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Presents to its members

The 2018 GSDCV Annual Report

This annual report presents to the members the actives and involvement of the Club, including the audited financial statements, for the year ending December 31, 2018.

On behalf of the Executive and Management Committee of the GSDCV, I congratulate all the members who have worked tirelessly throughout the year. I congratulate those members who have gained titles and awards in their chosen disciplines. This takes a lot of dedication and hard work and your efforts have helped shine a light on our beautiful breed and we thank you.

I would like to thank all the Committees and the Instructors. You are the backbone of this Club, and we are grateful for all the time you put in, week after week.

Finally, I would like to thank all the contributors to this Annual Report and in particular Jacinta Poole for assisting with the formatting and layout in pulling this report together. I would also like to thank Maroondah Printing for once again producing this report with such fantastic and friendly service.

Vince Ebejer
Honorary Secretary - GSDCV

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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
Patrons Mr. R. Jackson – both as Chief Commissioner & Retired Chief Commissioner of the Victorian Police Force	1984 to 1993
Patron In Chief Mr. K. Glare, Chief Commissioner of the Victoria Police Force	1988 to 1993
Patron T. R. Luxton, Esq. 	1984 to 2017

LIFE MEMBERS

NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED	NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED
Mrs. Rene Hayman	1972	Mr. Frank Moody	1998
Mr. Schellenberger		Mrs. Val Moody	2000
Mr. S.A. Rowe		Mr. Ian Urie	2004
Mrs. Anita Pettenhofer	1983	Mr. Ian Holden	2006
Mr. Norm Watts	1983	Mrs. Louisa Rodger	2006
Mrs. Anne Watts	1983	Mr. Ben Glasheen	2008
Mr. Karl Heyne	1984	Mr. Dom Cafari	2008
Mr. Wally Szillat	1988	Mr. Bernie Lester	2009
Mrs. Fran Farley	1989	Mr. David Berry	2010
Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley	1994	Mr. Andrew Saliba	2014
Mr. John Hodges	1994	Mrs. Jenny Yuen	2016
Mrs. Fran Tantaró	1995	Ms. Jacinta Poole	2017
Mr. Vince Tantaró	1995		
Mr. Chris Hollingworth	1997		

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	2007
Mrs. Bonnie Gascoigne	1984	1991
Mrs. Margot Haines	1991	2003
Mrs. Margaret Valastro	2000	2000
Mr. Richard Atyeo	2002	2003
Mr. Ken Stubbs		2006
Mr. Ted van Bael		2006
Mrs. Bernice Scully (Ryan)	2001	2009
Mr. Rudy Petrella	2007	2012
Mr. Graeme Jacobs	2009	2016
Mr. Tom Luxton (GSDCV Patron 1984-2017)	1983	2017
Mr. Ron Orchard	1997	2017
Mr. James Rodger	1988	2018
Mr. Ian Cameron	1996	2018

GSDCV MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2018

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



OFFICE BEARERS

President
Vice President
2nd Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Breed Affairs Administrator
Obedience Training Administrator

Mr. Tony Mercieca
 Mr. Frank Moody
 Mrs. Jenny Yuen
 Mr. Vince Ebejer
 Mrs. Fiona Henderson
 Mr. Ian Urie
 Mr. Les Rudling

BRANCH MANAGERS

Ballarat Mrs Marilyn Wrigley
Bendigo Mrs Edwina Neale
Eastern Mr. John Schulz
Geelong Mrs. Veronica Filmer
Gippsland Mr. Ray Batchelor
Malvern Ms. Jacinta Poole

Northern
Skye
Specialist Show Branch
Western
Wodonga

Mr. Terry Taukus
 Mr. Ken Smith
 Mrs. Nicky McDermott
 Mr. Steve Kinsman
 Mr. Gordon Cole

POSITION HOLDERS

Membership Officer
Shepherd News Editor
Website Chairman
Minutes Secretary
Trial Manager
Demo Team Manager
Promotions Officer

Mrs. Helena Walter
 Ms. Jacinta Poole
 Ms. Jacinta Poole
 Mrs. Barbara Blythe
 N/A
 N/A
 N/A

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr Tony Mercieca

I'm pleased to present my first report as President of the GSDCV to the 2019 GSDCA Annual General Meeting. The year that was 2018 saw the GSDCV continue to grow in pure membership units to finish out the year at 1435 being composed of 582 single, 829 family and 24 life member memberships – this is up from 1411 in 2017. With a total of 2,694 individual members participating in a variety of club activities from instructing and being on committees, through to simply turning up of a weekend to train their dog, that total figure represents a lot of feet, and paws passing through any one of our 11 branches on any given week.

Let me start by recognising the significant support the GSDCV and its members receive from our two long-term, major sponsors, Royal Canin and Monash Veterinary Clinic in 2018. I am pleased to be able to say that both have also agreed to continue their relationship with our Club in 2019, and have generously increased their support for the year in recognition of the National Show and Trial. If you do not already do so, I would encourage you all to consider both of these significant sponsors for the health, nutrition and care of your furry family.

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

Since taking up the position of President, I have noted more than ever that we have a broad variety of members out there. Some who pitch in and help at every opportunity, some that will participate to the extent of their interest then go home, while others add little but frustration and everything in between. While nothing is perfect in club life, and we certainly cannot make everyone happy all the time, the GSDCV Executive and Management Committee along with the Breed Affairs, Show and Obedience Training Committees as well as our many other contributors all work extremely hard, as volunteers to make sure that we can achieve the best available outcome.

I would like to paraphrase a small section written by our immediate past president and now Club Secretary, Vince Ebejer from his AGM report last year which I believe to be most pertinent;

"It is "OUR" Club. Each one of us has an opportunity to shape the decisions and therefore the direction that we take, that the Breed takes. I hear so many times, "when did the Club do that", "why doesn't the Club do this", "I can't be bothered going to the meeting", "the Club has to fix it"... With the numerous avenues that we use to disseminate information, from your magazine, the Shepherd News, the Club and Branch websites, social media, through the numerous committees and the oldest form of communication, word of mouth, there is no reason why you could not be as informed as you want (or need) to be. Look in the mirror for you are the Club. Ask questions and put forward your ideas, take part in meetings, then no matter the outcome, you can hold your head high and say 'at least I tried'. Yes, it can be hard, and yes, there are those who will not support your ideas, while others will encourage you: nothing of value is easy. If our predecessors had given up at the first hurdle, then certainly we would not be here today. Disagreements will arise, as long as we all have the best interest of the breed and the club at heart, then we can always move on and work together"

To this I would like to add, that we're all in this club for the GSD – or at least we should be. It is easy to be an armchair, or in these modern times, keyboard critic, however we all need to pitch in and just get stuff done. If you are not actually prepared to do something yourself, please do not criticize those who are putting in an effort. In a club of our size, we will always have differing opinions and thoughts, which is the way it should be. All that I ever ask is that all members express those thoughts respectfully and allow the democratic process to run its course. Once done, let us all move forward together as fellow enthusiasts, and in most cases, as friends.

The GSDCV has many strengths, none more so than its people. Naturally, the week-by-week organisation and execution of activities on the ground requires many people to stand up and take on the many and varied tasks required. In our case, that need is replicated at each of our 5 regional and 6 metropolitan branches across the state, each with its own branch organising committee. Superimposed onto these local committees is, as mentioned earlier, the Main Club Structure of a Management Committee the various sub committees. Each committee, both at club and branch level performs important tasks, and each is vital to the smooth and above all, safe operation of our club as a whole. It is unfortunate however that all this work generally happens behind the scenes, with our general pet owner member only ever seeing, and to be truthful, only caring about a couple things – their weekly training and socialising

session with their GSD, and the occasional social event. To cover this off, we are enormously fortunate to have the services of a dedicated and hardworking core of instructors – some 102 obedience and 28 show instructors at the pure coalface, many of whom wear hats on multiple committees.

In my first year as president, I have made it a personal aim to make myself available to all members of this club at each of the branch locations, including our regional branches when possible. I am happy to say that since becoming president last March, I have managed to visit 10 of our 11 branches on a training day to meet members – some branches have seen me on multiple occasions. Inexplicably, the only branch I have not attended since becoming president is also the closest branch to where I live, apart from my home branch, that being Northern – something which I hope to rectify shortly, if not already before this AGM. I have tried to meet a good number of our instructors and branch committee members, and on a couple of occasions participated in a branch committee meeting. The idea being that I get to meet the branch committee, provide input to the meeting, while at the same time making myself available to answer any questions that the local committee may have. My intention is to continue with to visit branches during this current year where possible.

In 2018, the Club Management Committee decided that it was high time that we invested in a new membership database to manage our membership information and renewals. To this end, a couple of options were considered with the final decision being made around the middle of the year. It is planned that the initial work will develop a purpose designed and built system to manage all the high level data and member information vital to keeping track of our club needs. At some point in the future, it is planned that this system may be expanded to include the branch training check in etc. saving time and effort at our branches of a weekend – watch this space.

Our club was also pleased to support the establishment of a permanent tribute at KCC Park in honour of all defense and service dogs that have served in the protection of Australia and its citizens over many years. This event was organised by the Service Dogs Memorial Committee and Dogs Victoria and was officiated by the patron of Dogs Victoria, Peter Hitchener OAM. The GSDCV was ably represented by *Sensen Mann Yokon AZ in the ceremony. If you have an opportunity to visit KCC Park, the memorial is situated in the grassed area immediately outside the Lyndhurst Room. In speaking to the Marilyn Syme, the founder of the Service Dogs Memorial Committee recently, I understand that a few improvements are planned for this memorial and we will have an opportunity to further enhance the presence of our beloved GSD at this site – more to follow in 2019

During this past year we saw the release and adoption of our updated Instructors Guidelines. This body of work is the culmination of what could be conservatively described as many hundreds, if not thousands of combined hours of work to complete. This document is pretty much a re-write, update and transformation of our training practices into the 21st century. Many thanks to all contributors, be it writing, formatting or publishing – this is truly a document that we can all be proud of.

As a Club we have had many our members actively participating in various levels of traditional conformation and obedience competitions throughout the year. The fruits of many of which will be presented today in club recognition by form of an award to recognise some of your achievements. I'm also pleased to say that we also have many members participating in various private activities with their GSDs in public. Some of these activities include organised groups such as therapy and community dogs of various descriptions and planned event, while others are simply individuals enjoying life with their well-behaved GSD in public. Good, grass roots breed ambassadors are the unsung champions of the public perception of the GSD... and yes, we managed to find a good use for Social Media in being able to share our dogs' achievements in public. Many of our branches continue to fly the breed flag high as well with many taking the initiative to train in public spaces as well as participate in community events. Having said that, a few of our branches also train in high traffic public spaces every week, which is also a wonderful ad for our breed. Our Specialist Show Branch (SSB) has also taken the initiative to roam the countryside to add a new dimension to their training processes with their boot camp training sessions. All of these activities are absolute Gold, and I would encourage each branch to mix it up for their members and dogs in new and varied ways.

During the past year, our Malvern Branch has had a change of address. While the circumstances necessitating the change were not ideal, that is a wrestle for access to the available training grounds with a local junior football club, the final result is that the Malvern branch have now settled into a new home. Here I must acknowledge the perseverance and dedication to cause of the Malvern Branch Manager and her committee to work through to this outcome to the benefit of all their members.

Our Show and Obedience Committees have been extra busy in 2018. Along with the usual caper of what I counted to be 7 Specialist Championship shows, 5 of which were GSDCV shows including our 100th Championship show and trial in November, we also held our State Breed Exhibition in May as well as an Open Show and Breed Exhibition.

Restricted to breed trials were held with each of our two GDSCV Champ shows as well as the SBE. A total of 5 obedience plus 1 track and search trial were organised by our club in 2018. Add to this the June Endurance Trial that was ably organised and run by our Gippsland branch.

The GSDCV also ran 6 Breed surveys in 2018, all of which were supported in terms of animals assessed as well as spectator interest and attendance – a total of 37 dogs were surveyed in 2018. In addition to this, we also held a very well supported structural assessment at our Malvern Branch aimed at assessing the general members dog.

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

It was with much sadness that the GSDCV said goodbye to a number of dear friends in 2018. While I certainly don't wish to try to list all, I feel that it would be remiss of me to not to at minimum make mention of a few who had made notable contributions to our breed and Club over the years; James Rodger, Phil Vincent, Joylene Neddermeyer, Karen Ballantyne, Ginnie Luxton & Ian Cameron. Please read the various individual branch reports for details of others also. The GSDCV Management Committee and Members would like to extend our condolences to all those who have lost family, friends and loved ones in 2018

As I mentioned earlier, it takes a great many people to make this Club run, and run well. I would like to take a brief opportunity to list a and review the Club Executive, however in actual case, each and every person who volunteers their time and effort, often to the detriment of their own time with their dog has done, and continues to do an amazing job.

Vice President: Frank Moody

Frank is one of my earliest friends at the GSDCV, and someone who possesses many skills and qualities to be admired. In my time of need as the new President of this Club, Frank stepped up to support and help me through the year via the role as Vice President. Being a past Club President, current contributor in many areas as well as a GSDCV life member, Frank's attention to detail and cool logic and history were at times invaluable. I am pleased to say that Frank has nominated to stay on for one more year in this position; however, a succession plan for 2020 and beyond is required.

2nd Vice President: Jenny Yuen.

Much like Frank, Jenny recognised the need to be available on our Club Executive to offer assistance and council when needed. Her various roles as an experienced Specialist Judge, Breed Surveyor and former Breed Affairs Administrator as well as GSDCV life Member have offered a perspective on many issues that has assisted greatly. Jenny will not be re-standing in this position for 2019, instead nominating for a key Executive position on our National Council. Thankfully, I know that Jenny will not be more than a phone call away should I wish to discuss any topic – I am pleased that John Schulz, immediate past Branch Manager at Eastern Branch has nominated as 2nd Vice President. John will be a welcome and worthy addition to our Club Executive.

Secretary: Vince Ebejer

As the immediate past President of the GSDCV, and also someone of great history and knowledge, Vince has been a most valuable asset to the Club. Taking on what can be arguably one of the most demanding positions within our club, Vince has, and continues to do a stellar job. Having access to his insight, history and recall, let alone his occasional prod to remind me to complete a task or similar has been an incredible benefit, and to be honest comfort to me while I learn, and develop my own history and knowledge base. Here too, I am extremely fortunate to be able to say that the club has retained Vince's service as Club Secretary for the next year.

Treasurer: Fiona Henderson

I am extremely thankful to have had Fiona as our Club Treasurer in 2018. As one can imagine, this role is an incredibly detailed and time-consuming role which Fiona manages without apparent fuss. With the able and dedicated assistance of her Finance Committee made up of Jacinta Poole, Pam Anderton and Dom Cafari, they have kept up with not only the main club finances, but also those of each of the 11 branches. This position requires exacting precision and accounting skills to manage on our scale. Fiona and her team has these attributes in spades. Even though a succession plan is in place for Fiona to hand over this position in time, now is not that time and thankfully Fiona has agreed to stay on for the coming year.

Breed Affairs Administrator: Ian Urie

Ian is one of those people who has been around for many years, gained much experience, works particularly hard at all levels and is extremely passionate about all that he does. Ian is always undeniably, and consistently present, ready and able to act. As a past Vice President, GSDCV life Member, Specialist Judge, Breed Surveyor and long time breeder, exhibitor and handler, Ian ticks many boxes and is a highly valued contributor. It pleases me greatly to know that Ian has decided to re-stand for this position in 2019.

Obedience Training Administrator: Les Rudling

Les is at the helm of what is without doubt the most populated individual segment of our club, obedience training. Obedience training accounted for approximately 96% of the total hours trained within the GSDCV in 2018. While the GSDCV is undeniably a Breed Club, there can be no mistaking the importance the obedience fraternity has within it. With accountability for the management of 11 Chief instructors and 102 obedience instructors, as well as the responsibility for the education for our trainee instructors, Les' role is extremely demanding. With the aid of the Obedience Training Committee, Les has taken on many challenges over the year and has come out the other end, occasionally battered and only slightly bruised, but always with his characteristic smile and positive attitude. Les is a real asset and deserves great thanks. I am thankful that Les will continue in this position for 2019.

In closing, I would like to once again thank all the members of the GSDCV Management Committee, and in particular the Club Executive who helped me through my first year as President of the GSDCV. Naturally, the GSDCV does not run by the Executive team alone. All Branch Managers play an essential role in shaping this club, and every recognised seat on the Management Committee table gets equal say, and an equal vote. There are just so many people who contribute in a very real way to the operation of the GSDCV that to try and list them will take quite a while, and for fear that I would miss names, I will not attempt to do so here. The skills, expertise and knowledge of all contributors around the club should never be discounted, nor ignored. Every member has a role to play in club life. We should always remember that all the members of our various committees, all instructors and all helpers are volunteers. We do this work for the love of our breed, and for our friends who make up the membership.

Tony Mercieca

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mr Frank Moody

It has been an honour to have served the GSDCV as Vice President for 2018, where my goal has been to assist and support our President Tony Mercieca, and provide advice where needed.

2018 has been another very productive year for the GSDCV, especially with the continued growth in membership, with 1,435 membership units (2,264 members) across our 11 branches. To ensure the smooth running of the Club this requires the commitment of many people at Club level, branch level, and sub-committee levels.

One of the biggest challenges facing our Club is to continually find fresh, new blood to take on the myriad of tasks and positions, due to (as we all know) the aging population within our Club administration.

Can all members please consider how they may be able to assist in any way, no matter how small or large that may be.

I would like to thank my fellow Executive, Management Committee members, Branch Committees, Obedience & Show Instructors, Breed Affairs & Obedience Training Committee members, Breed Surveyors and Judges, and everyone who has contributed at the Club events during this year. Also, those members who showcase the GSD to the general public via Pet Expos, hospital visits, school visits, etc and in normal day to day activities. Thank you for your hard work, dedication and commitment to the GSDCV and our marvellous GSD.

Thank you to our major sponsors "Royal Canin" and "Monash Veterinary Clinic" for their ongoing and continued support in 2019.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the award recipients. This is the culmination of many months/years of dedication and hard work by both dog and handler.

Looking forward to 2019 we have a lot to do, not the least of all being hosting the 47th GSDCA National Show & Trial on Friday 5th April to Sunday 7th April. We have a huge reputation to uphold as hosting one of, if not the best

Nationals ever. The planning is well under way, however we will require helpers from the Wednesday prior (to commence setting up) and the Monday after (to clean up and pack everything away). Please come forward and offer some of your time – your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

I have re-nominated for the position of Vice President for 2019, and am looking forward to another fruitful and productive year for the GSDCV and our beloved breed the German Shepherd Dog.

2nd VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Jenny Yuen

I am pleased to present my report to the members for 2018. My role as 2nd Vice President was really to support and advise the executive and the new President.

This club is involved in so many areas: obedience training of the family pet, trialling, running shows, managing the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia (GSDCA) Breed Improvement Schemes and the promotion of our breed at public events. The maintenance and organisation of all these activities requires a huge commitment from a large team of people.

I would like to thank my fellow Executive members, our President Tony Merceica, Vice President Frank Moody, Secretary Vince Ebejer, Treasurer Fiona Henderson, Breed Affairs Administrator Ian Urie and OTC Chair Les Rudling for their support and hard work. It would be remiss of me not to mention Barbara Blythe, our Minute Secretary who stepped into the Secretary role during Vince's leave and works tirelessly, often behind the scenes for our club. I would like to thank all the Branch Managers, Branch position holders, Instructors and general members who work tirelessly for the betterment of this great club and the wonderful breed that we all love, promote and protect. No club can function without the dedication of all these people. THANK YOU ALL.

Congratulations and well done to all those who have participated and achieved success over the year in the various club activities by winning awards, progressing through the obedience classes with their dogs at their branch, trialling, performing well in the show ring, breeding and/or simply developing a well behaved canine companion. Well done and thank you to all those who partake in promotional activities that show case our breed and club e.g. Dog Day Out at the Park, Royal Melbourne Show booth, Good Friday Appeal, Story Dogs to name just a few.

Congratulations to all those who have dogs that successfully passed the (GSDCA) Hip and Elbow schemes and have been classified successfully at Breed Survey during 2018. The importance of these schemes cannot be undervalued especially in these times of such anti dog and anti breeder publicity.

We must never forget that this breed underwent a severe import ban and it behoves us all **to breed only for breed improvement**, keeping in mind that this dog is a multi faceted, working dog and must be bred to be of sound mind and body. There is a Breed Standard that should form the basis of all breeding decisions. **We all love our own dogs but not all of our own dogs should be bred from.**

2018 has seen some sad losses of well respected GSDCV members and friends, including most notably: James Rodger; Phil Vincent; Karen Ballantyne; Virginia (Ginnie) Luxton (wife of our long serving Patron Tom Luxton (deceased)); Ian Cameron and former, long time GSDCA National Breed Commission Chairperson Joylene Neddermeyer. All valued contributors to the promotion of this beautiful breed- **THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG.**

SECRETARY – Mr Vince Ebejer

I am pleased to submit my first report as Honorary Secretary of the GSDCV for the 2018 year. While I have had many years as part of the Executive in past roles, and I was well aware of the work load that the Secretary undertook, it, knowing was not doing. To say I have found a new found respect for the workload associated with the position is an understatement. Taking on this role while working full time is quite a challenge. In this electronic age, the flow of emails is never ending, some major, some minor but all important to those sending them. The reply to these emails needs to be factual and considered, some take it as gospel, and an incorrect connotation catastrophic. In addition, our organisation does require a great deal of organising, notice of meetings to be arranged, sometimes months in advance, minutes of Management Meetings as well as the numerous other meetings that take place,

correspondence to be distributed, items to be actioned and keeping others on task, queries on procedural matters and assisting the President and the management committee in the leadership of our great organisation.

Thank you too all of the Executive and Branch Managers for their service over the past twelve months, their timely (well some of them) submission of reports and response to queries has greatly assisted me in my role.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Branch and Committee Secretaries for their work during the year. Each of them in their way contribute to the running of our Club, keeping accurate records of what is occurring is as invaluable as the decisions and actions themselves.

As always, I would like to thank Jacinta Poole for her technical assistance throughout the year and in assisting with pulling this report together, from proof reading to formatting, Jacinta's help is never ending.

Finally, I would like to thank Barbara Blythe for her invaluable help as Assistant Secretary and more importantly as Minute Secretary. The taking of minutes of a meeting, sometimes discussing quite complex issue is no easy task, yet Barbara managed to take it all down, and for that I am truly grateful. Thank you Barbara for all of the help over the many years.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Mrs Fiona Henderson

Once again it is my pleasure to submit my report as Honorary Treasurer of the Club for 2018

Firstly I would again like to thank Jacinta Poole, Dom Cafari and Pam Anderton for their assistance in preparation of the accounts for lodgement with the auditor.

I would like to thank the Executive and Management of the Club for their continued support. The majority of the Branch Treasurers and Committees continued to follow the guidelines and procedures for which I thank them. Assistant Treasurer Dom Cafari continues to look after the Branch Treasurers spreadsheets and reporting to ensure that the procedures are adhered to.

Pam Anderton also continues in the Assistant Treasurers role and attends to the Branch MYOB data entry.

Finance Committee member Jacinta Poole continues to be invaluable and assists with many areas of club activities.

I also thank Helena Walter our Membership Officer for her timely reporting of all Membership items.

Deanne Jackson has diligently kept control of the Trials reporting and likewise Cristine Begbie in the Show area.

I am pleased to report that the Club improved its financial position over the year. The majority of Branches had healthy results & Membership numbers are steady.

I refer you to the auditor's report and financial statements for 2018.

BREED AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR – Mr Ian Urie

Breed Affairs Administrator's Report 2018

I wish to thank all members of the Breed Affairs committee, especially my Assistant Alastair Henderson, our Secretary Melissa Siktars, Show manager David Organ, as well as the Registrars, Breed Surveyors, Breed Liaison Officers, and Show Instructors for the work you have done on behalf of the Club during the year. Other dedicated committee members are Judy Eppinger who has held the position of Puppy Listings Officer now for ten years, as well as Rehoming Officer for some time, and Karen Ballantyne, who was our State HD and ED Registrar for 35 years. Gillian Cafari also holds two positions, as Assistant Hip and Elbow Registrar and Breed Survey Registrar. Vince Ebejer took on the role of Show Training Administrator this year. I acknowledge the contributions of those members retiring from the committee at the end of this year – Alastair Henderson, Judy Eppinger and Mel Siktars. Thank you to all for your generous voluntary work and assistance to our Club members.

Sadly during the 2018 year we lost two Life Members and former Breed Surveyors, in James Rodger and Ian Cameron, both of whom had fought long battles with illness. We were also very sad to lose our long time HD Registrar and friend to many of us, Karen Ballantyne, who passed away during the year. May all of these Club stalwarts rest in peace, and we wish our sincerest condolences to their families.

Thanks are also due to our Show Committee, led by David Organ and Cristine Begbie, who put on some very well-run events throughout the year, starting with the March Championship show where Malcolm Griffiths from Colombia attracted an excellent entry from all over Australia. Our 100th GSDCV Championship show was held in conjunction with the Working Dog Club show in November, where Herr Wolfgang Hassgall and our own Andrew Jones officiated. We acknowledge support again in 2018 from our major sponsors Royal Canin and Monash Vet Clinic. The National Show and Trial Committee has been very busy meeting regularly and planning for the 2019 National to be held in Victoria.

Victorian exhibitors had success at the 45th National Show held in Adelaide, including the 13–17 years Junior Handler class winner, the Dual Performance winner, Gold Medal LSC Bitch, Bronze medal LSC Dog, Bronze medal in Obedience, and several conformation class winners – Baby Puppy Dogs both SC and LSC, Puppy Bitch LSC, Intermediate Dog LSC and Reserve Challenge, the Novice Obedience winner and several other high place-getters. GSDCA Breeders Achievement awards were presented to several Victorian breeders (see Assistant HD/ED Registrar's report below.)

Nicky McDermott and Edwina Neale both passed their ANKC Championship licences, and Nicky has been accepted into the GSDCA Specialist Judges training scheme, with her first appointment as a GSD specialist judge at the Dogs Victoria Summer Spectacular show. Edwina completed her first judging appointment at our 2018 Open Show. Andrew Jones continued as an aspiring Breed Surveyor. The VCA Judges Training Scheme was supported again this year by GSDs attending training workshops led by Vince Tantaró and Jenny Yuen, and Judges' practical testing sessions. I thank those members who made the effort to bring their dogs out to Bulla for these evenings. Jenny also delivered the Breed Lecture for aspiring GSDCV Instructors. This year we have three aspiring Show Instructors attending the training course.

I wish to thank all of the Victorian Breed Survey panel for their services during the year, especially our State Breed Survey Coordinator Alastair Henderson, and Breed Survey Registrar Gillian Cafari. GSDCV conducted six Breed Surveys, two Structural Assessments and one Character and Working Assessment during the 2018 year. During this year the first requirements of the WUSV Harmonisation scheme came into effect, with the limit on inbreeding now 3-3, and the requirement for a "Good" grading before eligibility for Survey. Whilst the C&WA scheme continues at present, we are planning towards the commencement of the ZAP1 Puppy Test later in 2019, and a demonstration of this test was organized at KCC Park by Alastair Henderson and a group from Specialist Show Branch. We also have a working party in place which will plan the introduction of aspects of the ZAP into our puppy training for both show and obedience classes.

I represented the GSDCV as our Club delegate at the annual GSDCA National Breed Commission and Judges Committee meetings held in Melbourne. This coming year I hope to see more breeders, general members, and especially Breed Surveyors and Branch representatives attending our Breed Affairs meetings. Whilst voting is only

available to Branch Liason 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.

Ian Urie

Breed Affairs Committee 2018:

Breed Affairs Administrator	Ian Urie
Assistant BA Administrator	Alastair Henderson
Show Training Administrator	Vince Ebejer
Show Manager	David Organ
Breed Surveyors	Alastair Henderson, Greg Green, Jenny Yuen, Vince Tantaró, Ian Urie, Andrew Jones (aspiring)
State Breed Survey Coordinator	Alastair Henderson
Breed Survey Registrar	Gillian Cafari
BA Secretary	Melissa Siktars
Show Secretary	Cristine Begbie
HD / ED Registrar & Assistant	Karen Ballantyne / Gillian Cafari
Puppy Listings & Rehoming Officer	Judy Eppinger
Branch Liaison Officers	Ballarat – Teresa Lewis, Bendigo – Edwina Neale, Skye – Julie Urie, SSB – Chris Auwema, Eastern – Mel Siktars, Western – Carol Osborne, Malvern – Gayle Johnston, Northern – Deborah Colson/Jean Colenso Geelong, Gippsland, Wodonga – vacant

Assistant Breed Affairs Administrator's Report

Another year has passed and due to work commitments, I have only made one meeting this year. With the help of SSB members I have organized different training days at Brimbank Park & the Dandenong Ranges showing different ways to train their dogs for show. These training days were as a follow up to the BOOT CAMP weekend SSB ran in February when Jo Cathie demonstrated how she trained many top animals when living in Europe.

During my travels to Germany I attended a local ZAP Test being conducted by Christophe Ludwig & gained valuable knowledge in implementation of the next ZAP demonstration day to be held in February. The German shepherd is a versatile breed and only when the time is spent in different areas will you reap the rewards.

I attended and completed in the club ET trial held in Sale in June with Yokon. Congratulations are extended to the Gippsland Branch for a well-run event and the great coverage they received on the local television station. I have also attended a number of obedience and tracking trials and must commend those who participate and compete in Tracking as they have been very keen to help people to achieve their goals and to also help out at the tracking trials. The show fraternity should look at to copy.

I wish everyone a happy and healthy 2019.

Alastair Henderson

Show Manager's Report

It is with pleasure that I present this report on the past year as Show Manager for the GSDCV. I now have been in this role since March 2016, and have enjoyed every minute doing this role. I have one of the most dedicated committees, who freely give their time to ensure that all of our shows run smoothly and are well executed. Many thanks still go to Ian Urie and Vince Tantaró, both Assistant Show Managers who are more than willing to assist me. My biggest thanks go to my Show Secretary Cristine Begbie who goes above and beyond her role. A huge commitment is made from you, thank you as you have made my role so much easier. Thanks to Amanda Barr who

is our Assistant Show Secretary and is of great value and help to Cristine. Thank you, Amanda. There is a lot of behind the scenes work that Cristine and this team do that is not seen by the exhibitors which is a shame. Our Show calendar was very busy during 2018, especially with the several All Breeds shows with specialist judges added to the list.

- Ballarat Show - Judged by Mr Ian Urie
- Two Twilight shows at Bulla – Judged by Mrs Jean Butterfield and Mr Peter Tjerkstra
- GSDCV 99th Championship Show and Trial – Judged by Mr Malcom Griffiths
- The State Breed Exhibition – Judged by Mrs Jenny Yuen and Mr Vince Tantaró
- Lillydale Kennel Club – Judged by Mr Graham Saltiel
- GSDCV Exhibition – Judged by Mr Salvatore Pittelli
- Working Dog Club – Judged by Herr Wolfgang Hassgall and Mr Andrew Jones
- GSDCV 100th Championship Show – Judged by Herr Wolfgang Hassgall and Mr Andrew Jones
- Dogs Victoria Summer Spectacular –judged by Mrs Nicky McDermott
- GSDCV Open Show – Judged by Mrs Edwina Neale

Due to a variety of reasons, we will no longer be supporting the Twilight shows and the Dogs Victoria Summer Spectacular show.

The Show Committee rose to the occasion when we celebrated the GSDCV 100th Champ Show weekend. My sincere thanks to my team who worked hard to ensure that the shows went off without a hitch! The celebratory chicken and champagne was very well received by all exhibitors, thank you Fran Tantaró and Tony Mercieca for your role in this!

Thank you to Barbara Blythe, who so freely gives her time and expertise to steno and record the critiques for our international / local judges and arrange and mentor our other Stenographers - Judith Strachan, Amanda McAnuff and Rhonda Snijders. We must also thank our many Stewards who ensure that Shows run smoothly. Also I would like to thank the many workers who assist the Show Committee at each Show, doing all the things that make the Show run successfully. We have a great team of willing workers for which I am very grateful. Thank you all.

The practice of emailing Grading Certificates with critiques to all Exhibitors after a Show has also been very well received and has resulted in everyone receiving their Grading Certificates in their Inbox and no wastage of uncollected Certificates.

And thank you to Jacinta Poole, GSDCV Webmaster, who willingly and expertly assists the Show Committee with so many varied tasks. Thank you from us all Jacinta.

The "Show Scene News" which is sent to all Show Exhibitors by email on a regular basis keeps the Exhibitors informed of forthcoming shows, closing dates, updates, etc., and is well received by the Exhibitors.

I look forward to another year as Show Manager, and wish all Exhibitors much success in 2019.

National Show and Trial Committee

2018 also saw the formation of the National Show and Trial Committee, to oversee the running of the 2019 National and Trial Show to be hosted by the GSDCV at KCC Park. This will be held over the weekend of 5th, 6th and 7th April (last weekend of Daylight savings). Again, this is a very dedicated committee who are all doing an excellent job.

It is with regret that Herr Lothar Quoll has withdrawn from judging our National due to medical reasons. However, we have the pleasure of announcing that Herr Richard Brauch has accepted the appointment of judging our Stock Coat Bitches. Herr Harold Hohmann will, as already announced, judge our Stock Coat dogs and all Long Stock Coats.

Our web site went live in November along with Facebook. Thank you, Jacinta, for getting this up and running and is full of information relating to the National. Merchandise for the National is also up and running, with an excellent selection available. Tania Schumann has been working overtime for this and a job well done. Thank you.

Corporate Tents went on sale and were sold out within 4 ½ hrs of going live. A very big Thank you to Frank Moody for organising the tents this year, and to Jacinta for the automated tent ordering system.

Royal Canin has again come on-board to sponsor the National with a very generous offer and I would like to thank Tony Mercieca and Vince Ebejer for securing this deal.

There is much more that can be reported, but it is a work in progress and is proving that this will be a very successful show.

To everyone, on behalf of the NSTC/Show Committee, I would like to thank everyone who has helped, shown or trialled your dog/s in 2018, as this has helped us to have a very successful show season.

David Organ

Show Training Administrator's Report

I am pleased to present my first report as Show Training Administrator for the GSDCV. During 2018, we had a number of members apply to undertake the Show Training aspirer's course with three long term members – Maureen Goodwin, Steve Mase and Margaret Raftopoulos continuing through the program to a point where they will be able to undertake their practical tests in the new year.

This year saw a partial combining of the Show Training program and Obedience Training program, with the 3 Show aspirers attending 2 lectures provided to the Obedience aspirers in addition to the traditional compulsory 'Breed Lecture' given by one of our competent Breed Surveyors. This approach proved beneficial to those undertaking the course and we will continue this in 2019.

Thank you to all the Show Instructors that take classes throughout the year, the service they provide benefits those partaking in shows as well as helping others getting ready for Breed Survey.

Vince Ebejer

State Breed Survey Coordinator's Report

There were 5 surveys held this year and as in previous years there were 4 held at the Specialty Show Branch and 1 at Western Branch. Our thanks are extended to both branches for their hospitality.

Unfortunately 2018 saw the passing of one of our recently retired Breed Surveyors Mr James Rodger who had been battling ill health for some time. Besides being a Breed Surveyor he held many positions within in our club and National Council. A man who was very passionate about the German Shepherd whom will be sadly missed.

The numbers presented were slightly less than last year however still ahead of when class 1 and class 2 classifications were in place. Although the removal of the Class 1 & 2 classification is not popular with some, we have seen more animals presented that perhaps would not have been presented previously due to size, thus removing the class 2 stigma. Breed survey is an evaluation of breed worth, not a show, and therefore the more animals presented enables statistics to be gathered on all blood lines. The breeders will then hopefully better utilize the critiques & guidelines in their breeding programs. The loss of 'Type' is of major concern.

My thanks are extended to the survey panel of Jenny Yuen, Greg Green, Ian Urie and Vince Tantaro for their work in 2018. Gillian Cafari our secretary/registrar has done a brilliant job as always and on behalf of the surveyors and breeders we thank you once again.

To breeders and owners we wish you a bigger and better 2019.

Alastair Henderson

Breed Survey Registrar's Report

It is with much sadness I note the passing of Mr James Rodger in January this year. James was a respected member of the Breed Surveyor team and gave his time freely to the administration and promotion of the GSD. He was always willing to share his knowledge and experience and I learned much from him as a valued friend and mentor who is very much missed.

Our State Breed Survey Coordinator, Alastair Henderson and the Surveyor Team again presided at our six Breed Surveys for the year and I thank them all for their continued support and willingness to give their time and share their breed knowledge and experience.

From July this year there was an added prerequisite of having a 'good' grading prior to presenting for Breed Survey. While there were three animals less presented for Survey this year, the annual total remains steady when compared to 2014 and 2015. Congratulations to the breeders and owners of animals that gained Classification during the year.

Following is a table showing the results by classification of animals presented at Victorian surveys for the year ended December 2018.

	CLASSIFIED IMPORT	BREED SURVEY CLASSIFIED (BSC)	FAIL	TOTAL
DOGS	2	9	-	11
DOGS (LSC)	-	5	-	5
BITCHES	-	17	2	19
BITCH (LSC)	-	4	-	4
TOTAL	2	35	2	39

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

Mrs Jenny Yuen – 10
Mr Ian Urie – 7

Mr Greg Green – 9
Mr Vince Tantaró – 6

Mr Alastair Henderson – 7

My thanks to the Speciality Show Branch and Western Branch for hosting our Surveys this year and for the hospitality shown to the Surveyors and myself.

I also thank all the breeders and owners who support this GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme and wish you all a successful year in 2019.

Gillian Cafari

Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Registrar's Report

(provided by Assistant Registrar Gillian Cafari)

It is with deep sadness we farewellled our friend Karen Ballantyne, on 22nd August after her long battle with cancer. Karen was our HD/ED Registrar for 35 years. Whilst we didn't see her often in recent years she still held the position as our Registrar and continued to actively support me as her Assistant through to the very end. Her knowledge and passion for the breed she loved - the GSD - was unmatched, along with her dedication to breeding better dogs. My condolences to Tony (fondly known as Blackie), their family and friends.

In 2018 there were 75 HD/ED application forms issued compared to the previous year (98 forms in 2017). Of these 71 were for Hip and Elbow assessment, 2 were for Hips only and 2 were for Hips only due to poorly positioned (tilted) x-rays previously submitted.

While the number of forms issued is lower than last year it may be due to less German Shepherd Dogs being bred rather than breeders and owners not using the GSDCA HD/ED Scheme. In the past breeders may have kept multiple littermates, however the costs of keeping large dogs, together with the veterinary expenses of x-raying at 12 months may be factors in there being fewer breeders and less puppies being bred.

The GSDCA Hip & Elbow Scheme recognises kennels/breeders with awards when they achieve 10 or more animals successful in gaining the 'A' or 'Z' stamp. For 10 animals they are awarded the Bronze medallion, for 25 animals the Silver medallion and for 50 the Gold medallion. There is also a special plaque awarded to those kennels to commemorate achieving 100 or more animals through the 'A' or 'Z' scheme.

Congratulations to the following Victorian breeders on their respective achievements who qualified for the Hip and Elbow awards:

Silver Medallion – Kennels that have bred 25 animals that have been awarded an 'A' stamp through the GSDCA Hip & Elbow Dysplasia Scheme:

- Manprince – Manprince Kennels (Helen Dunn)

Silver Medallion – Kennels that have bred 25 animals that have been awarded a 'Z' stamp through the GSDCA Hip & Elbow Dysplasia Scheme:

- Manprince – Manprince Kennels (Helen Dunn)

Bronze Medallion – Kennels that have bred 10 animals that have been awarded an 'A' stamp through the GSDCA Hip & Elbow Dysplasia Scheme:

- Delkit – Mrs A Kerr
- Randinka – Mr G Green

Bronze Medallion – Kennels that have bred 10 animals that have been awarded a 'Z' stamp through the GSDCA Hip & Elbow Dysplasia Scheme:

- Randinka – Mr G Green

Also recognised with a special plaque was Ms Karen Ballantyne who successfully gained the 'Z' stamp with 100 animals with her 'Denargun' kennel prefix, a tremendous and noteworthy achievement to be proud of.

I would 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.

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 support their selection of better hip and elbow producing sires.

Good luck with your X-raying during 2019. Even if you don't intend to show or breed your GSD, by x-raying and submitting through the GSDCA Scheme you are providing valuable information to improve the soundness and health of the breed we all love.

Gillian Cafari

Puppy Listing Registrar's Report

This year only 112 puppies from 13 breeders were listed on the website, compared with 160 in 2017. Whether this indicates fewer puppies are being born [unlikely], listed on other sites [possibly] or no advertising required [very likely] is hard to say. However the interest in obtaining a German Shepherd puppy continues.

I am increasingly surprised in the number of people asking for a working line pup – apparently they have been told such a dog would be a better guard dog for their family. It can take a lengthy conversation to explain what having a 'guard' dog actually entails.

As this will be my last Annual Report for puppy listings, my sincere thanks to all breeders and members who have so willingly supported and assisted me in this very important role. You have certainly made it easier for me to deal with the many phone calls and emails I have received from people hoping to add a German Shepherd into their family.

Judy Eppinger

Rehoming Officer's Report

There have been very few dogs rehomed this year [11], probably because owners need/want to rehome their dog as quickly as possible. The GSDCV is unable to assist in these instances as we don't offer a rescue service through which a dog will be removed almost immediately. The most common dog to be rehomed is a young male [around three years old] that hasn't had sufficient training, will chase anything that moves, and has become too difficult to manage. There aren't many new owners who can take these dogs. But through perseverance and fortitude we do have some success!

I will not be continuing in this role, and thank everyone who has advised and helped me in this role.

Judy Eppinger

OBEDIENCE TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Mr Les Rudling

It is with pleasure that I present the Obedience Training Committee's Annual report for 2018. The year has been both busy and eventful with many trials to attend, branches to visit and functions within the club.

We have had a very successful year again with our obedience, rally obedience and tracking & search trials. There have been several fantastic achievements in the trial ring and some excellent efforts with the track & search competitors.

Congratulations to those that were successful enough to achieve a pass or titles. In their chosen discipline. During the year we ran six trials, Champ show & Obedience trials in March, at KCC Park. The SBE Show & Trial in May at KCC Park. The June Endurance test was run in Sale this year. Rally Obedience trial at KCC Park in July. Double Obedience trials at KCC Park in October, Track & search trial in September at KCC Park and our Championship show & trial at KCC Park on the cup weekend in November. While we did not run our June tracking trial this year, we will be running the tracking trial in 2019.

It was a great effort from our team working hard behind the scenes to ensure we were able to provide such a successful calendar of events. I am indebted to our team for their assistance over the year. It really was a good team effort with some fun along the way. A lot of work goes into running these trials over the year such as organising judge's contracts, stewards, putting together schedules, collating entries, administration teams on trial day, catering for judges and officials, setting up rings and providing results. Please take the time to read the trial report.

This was the second year of our restructured Trainee Instructors education course, Ken Smith has done a great job managing, preparing lecture material and liaising with presenters. This year we had 5 Trainee Obedience Instructors enter the program and two Trainee Show Instructors. Our course has proven to be a well-structured and professional course and a vital tool in ensuring our Instructors have the necessary skills to assist them in conducting their classes. Thank you to the lecturers that have assisted us throughout the year, and in providing us with their knowledge and expertise.

I tested and passed five new Instructors this year from our 2017 Trainee group.

It is pleasing to announce the following Instructors to our team.

Donna Bradley from Malvern

Danni Hauri from Western

Lisa Zankouski from Northern

And Dean O'Keefe and Ken Siebring from Ballarat

Congratulations to everyone and welcome to our team of qualified Instructors.

While all branches have continued to maintain very good training numbers throughout the year they have also been very active this year running information nights, workshops for their branch members and demonstrations at various community events. Good work from such a dedicated group.

In June the working group completed the revision of the Instructor Training Guidelines document, a very advanced and detailed document that will be an essential tool for our Instructor group.

While a lot of work has been completed this year in many areas, there are many more to be finalised and new tasks to tackle. We will continue to search for a Trial Manager, continue building and training our team of assistants, and continue to encourage members to assist us in continuing the great work the club has achieved over the decades.

I would like to acknowledge the dedication, commitment and professionalism of our Instructor team throughout the year; they continually give freely of their knowledge and advice to our members. Thank you to everyone for the important role you provide to our members.

The coming year will see several new faces on our committee which I am delighted to welcome on board, but I would like to thank the 2018 OTC Committee for their work and their assistance throughout the year it has been a pleasure to work so constructively with everyone on the committee. While Carla Srb will be stepping down from the

committee this year, I would like to sincerely thank Carla for the support and assistance she has given me over the past two years. I also would like to thank the management committee for their support through the year.

Trial Managers' Report – OTC

The GSDCV Trials for 2018 showed a return to healthy numbers trialing across all disciplines with an overall increase in obedience entries from 2017 (108 total entries) up to 309 in 2018. Rally Obedience has continued to show an increase in the number of entries for GSDCV trials. With the exception of the October Double Obedience Trial, Rally classes are now a standard part of each GSDCV Obedience trial held either as a Restricted To Breed (RTB), Restricted To Group 5(RTG5) or Open to all breeds event. Part of the overall increase in entries seen in 2018 is due to the change of the July trial to be a Rally/Obedience trial rather than single Rally trial and the inclusion of Rally classes at the November RTG5 trial.

These changes proved to be a positive move for the July and November events as both picked up competitors entering in the Rally classes who had not entered the Obedience classes or vice versa.

A further change was to introduce the GSDCV gold, silver and bronze medallions at the RTG5 trial and the July Open trial, these had previously only been provided at the October Open Double Obedience Trial. The medallions are given for high scoring qualifying scores and are available to Obedience and Rally classes. Adding these medallions to the awards available at all Open and RTG5 trials was well received by the competitors, however like the GSDCA Excellent medallions they were found to not be easy to obtain and were appreciated when they were.

In 2018 the Endurance Test was held down at the Sale for the first time in many years. OTC thanks the Gippsland Branch for stepping up to take over the running of this event. The Gippsland branch have again offered to run the event in 2019 and will move the event closer to Melbourne (Churchill), with the venue closer the need for competitors to find accommodation is reduced and it should be noted that there were only four other Endurance Tests actually held in Victoria in 2018, hopefully competitors will look at the location change favourably.

The GSDCV Tracking Trial was not held in 2018, and the Track and Search Dog Test was shifted from late October forward to the middle of September and changed to include Tests 1-4 making every level available. The better weather and earlier weekend resulted in an increase in competitors as previously the event had been the last of the season and previously had seen a loss of entries as competitors finished their available tests at earlier events. Each event involved a crew of GSDCV members assisting with ring set up/pull down, track laying, stewarding, admin tasks and catering. OTC thanks all involved for their assistance as without your help the events could not be held. A little "sharing of the load" by competitors helping to pack up the rings and equipment etc is also very much appreciated.

OTC congratulates all members who have been trialing their dogs throughout the year at ANKC sanctioned trials held throughout Victoria and in some instances interstate competition as well. The number of Titles achieved is recorded elsewhere in the AGM report. GSDCV members have competed in every ANKC sanctioned performance discipline available to a Group 5 dog. It is testament to the versatility of the GSD that as well as the traditional disciplines of Obedience and Tracking, disciplines as diverse as Rally, Endurance, Herding and Dancing With Dogs/Heelwork to Music are being undertaken by members. OTC also noted that Victorian Obedience competitors again did well at the GSDCA National Obedience Trial held in Adelaide in 2018.

Below is a breakdown of the different disciplines.

Obedience Trials held across 2018

Obedience trials Class	2015						Increase over 2014		2016						Increase over 2015		2017						Increase over 2016		2018						Increase over 2017	
	Obedience Trial Entry by class								Obedience Trial Entry by class								Obedience Trial Entry by class								Obedience Trial Entry by class							
	CCD	CD	Open	UD	UDX	Total	Act	%	CCD	CD	Open	UD	UDX	Total	Act	%	CCD	CD	Open	UD	UDX	Total	Act	%	CCD	CD	Open	UD	UDX	Total	Act	%
March Champ (RTB)	19	20	24	5	0	68	42	162%	2	8	8	7	0	25	-43	-63%	7	4	4	2	0	17	-8	-32%	14	4	6	6		30	13	76%
State Breed (RTB)	11	5	12	4	0	32	-2	-6%	6	2	7	1	0	16	-16	-50%	9	1	4	1	0	15	-1	-6%	17	5	8	4		34	19	127%
July Open Obed																																
Oct Open Double (1)	11	9	9	13	3	45	-22	-33%	7	12	21	15	1	56	11	24%	7	5	7	7	2	28	-28	-50%	15	18	14	15	1	63	35	125%
Oct Open Double (2)	10	7	7	10	2	36	-25	-41%	4	12	7	7	0	30	-6	-17%	5	3	6	6	2	22	-8	-27%	16	12	14	16	2	60	38	173%
Nov Champ (RTG5)	2	4	1	3	0	10	-11	-52%	1	2	5	7	0	15	5	50%	4	6	6	8	2	26	11	73%	15	5	12	8	2	42	16	62%
Total for Year	53	45	53	35	5	191	-18	-9%	20	36	48	37	1	142	-49	-26%	32	19	27	24	6	108	-34	-24%	97	56	77	71	8	309	201	186%

Note that the 2015 March data was the National held in Victoria.

The July Open Obedience/Rally trial is first held in 2018. The October Open Double Trial (1) is now a morning trial and (2) is an afternoon trial instead of afternoon and night respectively.



Rally Trials held across 2018

	2015						Increase over 2014		2016						Increase over 2015		2017						Increase over 2016		2018						Increase over 2017	
Rally Trial Entries	Rally Trial Entry by class								Rally Trial Entry by class								Rally Trial Entry by class								Rally Trial Entry by class							
Class	RN	RAA	RAB	REA	REB	Total	Act	%	RN	RAA	REA	REB	RM*	Total	Act	%	RN	REA	REB	RM*	Total	Act	%	RN	RAA	RAB	REA	REB	RM*	Total	Act	%
March Champ(RTB)	13	3	4	2	4	26	15	136%	3	1	4	0	4	13	-13	-50%	13	2	0	4	20	7	54%	7	4	1	1	1	4	18	-2	-29%
State Breed (RTB)	5	2	5	2	5	19	-1	-5%	1	4	2	0	3	12	-7	-37%	8	3	1	4	18	6	50%	10	5	1	2	1	3	22	4	67%
July Open	9	14	23	9	22	77	77	100%	4	8	6	6	32	62	-15	-19%	13	5	5	18	52	-10	-16%	17	13	12	12	13	24	91	39	75%
Nov RTG5 Rally																								8	8	5	6	5	11	43	43	0%
Total for Year	27	19	32	13	31	122	91	294%	8	13	12	6	39	87	-35	-29%	34	10	6	26	90	3	3%	42	30	19	21	20	42	131	41	46%

Note 2018 is the first year that Rally is included in the November RTG5

Open Endurance Test (June)

2015		Diff to prev		2016		Diff to		2017		2018		Diff to prev	
Venue	Total	Act	%	Venue	Total	Act	%	Venue	Total	Venue	Total	Act	%
Altona	12	-8	-40%	Altona	15	3	25%	Not held		Sale	7	7	-8

Note that the Endurance Test was not held in 2017 and the venue changed in 2018.

Queen's Birthday Weekend (June) Open Tracking Trial (3 day event)

Queen's Birthday / Weekend (Sat) / Open Tracking / Mar (5 day event)																															
2015 Entry by class								Diff to prev		2016 Entry by class								Diff to prev		2017 Entry by class										Diff to prev	
T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T7	T8	Total	Act	%	T1	T2	T5	T6	T7	T8	Total	Act	%	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	T7	T8	Total	Act	%		
11	12	10	12	9	9	5	77	14	22%	6	9	6	6	11	5	60	-17	-22%	6	19	10	9	7	4	8	7	70	10	17%		

Note that the Tracking Trial was not held in 2018.

Open Track & Search Dog Trial (September) (3 day event)

2015 Entry by Class								Diff to prev		2016 Entry by Class								Diff to prev		2017 Entry by Class								Diff to prev		2018 Entry by Class								Diff to prev	
T5	T6	T7	T8	T9	T10	Total	Act	%	T5	T6	T7	T8	T9	T10	Total	T5	T6			T7	T8	T9	T10	Total	Act	%	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	T7	T8	T9	T10	Total	Act	%
10	17	7	12	5	9	60	-5	-8%	4	10	5	2	9	17	47	-13	-22%	2	8	7	10	5	7	39	-8	-17%	9	9	11	9	9	9	4	10	4	7	81	42	108%
10	17	7	12	5	9	60	-37	-38%	4	10	5	2	9	17	47	-13	-22%	2	8	7	10	5	7	39	-8	-17%	9	9	11	9	9	9	4	10	4	7	81	4	10%

Note that the 2018 difference to previous year is only compared to the 2017 T5-T10 tests as T1-T4 were only introduced in 2018.

GSDCV POSITION HOLDERS

Demonstration Team Manager – No position holder for 2018

Promotions Officer – No position holder for 2018

Publicity officer – No position holder for 2018

Membership Officer – Mrs Helena Walter

The 2018 number of membership units increased once again as it has generally done each year since the computerised database was introduced in 2010. The exception was 2014 when it fell.

BRANCH NUMBERS OF GSDCV MEMBERS ON 31st DECEMBER 2018

Branch Name	Members	No. of Units (including Life Members)	New Members in 2018
Ballarat	96	49	38
Bendigo	74	41	33
Eastern	398	220	173
Geelong	203	94	92
Gippsland	87	49	14
Malvern	326	182	136
Northern	429	204	197
Skye	438	242	199
Specialist	74	49	4
Western	490	259	230
Wodonga	60	36	29
Others	19	11	5
Total	2694	1436	1150

The actual number of members decreased reflecting the effects of the March 2017 Constitution changes which required the Household membership to include only children and up to two adults living at the same address. The 35 year old children, in-laws and long gone house mates disappeared off the database as members renewed for 2018. As a result, fewer membership badges were printed.

To date, out of approximately 150 families, only six have requested continuity and paid the administrative fees to have the adult child retain their membership status.

Renewals for 2019 totalled 455 Member units at midnight on 31st December 2018 – this was 52 less than last year. Of those; 74% renewed online, 11.5% renewed by cheque and mail and 14.5% renewed through their respective Branches.

No change was made to the membership renewal fees for 2019 but a small increase in membership application fees was implemented in October 2018 to cover the annual increase in Dogs Victoria levies.

In response to requests for changes to be made to the GSDCV membership application form, Tony Mercieca modified the design and introduced letter blocking, more white space and paragraphing of the Member Declaration as well as options for membership status change.

For applicants, the readability of the form improved and the legibility of the handwriting also improved for those who had to process the membership applications.

Now the printing of the hundreds of double-sided application forms has predictably fallen to Jacinta Poole – who else can fit another task into her overloaded German Shepherd Dog Club life?

It was with great sadness that members all learned of the death of a long serving Branch Membership Officer.

Maureen Williams was still processing and forwarding membership application forms from Geelong only a couple of weeks before her death. Maureen showed she cared about welcoming new members and she always followed up any discrepancies in their application forms. She will be so greatly missed.

Jenny Lord, the Malvern Branch Membership Officer, retired in March 2018 after eight years in the job. Every week Jenny completed the application forms and along with the cheques had them in the membership post box by Tuesday. A pedant for accuracy, Jenny made the processing of the Malvern application forms easy.

Fortunately, Jenny has been replaced by another very competent and quick learning Branch Membership Officer in Trish Doherty.

Following a move to North East Victoria, Karyn Cogdell, the Northern Branch Membership Officer decided to retire. The five to six hour round trips on a Saturday afternoon were tiring enough without having to interview new members, fill out forms, receipt their payments and ensure they entered class within a few minutes of the start time. Another perfectionist lost to membership recruitment.

My thanks to all the other Branch Membership Officers. The GSDCV members are lucky to have such an amiable, hardworking, efficient and very, very patient group of people volunteering their services every week.

I am, as always indebted to Jacinta Poole, our Webmaster. She ensured that there were enough coloured brochures and car stickers for me to include in the Welcome Puppy Pack, which is sent to all new members. But more importantly, she provided patient and valuable advice each time the membership computer and its loaded programs developed idiosyncratic tendencies.

Vince Ebejer, with his membership database programming/rehabilitation skills, was this time left in peace by me for most of the year. But when a problem arose and despite working all day, he would go on to Team Viewer and "fix" the problem.

After three years in this role I will not be continuing as GSDCV Membership Officer after the Annual General Meeting. I advised the Management Committee of my intentions at the beginning of March in 2018.

I believe that, should the Cloud be implemented, the role of the Club Membership Officer should be shared by at least two or three volunteers who will have access to the database. The workload is far too great for one person especially from the beginning of November until the middle of February.

Shepherd News and Enews Editor – Ms Jacinta Poole

The 'German Shepherd News' still lands in a member's letter box 8 times each year. Full of all the important and required information that the Club has to provide to members.

Our constitution requires that we use the Shepherd News to communicate information and notices. – so don't miss an edition.

Teamed with our website, you will be provided with all the information required. Please take the time to read each edition as it arrives! There might be something important in it. While facebook might be 'immediate', core information will always be provided in the Shepherd News where possible or the website.



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Thank you to everyone who contributes to the magazine. This is often in the form of articles or photos. Thanks to those who provide when asked or invited. It provides great variation for the magazine. One of the core parts of the magazine is the branch news. Thankyou to all the branch publicity officers who make the time and effort to report on your members activities. Everyone enjoys reading what each branch has been up to and its great to see new names and photos in print. If your branch has been a bit slack with reports, why not volunteer to write your branch column?

Our regular contributors of information are also ever reliable. Thank you to Tony Mercieca for his President's reports, Les Rudling for OTC news and for the regular training tips provided by a variety of Chief Instructors. Thanks to Judy Eppinger for puppy listings from breeders and rehoming stories. It's a challenge to write something new and interesting each month ! Also to Cristine Begbie and Dearne Jackson for provision of show and trial schedules.

Thank you to Secretary Vince Ebejer and also Barb Blythe for their help as magazine proofreaders over the year. With a same-day turnaround to print, it's a difficult but necessary task and completed in limited time. Thankyou to those who have advertised in the magazine during the year, your financial contribution was most welcome, and we hope you benefitted from your promotion.

Thank you to anyone and everyone who supported the magazine. We are one of the few states in Australia that still has a hard copy magazine, and will do so for the near future at least. So keep p that support !

I hope everyone has enjoyed the 'Shepherd News' magazine and that it's provided information and interesting articles about the GSD and our club.

Website & Electronic Media Co-Ordinator – Ms Jacinta Poole

www.gsdcv.org.au

2018 began with the release of our brand new totally refreshed and rebadged website. The Club site and each branch site received a fresh new online look utilising a modern and mobile responsive design and layout. The new 'skin' enabled some greater flexibility in displays and also an opportunity to update and refresh content across all platforms.

Everyone's lives are 'online' these days. The website provides quick and easy access to members for all club info – results, catalogues, news etc. But more importantly for new members looking for information, the website (Club or branch) is often the first port of call. Relevant up to date information is crucial to ensure the first impression for the Club overall, and reduces the administration needs for those looking.

Of course Facebook and social media is at everyone's fingertips, but new members often use the websites to gather info before connecting. Facebook might be immediate, but if you want information about the club, how it runs and its rules and regulations, that can all be found on the website. Don't be lazy and ask on Facebook – go look it up and find out on the website !! Thank you to the branch web and Facebook administrators for their efforts during the year. Lots of positive interactions have proved its worth the effort. There is also no forgetting that we must use social media with care and caution. The GSDCV will not tolerate misuse or abuse by members, about members or dogs.

All the design and development of the new website was done in-house, so no design costs were incurred. The new platform requires several plugins to operate our business to its optimum, which incur ongoing yearly costs in the range of \$250.

One of the core uses of our website is for online transactions. These days, the use of online payments is an everyday requirement for most people, and its availability for our use makes a significant impact on our financial business and flexibility for members. Our payments are all processed via the NAB Transact website for security. In 2018, \$45,100 was transacted via our online shop. 59% of this was attributed to membership renewals and 41% for online sales via the web shop. Of this 41% of sales, 5% related to seminar tickets and 36% to pre 2019 National sales of merchandise and tent bookings. The club absorbs the transaction fees that are incurred for online services. We believe this is a valuable service for our members.

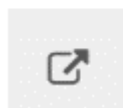
Our online transaction total was greatly reduced in 2018 as we outsourced our show and trial entries to Show Manager rather than managing them ourselves. This has meant a significant saving to the GSDCV in card processing costs, which are now carried by the exhibitor, who also pay a small fee to Show Manager with each entry. However this is what the majority of members entering these events wanted.

Thank You to Puppy Listings Officer Judy Eppinger for her efforts posting and managing the litters on the Puppies Available page, and the rehoming service with dogs available. Show and trial results and critiques are also 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 Stenographer manager Barb Blythe for the provision of results and critiques so quickly and to Dearn Jackson for OTC trial results.

Our website 'FAQs' are managed by flexAnswer Solutions Pty Ltd, owned by our members Grant and Lin Milne, who provide the software to power the FAQ's area of the website. Thank You to Grant and Lin for their ongoing support with this useful software tool. flexAnswer iFAQ is an Intelligent FAQ service generously provided since 2009. flexAnswer iFAQ has answered nearly 70,000 questions and averages about 500 per month. The use of flexAnswer iFAQ allows us to expand the

FAQs we provide based on the questions users type in and ask, so we hope we are helping teach owners about our dogs and our club. The presence on the home page has increased the questions and answered, and is helping tailor our answers to more specific and accurate as he continues to learn accrue knowledge. Unfortunately he's not 'real' but he is growing more helpful. FAQs are generally restricted to answers covering the GSD and the

- Feb 21, '19 – BA Meeting
- Feb 22, '19 – OTC AGM
- Mar 4, '19 – Management Meeting



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Training Records for 2018

Each training week, branches of the GSDCV record the number of dogs trained at their branch and the instructors available, across both obedience and show classes. The table below reflects the collated data for the 2018 year. The training data provides a valuable overview of each branch's activities, but more importantly it displays the size of the GSDCV, the breadth of training we provide and the number of GSD's and their owners who benefit directly from our training efforts, across both obedience and show classes.

	Total obed dogs trained	Ave obed dogs per week	Obedience Instructor hours for year	Total show dogs trained	Ave show dogs per week	Show Instructor hours for year	Total dogs trained at branch	Total Instructor hours for year
Ballarat	582	12	88				582	88
Bendigo	489	11	156				489	156
Eastern	2998	62	460	27	1	10	3025	470
Geelong	1464	36	209				1464	209
Gippsland	563	14	199				563	199
Malvern	2903	63	400				2903	400
Northern	2262	51	254	108	2	33	2370	287
Skye	2720	58	450				2720	450
SSB				405	11	71	405	71
Western	2667	56	458	86	2	26	2753	484
Wodonga	649	13	99	42	1		691	99
Totals	17297	38	2773	668	3	140	17965	2913
Comparison data								

2017	16536	36	2820	882	4	149	17418	2969
2016 Totals	16145	35	2717	1094	5	172	17239	2889
2015 Totals	15256	35	2574	1232	6	153	16488	2727
2014 Totals	13171	32	2242	1111	6	166	14282	2408

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accurately report that the GSDCV had at least 17,965 dog units involved in training over the 2018 year and a total of 2,913 instructor hours were provided to train GSDCV members and their dogs. The corresponding total data for 2014-17 is below. This indicates that our training numbers have grown slightly over the last 12 months, with obedience dog numbers increasing by 3.0% but instructor hours decreased by 1.9%. Show dog training numbers decreased by 30%.

Our branches were open for training on average 44 weeks of the 2018 year. This accounts for closures due to summer break and closures for club events, public holidays, heat policy effects or other reasons determined by each branch.

*** The data is as accurate as possible and is based on the information provided by each branch. Averages were calculated based on the number of weeks open for each branch.

GSDCV BY NUMBERS *2018 YEAR

ONE Club **17,965 dog units trained**

2,694 Members **2,920 instructor hours**

11 Training branches

Managed by

160 administrators

102 obedience instructors

28 show instructors

5 breed surveyors

8 specialist judges

We entertained

4,725 facebook friends

150,000 unique website visitors

Achieving

17,295 dog units obedience trained

670 dog units show trained

37 dogs breed surveyed

'Happy owners, happy dogs!'

We conducted

5 obedience trials

1 endurance trial

1 track & search trial

5 conformation shows

6 breed surveys



BRANCH COMMITTEE & REPORTS FOR 2018

BALLARAT

Branch Manager	Marilyn Wrigley	Membership Officer	Keryn Leggett
Ass. Branch Manager	Dean O'Keefe	Ground Manager	Dean O'Keefe /Skye Webber Beth Leggett
Secretary	Sandra Roberts	Canteen Manager	
Treasurer	Doug Ellery	Publicity Officer	
Chief Instructor	Marilyn Wrigley	Promotions Officer	
Breed Affairs Liaison Officer		Equipment Officer	Paul Vanerklay
		Website Manager	Chris McPhan

I have much pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the Ballarat Branch GSDCV for year 2018. It has been a busy year since June for myself and our committee as we have been concentrating on getting new members to the Branch whether they had puppies or an older dog and this proved to see our membership increase over the year. We have managed with only 3 instructors during this time and when our Aspirers have been doing their practical tests it has been difficult to cover their loss. Fortunately Western, Bendigo and Skye helped out and we were very grateful for their help and thank them sincerely.

Our Aspirers are now qualified instructors after two years and congratulations to both Dean and Ken on taking on a very important job within the GSDCV community at Branch level. Both are and have met the requirements over 2018 both at OTC level and at the Branch. Thankyou Dean and Ken for meeting all commitments and going above and beyond to see that members enjoyed and learnt in both obedience and socialisation during class times in 2018. You have been a pleasure to work with and you have helped out in many areas other than training during the year and this has been much appreciated.

NEW PUPPIES AND DOGS: This year we have had a number of puppies come to the branch with their handlers as well as older dogs. Unfortunately some only do puppy class then do not come to training anymore after that, others show much keener interest and keep coming so having dogs that are well behaved and socialised which is what is ultimately required for a German Shepherd as well as a privilege to own and care for at home or in public. We all know that Ballarat is wet and cold during the winter but really dogs do not care about that, watch their behaviour when one puts on a coat, picks up the lead and walks to the gate or door. Really that should be the best incentive for a handler not to miss the opportunity to take his best mate out for a walk and play.

OFFSITE TRAINING 2018: We have held offsite training this year for socialisation, attending other branches when our Aspirers had to do their practical work there, getting our dogs used to markets and animals that are at those markets which some puppies/dogs may not have been in contact with. As we have 5 Ararat members who travel to training on Sunday on a regular weekly trip we went to Ararat to train on a ground where a market is held and although it was cold the public showed an interest and watched and asked many questions as well as patting the dogs and speaking to members. We actually have people travel from Winchelsea, Warrnambool, Maryborough, Daylesford, Horsham as well as surrounding districts and Ballarat area.

ANZAC MARCH. This year we had more people attend this event with members in promotion shirts walking in front of the handlers and their dogs also in promotion shirts followed behind. We walked from Lydiard Street North down to Sturt Street right turned up Sturt St to the Cenotaph for the Anzac Service. When all marching had arrived there was a ceremony where pigeons were released as part of Animals in War participation. Unfortunately horses have not been allowed in the March up here during recent years as a safety factor to the horses and public. Two of our members and their dogs also marched in the Ararat March representing Animals in War and we thank them for taking part in remembering the part played by those Animals who helped our service people and also paid the ultimate sacrifice in most cases as due to quarantine laws here at the time they could not be returned back to Australia.

CATERING DAYS HELD: We had four catering days at our clubrooms during the year and one at Coles Supermarket, Victoria Street, BALLARAT. Due to reasons beyond our control our profit margin is not as good as it was as we now have McDonalds, KFC, a Bakery and other fast food people in our area so we have to be proactive in what we

prepare and serve to attract the customers rather than them go elsewhere. Thanks to all who have helped out in the canteen not only on catering days but each Sunday as well, a great service to our members as well as making some money for our branch.

EQUIPMENT OUT ON GROUND: As most people know our weather up here is not kind to us so quite often the ground is too wet to put out agility equipment out as the ground is very slippery and somewhat dangerous for handlers and dogs however we do have it out whenever the weather is kind to us and we are increasing our collection of things to go over, under and through for the benefit of members and are also getting equipment ready for the ZAP test. We hope to purchase more items this year for the benefit of handlers and dogs. We also are looking to put up an off lead recall area and an obedience ring so we can start getting handlers working exercises and doing stays off lead, hopefully gaining some who will compete in Rally O and Obedience as we have a number of members interested and keen to learn and it would be great to provide them with the knowledge to compete and be judged in an obedience ring.

THANKS TO ALL FOR YOUR INPUT: On behalf of the committee I sincerely thank all members who have helped in any way to assist with the running of the branch for all to enjoy, who supplied morning tea which all are invited to enjoy, who help put out equipment for all to use, who help in class to do figure of 8 or stand for examination, or stay for crowd test, keep the clubrooms clean, sweep and wash the floors, pack up after a catering event and wash all dishes BBQ etc, without your participation the branch would not run successfully. We the committee thank you and look forward to your continued support in making 2019 a bigger and better place to join in the training of your dog gaining skills you perhaps did not think you could, you may be surprised at the level you may reach as well as learning about our wonderful breed. There are some interesting lectures and things members can participate in that will happen this coming year and we would welcome your taking part in these as well as training.

Marilyn Wrigley
Branch Manager- Ballarat Branch.

BENDIGO

Branch Manager	Edwina Neale	Grounds Manager	Kyle Herrick
Assistant Branch Manager	Tony Kekich	Breed Affairs Liaison Officer	Edwina Neale
Secretary	Norma Meaney	Promotions Officer	Anthea Kekich
Treasurer	Debbie Kennedy	Publicity Officer	Colleen McCarthy
Chief Instructor	Terry Kennedy	Social Secretary	Colleen McCarthy
Membership Officer	Trish Lang		

I'm pleased to bring to you the Annual Report for 2018 relating to the Bendigo Branch of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria. Bendigo Branch has had steady attendances throughout the year. Our training numbers are generally in the teens and we have seen a healthy number of new pups arrive at our branch and thrive in the welcoming atmosphere. Most handlers/members wish for an obedient dog and it seems that when they get to the point that they are happy with their progress, some people tend to leave but gladly, most still remain members. Our instructors have clearly identified the needs and requirements of our local community when it comes to training, guiding and assisting people and their GSDs. Numbers have improved throughout the year and we have been into double figures for the most part. We continue to see members turning up at different times throughout the year and memberships continue to roll in. Despite low numbers, our Instructors work extremely well together and we were able to provide a lot of one on one guidance to members. We have very high quality instructing Staff who keep people's interest up, follow a positive mind set at all times and were always on hand to provide our membership with outstanding service. Having a smaller Branch means we know each of our handler and their dogs well and can shape our training to suit their needs.



To our Chief Instructor, Terry Kennedy, thank you very much for all your efforts this year. Terry has put in place an excellent training regime and sets clear guidelines to those of us who instruct as to methods and outcomes. We have a strong commitment to ensuring good behaviour of our GSDs in our local community. The vast majority of our members desire a well behaved pet so our training regime that Terry has developed works solidly toward social and well behaved dogs going about their business in the community.

Our Qualified Instructors are:

Terry Kennedy	Anthea Hamilton
Deb Kennedy	Norma Meaney
Ron Bailey	Edwina Neale

Kevin Dare from Western also helps out when he is in the area and his input is greatly appreciated



This year, we held a number of training sessions at Lake Weeroona in the centre of Bendigo which proved another great success for our Branch and the GSDCV as a whole. The turnout is always large on these occasions and it is a great way to showcase our Breed and our Club to the local community.



In February The Kennedy's represented the GSDCV at the Chinese New Year Celebration in Bendigo,



In May a group of members attended the RSPCA Million Paws walk.

In October we promoted Bendigo Branch at a Community Car Park Morning at Bunnings in Epsom. We had our marquee set up with posters, booklets and our club banners on display. Bronacre Kennels brought along 2 adult dogs and a puppy and all three were a huge hit with the public.



Our ground rental was increased this year which has put us in a difficult position financially. Once again our committee stepped up and held a sausage sizzle day at Bunnings. We will continue to hold these fund raisers at Bunnings whenever we can.

I sincerely thank our Bendigo Branch Committee and Instructors for their determination and overall commitment to the goals of the GSDCV. We are a small core group of volunteers who are the Committee, Instructors, fund raisers and workers who keep our Branch afloat.

Finally, I'd like to thank the members of Bendigo Branch who participated during the year. Your membership has been important to our Branch as much as your friendship. It is a joy to see you and your GSDs develop and train and above all have fun on the ground each week. Wishing everyone a fantastic and fun filled 2019.

Edwina Neale
Branch Manager- Bendigo Branch.

EASTERN

Branch Manager	John Schulz	Shepherd News	Barbara Stewart
Assistant Branch Manager	Andrew McAnuff	Merchandise	Barbara Stewart
Secretary	Amanda McAnuff	Website Officer	John Schulz
Treasurer	Jenny Burley	Breed Liaison Officer	Melissa Siktars
Chief Instructor	Andrea Cornwall	Membership Officer	Trish Gough
Grounds Manager	Ethel Thompson	Catering Officer	Jenny Burley
Education	Rhonda Snijders	Equipment Officer	

I am pleased to present this, my fourth and final report as Manager of Eastern Branch.

Once again, I begin this report by expressing my sincere gratitude to all those who gave freely of their time to ensure that Eastern Branch continued to operate successfully during 2018.

Our Instructors and Committee

Our dedicated and well organised instructor pool increased this year as three "trainees" joined the group. Together, once again, they gave many hours of their time to train owners in the finer points of handling their dogs. In some cases this involved one on one instruction to help owners overcome challenging behaviour. Unfortunately, we continue to see more of these challenges. It is indeed unfortunate that many, who appear to need our assistance most, do not last the distance and leave the Branch and I expect, the Club. We can only hope it is to find assistance that they feel may better suit them, rather than condemn their dog to a life in the backyard.

Once again, this year we were able to offer classes from baby puppy through to trial preparation, Rally -Obedience, Show and attendance at our early morning tracking classes exceeded all expectations. Again, this year the commitment of our instructors and handlers saw an increase in the number of Obedience, Rally-O, Nose-work and Tracking Titles achieved together with some pleasing results in the Specialty Show and All-Breeds Show rings. It was rewarding to see newer members participate alongside some of our more experienced people and we hope to continue to build on this in the future. Congratulations to all concerned for the time and effort you put in.

Sincere thanks must also go to the 2018 Committee members for their support of the Branch and the wider Club, in a number of roles, throughout the year. We were very fortunate to have a full committee so that roles could be filled, and decisions could be readily made and enacted. I believe that 2019 will see the number of volunteers on our Committee increase. Once again, without you, the Branch and the Club would cease to exist.

Our Members

To our members who trained every week, hail, rain or shine, we and your dogs, thank you. It is very gratifying to see so many people training on a regular basis and progressing through class levels. We understand that many people have conflicting commitments on Sundays and we are pleased to see you, too, albeit less frequently. To those who come to us with expectations that their older dogs or new puppies will be trained within a short time, please be patient. Our instructors are good, but they can't work miracles. Training your dog is a three-way partnership between you, your dog and our instructors. Training takes time and isn't without its frustrations.

Our Demo Team

Unfortunately, our Demo team did not get to strut their stuff as much this year despite their preparation. Planned events were cancelled due to inclement weather on more than one occasion. 2019 will see the Team perform at the Ringwood Highland Games, the largest games of its type in the Southern Hemisphere with an expected crowd of 5000. I expect that they will also return to the Knox Pet Expo, weather permitting.

Puppy Kinder

Puppy Kinder, another initiative of the Branch, was conducted again in 2018 with small groups of pups and their people learning the ropes in the clubhouse, on Monday nights. It is gratifying to see that classes are so popular, that other Branches are offering similar program. This indicates a need for this type of training. We are looking at the possibility of expanding this service to encompass older puppies in the future.

Once again, our thanks go to Rosie Garbett and Mary Hawthorne, our Kinder teachers, for conducting these sessions so successfully.

Our Education Program

Our Education Program continued during 2018 with a session on "nose work" with Angela Harvey-Tennyson and two "Tricks Training Days" for members with Julija Klinghorn. This training was interspersed with a training session with Julija for our Instructors. We were pleased to be able to welcome instructors from other Branches to this session. A group of our instructors also attended the Nose work seminar hosted by Skye Branch. We look forward to continuing our Education Program during 2019

Income and out- goings

Fund raising, such an integral part of our operations, continued this year with Sausage Sizzles at Bunnings along with our canteen operations, dog shop, weekly raffle, Royal Canin sales and our Annual Shopping expedition. Monies raised continue to provide training equipment for our members and to pay the ongoing cost of facilities hire. This year we purchased an additional A-frame and see-saw in addition to repairing/revamping some of our older equipment.

2018 was the first year that we have had to apply for and pay to use Manson Reserve for our training each Sunday and on Wednesday night during Daylight Savings.

Our relationship with the City of Maroondah is very good and they continue to respond quickly to our requests for maintenance on our Clubrooms and surrounds

As in 2018, a substantial donation was made to Victorian Animal Aid Trust this year.

Our volunteer "helpers"

Finally, thank you to all of our volunteer helpers each week: in the canteen, setting up equipment and putting it away, helping at the sign-in desk and at sausage sizzles, fixing things, mowing...the list goes on.

Thank you also to the member who attended the Royal Show Breed booth with their dogs again this year. You and your dogs were, once again, a credit to the Club.

John Schulz

Branch Manager – Eastern Branch

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Branch Manager
 Assistant BM
 Secretary
 Assistant Secretary
 Treasurer
 Chief Instructor (until August)
 Chief Instructor (from October)

Veronica Filmer
 N/A
 Maureen Williams
 Geoff Bagley
 Michelle Cabel
 Kellie Spark
 Veronica Filmer

Membership Officer
 Canteen Manager
 Publicity Officer
 Equipment Officer
 Social Media & website
 Committee

Maureen Williams
 Michelle Russell
 Veronica Filmer
 Michelle Cabel
 Sheridan Salmon
 Ange Byrne



Image: left to right, top to bottom: Veronica Filmer, Maureen Williams, Geof Bagley, Michelle Cabel, Kellie Spark, Jo Mee, Michelle Russell, Mark Stevenson, Sheridan Salmon, Ange Byrne

The year 2018 was marked by the sad loss of our long-term Secretary and Membership Officer, Maureen Williams, who passed away in October after a long battle with illness. We farewelled her with members and dogs forming a line of honour at her funeral. Passionate and loyal to the Branch and with a great love of our breed, Maureen will be greatly missed.

Our Branch has continued to participate in annual demonstrations at the Wallington Strawberry Fair, the RSPCA Million Paws Walk, and the Wyndham Pet and Animal Expo where members and their dogs have entertained visitors young and old, and provided them with wonderful opportunities to pat and have photographs taken with our magnificent breed. We were also able to respond to a request to have one of our dogs visit an 80-year-old resident in an aged care facility as a birthday present. Abbey Cabel and Hunter delighted the lady and her family and we were proud that they represented our Branch so well.

Our fund-raising continued through two major sources: a raffle during our family-oriented Christmas in July event and a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle in October. Both were extremely successful and I would like to thank all those who brought in articles to raffle as well as Pet's Corner Store in Moolap, who donated a variety of collars and leads.

With several members interested in trialling, we introduced Tuesday night classes that focussed on heeling and heeling techniques, with participants showing a marked improvement week after week. We had a number of members trialling in Obedience, Rally Obedience, Tracking, and Track and Search and we congratulate Geof Bagley, Marie Felsovary, Emily Lees, and Andrea Taylor whose dogs were awarded titles during the year. We hope to see them and other members participating in the 2019 Nationals.

I would like to thank our small band of instructors who have come week after week to assist our members in basic and more advanced obedience training: Kellie Spark, Jo Mee, and Desma Dickeson who, together with myself, have continued Geelong's proud history of providing a specialised resource for the training of dogs and their handlers as well as, perhaps most importantly, support for those who have welcomed this wonderful but often misunderstood breed into their homes.

The Branch has enjoyed stability in membership numbers, with new members joining us as others leave. Many of these new members have been making great contributions to the Branch by assisting with various events throughout the year. Indeed, although not a new member (his wife and daughter have been coming to classes for a couple of years) but new to the grounds, Chris Russell has made such an outstanding contribution throughout the year that he has been awarded the 2018 Janet Henley Memorial Award for Member of the Year. Chris has been an invaluable assistant to our groundsman by assisting with maintenance issues both on the grounds and in the clubrooms. He has worked hard to refurbish our outdated canteen area, organised the installation of our new outdoor floodlights; cleared the clubrooms of excess furniture; and provided information and resources for future projects. Well done Chris!

Although they were unable to contribute as much as they would have liked, I would like to acknowledge with thanks those who had joined or rejoined the committee at the beginning of the year for their enthusiasm to assist on committee: Jason Pickles, Helen Preston, Kate Wilson, and Kelly North.

I am deeply grateful to the remaining committee members Michelle C., Jo, Mark, Michelle R., Sheridan, Geof and Ange who have worked so hard throughout the year to keep the Branch running and assumed various roles and duties as needed. They have volunteered many hours to ensure that we continue to run smoothly and have, again, been so vital to the success of our Branch.

This has not been an easy year for us, and I am therefore extremely proud of all that they have managed to achieve and of the friendly co-operation that is at the heart of our committee as well as our Branch. I am sure we will be able to maintain this in 2019 with the most welcome addition of several new members who will form a larger committee that will be able to fulfil the promise of greater offerings to our members that we were forced to abandon during the year.

Finally, I would like to thank all our members who have supported us throughout the year. Simply by coming to class you make the efforts of the committee and the instructors worthwhile and, as you take your GSD out into the community, help others gain a greater appreciation of the wonderful qualities of our dogs. We hope to see you all again in 2019 as we travel together on our various journeys with our much-loved canine companions.

Veronica Filmer
Branch Manager – Geelong Branch

GIPPSLAND

Branch Manager	Ray Batchelor	Equipment Officer	Carol Bachelor
Assistant Branch Manager	Alicia Hart	Publicity Officer	Sharyn Thompson
Secretary	Trish Taylor	Breed Liaison Officer	
Treasurer	Rick Bradley	Grounds Manager	Scott Ashmead
Chief Instructor	Anna Tyben		
Membership Officer	Anna Tyben	Assistant Equipment Officer	Leonie Taylor
Canteen Manager (1)	Nicole Allmann	Canteen Manager (2)	Wilma Bates
Maintenance Manager	Liv Frescura		

I am pleased to be able to submit the annual report on behalf of the Gippsland Branch.

In 2018 our instructors were led by Anna Tyben, I would like to thank Anna and all the Instructors for their outstanding efforts throughout the year. Anna brought some new ideas to the Gippsland training program that were all very well received by the members and other instructors. I would like to thank the instructors for all their time and efforts throughout the year.

Unfortunately our training numbers dropped off a bit in 2018 with an average of about 15 dogs each week. Hopefully we can increase our numbers next year. Our small trial group had a relatively quiet year this year but did succeed in obtaining a few titles and passes, most importantly they had some good fun days out with their dogs. Our other non-trialling members who put in just a much time and effort with their training also deserve recognition for their dedication to the breed and ensuring their dogs are well behaving and good representatives of our wonderful breed in the community. These people don't receive ribbons at trials or medals at our club AGM but they are just as important to the breed as every other member of this club.



Sadly the Gippsland branch suffered some losses this year. I would like to acknowledge the passing of Anne Lee and Liv Frescura's dog Bella (Steviejosh Techno Belle ET) who was a great representative of the breed and our branch. Bella was a much loved member and her memory will live on in the form of the Techno Belle trophy awarded to dogs who represent the breed in a positive light within the community, something Anne, Liv and Bella are all very passionate about. Congratulations to Sharyn Thompson and her girl Kali for being the inaugural winners of the Techno Belle award. Sadly we have also had to deal with the mysterious disappearance of Trish Taylor's dogs Penny and Jet who went missing from Trish's yard in September and have not been seen since. Members travelled from far and wide to help Trish and her family search for Penny and Jet without success. Penny and Jet were great

representatives of our breed, both were accredited therapy dogs and attended local aged care facilities every week to visit the residents. They are sadly missed by all.

The annual fastest recall competition which is always popular and is a good demonstration of the competitiveness of some of our members was held at our break up day in December with Sandy Martin and her dog Ava taking out the perpetual trophy this year. I would like to thank our Club President Tony Mercieca for making the long drive down to Gippsland to join us for our final day of the year. It was great to have Tony there to see what we do and the members enjoyed meeting and having a chat with him.





Gippsland had the honour of hosting the 2018 GSDCV Endurance test in June around Lake Guthridge in Sale. Although the entry was quite low the day was still a success with all participants gaining their ET title and some great publicity for the club and the breed including a spot on the local news and plenty of social media coverage. Special thank you to Nicole Allan, Sharyn Thompson, Katrina Binotto and Daniel Binotto for the outstanding effort in organising the event and to all members who turned up on the day to help with the extra tasks required on the day. We are all

looking forward to hosting the 2019 Endurance Test, which has been moved to the Latrobe Valley area to reduce the travel time for those travelling from the west. Anne Lee also arranged for our public events team to attend the Toongabbie Community days. The dogs were the most popular attraction and have already been invited back next year.

As always the Gippsland Committee have done an outstanding job throughout the year ensuring that everything runs as smooth as possible. Thank you to all who get involved and do that little bit extra to make the branch a fun and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Ray Batchelor
Branch Manager – Gippsland Branch

MALVERN

Branch Manager	Jacinta Poole
Assistant Branch Manager	Sam Siebel
Secretary	Judy Eppinger
Treasurer	Wayne Speck
Chief Instructor	Dearne Jackson
Membership Officer	Trish Doherty
Breed Affairs Liaison	Gayle Johnston
Media Manager	Grant Milne
Social Secretary	Lin Milne
General	Jim Begg, Maggie Davis, Mike Fajdiga

Not much had changed at Malvern in nearly 40 years, until 2018 when Stonnington Council moved our branch home ground from Basil Oval in East Malvern to Waverley Oval in East Malvern. The background reasons for the move were complex, but for all involved, we moved on and settled in well at our new location. For all intents and purpose, the move has proved positive and we won't look back. Nevertheless, we've added another chapter to our branch history !

Training in 2018 proved positive and productive. On average, 64 dogs each Sunday were trained, and 12 on Wednesday nights for the trial group. Sundays are always busy, and we've continued to utilise and expand our equipment for dogs use. We also ensured that all classes had an opportunity each week to 'have a go' at the various setups. It often proves a challenge for the dogs, doing basic obedience on and around equipment ensures they really know the commands and the handlers have control under distractions – or not 😊. We are lucky to ensure that each class has multiple instructors working together, and we've also had time for one on one when required. We continued our regular free bacon & egg & snag brekkies through the year which not only provides a yummy snack to start the day, but enables the opportunity for lots of members to hang out together before training and get to know each other – and their dogs. We also continue to work hard to educate everyone on what is acceptable behaviour for dogs and how handlers should allow their dogs to interact. Both at the branch and out in the community where it counts the most. We are all ambassadors for our breed every day.

We hosted a Structural Assessment day on behalf of the GSDCV, with 13 members taking the opportunity to have their dogs assessed by GSDCV breed surveyors. A very successful day and certainly gave all a better appreciation of the structure and conformation of their own dogs and what is desirable in our breed.

The Malvern branch represented the GSDCV to provide assistance at the Dogs Victoria Big Day Out For Dogs, again providing tunnel activities for the general public, which was appreciated and recognised by Dogs Victoria. We thank all our members, dogs and helpers who gave freely of their time to promote our club and breed. Thank you to Malvern CI Dearne Jackson for her coordination and management of the Malvern team that gets 'out and about'.

Our trial and show members have been busy with successes throughout the year, in both performance and conformation activities. This is the main focus of activity outside of Sunday training for those members attending trials and shows. Success this year in the specialist show ring for Vanessa and Damian Wisdom with Kodo, winning LSC Baby Puppy Dog at the National. Kevin Juggins did well at the National too with Emma and Bullit. Also Gayle Johnston & April and Peter and Dawn Howard with Venice gaining excellents. In the all breeds ring Dearne Jackson did well with Leica as did Urs and Therese Rhyn with Elke. Success in Track and Search for Lin Milne & Echo, in Tracking for Ken Mackay & Sarge, Anca Tilea & Phryne, Rosalie Gerlach with Phoenix and in Rally for Dearne Jackson & Polly, Jonty and Leica. Peter and Dawn Howard have had multiple successes in tracking and obedience with Venice, as has Urs & Therese Rhyn with Ricki, Xena and Elke. We are looking to build on our Wednesday night training group and hope for more successes in 2019. Thanks to all who assist each other at training.

Thank you to Stonnington Council for their support and provision of ground and pavilion facilities. We are lucky to train our dogs on lovely grounds, maintained to high standards year round that would be the envy of many. We also acknowledge our Club sponsors Royal Canin for their support throughout the year. The most important tier of support is from the GSDCV Executive, Management Committee and through the Breed Affairs and the Obedience Training Committee and we thank all for their support of the Malvern branch.

In 2018 we had a very dedicated committee who worked tirelessly in making sure Malvern was well managed, particularly through our relocation in March. Without this group of members providing the administration and organisation of our branch, we could not function. In combination with our instructors, it's a great team. Our committee included Jacinta Poole, Sam Siebel, Judy Eppinger, Wayne Speck, Dearne Jackson, Gayle Johnston, Trish Doherty, Grant Milne, Lin Milne, Jim Begg, Mike Fajdiga and Maggie Davis. All have made key contributions, often putting branch members before their own dogs and training. We also have many other members who routinely assist with setting up or packing up on Sundays and providing other assistance, all of which helps.

The AGM will call to a close Judy Eppinger's 20 years as Malvern Secretary. That's a longstanding commitment to 11 meetings each year, plus instructor meetings and others, so about 300+ meetings. For no other reason that deserves a medal, let alone Judy's all round contribution to Malvern as a successful branch. Thanks ! Judy will continue as one of our invaluable and experienced instructors each week, and though we will miss her administratively, we know she will enjoy 'retirement'. Thankyou Judy for your unparalleled commitment to the Malvern branch. It has been much appreciated by many members and dogs over the last 20 years!

Training is our core business and our instructors are the drivers of a member's progress with their dog. Their information and training knowledge is considered so valuable by our members. Each week they volunteer their time for the benefit of all our members. We thank them for their dedication, patience and persistence in making sure that all members get the most out of their dogs through training. Routinely many spend extra time and effort after class providing advice for those with difficult dogs or other problems. Mentoring within the instructor group ensures all continue to learn and develop as instructors. This year we were pleased to welcome Donna Bradley as a fully accredited instructor after she passed her training assessment in November. Our branch and club are always indebted to our instructors, along with our committee they are the core of our success as a branch. So a big thankyou from all at Malvern to Dearne Jackson for her leadership as Chief Instructor, Judy Eppinger as assistant, Gayle Johnston, Jim Begg, Keith Heale, Pam Jackson, Ken Mackay, Julia Tahourdin, Marg Starow, Jacinta Poole, Lin Milne, Grant Milne, Sam Siebel, Mike Fajdiga and Donna Bradley.

As we close out another year at Malvern, we hope all involved have achieved some level of success with their dogs. No matter how small, its still progress. And sometimes it's not easy, but that's why we all do it. Thanks to each and every member who came along on a Sunday, if we've assisted you in some small way, then our efforts are worth it. Onwards and upwards for 2019.

Jacinta Poole
Branch Manager – Malvern Branch

NORTHERN

Branch Manager	Terry Taukus	Membership Officer	Ros Vincent /Karen Cogdell
Assistant Branch Manager	Geoff Dennis	Maintenance/Grounds	Bill Gates
Secretary	Zora Marko	Equipment Officer	Julie Taukus
Treasurer	Julie Taukus	Publicity Officer	Melissa Bauer
Chief Instructor	Terry Taukus	Website Manager	Terry Taukus
Grounds Manager	Barry Clarke	Social Activities	
Breed Liaison Officer	Jean Colenso/Debbie Colson	General Committee	
Social Media	Terry Taukus/ Melissa Bauer		



I would like to thank everyone at Northern for their contribution during the year. It takes consistent effort from many individuals to make a branch tick along each week. Members of the committee commit to the full year and at the other end of the spectrum there are those who fill in the gaps when and where necessary. Thanks to you all.

As we know Club instructors ensure our members are receiving balanced and enjoyable classes each week. Northern has a relatively small but no less dedicated group of instructors who do a fantastic job in relation to our training numbers. Our most recent addition Liza Zankowski will no doubt be a valuable asset to the branch.

The branch was most pleased to have signed a new lease agreement with the Darebin Council which will ensure our facility at Bundoora Park is secure for a further nine years. Northern looks forward to the next twelve months and in doing so complimenting the work done by the many volunteers of the GSDCV

Terry Taukus
Branch Manager - Northern Branch

SKYE



Branch Manager	Ken Smith	Publicity Officer	Cristine Begbie
Secretary	Lynne Hawksworth	Promotions Officer	Cristine Begbie
Treasurer	Pam Anderton	Website	Pam Anderton
Chief Instructor	Les Rudling	Equipment Officer	Amanda Barr
Breed Liaison Officer	Julie Urie	Catering Officer	John Brady
Membership Officer	Marcia King	Fund Raising Officer	John Brady
General Committee	Phillip Hancock		

It is with pleasure I present the Skye Branch Annual Report for 2018.

As always the year began with our puppy classes running through the break. We got off to a good start when training resumed in February. Our training numbers were steady through the year so thanks must go to the instructor group that put in week after week.

On the financial side of things the raffles, canteen, special efforts and seminars continue to bring in extra income which enabled us to purchase yet more new equipment for the branch.

On June 30th we held a trivia night and October 13th we held a seminar with Sonja Needs as the guest speaker. Sunday the 25th of November we had our break up which was enjoyed by everyone that attended. This year Santa arrived seated in the big red chair aboard the back of a tray. As usual a jumping castle was there for everyone to enjoy. A big thanks must go to all the Committee, Instructors and members that work hard to make these events possible.

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	Mrs Nicky McDermott	Chief Instructor	Mr Alastair Henderson
Assistant Branch Manager	Mr Brank Auwema	Grounds Manager	Mr David Berry
Secretary	Mrs Ann Hammond	Breed Affairs Liaison Officer	Mrs. Chris Auwema
Treasurer	Mrs Fiona Henderson	Catering Officer	Mrs Maureen Goodwin
Publicity officer	Miss Melissa Hammond	Promotions Officer	Mrs Margaret Raftopoulos

Another year has come to an end and I am sure many of us are glad to see the back of 2018. It has been a year of many ups and downs with some of our dearest members no longer being with us. Not all of these people were SSB members but were widely known throughout the GSD breeding and showing community and are fondly remembered and missed. Farewell to James Rodger, Phil Vincent, Bev Ellen, Joylene Neddermeyer, Karen Ballantyne and Ginny Luxton.

In my role as branch manager I have been supported by a strong and dedicated team who I would like to now pay tribute:

- ◇ Thank you to Brank for stepping up into the Assistant Branch Manager position and keeping things running when I couldn't be there.
- ◇ Ann Hammond as Secretary ensuring our members are all well informed and organising meetings at the branch.
- ◇ Fiona Henderson as treasurer who not only looks after our branch financial position but also has continued in the treasurer role of the Victorian Club.
- ◇ Chris Auwema continued to keep us up to date with breed issues both domestic and international in her role as our Breed Affairs rep. There has been a great deal of information to digest and keep us informed with.
- ◇ Although Shirley Taylor stepped down as our chief Instructor she continued to organise the roster and send out weekly reminders to our instructors. A big thank and we have missed you greatly this year.
- ◇ A big thank you to Alastair who took up the chief instructor reigns and brought some new and innovative ideas to our training. He organised a number of boot camps and we took them to a variety of locations. They were all well received with great enthusiasm by both the members and their dogs.
- ◇ To all our instructors, Fran, Barbara, Shirley, Jenny, Ian, Alastair, David, Mel, Amanda and Mark who have also assisted throughout the year. This year also saw us with 3 aspiring instructors, Maureen Goodwin, Steve Mase and Margi Raftopolous. Early in 2019 they should be fully qualified. It is our strong instructor pool that makes our training second to none and I love that all our instructors are only too willing to share their knowledge. Without our instructors dedication each week we wouldn't have a branch.
- ◇ Melissa Hammond has continued to inform the GSD fraternity and promote the success of our Branch via the Shepherd News.
- ◇ Maureen Goodwin who has managed the canteen and BBQ this year. Providing a greater variety of food for all who attended our Branch. The purchase of the air fryer made hot chips a popular option. Maureen was often helped by Judy Wade and Ann and Melissa Hammond.
- ◇ Margaret Raftopoulos who continues to obtain gifts and donations from different sources for our raffles adding to our bank balance. Margi's enthusiasm is second to none.

Late last year we all said a teary farewell to John and Jeannette when they relocated to Northern NSW. They were both very active members who worked very hard for both SSB and the GSDCV. I know we will all catch up at shows around the country and we all wish them all the very best in their new life.

This year we launched our Facebook page which currently has 252 likes and 263 people following us. It is a great way to communicate with our members and friends of SSB. The dissemination of information this way is super quick and efficient, especially as many of our members are spread across both the state and country.

It has been great to see Blackie back at training and exhibiting. We have all welcomed him back with open arms and wish him continued success under the Denargun prefix.

We are only a small branch but certainly have big voices and most definitely have the breed at heart. Our passion is very evident and it's important that we continue as we represent the breed and breed affairs strongly.

Nicky McDermott
Branch Manager – Specialist Show Branch.

WESTERN

Branch Manager	Mr. Steve Kinsman
Assistant Branch Manager	Mr. Bernie Lester
Secretary	Mrs. Lyn Pickering
Treasurer	Mrs. Sue Hounslow
Chief Instructor	Mr. Dom Cafari
Assistant Chief instructor	Mrs. Sue Hounslow
Breed Liaison Officer	Mrs. Carol Osborne
Groundsman	Mrs. Lyn Pickering
Social Secretary	Mr. Dom Cafari
Membership Officer	Mrs. Roslyn Mills
Catering Officer (1)	Mr. Arthur McPherson
Assistant Catering Officer	Mr. Bill Hounslow
Equipment Officer	Mr. Tony Lerias
Publicity Officer	Mrs. Lin McPherson
Website Manager	Mr. Tony Lerias
Assistant Grounds Manager	Mr. Andrew Saliba



*L-R Craig Whitford, Ros Mills, Bernie Lester, Lyn Pickering,
Tony Mercieca, Steve Kinsman, Bill Hounslow, Sue Hounslow,
Tony Lerias, Arthur McPherson
Not Pictured - Dom Cafari, Michelle Mercieca, Lin McPherson*

It is my pleasure to submit this report for the Western Branch, it has been a very busy and productive year. We have seen our members do Nursing home visits, council pets in the park day, Bunning sausage sizzle and social outings. We have had a number of raffles, and a Trivia night and fundraisers, which has put Western in a very strong financial position.

Our member numbers continue to grow each week as new members continue to turn up which is fantastic to see. It is great to see a lot of new members turn up to social functions and outings during the year.

We have had Western members achieve some awesome results in Show and Obedience during the year, its great to see all their hard work pay off, and continued support and to promote our fantastic breed.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the Western Committee, Instructors and members for all their hard work and support during the year, without you guys we are nothing so thank you all so much.

Steve Kinsman
Branch Manager – Western Branch

WODONGA

Branch Manager	Mr. Gordon Cole
Assistant Branch Manager	Mr. Hans Plas
Secretary	Mrs. Marlene Cole
Treasurer	Mrs. Marie Brew
Chief Instructor	Mr. Gordon Cole
Groundsman	Mr. Gary Brew
Assistant Groundsman	Mr. Ivan Leishman
Assistant Breed Liaison Officer	Mrs. Martine Burgess
Canteen Manager	Mrs. Marlene Cole
Social Secretary	Mrs. Tracey Hill
Publicity/Website Officer	Mrs. Carol Mindin



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Branch had a reasonable member's attendance during the year with the greatest retention problem being that of the younger generation who join and normally only attend for a period of time before other outside influences puts training their four legged friend on the back burner, as to continue training their puppy or dog requires a considerable amount of their spare time and that competes with other outside interests. It is difficult to impress on them that to continue through the classes ensures their four legged companion will become a better socialised, responsible, reliable, obedient member of the family and more importantly a credit to the breed when out in public rather than their friend spending most of its time in the back yard which brings its own problems.

During the Christmas break – December 2017/ January 2018 the Branch continued with an excellent puppy course with most puppies attending each Sunday and being up graded to class 1 when the Branch recommenced normal training on the 4th February. Over the past twelve months we have had an increase in the number of out of control backyard bred dogs joining the Branch which is taking considerable instructional time to sort out their many and varied problems, but we are happy to do this for the sake of the breed, an advantage of this is our instructors are gaining further experience in handling these dog issues.

Even with the above mentioned distractions the Branch had another successful year. Our training numbers were slightly down from the previous year, what also did not help was the extremes in the weather conditions with many wet, windy and cold Sundays and with summer approaching we hope to have better weather for training as the Branch has no Club House and can only train outside in all weather conditions.

To my team of two Obedience and three Show Instructors who again worked tirelessly throughout the year to ensure classes are varied and challenging and that all dogs and handlers improve their skills so that they can progress through to a higher grade. With such a small number of Obedience instructors we have to split our classes with some starting at 9am and the others starting at 10am. This puts a great deal of pressure on our limited number of Obedience Instructors, as frequently Instructors would like to attend Trials or are sick or holidaying. At times may only have one Instructor to take training, not an ideal situation, but we get through. The only drawback with this situation is an organisational one, getting people together for meetings etc. I would like to sincerely thank Billie Louwrier, Martine Burgess, Jeff Burgess and Tracey Hill for their commitment, dedication, and wealth of knowledge they have gained over the years to pass onto Branch members. I must also pass my thanks on to Greg Green and Marie for attending the Branch on quite a number of occasions throughout the year to help with Show Instruction and pass on their wealth of knowledge and experience to our Instructors and Show members. To my Branch Committee over the past year thank you for your tireless work behind the scenes, which at times can be taken for granted, a special thank you to Marie Brew our Treasurer for her hard work and keeping me in line with the finances of the Branch.

Some of our members during the year excelled in the Obedience Ring with passes in CCD, Open, and gaining passes and Titles in Rally Obedience in Novice, Advanced & Masters - well done Billie and Martine. In the Show ring Yvonne Hornsey gained many results in the all breeds ring with Zorro, Amber and Zeta. Vanessa Bland with King and Shadow, Junior Handler Zachary Bland placed 2nd in Junior Handlers 10-13 years receiving the GSDCA junior Showmanship 10-13 years award nominated by the GSDL. Gordon Cole with Jemma started tracking in May and advanced to test 6 in September. Congratulations to all.

The Branch held two Bunning's Sausage Sizzles during the year, both being quite successful, these are the only fundraising activities conducted by the Branch during the year. The Branch continues to encourage all its Instructors to attend Obedience Lectures, Seminars and Breed lectures, to update and expand on their present knowledge. Two members attended a Tracking seminar presented by Sonja Needs in Melbourne on the 1st December. Martine Burgess participated in two obedience correspondence courses conducted by UK professional dog trainers.

On Sunday 9th December the Branch held a Fun Day with competitions and lots of prizes for all. After the games a Social function with plenty of goodies followed which was enjoyed by everyone present. The day was very successful as it is the only time that all members can get together (due to the number of Instructors the Branch has with classes having to be split. Sunday 16th December was our last day of training for the year however puppy training will continue over the Christmas period.

It was unfortunate that the Club Management Committee decided that all Branches would close for the Club's SBE. The Wodonga Branch members were very annoyed with this decision as they could not understand that being well over 300km away it would be impossible for a lot of members to attend, and those who wanted to could attend without the Branch being closed, this also cost the Branch membership. Another point is the decimating requirement for members to attend the Club AGM to receive their awards they or their dog earned during the year, again a decision made without considering the distances some country Branches have to travel e.g. Wodonga Branch members travelling over 600kms to receive their awards, so many don't even apply for their awards any longer.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my dedicated team of Instructors and Committee Members for 2018 and look forward to the challenges of 2019.

Gordon Cole
Branch Manager – Wodonga Branch

2018 Outstanding Service Award – Mr Vince Ebejer

Over the past 15 years since Vince joined the GSDCV, his contribution to the GSDCV is outstanding and hence I would like to nominate him for an Outstanding Service Award. I note the criteria states:

Outstanding Service Award: to cover an extended period of continuous membership (15 years plus) demonstrating **OUTSTANDING** service to our club and/or the breed.

The definition of outstanding is standing out, conspicuous, striking and above and beyond the call of duty Award to be a framed certificate and gold badge (engraved Outstanding Service Award)

A brief history of Vince's involvement is as follows:

Vince and his wife joined the GSDCV Northern Branch in 2003. They started breeding under the *Meljenka* prefix in 2006. Vince and Lin believe in and have followed the GSDCA Breed

Improvement Schemes, i.e. breed survey, hip and elbow x-rays. He has attended events in Victoria and interstate achieving many high placings including two separate National Class winners, gaining Excellent gradings in open class in the Main Breed and State Breed Exhibitions. He wanted to repay the help and assistance given to him by show instructors and became a show instructor in 2010.

He has held many positions within the organization starting as a committee member at Northern Branch, Assistant Branch Manager and Branch Manager. He then went on to become Vice President of the GSDCV Management Committee and then President in 2011 and still holds that position today. Vince regularly attends Western and Eastern branches and takes show class at those branches.

Vince has also been involved with the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal, the Moomba Parade, Fundays, Trivia nights and other activities. He regularly attends GSDCV branches, Breed Surveys, the annual NBC Meeting, the Bi-annual National Obedience Meeting. He has worked very hard developing in an excellent working relationship with our major sponsor Royal Canin, members of the German Shepherd Dog council of Australia, the other State Presidents and the Victorian membership. He is always available to members who regularly phone him to discuss matters with him and is very generous with his time.

During his time as President, he has been part of numerous working parties that have developed the following plans and strategies:

- Strategic Plan which provides direction and guidance in achieving our mission and goals.
- Marketing and Sponsorship Plan, part of which was the promotional T-shirts issued to every branch.
- Updating our Club logo.
- Reintroducing the GSD specialty show at the Royal Melbourne Show.
- Participating in the Moomba parades over a number of years.
- Succession planning.

Over the past 15 years, Vince's involvement with the GSDCV Club and members include:

- Joined Northern Branch in 2003 – 15 year membership.
- Assistant Northern Branch Manager in 2004.
- Northern Branch Manager for 5 years – 2005 to 2009.
- Qualified as a show instructor in 2009 and instructs to this day – 9 years.



- GSDCV Vice President in 2010.
- GSDCV President 2011 to 2017 – 8 years.
- Member of the GSDCV Show Committee (including being involved in the organisation of the GSDCA National in Victoria in 2010 and again in 2015) – 2010 to 2017 – 8 years.
- Responsible for arranging the agreement with our major sponsor “Royal Canin” – 2011 to 2017 = 7 years.
- Member of the Strategic Planning Committee in 2011.
- Chair of the GSDCV Constitution Review Sub Committee – 2014 to 2016 = 3 years.

Vince has worked extremely hard for the GSDCV and I believe is most deserving of the GSDCV “Outstanding Service Award

GSDCV Special Achievement Award

Stuart McDonald & GR Ch Stobar Quentin AZ ET CDX RN

For their achievements at the 2017 Royal Melbourne Show, winning ‘Best of Breed’ and ‘Best in Trial’.



Above: Stuart, Megan and Quentin

AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE 2019 AGM

These are all awards achieved throughout the 2018 year

SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

Membership Awards – awarded to members for continuous membership

Paul Wiseman	25 Years	Gippsland
Tom McAlpine	25 Years	Gippsland
Lyn McAlpine	25 Years	Gippsland
Claire Purcell	25 Years	Gippsland
Val Purcell	25 Years	Gippsland
Marilyn Wrigley	40 Years	Ballarat

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

Mary Hawthorne	5	Eastern
Norm Hawthorne	5	Eastern
Anne Lee	5	Gippsland
Barbara Blythe	5	SSB
Steve Kinsman	5	Western
Keith Heale	5	Malvern
Martine Burgess	10	Wodonga
Peter Wallbridge	15	Eastern
Lois Goodes	15	Eastern
Carole Osborne	15	Western
Gordon Cole	15	Wodonga
Billie Louwrier	15	Wodonga
Ian Woodhill	20	Eastern
Julia Tahourdin	20	Malvern
Stephen Gunst	20	Northern
Lyn Pickering	20	Western
Kevin Dare	30	Western
Marilyn Wrigley	35	Ballarat

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

Barbara Blythe	5 Years	SSB
Carol Osborne	15 Years	Western

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

Arthur McPherson	5	Western
Bill Hounslow	5	Western
Lin McPherson	5	Western
Barbara Blythe	5	Club Service
Tracey Hill	5	Wodonga
Gary Brew	5	Wodonga
Marie Brew	5	Wodonga
Sharyn Thompson	5	Gippsland
Steve Kinsman	10	Western
Judy Eppinger	10	Club Service
Karen D'Amico	15	Eastern
Marlene Cole	15	Wodonga
Ken Smith	15	Skye
Judy Eppinger	20	Malvern
Marilyn Wrigley	30	Club Service

Obedience Instructor Certificates:

Donna Bradley	Malvern Branch
Danni Hauri	Western Branch
Lisa Zankouski	Northern Branch
Dean O'Keefe	Ballarat Branch
Ken Siebring	Ballarat Branch
Luke Rudling	Skye Branch

TITLES AWARDED

NAME	DOG'S NAME	TITLE
Andrea Taylor	Randinka Tiger Lilly	RN
Geoff Bagley	Ambala Nebula CDX RN	RA
Geoff Bagley	Ambala Nebula CDX RA	RE
Geoff Bagley	Ambala Nebula CDX RE	RM
Dianne Cameron	Takimbre Call Me Annie AZ	TD
Dianne Cameron	*Takimbre Call Me Annie AZ TD	TDX
Dianne Cameron	*Takimbre Call Me Annie AZ TDX	T Ch
Dianne Cameron	Maadrica Anya AZ	RN
Henderson/Knuckey/Bobbin/Cathie	Ch *Sensen Mann Yokon CCD	ET
Henderson/Knuckey/Bobbin/Cathie	Ch *Sensen Mann Yokon CCD ET	TD
Henderson/Knuckey/Bobbin/Cathie	Ch *Sensen Mann Yokon CCD TD ET	TDX
Henderson/Knuckey/Bobbin/Cathie	Ch *Sensen Mann Yokon CCD TDX ET	CD
Andrew Quinn	Misteisha Florence	CD
Wendy Seng Hpa	Vonbios Carina A RE RAE	CCD
Wendy Seng Hpa	Vonbios Carina A CCD RE RAE	RM
Wendy Seng Hpa	Vonbios Carina A CCD RAE RM	CD
Helene Smit	T Ch TS Ch Samson RE	TS Grand Ch
Edward & Julie Smith	Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ	TD
Edward & Julie Smith	Ch Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ TD	TDX
Rhonda Snijders	Ch *Dienamic Ziva Through The Ash AZ	RN
Rhonda Snijders	Ch *Dienamic Ziva Through The Ash AZ RN	TD
Judith Strachan	Hasenway Malibu (IDD DEU)	RN
Judith Strachan	Hasenway Malibu (IDD DEU) RN	TD
Judith Strachan	Hasenway Malibu (IDD DEU) RN TD	TDX
Bharat Vyas	Jatull Justa Gem Taj (AI) RN TDX	T Ch
Bharat Vyas	TCh Jatull Justa Gem Taj (AI) RN	TSD
Marie Felsovary	TCh Ramara Justa Biache RA HSAS ET	TSD
Marie Felsovary	TCh Ramara Justa Biache RA TSD HSAS ET	CCD
Marie Felsovary	TCh TSCh Ch Bodecka Pure Heven CD RE HSAS ET	TS Grand Ch
Alex & Karyn Cogdell	Vindel Dancing With Mr D	RN
Alex & Karyn Cogdell	Vindel Dancing With Mr D RN	RA
Michelle Mercieca	Gr Ch *Schaeferhund Balleena AZ CCD RN ET	CD
Michelle Mercieca	Ch *Vonpeta Just Slip N Trip (AI) AZ	RN
Melissa Kelly	Ch *Iniff Autumn Fire AZ	TD
Melissa Kelly	Ch *Iniff Autumn Fire AZ TD	TDX
Dearne Jackson	Glenraco Your The One	RN
Dearne Jackson	Neut Ch Glenraco Your The One RN	RA
Dearne Jackson	Glenraco Total Recall	RN
Dearne Jackson	*Glenraco Golly Gosh AZ CD RA	RE
H Walter & J Schulz	*Schaeferhund Nelke AZ RE ET	RAE
Ian & Denise Woollard	Jayella Wot R The Odds	TD



Ian & Denise Woollard	Dual Ch T *Killara Aella AZ CDX TSDX	TS. Ch
Ian & Denise Woollard	Dual Ch (T) TS. Ch. *Killara Aella AZ CDX	TS Grnd Ch
Ian & Denise Woollard	Dual Ch (T) TS Grnd Ch *Killara Aella AZ CDX	UD
Carolyn Anderson	Ch *Volscairn Akira AZ CDX RA HIT	UD
N & M Hawthorne	Gipfel Shadow Land CD RN TD	TDX
Richard Oldfield	Teufelberg Hatts Off To Gus ET	TD
Diana Oldfield	*Randinka Opal Moon AZ	TD
Diana Oldfield	*Randinka Opal Moon AZ TD	ET
Diana Oldfield	*Randinka Opal Moon AZ TD ET	TDX
Diana Oldfield	*Randinka Opal Moon AZ TDX ET	T Ch
Sharyn Thompson	Bozeeb Valiant Knight RN	CCD
Lauren Brownhill	TCh RO CH Phoenix Brownhill CD RAE3 FS.N. HTM.N ET	TSD
Lauren Brownhill	Grand Ch Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RN TD	RA
Lauren Brownhill	Grand Ch Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RA TD	TDX
Lauren Brownhill	Grand Ch Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RA TDX	T. Ch
Lauren Brownhill	Grand Ch T.Ch. Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RA	Dual Ch (T)
Lauren Brownhill & Brendan Groves	Grnd Ch Neut Ch Colwhip Golden Shimmer CCD RAE RM TDX HTM.S FS.S ET	T Ch
Lauren Brownhill & Brendan Groves	Grnd Ch. Neut Ch. T Ch. Colwhip Golden Shimmer CCD RAE RM HTM.S FS.S ET	RO Ