish to use it. It is greatly appreciated.

We are looking forward to February coming around again. We are still holding training through the down time but are having at least two weeks respite this year over the Christmas New Year period to recharge the batteries.

On a bright note we report that our branch manager and his wife had a baby son on December 6th - his name is Patrick James Hassett. Congratulations to both Tony and Lauren on a job well done and now Harley will have an extra job to do looking after Patrick. We also have other expectant parents awaiting the arrival of their baby in March 2014 — so to Adam and Autumn our best wishes are with you for your new arrival and Blighty will then help you out looking after all of you.

On that happy note time to conclude this report from Ballarat and wish all well for the holiday season.

Team Ballarat

BENDIGO



Bendigo branch members at Branch Activities Day, November 17, 2013

Branch Manager
Assistant Branch Manager
Secretary
Treasurer
Chief Instructor
Breed Liaison Officer

Mr. Brett Crutchfield
Mr. Ian Young
Mrs. Bronwyn Simpson
Ms. Rachel Hall
Mr. Brett Crutchfield
Mrs. Marie Mellington

Grounds Manager
Membership Officer
Catering Officer
Equipment Officer
Publicity Officer

Mr. Brett Crutchfield
Mr. Ian Young
Mrs. Dianne Young
Ms. Rachel Hall
Mr. Steven Simpson

Here at the Bendigo Branch of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria, we have had a very good 2013. We have seen many new puppies come and go and it would be good to see more stay, but we can't force them. Some do come back when their puppy has got out of hand and they need more help!

I would like to thank our hard working committee for all their input over the year and also our members that help around the club and with fundraising. We participated in the C.E.P.A open day in October where we put on a display and all the people watching were amazed on how our dogs performed.

Our numbers have increased over the year and we are having owners and their dogs coming from surrounding towns. We had two members go start the aspirer's course in 2013. Congratulation's to both of them and good luck with the rest of it. We had a fundraising BBQ at Pet Barn in December that went well.

We held an activity day in November with great success, where all members enjoyed going through the Rally O course that we set up. Our members that compete are doing our branch proud. Our Christmas breakup was a lot of fun and all members enjoyed the games that our Chief instructor organised.

Lastly I would like to say how last year was a great year and I hope this year will be even better.

Ian Young
Assistant Branch Manager – Bendigo Branch

EASTERN



Branch Manager	Mr. Peter Garbett	Fundraising	Mr. Ben Glasheen
Assistant Branch Manager	Mrs. Mellisa Siktars	Education Officer	Ms. Jen Ornum-Breigh
Secretary	Ms. Amanda Vasiliou	Website Officer	Mrs. Kath McAnuff
Treasurer	Mrs. Helen Simmons	Breed Liaison Officer	Mrs. Mellisa Siktars
Chief Instructor	Mr. Michael Simmons	Membership Officer	Ms. Trish Gough
Ass. Chief Instructor	Mrs. Rosie Garbett	Committee members:	Mrs. Barbara Jacobs
Grounds Manager	Mrs. Ethel Thompson	Catering Officer	Ms. Jenny Burley
Social Secretary	Mrs. Ethel Thompson	Committee	Mrs. Barbara Jacobs
Equipment Officer	Ms. Karen D'Amico		Mr. Graeme Jacobs
Shepherd News	Mrs. Barbara Stewart		Mr. Michael McAnuff
Merchandise	Mrs. Barbara Stewart		Mr. John Schulz

Well let me start off by saying I love the German Shepherd Dog Club. A great year at Eastern, particularly with our training numbers which are well up. Our dedicated Instructors, our friendly helpers and the great support from our Committee along with the four new Committee members make this branch a relaxed and warm place to be.

2013 has seen the Eastern Branch participate in many activities. Our dedicated Demo team undertook many demos including The Ferntree Gully Pet Expo, The Royal Pet Expo and The Royal Melbourne Show. The feedback from these events alone was fantastic. Eastern yet again committed to the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal, a great effort and a great day.

What a year for our Instructors. I've already said our numbers on the ground have improved with well over 50 people on the ground and on occasions over 60 makes for a great day and hard work for our Instructors. This year has seen two new Obedience Instructors, Norm and Mary Hawthorne and one Show Instructor, Mellisa Siktars, well done guys. 2013 has also seen two new aspirers added, namely Vicki Boykett and Andrea Cornwall both of whom are doing a great job. We commenced our Puppy Kinder this year as part of making sure new puppies gain a great start. This is also part of our commitment to the community and a good fundraiser for the branch. Our Instructors also undertook CPR training this year and attended a number of talks and workshops at Eastern and elsewhere. At Eastern workshops included Andrew Saliba, Dawn Howard and Elke Effler. This year Eastern recognised our Instructors with a new honour board dedicated to the History and commitment of the Eastern Instructors. This has been a real eye opener and a great way to protect the history of the Branch.

In 2013 Eastern also hosted the GSDCV Club Funday. A great effort by all on such short notice. Feedback for the day was extremely positive and I thank all who attended and helped out. I was particularly pleased with the support of the other branches who helped make this a true Club event.

Again 2013 was a full year of Bunning's and Masters Sausage sizzles which has given Eastern a positive financial end to the year. By no means less has been the efforts of our Equipment stall, Canteen and Fundraisers. This has meant we have added additional equipment to the branch including a new trailer which has allowed us to put more equipment out on the ground. With a winery trip, a shopping trip, Social walks and a wonderful presentation night our social activities have also pleased and capped off a good close to the year. Over the Christmas break we ran classes for puppies, class 1 and 2 as well as a well appreciated Show class. Congratulations to everyone at Eastern and I wish us all a great 2014.

Peter Garbett
Branch Manager – Eastern Branch

GEELONG

Branch Manager	Mr. Dennis Gladman
Secretary	Mrs. Maureen Williams
Treasurer	Mr. Colin Gissing
Chief Instructor	Mrs. Jo Mee
Grounds Manager	Mr. Ashley Kendall
Social Secretary	Ms. Felicity Robinson
Membership Officer	Mrs. Maureen Williams
Canteen Managers	Mrs. Lorelle, Mr. David Organ & Ms. Kylie Abbott
Equipment Officer	Mrs. Sherry Hanley
Publicity Officer/ Webmaster	Mrs. Veronica Filmer
Committee members	Mrs. Robyn Trower & Mr. Rod Trower
Mrs. Barbara Pownall	Mrs. Deborah Koch
Mrs. Barbara Allen	Mrs. Karen Gissing



L.-r.: Felicity Robertson, Kylie Abbott, Lorelle Organ, David Organ, Ashley Kendall, Jo Mee, Colin Gissing, Dennis Gladman, Maureen Williams, Veronica Filmer, Barbara Allen, Deborah Koch, Karin Gissing.

Absent: Sherry Hanley, Barbara Pownall, Robyn Trower, Rod Trower

As Branch Manager I am pleased to report that Geelong had another positive and successful year. As usual throughout the year class numbers go up and down as new members arrive and leave. The challenge is to try and keep these new members and build up the branch numbers. The instructors turn up every week but that trend is not the same for most club members.

Our small Demo Team attended the Million Paws Walk held in the Eastern Gardens. Quite a few weeks of training before the event ensured that the Demonstration went off perfectly. As in the past our small group of helpers were there the day before, and at first light to set up the demonstration ring. This ring was also used as the main demonstration area by other groups on the day. This type of event is a great Public Relations exercise for the breed and our club.

Congratulations to the Eastern Branch for running a very successful Fun day. Well done to those Geelong members that attended and received a placing, and also to those that just missed out. Thanks also to our Instructors and Aspirer who judged or stewarded on the day.

Our branch organised two Bunning's Sausage Sizzle's in 2013. We also trialled a sausage sizzle outside one of our members shop. These events are a great way to improve the finances of our branch. I must make special mention of the small, but very dedicated bunch of members who regularly attend and help at these events. It was also nice to see some of the newer members attend, and help raise funds for our branch. During the year our branch purchased a new BBQ and a chest freezer.

Three of our members trailed this year, and two gained a title in 2013. Ashley Kendall received his CCD title. Barb Pownall received her Rally"O"Novice title. Sherry Hanley also received her first pass in CCD. Congratulations to you all, your success has encouraged others at our branch to have a go in 2014.

The award presentation night at the clubrooms on 14th December and went off without a hitch. The food was excellent and everyone had a great time. Congratulations to those members that received an award on the night. The Janet Henley Memorial Award - Geelong Member of the Year went to Sherry Hanley. The Junior Handler of the year (Obedience) went to Tiani Tomasovic.

Games such as Simon Say's, Musical Chairs, Fastest Recall, Tunnel races and an obstacle course were organised for the last training day of 2013.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Committee and Instructors, who have all worked extremely hard throughout the year. Without your willingness to hold a position, and your dedication and support there would be no branch at Geelong. Thanks also to all the members at Geelong for your help and support in 2013.

Dennis Gladman
Branch Manager – Geelong Branch

GIPPSLAND

Branch Manager	Mr. Ray Batchelor
Assistant Branch Manager	Mrs. Julie Jordan
Secretary	Mrs. Trish Taylor
Treasurer	Mrs. Carol Batchelor
Chief Instructor	Mrs. Annita Reynolds
Grounds Manager	Mr. Paul Wiseman
Membership Officer	Mrs. Julie Jordan
Canteen Manager	Mrs. Wilma Bates
Equipment Officer	Ms. Anne Lee
Publicity Officer	Mrs. Carol Batchelor
Maintenance	Ms. Esther Dekkers
Committee members	Mr. Allen Purcell
	Mr. Darren Walsh
	Mrs. Lyn McAplene
	Ms. Leonie Taylor
	Mrs. Julie Lovell



I am pleased to submit my first Annual report as the Branch Manager of Gippsland and I would like to start by paying tribute to Julie Jordan for holding the Branch Managers position for nine years before stepping down this year to concentrate on other things.

2013 was the 20th anniversary since the Gippsland branch was opened in Sale and we celebrated the occasion with a dinner at a local function centre.

The instructors have done a fantastic job this year led by Chief Instructor Annita Reynolds. We started setting up the ring again for the older dogs that were trialling this year. Some members started tracking classes with Alan Purcell and all the dogs and handlers are making good progress.

A small group of people took up the opportunity to participate in extra training on Wednesday evenings. The sessions have served as an opportunity for our aspiring instructors to get some extra practice in as they prepared for their exams. The mid week session has also become a great social event that is usually followed by dinner and plenty of laughs.

We had a group of people participate in some trials this year with mixed results. Members achieved titles in Rally Novice, Tracking and Endurance and two Gippsland dogs had success in the show ring with one being graded excellent in the Long Stock Coat Bitch event and another getting 1st place Minor Puppy Dog at the State Breed Exhibition and again at the Nationals in Adelaide. I congratulate all members that have been successful in the ring this year.

I would also like to congratulate and thank all of the members who don't attend trials and shows but still turn up every week to train their dogs to become good canine citizens and represent the breed in the community. They sometimes seem to fade into the background and often don't receive the recognition they deserve. It is these people who walk their well-behaved dogs around their local streets that promote the breed the best and I congratulate them for their efforts.

To the committee of the Gippsland branch this year, I cannot thank you all enough for the massive effort you have put in this year. The branch could not operate without you. It is also very encouraging to see the increase in nominations for committee positions in 2014. I look forward to working again with the returning committee members and also welcoming the people who will be joining the committee for the first time.

Last but definitely not least I would like to thank my wife Carol for all the support she has given me throughout the year. I could not have done it without her.

It has truly been an honour representing Gippsland as the branch manager and I look forward to continuing to work with Gippsland members in 2014 in my second term as branch manager.

Ray Batchelor
Branch Manager – Gippsland Branch

MALVERN

Branch Manager	Ms. Jacinta Poole
Assistant Branch Manager	Mr. Jim Begg
Secretary	Mrs. Judy Eppinger
Treasurer	Mr. Allan Watson
Chief Instructor	Mrs. Dearne Jackson
Grounds Manager	Mr. Ken Mackay
Breed Affairs Liaison Officer	Ms. Gayle Johnston
Social Secretary	Mrs. Lin Milne
Membership Officer	Mrs. Jenny Lord
Canteen Manager	Mrs. Colleen Watson
Equipment Officer	Mrs. Barbara Rowland
Publicity Officer	Ms. Anca Tilea
Web Site/Media	Mr. Grant Milne
Committee member	Mrs. Rosalie Gerlach



Back L-R: Gayle Johnston, Dearne Jackson, Judy Eppinger, Colleen Watson, Jenny Lord, Anca Tilea, Rosalie Gerlach, Jim Begg.
Front L-R: Jacinta Poole, Grant Milne, Lin Milne
Absent: Allan Watson, Ken Mackay, Barbara Rowland

2013 proved a challenging year at the Malvern training branch, primarily due to infrastructure issues with our training venue. Firstly we had no real clubrooms for 10 months while a new clubhouse was built by council, then just as this was finished council agreed to resurface and drain our oval, so we have had to be relocated. We hope by mid 2014 to return to Basil Oval, Malvern East and settle into new facilities. In the interim, it's been all hands on deck to help out, and our members have been very understanding of our logistical issues. Each week we strive to provide an opportunity for our members to learn and train their dogs to be the best canine citizens possible. The social structure in classes assists dogs with learning appropriate behaviour, which is a fundamental of training for life when they are out and about as a pet, but also as representatives of our breed. We regularly offer training to an average of 55 dogs each Sunday, which is a great sight. Class attendance has been very consistent which is pleasing and we know that that translates to improving our handlers skills. Our puppy class is always well attended with excited new owners! We've seen many dogs make huge improvements in their obedience and social skills across the year and handlers have been proud of their own progress.

Despite our lack of facilities, we've managed to hold regular bacon and egg breakfasts to provide members and their dogs a chance to socialise before class in a relaxed environment. We also held a very well received 'First Aid for dogs and managing a mature dog' seminar, presented by Vet Dr Ray Ferguson. We were pleased to have nearly 30 members participate in the Fun Day this year, with many others there for support.

Malvern's obedience instructors are our front line and our key asset. They volunteer so much time and effort that is appreciated by all members, in particular those who need extra help. Thankyou to our instructors Dearne Jackson (CI), Gayle Johnston (deputy CI), Jim Begg, Judy Eppinger, Ken Mackay, Pam Jackson, Karol Cuikerman, Judy Talacko, Lin Milne and Jacinta Poole. Keith Heale was our 2nd year aspiring instructor, and both Grant Milne and Valerie Tan entered the aspiring instructors program in 2013. Keith is now ready to join us full time and after a year of theory both Grant and Valerie will be welcomed into assisting with grade 1 class to complete their course in 2014. Extra help is always welcomed and the members appreciate having several instructors in class for more direct attention. At Sunday training, our Instructors are to be congratulated for their hard work and commitment, particularly as we now focus training as much on the dogs social skills as their obedience. Many extend their time providing advice beyond the hour in class and the members appreciate this extra effort. Over Christmas break we only had 2 weeks off while running large puppy classes, meaning that many of our obedience instructors now commit to 'work' nearly every Sunday of the year for the GSDCV. That's why our instructors are irreplaceable. THANKYOU.

Trial training at Malvern provides an opportunity for those wanting to further their dogs obedience levels, and challenge themselves. This year we have had several new members make a start to their trial careers, and seen others progress with passes and their titles. For those practicing and preparing for trials the results and achievements is a testament to their efforts. We are fortunate to have the assistance of obedience judges Jim Begg and David Hutson each week, who offer advice on ringcraft and provide useful tips for dog and handlers that is invaluable. Our thanks to Jim and David. During 2013, a number of our members achieved successes with titles in obedience and tracking. Malvern members involved in showing had an active year, with good success and enjoyment at both specialty and all breeds shows, including trips to the National in Adelaide.

During 2013 the Malvern Demo team attended our local Stonnington Council Pets in the Park Expo. Malvern represented the GSDCV to showcase our dogs and breed with activities and an information stand. The team also provided assistance at the Dogs Victoria Big Day Out for Dogs. We thank all our demo team members, dogs and helpers who gave freely of their time to promote our club and breed. Thank you to Malvern CI Deanne Jackson for her coordination and management of the Malvern team.

We thank Stonnington Council for their ongoing support and assistance to the Malvern branch and the GSDCV club, with interest in our branch activity and what we offer to the broader community. Their upkeep of our grounds and facilities is much appreciated. A new clubhouse has been built that we will share along with the football and cricket clubs and currently the oval is being resurfaced. By mid 2014 we hope to relocate to these improved facilities.

We thank our club sponsors Royal Canin for their support of our club. Royal Canin product is popular amongst our branch members for their dogs.

Malvern is managed by a very dedicated group of committee members. Together they have worked hard to ensure things ran smoothly for our members, especially recently with no clubrooms and our move to a smaller less functional ground, undertaking the physical work required to 'create' a branch each Sunday. The dedicated work of many also allowed us to meet our commitments to the GSDCV Club. Thankyou to Jim Begg, Judy Eppinger, Allan and Colleen Watson, Deanne Jackson, Gayle Johnston, Grant and Lin Milne, Ken Mackay, Barbara Rowland, Jenny Lord, Anca Tilea and Rosalie Gerlach for their generous contribution of time and effort to our branch, many also in addition to being instructors each week. The Committee works hard to ensure our members enjoy their Sundays with us and that we offer activities, equipment and general help that our members need and appreciate. We also ensured that we communicated with regular email newsletters, our website, facebook page and through social events.

Several Malvern committee members also have very active roles elsewhere within the broader GSDCV club. This extends their individual commitments significantly at times and for that we are appreciative of their extra efforts for the broader club members and the GSD breed. It's pleasing that Malvern members can contribute to the greater Club as a whole.

To the GSDCV Executive and Management Committee, thank you for their support during the year. Thank you to everyone who has been involved with Malvern this past year and we look forward to an enjoyable, productive and more settled year ahead for our members. Most importantly, thankyou to the many Malvern members who come to training each week !

Jacinta Poole
Branch Manager – Malvern Branch

NORTHERN

Branch Manager	Mr. Mark Stedwell
Assistant Branch Manager	Mr. Daryl Bourke
Secretary	Ms. Zora Marko
Treasurer	Mrs. Julie Taukus
Chief Instructor	Ms. Julia Tahourdin
Grounds Manager	Mr. Barry Clark
Breed Affairs Liaison Officer	Mrs. Mary Lanfranchi
Social Secretary	Mrs. Shelley Bourke
Membership Officer	Mr. Darryl Bourke
Catering Officer	Mrs. Mary Kazakis
Equipment Officer	Mrs. Julie Taukus
Web Site/Media	Mr. Mark Stedwell
General Committee	Mr. Steve Gunst
	Ms. Ursula Saba



L to R: Julia Tahourdin, Barry Clarke, Daryl Bourke, Shelley Bourke, Steve Gunst, Mary Kazakis, Zora Marok, Mary Lanfranchi, Ursula Saba, Julie Taukus and Mark Stedwell.

The Northern Branch of the GSDCV continues to work hard to deliver quality training and services for the German Shepherd Dog community of Northern Melbourne.

2013 saw many Northern members actively participating on the training ground, at obedience trials, tracking trials and in the specialty show ring. During 2013 a total of 1832 dog training hours were delivered by our team of dedicated Instructors. We encourage all 2013 members to renew their membership for 2014.

I extend sincere thanks to Northern's instructors and aspiring instructors, who under the management of our Chief Instructor, Julia Tahourdin provide their expertise and time to assist our members to train their dogs. The instructors dedicate their time each Saturday out of passion for the breed and their dedication to the club. I also extend this thank you to our Committee members for their efforts and all members who volunteer to help on training days.

A special mention and congratulations to our class of 2013 aspiring instructors, Ursula Saba, Melissa Bauer and Irina Borodinova. All three ladies have worked hard over two years to qualify as Instructors, a notable achievement. Thank you and I wish you well in your GSDCV Instructor careers.

During 2013, many of our members competed successfully at events. In total, 12 titles were gained during the year by Northern members. Titles are not easy to obtain and require many hours of hard work and dedication and of course fun with your dog. Members obtaining titles in 2013 were:

- Terry Skinner & Volscairn Xasko RN
- Tania Schumann & Awatea Jailbait CD RE
- Helene Smit & Samson RN
- Lauren Brownhill & Phoenix Brownhill CCD RE
- Lauren Brownhill & Ch Colwhip Golden Shimmer RA
- Dianne Cameron & Sunhaze Optimum TD
- Lauren Brownhill & Phoenix Brownhill CCD RE ET
- Lauren Brownhill & Phoenix Brownhill CD RE ET
- Lauren Brownhill & Phoenix Brownhill CD RAE ET
- Terry Skinner & Volscairn Xasko RA
- Helene Smit & Samson RA
- Frank Grigons & *Ch. Ayko Von Nord Wind "a" Z BSCL1

In addition to our member success in obtaining titles during the year, some of our members participated in obtaining recognition under the GSDCA breed schemes. We are proud to have our members adhering to and participating in the schemes. Northern members who obtained recognition under the GSDCA breed schemes during 2013 were:

- Ros & Phil Vincent & Misteishah Cyclone AZ
- Frank Grigons & Ch. Ayko Von Nord Wind "a" Z BSCL1
- Debra Colson & Vanharley Wild Child AZ BSCL1

Northern members continued to have fun in the specialty show ring during 2013, travelling to many of the major shows in Victoria, NSW, SA and Tasmania. Well done to all members that participated in specialty shows during the year.

Northern's CH Orrinshir Elton John AZ BSCL1 ET (Harley) retired from the show ring at the 2013 GSDCA National in Adelaide after a successful seven year career in the GSD specialty show ring, which included National Silver and Bronze medals and 47 Excellent medallions. Congratulations to Harley for his many achievements.

Northern members also participated in local events and fundraisers during the year such as the RSPCA million paws walk and the RCH Good Friday appeal.

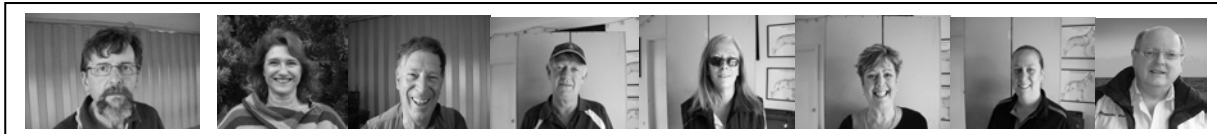
There are many people who contribute to the successful operation of our club and I would like to extend particular thanks on behalf of the Northern Branch Committee to everyone who has played a role in the success of our branch during 2013, in particular all our 2013 Committee members who continue to support the branch every week. Congratulations to our Branch Person of 2013 – Shelley Bourke and to the recipient of our Presidents Award for 2013 – Matthew Ladbrook.

As this is my final year as Branch Manager at Northern, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the many people from Northern and the GSDCV who have helped and supported me over the years.

Please consider joining the Committee in 2014 to continue to provide a presence for the German Shepherd Dog community in the Northern suburbs. It is a rewarding and enjoyable experience. All the best for 2014.

Mark Stedwell
Branch Manager – Northern Branch

SKYE



Branch Manager
Secretary
Treasurer
Chief Instructor
Grounds Manager
Breed Affairs Liaison
Social Secretary
Catering Officer

Mr. Ken Smith
Ms. Carla Srb
Mr. Barry Stockton
Mr. Les Rudling
Mr. Les Rudling
Mrs. Julie Urie
Ms. Savannah Childs
Mr. Kevin Poulter

Publicity Officer
Promotions Officer
Website
Equipment Officer
Fund Raising
General Committee

Mrs. Cristine Begbie
Ms. Carla Srb
Ms. Pam Anderton
Ms. Amanda Barr
Mrs. Kay Heinrich
Mrs. Dawn Whitford
Mrs. Lynne Hawksworth
Mrs. Alison Smith

It is with pleasure I present the Skye Branch Annual Report for 2013.

The year began with our socialisation classes for the puppies and some older dogs training as well. When training resumed in February it was good to see so many members back ready for the year ahead. Training numbers steadily increased through the year.

Once again this year we had many members gaining titles in most disciplines. As I point out every year these achievements are made possible because of the work that our instructors put in with all the members and their dogs.

On the financial side of things the raffles, canteen and special efforts continue to bring in extra income which enabled us to increase our savings in the investment account while still purchasing new equipment for the branch.

In July we held a trivia night and in October we held a seminar with Steve Austin as the guest speaker. Our Saturday Twilight break up was enjoyed by everyone that attended with Santa arriving with all the bells and tinsel and bearing gifts for the children. As usual a jumping castle was there for everyone to enjoy. A lot of work goes into organising this event so a huge thank you must go to the instructors, committee and helpers that make this day a success.

In closing I would like to thank our members for their continuing support of the branch and our committee for their tireless efforts throughout the year.

Ken Smith
Branch Manager – Skye Branch

SPECIALIST SHOW BRANCH

Branch Manager
Assistant Branch Manager
Secretary
Treasurer
Chief Instructor
Grounds Manager
Breed Affairs Liaison Officer
Catering Officer

Mr. Alastair Henderson
Mr. Ian Urie
Mrs. Fran Farley/Mrs. Jenny Yuen
Mrs. Fiona Henderson
Mrs. Nicky McDermott
Mr. David Berry
Mrs. Shirley Taylor
Mr. Brank & Mrs. Chris Auwema



Back Row: Alastair Henderson, Fiona Henderson, Chris Auwema, Nicky McDermott, Ian Urie Front: Shirley Taylor, Jenny Yuen

A big thank you to all our position holders for their contribution this year.

2013 was another very successful year for all the show fraternity with Victoria being very successful at the National in Adelaide including being amongst the medals and being placed highly in all classes.

This success followed on at our state shows and those who travelled to shows interstate.

I must thank the SSB Committee for running the branch and keeping it ticking over throughout the year as has been the case for many years and continuing to keep the branch in a sound financial position without asking branch members to attend extra fundraising activities.

Even though numbers at training are steady the new committee will need to think of ways to grow the branch and welcome new members encouraging them to take on positions at the branch.

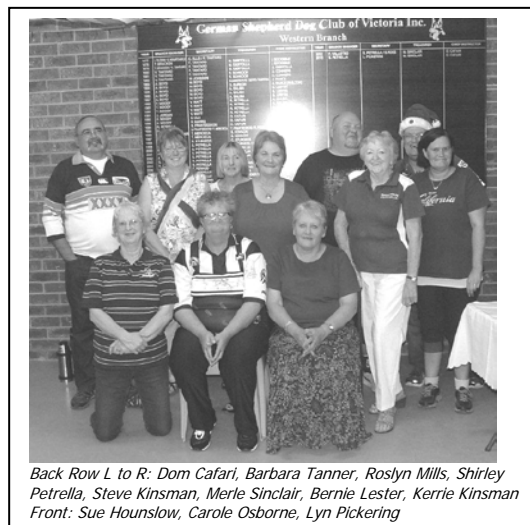
In 2014 SSB will need to find members who have time to attend club meetings and have time to be at training on a regular basis to handle any new member enquiries and other issues that occur from time to time.

Wishing all club members a successful 2014 training and showing their dogs wherever that may take them.

Alastair Henderson
Branch Manager – Specialist Show Branch

WESTERN

Branch Manager	Mrs. Shirley Petrella
Assistant Branch Manager	Mr. Steve Kinsman
Secretary	Mrs. Lyn Pickering
Treasurer	Mrs. Merle Sinclair
Chief Instructor	Mr. Dom Cafari
Ass. Chief Instructor	Mr. Bernie Lester
Breed Affairs Liaison Officer	Mrs. Carole Osborne
Groundsman	Mrs. Lyn Pickering
Social Secretary	Mrs. Kerrie Kinsman
Membership Officer	Mrs. Roslyn Mills
Catering Officer	Mrs. Lyn Pickering
Equipment Officer	Mrs. Barbara Tanner
Publicity Officer	Mrs. Sue Hounslow
Web Site	Ms. Chantal Scicluna
Maintenance	Mr. Aaron Robinson
Minute Secretary	Mrs. Samantha Ross



Back Row L to R: Dom Cafari, Barbara Tanner, Roslyn Mills, Shirley Petrella, Steve Kinsman, Merle Sinclair, Bernie Lester, Kerrie Kinsman
Front: Sue Hounslow, Carole Osborne, Lyn Pickering

2013 has been a good year and the branch continues to run smoothly because of the dedicated committee and instructors that put in all year. I thank them all for their support.

We have had a number of members who have had a difficult time with illness throughout the year and I'm happy to say they are all on the road to recovery.

Membership during the year has been up and down, but we still continued to get new members. A lot of members seem to attend training every few weeks or so, rather than each weekend, something possibly due to the weather and other commitments.

Financially the branch is strong and we have acquired a number of new items during the year, a cappuccino machine, a new fridge, pie warmer, a new measuring stick for Show and this year saw the fruition of an honour board and a life membership board. The Good Friday Walk was again very successful although we didn't quite reach our target of \$50,000 that we needed to bring our grand total up to \$500,000, as this was our 30th year of collecting. Thanks must go to our 3 co-ordinators, Lyn Pickering, Dom Cafari and Bernie Lester for all the organizing and of course many thanks to the Eastern, Northern, Malvern and Skye branches for their support once again.

Our clubrooms continue to be used for meetings frequently by the Bulldog club, Ski Club, OTC and Main Club, also the Obedience Aspirers held all their lectures and exam here as well.

On the Obedience scene not many are actually trialling, Andrew Saliba continues to have success with his dog Bodecka Prime Suspect. His highest score this year was 196pts. Lyn Pickering and Roslyn Mills have been busy tracking, both gaining T.Ch titles and they also have had some success in Rally O during the year. Lyn with Jayshell Onya, and Jayshell Wild Talia both gained their Rally O Novice titles, and Ros with Barfran Galaxy Star, Rally O Excellent title.

On the Show scene there have been seven first time Excellents with many winners and other placings on the pegs. Tony Gauci and Simonelli Chevy Boy has had a good introduction to the Show scene with many wins and also taking out the honour of being the first Long Stock Coat at a National to win Intermediate Dog and Challenge Dog. Ange and Chris Bohdal/Wendy Blunt also had success at the Nationals in Adelaide winning Minor Puppy Bitch with Schaeferhund Zollie and Ange and Chris won Puppy Dog with Schaeferhund Xasko.

Sadly we were not able to hold our Funday this year due to the Council and City West Water who had done some storm water works to our grounds and they were not finished in time. Hopefully we will be able to hold one next year. Brimbank Council have put a fenced in "off lead" area on our grounds, something that we have been waiting to happen for some time. We make good use of it during training.

We welcomed a new Obedience Instructor to the fold this year in Steve Kinsman and are fortunate to have another seven aspirers, four who have already passed their exam. Congratulations Sue Hounslow, Lin McPherson, Trevor Williams and Fiona Bell.

Presentation night was very enjoyable with a good crowd of about 73 that attended decked out in their footy colours. Thanks goes to Steve and Kerrie Kinsman who organised the function, after a spit roast meal, trophies were handed out and our new Honour Board and Life Membership board were unveiled for all to see.

I look forward to working with our Committee, Instructors and members in 2014 and hope it will be another successful year for the Branch.

Shirley Petrella
Branch Manager – Western Branch

WODONGA

Branch Manager	Mr. Gordon Cole
Assistant Branch Manager	Mr. Barry Stephens
Secretary	Mrs. Marlene Cole
Treasurer	Mrs. Marie Brew
Chief Instructor	Mr. Gordon Cole
Breed Affairs Liaison Officer	Mrs. Martine Burgess
Groundsman	Ms. Katherine Barrett
Social Secretary	Ms. Travey Hill
Membership Officer	Mrs. Colleen Stephens
Publicity Officer	Mrs. Carol Mindin



Back Row: Gordon Cole, Marlene cole, Barry Stephens
Middle: Martine Burgess, Marie Brew, Colleen Stepemns, Katherine Barrett
Front: Travey Hill & "Pippa" Abs: Carole Mindin

Membership has increased again over the past twelve months from 65 members in 2012 to 70 active members 2013. Our three local breeders are helping to increase Branch membership with some of the new puppy owners joining the Branch. Unfortunately the trend nowadays with new owners is to leave the Branch when their puppies obtain a reasonable standard of Obedience training, and due to outside influences and pressures are not interested in spending further time and effort continuing more Obedience training or training in another discipline with their canine friend, and tend not to rejoin after a twelve month period.

The Branch over the past twelve months again attended "Paws in the Park", held at Willow Park, Wodonga and in May the "RSPCA Million Paws Walk" in Albury and in November attended "Pets Day Out" held by the Albury City Council where we held nonstop demonstrations, with puppies on Positive Reinforcement Reward Based (food) Training, Obedience with our older dogs, performing tricks and a number of dogs socialising with the public from 8am till 12 noon. The Branch also set up an Obstacle Course for junior dogs and one for senior dogs with 15 different obstacles supervised by Branch personnel for course instruction and safety. This was a hit with the public, who as time permitted, attempted the courses several times. Two of our dogs attend on a weekly basis a local aged care hostel and socialise with the aged personnel and all have a wonderful time. The above publicity helps to promote the Branch and in particular our breed.

The Branch has only a small Instructional Team who have worked so very hard during the year to give our members personal instruction at all class levels. Training times had to be split starting with Puppy Class, Class 1 & 2 from 9am – 9.45am and Class 3 and above from 10am – 11am. This also leaves little time for the instructors to train their own dogs so I would like to say a special thank you to my instructors and of course to the Branch Committee for their hard work behind the scene, which at time is taken for granted.

Again this year in the *Show ring* a number of Branch members achieved Best of Breed Titles, Excellent gradings and placings. In the *Obedience Ring* Excellent passes in CCD, CD and CDX and in *Rally Obedience* Excellent passes in Novice and Advance A. A number of Branch dogs gained class 1 at Breed Survey also during the year. Congratulations to all.

On Easter Sunday after training the Branch held a BBQ at which the following presentations were made, one (1) 25 year Instructor's award, three (3) 25 year Membership awards, three (3) 10 year Instructor's awards, three (3) 10 year service awards, and one (1) 5 year service award, and two (2) Title medallions, a great achievement for such a small Branch.

On Saturday the 16th February the Branch conducted its first fundraising Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings in Wodonga and on 15th December its second which raised funds for the Branch to purchase new Agility equipment such as two Tunnels, Dog Walk, See-Saw, Hoop and six light weight jumps. This equipment will be used in the New Year to add more interest and skills to our training program.

The Branch continues to encourage all its Instructors to attend Obedience Lectures, Seminars and Breed lectures, to update and expand on their present knowledge. This year our instructors attended the Steve Austin Seminar 12th October, and have booked into Ian Dunbar Seminar early next year. Arrangements are being made for two Branch members to attend Show Instructor's training during 2014 if Instructors from Melbourne can travel to Wodonga on occasions for instruction.

I would also like to thank the Branch members for becoming a responsible dog owner, for taking the time and effort to train their canine companion to become a well socialised, obedient member of the family and the community.

Our Social Secretary, Tracey Hill, has organised a number of social functions for all members during the year, this is ideal for member socialisation and exchanging of information about their canine companions. A Fun Day was held on our last training day 8th December 2013 which included a morning of fun and games and fellowship followed by a BBQ lunch, it was great to see so many members and their dogs in attendance all enjoying the day.

With such a dedicated team of Instructors and Committee Members we look forward to the challenges of 2014.

In closing I would like to wish the Executive, Management Committee and all Branches the best in their endeavours for 2014.

Gordon Cole
Branch Manager – Wodonga Branch



AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE 2014 AGM

(These are all awards achieved throughout the 2013 year)

SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Membership Awards – awarded to members for continuous membership

Tom Luxton – 50 years	Ron Orchard – 40 years	James Rodger – 40 years	Louisa Rodger – 40 years
Michelle Mercieca – 30 years	Norma Meaney – 30 years	Edwina Neale – 30 years	Brian Padgham – 30 years
Bob Thompson – 30 years	Wendy Seng Hpa – 25 years	Judy-Gaye Streit – 25 years	

Obedience Instructor Awards – awarded for continuous service as an Obedience instructor

Brian Padgham – 30 years	Bob Thompson – 30 years	Kevin Dare – 25 years	Lyn Pickering – 15 years
Steve Gunst – 15 years	Julia Tahourdin – 15 years	Rosie Garbett – 10 years	Peter Wallbridge – 10 years
Mark Stedwell – 5 years			

Show Instructor Awards – awarded for continuous service as a Show Instructor

Fran Farley – 35 years	James Rodger – 35 years	David Berry – 30 years	Frank Valastro – 30 years
Carole Osborne – 10 years	Barbara Jacobs – 5 years		

Committee Service – awarded for continuous service to a GSDCV or Branch committee

Rosie Garbett 15 year (Eastern)	Peter Garbett 15 year (Eastern)	Jenny Burley 10 years (Eastern)	Mellisa Siktars 5 years (Eastern)
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TITLES AWARDED

ET – Endurance Test

Wilma Bates	Sterbach Stella Luna
Krista & Jason Bowler	*Ch. Bronacre Dark Diamond AZ
Bronacre Kennels	*Bronacre Philadelphia Freedom AZ
Lauren Brownhill	Phoenix Brownhill CCD RE
Kim Cooper	*Kooronya Inthe Purple AZ TD
Ann Lee & Liv Frescura	Steviejosh Techno Belle
Urs & Therese Rhyn	T.Ch. Killara Volcanic Lava AZ CD
Rachael Sammutt	*Ch. Bronzehund Iron Man AZ

CD – Companion Dog

Lauren Brownhill	Phoenix Brownhill CCD RE ET
Marie Felsovary	T.Ch. Bodecka Pure Heven AZ RE HSAs ET
Kevin Moulding	Bonshannon Elwyn CCD

TD – Tracking Dog

Dianne Cameron	Sunhaze Optimun
Kim Cooper	*Kooronya Inthe Purple AZ
Leanne Jones	*Dual Ch. Rantino Adevl N Disguise AZ
Grace Liu	Rantino Golden Legend AZ
Roslyn Mills	Tardel Kaddyshack

TRACKING CHAMPION

Grace Liu	Rantino Golden Legend AZ TDX
Roslyn Mills	Barfran Galaxy Star TDX CD RE
Lyn Pickering	Jayshell Onya Z CCD TDX RN
Lyn Pickering	Jayshell Wild Talia AZ ET RN TDX

TSD – Track & Search Dog

Peter & Dawn Howard	*Dual Ch. Killara Winter Solstice AZ CD RE
Urs & Therese Rhyn	T.Ch Awatea Loven Missy CDX HT
Urs & Therese Rhyn	T.Ch. Killara Volcanic Lava AZ CD ET
Judith Strachan	T.Ch. Dellaress Dartanyon CCD

EXCELLENT MEDALLIONS AWARDED IN TRACKING

Urs & Therese Rhyn	T.Ch Killara Volcanic Lava AZ CD TSD
Urs & Therese Rhyn	T.Ch Killara Volcanic Lava AZ CD TSDX
Judith Strachan	T.Ch. Dellaress Dartanyon CCD TSDX

CCD – Community Companion Dog

Dearne Jackson	*Glenraco Golly Gosh AZ
Pam Poole	Pandella Ace of Diamonds RN
Kevin Moulding	Bonshannon Elwyn
Ashley Kendall	Zandrac Bare Essentials

CDX – Companion Dog Excellent

Amanda Barr	Wiesenland Dark Raider CD RN ET
Joe Cimino	Bodecka Ubetter CD

TDX – Tracking Dog Excellent

Leanne Jones	*Dual Ch.Rantino Adevl N Disguise AZ RN TD
Angela Little	*Stobar Jacinta AZ TD
Grace Liu	Rantino Golden Legend AZ TD
Roslyn Mills	Barfran Galaxy Star CD RE TD
Jocelyn Roffey	Glenraco Wild Holly AZ CD TD ET
Lyn Pickering	Jayshell Onya Z CCD TD
Lyn Pickering	Jayshell Wild Talia AZ ET TD

TSDX – Track & Search Dog Excellent

Urs & Therese Rhyn	Awatea Loven Missy CDX HT TSD
Judith Strachan	T.Ch. Dellaress Dartanyon CCD TSD

TITLES AWARDED (Continued)

RN – Rally Novice

Ray & Carol Batchelor	Bramblegait Apocalypse AZ
Iva Baloun	Kazkiri Janti
Marie Felsovary	Ramara Justa Biache
Peter & Dawn Howard	*Dual Ch. Killara Padraigan AZ TSDX
Sue Hounslow	Simonelli Bella Dona ET
Leanne Jones	*Dual Ch. Rantino Adevl N Disguise AZ
Julie Lovell	Cashman
Lyn Pickering	Jayshell Onya Z CCD TDX
Lyn Pickering	T. Ch. Jayshell Wild Talia AZ ET TD
Pam Poole	Pandella Ace of Diamonds
Barbara Pownall	Ch. Kylain Chase a Hurricane AZ CCD ET
Terrence Skinner	Volscain Xasko
Helene Smit	Samson
Barbara Stewart	Verhexen Aladdins Almondine
Sharyn Thompson	Jayshell Chloe
Anca Tilea	Mia Dogglycious ET

RE – Rally Excellent

Lauren Brownhill	Phoenix Brownhill CCD RA ET
Robert Butler	Stobar Halina AZ CDX RA
Marie Felsovary	T.Ch. Bodecka Pure Heven CCD RA HSAs ET
Peter & Dawn Howard	T. Ch. Killara Thalo AZ CDX TSDX ET RA
Peter & Dawn Howard	*Dual Ch. (T) Killara Winter Solstice AZ CD RA
Roslyn Mills	Barfran Galaxy Star CD RA TD
Tania Schumann	Awatea Jail Bait CD RA
Helene Smit	Samson RA

HT – Herding title (Herding Test)

Marie Felsovary	Ramara Justa Biache RN
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HSAS – Started A course – sheep

Marie Felsovary	Ramara Justa Biache RA PT
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RA – Rally Advanced

Lauren Brownhill	Ch.Colwhip Golden Shimmer RN
Robert Butler	Stobar Halina AZ CDX RN
Marie Felsovary	Ramara Justa Biache RN PT
Marie Felsovary	T.Ch. Bodecka Pure Heven PT CCD
	RN HSAs ET
Leanne Jones	*Dual Ch. Rantino Adevl N Disguise
	AZ TDX RN
Peter & Dawn	*Dual Ch. Killara Padraigan AZ TSDX
Howard	RN
Roslyn Mills	Barfran Galaxy Star CD RN TD
Pam Poole	Pandella Ace of Diamonds CCD RN
Pam Poole	Bilnetts Diamond Rio (Imp UK) AZ
	CD RN
Terrence Skinner	Volscain Xasko RN
Helene Smit	Samson RN
Anca Tilea	Glenraco Earth Shimmer RN

RAE – Rally Advanced Excellent

Lauren Brownhill	Phoenix Brownhill CD RE ET
Robert Butler	Stobar Halina AZ CDX RE
Peter & Dawn	T.Ch. Killara Thalo AZ CDX TSDX ET
Howard	RE

PT – Herding title (pre trial)

Marie Felsovary	Ramara Justa Biache RN HT
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OBEDIENCE GRAND CHAMPION

O.Ch. Killara Winter Saturn AZ UDX ET
 (Owners: Ian & Denise Woollard)

ANNUAL GSDCV HIGH ACHIEVING HANDLER AND DOG TRACKING TROPHY TSD

Urs & Therese Rhyn	T.Ch. Killara Volcanic Lava AZ CD TSD
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ANNUAL GSDCV HIGH ACHIEVING HANDLER AND DOG TRACKING TROPHY TSDX

Judith Strachan	T.Ch. Dellaress Dartanyon CCD TSDX
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AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION (Conformation)

Ian Austin	Aljudan Kwinella AZ
Krista & Jason Bowler	*Bronacre Dark Diamond AZ ET
Anthony Gauci	*Simonelli Chevy Boy AZ
Alex Gridassov	Schaeferhund Saskia
Frank Grigons	*Ayko von Nord Wind "a" Z
David & Lorelle Organ	Aimsway Shaquille AZ

GSDCA AWARD OF MERIT

(These plaques are awarded to the breeder of an animal that has been graded "Excellent" in the conformation or obedience rings for the first time during 2013.)

Excellent in Show

Denise Berghofer
Chris & Angela Bohdal
Bronacre Kennels
Bronacre Kennels
Debra Colson
Legionaire Kennels
Frank & Val Moody
Ian Urie

*Karastro Ephrodite 'A' 'Z'
*Schaeferhund Questa 'A' 'Z'
*Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET
*Bronacre Philadelphia Freedom 'A' 'Z' ET
*Vanharley Kalendar Girl 'A' 'Z'
*Legionaire Lady Antebellum 'A' 'Z'
*Shaleedy Royal Highness 'A' 'Z'
*Ch. Bronzehund Iron Man 'A' 'Z'

Chris & Angela Bohdal
Chris & Angela Bohdal
Bronacre Kennels
Debra Colson
Gayle Johnston
Legionaire Kennels
Shirley Petrella

*Schaeferhund Quanta 'A' 'Z'
*Schaeferhund Nelke 'A' 'Z'
*Bronacre Hot Agenda 'A' 'Z'
*Vanharley Hail N Thunder 'A' 'Z'
*Glenraco Golly Gosh 'A' 'Z' CCD
*Legionaire Rascal Flats 'A' 'Z'
*Ch. Simonelli Chevy Boy 'A' 'Z'

Excellent in Obedience

Gayle Johnston

*Glenraco Golly Gosh 'A' 'Z' CCD

CLUB 13 AWARDS

*(Awarded to animals that have reached the grand old age of 13 years!
Whilst not an actual award presented at an AGM, due recognition is given to these "oldies"!)*

Margaret Adams
Karen Blicavs
Esther Dekkers
Mary Hawthorne

Zentama Im A Gypsy Star
Kardinbach True Value
Moroka Felice
O.Ch. Shaleedy Kwik n Strong UDX

Erica Hogan
Adrian Patella
Giselle Robinson
Margaret Starow

Reitzschon Famen Fortune
Sanrancho Comanche ET
Shaleedy Kwikasa Flash
*Strawnana Empress CD ET

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Branch Award

Special Recognition Award

Neil Cousins Memorial Trophy

Pam Lewis Memorial Trophy

Gwen Ibbott Shield (2012)

Ian Williams Perpetual Tracking Trophy -

20 year anniversary plaque awarded to the Gippsland Branch

Alexa McGauran and Aisha Gypsy's Ghost

(Young Handlers Achievement Obedience Trophy) None for 2013

(High Achieving Handler & Dog Obedience Trophy) None for 2013

Malvern Branch

Urs & Therese Rhyn - T.Ch Killara Volcanic Lava AZ CD TSDX

Specialist Dog of the Year 2013

*Jayshell Archimedes 'A' 'Z'



Specialist Bitch of the Year 2013

* Ch. Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET



Margot Haines Puppy of the Year

Willmaurs Queensway Quondo

Eric Orschler Annual Breeders Trophy

Schaeferhund Kennels – C & I Bohdal

Schneider Trophy

*Ch. Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET

Best Dual Performance Trophy

None awarded for 2013.

JUNIOR HANDLER AWARDS - CONFORMATION

Junior Handler of the Year (7 – 9 years)

Stephanie Jones



Junior Handler of the Year and
Young Handlers Achievement Award
(10 to 12 years)

Trinity Jones



Junior Handler of the Year

(13 – 18 years)

Jes Mase



Jes handling at the 2013 Italian Sieger Show

CHALLENGE SASHES DONATED BY THE GSDCV INC. FOR 2013

Ballarat Dog Club

- Mrs Fay Stokes (NSW)

Royal Melbourne Show

- Judge Herr Hans Peter Fetten (SV)

Working Dog Club of Victoria

- Judges: Mrs Melaine Groth (NSW) & Herr Hans P Schweimer (SV)

SCHNEIDER TROPHY RECIPIENTS

The Schneider Trophy, donated by the Schneider Family and Mrs. B. Ryan, is annually awarded to the highest scoring dog or bitch over 12 months at designated specialty shows. (This trophy is open to Victorian members only).

1949	Dennerstein Flika	KCC Ch.	1989	None awarded	
1950	Prince Kazan		1990	*Quincito Awol 'A'	Aust. Ch.
1951	Willunga Baron		1991	*Elvarado Super Star	Aust. Ch
1952	Weldenfels Bedwolf	KCC Ch.	1992	*Iniff Tapestry 'A' 'Z' CD	Aust. Ch.
1953	Helenbryan Patricia CDX	KCC Ch.	1993	*Iniff Vagrant 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1955	Kombrack Prince		1994	*Iniff Vagrant 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1956	Kombrack Prince	KCC Ch.	1995	*Denargun Flying Colours 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1957	Whelker Fram Beau	KCC Ch.	1996	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch
1958	Macron Marita	KCC Ch.	1997	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1959	Bramcourt Barleena	KCC Ch.	1998	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1960	Rosenthal Jelda		1999	*Iwan vom Lechtal "a" 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1961	Yram Prince Amin	Aust. Ch.	2000	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch
1962	Lardo Pretty Shanee	Aust. Ch.	2001	*Winbirra Elegance 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch
1963	Lardo Pretty Shanee	Aust. Ch.	2002	*Denargun Brownd Off 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1964	Lardo Pretty Shanee	Aust. Ch.	2003	*Spellbinda High Society 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1965	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2004	*Bodecka Grandslam 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1966	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2005	*Zandrac Rivendell 'A' 'Z'	
1967	Liebestraum Leader	Aust. Ch.	2006	*Peshar Inga 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1968	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2007	*Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch
1969	Hagenstolz Kismet	Aust. Ch.	2008	*Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch
1970	Hagenstolz Kismet	Aust. Ch.	2009	*Lashadas Ace of Hearts 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1971	Hagenstolz Cicero	Aust. Ch.	2010	*Freevale Crazy In Pink 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch
1972	Tanaba Amonasaro	Aust. Ch.	2011	*Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1973	Trievon Rajah	Aust. Ch.	2012	*Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1974	Kaznora Kommandant		2013	*Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1977	Willmaurs Fondawn				
1979	Edinsmuir Liz's Girl of Bedwin	Eng/Aust.Ch.			
1980	*Von Roland Axel				
1981	Glenawly Kenner	Aust. Ch.			
1982	Wanteppich Asta	Aust. Ch.			
1983	Volscaín Navita	Aust. Ch.			
1984	*Bedwins Finnigan	Aust. Ch.			
1985	*Karlach Satans Rites	Aust. Ch.			
1986	*Landrina Majic Melody	Aust. Ch.			
1987	*Karlach Wyoming Belle 'A'	Aust. Ch.			
1988	*Hasenway Putz 'A'	Aust. Ch.			
1990	*Quincito Awol 'A'	Aust. Ch.			

HISTORY OF OFFICE BEARERS OF THE GSDCV

YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMIN	TRAINING ADMIN
1945	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. Ryan / Mr. Simmons	Mrs. Wilson	Mrs. Ryan	N/A	N/A
1946	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. Simmons / Mr. Nicholls / Mr. E. Ryan	Mrs. Malcolmson / Mrs. Ryan	Mr. Kitchell	N/A	N/A
1947	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. McPherson / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. J. Nicholls	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Kitchell	N/A	N/A
1948	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. Nicholls / Mr Press	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1949	Cap. H. Taylor / Mr. Nicholls	Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. J. Nicholls / Mr. G. Press	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1950	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. J. Nicholls / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. W. Kerr	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1951	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. J. Nicholls / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. E. Schneider	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1952	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. J. Nicholls / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. G. Lane	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1953	Mr. G. Lane	Mr. Ryan / Mr. Siggins / Mr. Bushnell	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1954	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. Bushnell / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. C. Siggins	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1955	Mr. K. Stubbs	Mr. G. Bushnell / Mr. Ryan / Mr. C. Siggins	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1956	Mr. K. Stubbs	Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. A. Davies / Mr. Buchanan	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. J. Caldwell	N/A	N/A
1957	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. A. Davies / Mr. S. Gilchrist	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. J. Caldwell	N/A	N/A
1958	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. K. Stubbs / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. S. Gilchrist	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. J. Caldwell	N/A	N/A
1959	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. K. Stubbs / Mr. M. McKerchar	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Burnell	N/A	N/A
1960	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. K. Stubbs / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Burnell	N/A	N/A
1961	Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mr. K. Stubbs / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Burnell	N/A	N/A
1962	Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mr. K. Stubbs / Mr. E. Ryan / Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. K. Stubbs	N/A	N/A
1963	Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mr. E. Ryan / Mrs. D. Carter / Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. E. Fitzgerald	N/A	N/A



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YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMIN	TRAINING ADMIN
1964	Mr. W. Henderson	Mr. T. v.d. Ryst / Mr. K. Stubbs / Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1965	Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. D. Carter / Mr. E. VanBael / Mr. E. Ryan	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1966	Mr. E. VanBael	Mr. W. Henderson / Mr. H. Herter / Mr. K. Stubbs	Mrs. B. Ryan / Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1967	Mr. E. VanBael	Mr. K. Stubbs / Mr. G. Gillan / Mr. H. Herter	Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1968	Mr. E. VanBael	Mr. K. Stubbs / Mrs. J. Mason / Mr. G. Moody	Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1969	Mr. E. VanBael	Mr. Adams / Mrs. J. Mason / Mr. G. Moody	Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1970	Mr. P. Tyrrell	Mr. G. Moody / Mr. W. Kinsman / Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mrs. C. Pilgrim	Mr. E. VanBael	N/A	N/A
1971	Mr. E. VanBael	Mr. G. Moody / Mr. D. Gardner / Mr. E. Pilgrim	Mrs. C. Pilgrim	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	N/A	N/A
1972	Mr. E. Pilgrim	Mr. K. Patterson / Mr. H. Brunner / Mr. K. Moore	Mrs. V. Moore	Mr. H. Brunner	N/A	N/A
1973	Mrs. V. Moore	Mr. R. Poole / Mr. H. Brunner / Mr. G. Moody	Mrs. P. Savage / Mrs. C. Pilgrim	Mr. K. Moore	N/A	N/A
1974	Mr. G. Moody	Mr. E. Pilgrim	Mrs. K. Chapman	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer		Mr. E. VanBael
1975	Mr. G. Moody	Mr. H. Brunner / Mr. B. Anderson	Mrs. S. Anderson	Mr. N. Watts	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. H. Brunner
1976	Mr. G. Moody	Mr. B. Anderson	Mrs. A. Watts	Mr. N. Watts	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1977	Mr. B. Anderson	Mr. E. Pilgrim	Mrs. A. Watts	Mr. N. Watts	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1978	Mr. B. Anderson	Mr. B. Gilham	Mrs. S. Anderson	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1979	Mr. K. Heyne	Mr. W. Reimann	Mrs. M. VanWeel	Mr. P. Bloomfield	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mrs. E. Nowak
1980	Mr. K. Heyne	Mr. W. Reimann	Mrs. M. VanWeel	Mr. W. Edmonds	Mrs. F. Moody	Mr. T. v.d. Ryst
1981	Mr. K. Heyne	Mr. P. Westwood	Mrs. M. VanWeel / Mrs. M. Haines / Mrs. Westwood	Mr. W. Edmonds / Mrs. S. Westwood / Mr. J. Rodger	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. E. Fink
1982	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Haines	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1983	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Haines	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. F. Moody	Mr. K. Heyne
1984	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. V. Tantaró	Mrs. L. Cooper	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1985	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. V. Tantaró	Mrs. L. Cooper	Mr. T. Leverett	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne



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YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMIN	TRAINING ADMIN
1986	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. L. Cooper	Mr. T. Leverett	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1987	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. B. Newson	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. T. Leverett	Mrs. F. Farley	Mr. K. Heyne
1988	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. B. Newson	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mrs. B. Gascoigne	Mrs. J. Haase	Mr. F. Valastro
1989	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. J. Haase	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. F. Valastro
1990	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. J. Haase	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. F. Valastro
1991	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. A. Saliba
1992	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. A. Saliba
1993	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mr. A. Saliba
1994	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody / Mr. D. Eames	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mr. A. Saliba
1995	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. D. Eames	Mrs. F. Tantaro	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. A. Kerr
1996	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. I. Cameron	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. R. Petrella/ Ms. K. Combes	Mr. L. Donald	Mrs. A. Kerr/ Mrs. L. Holden
1997	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. N. Loos	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mr. J. Speers
1998	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. D. Hynd	Mrs. N. Loos	Ms. N. Clark	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
1999	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. D. Hynd	Ms. C. Poole	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2000	Mr. D. Hynd	Mr. P. Vincent	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2001	Mr. D. Hynd	Mr. P. Vincent	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2002	Mr. D. Hynd	Mr. P. Vincent	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2003	Mr. P. Vincent	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2004	Mr. P. Vincent/ Mr. F. Moody	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2005	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. I. Urie	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2006	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. I. Urie Mr. D. Cafari (2 nd VP)	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2007	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari Mr. I. Urie (2 nd VP)	Ms. V. Dobson	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2008	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. I. Urie Mr. J. Rodger (2 nd VP)	Ms. V. Dobson	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2009	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. I. Urie Mr. J. Rodger (2 nd VP)	Ms. V. Dobson	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2010	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. I. Urie Mr. J. Rodger (2 nd VP)	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2011	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. I. Urie Mrs. V. Moody (2 nd VP)	Mrs. R. Vincent	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley



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YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT / 2 nd VP	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMIN	TRAINING ADMIN
2011	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. I. Urie Mrs. V. Moody (2 nd VP)	Mrs. R. Vincent	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2012	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mr. I. Urie	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2013	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. G. Jacobs Mrs. L. Rodger (2 nd VP)	Mrs. N. Meaney	Mr. M. Simmons	Mr. I. Urie	Mrs. M. Wrigley

HISTORY OF BRANCH OFFICIALS

YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
1977	Ballarat	J. Rodger	L. Rodger	J. Barnett	H. Stehlik
	Eastern	G. Moody	M. Haines	R. Herzog	B. Poole
	Malvern	W. Eastgate	B. Gascoigne	F. Eastgate	B. Ninartawicz
	Western	I. Pilgrim/G. Ninartawicz	C. Ellis/F. Tantaro		
1978	Ballarat	J. Rodger	L. Rodger	W. Hawksworth	H. Stehlik/G. Barnett
	Eastern	G. Moody/Dunn	M. Haines	J. McNeal	H. Nowak
	Malvern	P. Bloomfield	B. Gascoigne	N. Watts	G. Ninartawicz
	Western	T. Bracken	F. Tantaro	M. Giertolla	I. Goodman
1979	Ballarat	J. Hodges/J. Rodger	O. Flaherty/L. Rodger	W. Hawksworth	G. Barnett
	Eastern	W. Szillat/Dunn	M. Haines	J. McNeal	H. Nowak
	Malvern	C. Downing	B. Gascoigne	Dynan/Evans	N. Watts
	Western	T. Bracken/V. Tantaro	F. Tantaro	M. Giertolla	I. Goodman
1980	Ballarat	J. Hodges	O. Flaherty/M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	H. Stehlik/G. Lowe
	Eastern	Valastro/Thompson/Watkins	M. Haines	M. Galley	P. Laland
	Malvern	M. Guillot	Dimtscheff/Gascoigne	J. Andray	H. Silverman
	Western	V. Tantaro	F. Tantaro	M. Giertolla	U. Giertolla
1981	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	F. Valastro	L. May	B. Donald	P. Laland
	Malvern	B. Newson	B. Gascoigne	J. Mills	N. Watts
	Western	V. Tantaro	F. Tantaro	R. Schnoor	D. Conners



BRANCH OFFICIALS HISTORY (CONTINUED)

YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
1982	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	F. Valastro	I. Grimshaw	B. Donald	P. Laland
	Malvern	B. Newson	B. Gascoigne	A. Watts	N. Watts
	Waverley	G. Hliwa	E. Hliwa	E. Hliwa	C. Humphrys
	Western	V. Tantaro	M. Johnson	R. Schnoor	D. Conners
1983	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	J. Tenkaten	J. Howell	L. Cooper	P. Laland
	Malvern	B. Newson	B. Gascoigne	A. Watts	M. Nelson
	Waverley	R. Orchard	M. Walsh	M. Walsh	C. Humphrys
	Western	A. Boyd	M. Boyd	Summerhays/Boyd/Burton	J. Vance
1984	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	M. Valastro	Saddington	B. Donald	G. Donald
	LaTrobe Valley	Wiltshire	C. Bennett	J. Jordan	McAlpine
	Malvern	T. Van d. Ryst	B. Gascoigne	A. Watts	M. Nelson
	Waverley	R. Orchard	M. Walsh	M. Walsh	C. Humphrys
	Western	A. Boyd	M. Boyd	G. Burdon	J. Vance (Railton)
1985	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	M. Valastro	G. Saddington	D. Taylor	J. Tenkaten
	LaTrobe Valley	H. v Rysbergen	C. Bennett	I. Bennett	L. McAlpine
	Malvern	M. Sharp	B. Gascoigne	P. Lewis	M. Nelson
	Waverley	R. Orchard	D. Westwood	F. Eastgate	C. Humphrys
	Western	A. Boyd	M. Boyd	A. Saliba	B. Lester
1986	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	
	Eastern	M. Valastro	A. Franklin	G. Saddington	E. Pilar
	Geelong	N. Sterzenbach	H. Whiteford	C. Christiaans	
	LaTrobe Valley	C. Wells	I. Bennett	C. Bennett	L. McAlpine
	Malvern	D. Bell	B. Gascoigne	P. Lewis	R. Staley
	Northern	G. Harding	K. Howell	F. Harding	
	Waverley	D. Dowell	F. Henderson	K. Dowell	C. Humphrys
	Western	A. Boyd	M. Boyd	A. Saliba	B. Lester
1987	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	I. Kelly	C. Hawksworth
	Eastern	M. Valastro	A. Franklin	G. Saddington	E. Pilar
	Geelong	C. Christiaans	H. Whiteford	D. Jenkins	R. Nation
	LaTrobe Valley	C. Bennett	D. Wells	L. Goodge	L. McAlpine
	Malvern	D. Bell	J. Begg	R. Jones	R. Staley
	Northern	G. Harding	K. Howell	C. Humphries	K. Humphries
	Skye	L. Holden	N. Meaney	G. Green	B. Dunn
	Western	A. Boyd	M. Boyd	A. Saliba	B. Lester



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YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
1988	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	M. Valastro	A. Franklin	G. Saddington	E. Pilar
	Geelong	C. Christiaans	S. Lea-Wood	P. Savickas	
	LaTrobe Valley	C. Bennett	I. Bennett		
	Malvern	R. Atyeo	J. Begg	R. Jones	J. Begg
	Northern	G. Harding/P. Waldhauser	J. Waldhauser	C. Humphries	K. Humphries
	Skye	L. Holden	N. Meaney	G. Green	B. Dunn
	Waverley	T. Shaw	L. McDermott	S. Humphrys	
	Western	F. Moody	V. Watt	R. Petrella	A. Saliba
1989	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	C. Hawksworth
	Eastern	M. Valastro	U. Grimshaw	A. Franklin	D. Berry
	Geelong	L. O'Toole	S. Lea-Wood	P. Savickas	L. O'Toole
	LaTrobe Valley	L. Goodge	G. Calway	C. Bennett	I. Bennett
	Malvern	L. Scandar	A. Maddox	R. Jones	P. Lewis
	Northern	P. Waldhauser	L. MacDonald	C. Humphries	K. Humphries
	Skye	L. Holden	N. Meaney	I. Holden	B. Dunn
	Waverley	G. Green	L. McDermott	K. Green	
	Western	F. Moody	V. Watt	R. Petrella	A. Saliba
1990	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	I. Kelly	G. Goldsmith
	Eastern	M. Valastro	U. Grimshaw	A. Franklin	D. Berry
	Geelong	C. Christiaans	S. Lea-Wood	P. Savickas	
	LaTrobe Valley	G. Calway	L. Goodge	C. Bennett	I. Bennett
	Malvern	L. Scandar	A. Maddox	R. Jones	M. Garcia
	Northern	P. Waldhauser/C. Humphries	L. MacDonald	C. Humphries	K. Humphries
	Skye	C. Brook/A. Adams	G. Carr	I. Holden	B. Elsley
	Waverley	T. Shaw	E. Neale	K. Green	
	Western	F. Moody	V. Watt	R. Petrella	A. Saliba
1991	Ballarat	J. Harding-Smith	M. Wrigley	I. Kelly	J. Hodges
	Eastern	M. Valastro	U. Grimshaw	A. Franklin	P. Flynn
	Geelong	C. Christiaans	S. Lea-Wood	P. Savickas	M. Raftopoulos
	Malvern	S. Cousins	A. Maddox	H. Neff	M. Garcia
	Northern	C. Humphries/P. Vincent	K. Donaldson	A. Solarz	K. Humphries
	Skye	A. Adams	N. Meaney	I. Holden	A. Kerr
	Waverley	T. Shaw	L. Holden	K. Green	G. Green
	Western	J. Jordan	V. Watt	R. Petrella	R. Dyer
1992	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	M. Wrigley	P. Conte	J. Hodges
	Eastern	M. Valastro	U. Grimshaw	A. Franklin	J. Smith



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	Geelong Malvern	H. Whiteford A. Maddox	S. Lea-Wood D. Jackson	Q. Drew H. Neff	M. Raftopoulos J. Speers
1992 (Contd)	Northern Skye Waverley Western	P. Vincent A. Adams L. Rodger V. Moody	K. Donaldson N. Meaney K. Green E. Old	A. Solarz I. Holden N. Clark D. Cafari	B. Donaldson A. Kerr C. Humphrys B. Lester
1993	Ballarat Eastern Geelong Malvern Northern Skye Waverley Western	K. Rowlands M. Valastro H. Whiteford D. Eames P. Vincent A. Adams N. Clark V. Moody	M. Wrigley N. Wharmby P. Saunders C. Rhoden J. Niall N. Meaney E. Neale R. Harris	P. Conte A. Franklin Q. Drew R. Jones A. Solarz I. Holden L. Bainbridge D. Cafari	J. Hodges J. Smith L. Wright J. Speers B. Donaldson A. Kerr C. Humphrys B. Lester
1994	Ballarat Eastern Geelong Gippsland Malvern Northern Skye Waverley Western	K. Rowlands M. Valastro C. Christiaans I. Cameron D. Eames/Y. Cooney P. Vincent A. Adams N. Clark R. Petrella	M. Wrigley L. Goodes P. Saunders V. Purcell C. Roden J. Niall N. Meaney E. Neale B. Frantzeskos	P. Conte A. Franklin L. Wright C. Bennett P. Eames A. Solarz C. O'Sullivan L. Bainbridge D. Cafari	J. Hodges B. Thompson L. Wright M. White J. Speers R. Donaldson A. Kerr C. Humphrys B. Lester
1995	Ballarat Eastern Geelong Gippsland Malvern Northern Skye Waverley Western	K. Rowlands B. Glasheen C. Christiaans I. Cameron Y. Cooney P. Vincent J. O'Sullivan N. Clark R. Harris	C. Rowlands C. Srb P. Saunders V. Purcell J. Speers J. Niall J. Maynard U. Grimshaw B. Frantzeskos/T. Mercieca	P. Maggi A. Franklin M. Giertolla C. Bennett P. Davies A. Solarz C. O'Sullivan M. Scrivens T. Frantzeskos/R. Petrella	J. Hodges B. Thompson L. Wright M. White G. Johnson A. Dordevic N. Meaney D. Berry D. Pook/S. Petrella
1996	Ballarat Bendigo Eastern Geelong Gippsland Malvern Northern Skye	K. Rowlands D. Trickey B. Glasheen C. Gardner A. Purcell/D. Hynd Y. Cooney/J. Speers P. Vincent A. Adams	C. Rowlands A. Adams C. Srb P. Saunders/T. Ball V. Purcell A. Hunt R. Walton J. Maynard	P. Maggi M. Dix A. Franklin P. Saunders C. Bennett P. Davies A. Solarz	S. Bacon J. Smith L. Wright M. White/J. Moorey B. Jackson A. Dordevic N. Meaney



Waverley	J. Haase	L. McDermott	N. Clark	
Western	R. Harris/D. Cafari	T. Mercieca	S. Kovacic	S. Petrella/C. Wood

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YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
1997	Ballarat	K. Rowlands/W. Drever	C. Rowlands	P. Maggi	J. Hodges/P. Cooper
	Bendigo	D. Trickey	R. Robson	M. Dix	S. Bacon
	Eastern	B. Glasheen	P. Duffy	L. Marston	J. Smith
	Geelong	C. Gardner/D. Bourke	T. Ball	A. Vella	
	Gippsland	D. Hynd	P. Pendlebury	P. Wiseman	J. Moorey
	Malvern	P. Davies	L. Satherley	M. Fajdiga	S. Kelly
	Northern	P. Vincent	R. Walton	A. Solarz	A. Dordevic
	Skye	A. Adams	J. Maynard	D. Winter	N. Meaney
	Waverley	I. Urie	L. McDermott	N. Clark	T. Shaw
	Western	D. Cafari	T. Mercieca	S. Kovacic	C. Wood
1998	Ballarat	G. Lowe	C. Rowlands	P. Maggi	P. Cooper
	Bendigo	T. Kennedy	R. Bailey	A. Hassell	S. Bacon
	Eastern	A. Franklin	C. Srb	L. Marston	D. Berry
	Geelong	M. Valastro	S. O'Connor	N. McDonald	F. Valastro
	Gippsland	J. Morrey	P. Pendlebury	C. Bennett	A. Purcell
	Malvern	T. Poole	J. Eppinger	J. Bendall	J. Speers
	Northern	P. Vincent	R. Walton	A. Solarz	T. Taukus
	Skye	A. Adams	J. Maynard	I. Holden	F. Spinelli
	Waverley	I. Urie	N. Clark	T. Leverett	
	Western	D. Cafari	D. Sturgess	C. Sturgess	P. Lazaric
1999	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	M. Maggi	P. Maggi	J. Hodges
	Bendigo	T. Kennedy	R. Bailey	A. Hassell	S. Bacon
	Eastern	A. Franklin	C. Srb	B. Jacobs	D. Berry
	Geelong	M. Valastro	J. Henley	M. Sinclair	F. Valastro
	Gippsland	C. Hynd	N. Pancutt	S. Pancutt	J. Morrey
	Malvern	G. Johnston	J. Eppinger	T. Poole	J. Speers
	Northern	R. Walton	C. Cawsey	A. Solarz	T. Taukus
	Skye	A. Adams	J. Maynard	I. Holden	F. Spinelli/P. Aarons
	Specialist Show	I. Urie	V. Ainslie	T. Leverett	C. Humphrys
	Wangaratta	D. Pollard	C. Rice	A. Pirie	
2000	Western	F. Moody	S. Petrella	C. Sturgess/R. Petrella	P. Lazaric/E. Pasqua/S. Petrella
	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	D. Ellery	B. Wilson
	Bendigo	R. Schnoor	U. Grimshaw	A. Hassell	S. Bacon
	Eastern	G. Jacobs	C. Bird/B. Jacobs	B. Jacobs	J. Atken
	Geelong	M. Valastro/A. Smith	J. Henley	M. Sinclair	F. Valastro
	Gippsland	C. Hynd	T. Taylor	C. Bennett	J. Morrey



	Malvern	G. Johnston	J. Eppinger	T. Poole	J. Speers / G. Johnston
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YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
2000	Northern	R. Walton	C. Cawsey	A. Solarz	T. Taukus
	Skye	J. Maynard	B. Blythe	B. Duyvestyn	P. Aarons / H. Dunn
	Specialist Show	J. Yuen	J. Haase	T. Leverett	C. Humphrys
	Western	F. Moody	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	S. Petrella
	Wodonga	D. Norgate	C. Rice	P. Rice/K. Pol	F. Veletovski
2001	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	D. Ellery	B. Wilson
	Bendigo	R. Schnoor	R. ASchnoor	A. Hassell	S. Bacon
	Eastern	G. Jacobs	L. Marston	B. Jacobs	J. Atken/D. Berry
	Geelong	A. Smith	J. Henley	M. Blunt	F. Valastro
	Gippsland	P. Pendlebury	T. Taylor	C. Bennett	D. Hynd
	Malvern	D. Hopgood	J. Eppinger	T. Poole	G. Johnston/D. Jackson
	Northern	I. Hipworth	J. Pound	A. Solarz	R. Walton
	Skye	J. Maynard	B. Blythe	B. Duyvestyn	H. Dunn
	Specialist Show	M. Robson	J. Yuen	T. Leverett	C. Humphrys
	Western	F. Moody	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	S. Petrella
	Wodonga	D. Norgate/J. Greskie	C. Rice/P. Smith	K. Pol/C. Heathcote	F. Veletovski/G. Cole
2002	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	D. Ellery	B. Wilson
	Bendigo	R. Schnoor	C. Whyte	M. Phillips	S. Bacon
	Eastern	G. Jacobs	L. Marston	B. Jacobs	D. Berry
	Geelong	K. Heyne	J. Henley	M. Blunt	J. Mee
	Gippsland	P. Pendlebury	T. Taylor	C. Hynd	P. Wiseman
	Malvern	D. Hopgood	J. Eppinger	J. Graham	G. Johnston/D. Jackson
	Northern	I. Hipworth	J. Pound	A. Solarz	I. Woodhill
	Skye	I. Holden	B. Blythe	S. Hargreaves	H. Dunn
	Specialist Show	M. Robson	L. Rodger	T. Leverett	C. Humphrys
	Western	F. Moody	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	S. Petrella
	Wodonga	J. Greskie	P. Smith	C. Heathcote/K. Pearce	G. Cole
2003	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	D. Ellery	B. Wilson
	Bendigo	C. Whyte	R. Gerrish/C. Whyte	M. Phillips	R. Bailey
	Eastern	G. Jacobs	L. Marston	B. Jacobs	P. Comatas
	Geelong	K. Heyne	J. Henley	M. Blunt	J. Mee
	Gippsland	I. Naughton	T. Taylor	C. Hynd	P. Wiseman
	Malvern	D. Hopgood	J. Eppinger	J. Graham	G. Johnston/D. Jackson
	Northern	I. Hipworth/F. Grigons	J. Pound	A. Solarz	T. Taukus
	Skye	I. Holden	B. Blythe	S. Hargreaves	D. Winter
	Specialist Show	J. Rodger	L. Rodger	S. Humphrys	J. Haase
	Western	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	S. Sorrell	B. Lester



	Wodonga	J. Greskie	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
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YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
2004	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	D. Ellery	B. Wilson
	Bendigo	C. Whyte	C. Anderson	M. Phillips	R. Bailey
	Eastern	A. Marston	R. Garbett	J. Burley	L. Marston/A. Franklin
	Geelong	K. Heyne	J. Henley	M. Blunt	J. Mee
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	C. Hynd	P. Wiseman
	Malvern	D. Hopgood	J. Eppinger	J. Graham	K. Mackay
	Northern	F. Grigons	L. Brass	A. Solarz/J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	Y. Stickland	S. Hargreaves	D. Winter/S. Hargreaves
	Specialist Show	J. Rodger	L. Rodger	S. Humphrys	J. Haase
	Western	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	C. Konidaris	B. Lester
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
2005	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	N. Goudey	S. Osbrough
	Bendigo	A. Phillips	C. Anderson	M. Phillips	R. Bailey
	Eastern	A. Marston	M. Siktars	J. Burley	L. Marston/A. Franklin
	Geelong	K. Heyne	W. Blunt	M. Blunt	J. Mee
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	C. Hynd	P. Wiseman
	Malvern	D. Jackson	J. Eppinger	J. Graham	K. Mackay
	Northern	T. Taukus	L. Brass	J. Taukus	R. Vincent
	Skye	K. Smith	A. Smith	S. Hargreaves	S. Hargreaves
	Specialist Show	A. Adams	L. Rodger	B. Duyvestyn	F. Farley
	Western	A. Geddes	T. Renaud	C. Konidaris	B. Lester
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Wilson	K. Pearce	G. Cole
2006	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	V. Stocks	P. Maggi
	Bendigo	M. Phillips	C. Anderson	L. Lawson	R. Bailey
	Eastern	P. Garbett	A. Marston	J. Burley	L. Marston/A. Franklin
	Geelong	J. Henley	J. Henley	C. Gissing	J. Mee
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	C. Hynd	P. Wiseman
	Malvern	J. Begg	J. Eppinger	R. Jones	M. Gilmore
	Northern	V. Ebejer	L. Ebejer	J. Taukus	A. Quinn
	Skye	K. Smith	R. Meyers	P. Birti	S. Hargreaves
	Specialist Show	A. Adams / M. Goodwin	A. Hammond	B. Duyvestyn	D. Berry
	Western	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	S. Cordner	B. Lester
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
2007	Ballarat	R. Beere	C. Rowlands	B. Wilson	P. Maggi
	Bendigo	M. Phillips	K. Cordell	R. Hall	D. Lund
	Eastern	P. Garbett	D. Owen	J. Burley	A. Franklin
	Geelong	P. Brown	K. Spark	C. Gissing	J. Mee



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YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
2007 (Contd)	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	C. Hynd	P. Wiseman
	Malvern	J. Begg	J. Eppinger	R. Jones	G. Bobbin
	Northern	V. Ebejer	L. Ebejer	J. Taukus	A. Quinn
	Skye	K. Smith	R. Meyers	P. Birti	C. Srb
	Specialist Show	M. Goodwin	A. Hammond	B. Duyvestyn	D. Berry
2008	Western	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	C. Napl/S. Cordner/R. Petrella	B. Lester
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	K. Pearce
	Ballarat	R. Beere	C. Thomas	B. Wilson	R. Beere
	Bendigo	M. Phillips	K. Cordell	R. Hall	D. Lund
	Eastern	P. Garbett	P. Gough	J. Burley	L. Goodes
2009	Geelong	P. Brown	M. Williams	C. Gissing	J. Mee
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	N. Binotto	A. Purcell
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	R. Jones	D. Jackson
	Northern	V. Ebejer	L. Ebejer	J. Taukus	A. Quinn
	Skye	K. Smith	A. Smith	P. Birti	C. Srb
2010	Specialist Show	L. Rodger	S. Taylor	A. Hammond	N. McDermott
	Western	B. Lester	L. Pickering	Merle Sinclair	A. Saliba
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
	Ballarat	D. Ellery	S. Walsh	H. Parojarvi	D. Lund
	Bendigo	M. Phillips	K. Cordell	R. Hall	R. Garbett
2011	Eastern	D. Nicholson	M. Siktars	J. Burley	J. Mee
	Geelong	C. Gissing	M. Williams	K. Shearer	D. Jackson
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	N. Binotto	A. Quinn
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	R. Jones	C. Srb
	Northern	V. Ebejer	L. Ebejer	J. Taukus	N. McDermott
2012	Skye	K. Smith	A. Smith	P. Birti	A. Saliba
	Specialist Show	D. Yuen	F. Farley	F. Henderson	G. Cole
	Western	B. Lester	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	
	Ballarat	D. Ellery	D. Zammit	R. Hall	J. Gaw
2013	Bendigo	B. Crutchfield	M. Phillips	J. Burley	R. Garbett
	Eastern	B. Jacobs	M. Siktars	K. Shearer	J. Mee
	Geelong	C. Gissing	M. Williams	N. Binotto	A. Purcell
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	A. Watson	D. Jackson
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	J. Taukus	A. Quinn
2014	Northern	M. Stedwell	A. Rawlings	J. Robertson	D. Berry
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	F. Henderson	N. McDermott
	Specialist Show	D. Yuen	J. Wolk	M. Sinclair	F. Valastro
	Western	B. Lester	L. Pickering		
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole		



	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
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YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
2011	Ballarat	T. Hassett	K. Kordell	P. Brown	K. Cordell
	Bendigo	B. Crutchfield	V. Jackson	R. Hall	B. Crutchfield
	Eastern	B. Jacobs	M. Siktars	J. Burley	M. Simmons
	Geelong	D. Gladman	M. Williams	C. Gissing	J. Mee
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	N. Binotto	A. Purcell
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	A. Watson	D. Jackson
	Northern	M. Stedwell	A. Rawlings	J. Taukus	A. Quinn
	Specialist Show	D. Yuen	J. Wolk	F. Henderson	N. McDermott
	Western	F. Valastro	R. Petrella	M. Sinclair	B. Lester
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
2012	Ballarat	T. Hassett	K. Kordell	P. Brown	K. Cordell
	Bendigo	B. Crutchfield	V. Jackson	R. Hall	B. Crutchfield
	Eastern	B. Jacobs	M. Siktars	J. Burley	M. Simmons
	Geelong	D. Gladman	M. Williams	C. Gissing	J. Mee
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	N. Binotto	A. Purcell
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	A. Watson	D. Jackson
	Northern	M. Stedwell	A. Rawlings	J. Taukus	A. Quinn
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	J. Robertson	D. Berry
	Specialist Show	A. Henderson	J. Wolk	F. Henderson	N. McDermott
	Western	F. Valastro	R. Petrella	M. Sinclair	B. Lester
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
2013	Ballarat	T. Hassett	L. Maniz	D. Ellery	K. Cordell
	Bendigo	B. Crutchfield	B. Simpson	R. Hall	B. Crutchfield
	Eastern	P. Garbett	A. Vasiliou	H. Simmons	M. Simmons
	Geelong	D. Gladman	M. Williams	C. Gissing	J. Mee
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	C. Batchelor	A. Reynolds
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	A. Watson	D. Jackson
	Northern	M. Stedwell	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	J. Tahourdin
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	B. Stockton	L. Rudling
	Specialist Show	A. Henderson	F. Farley/J. Yuen	F. Henderson	N. McDermott
	Western	S. Petrella	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	D. Cafari
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole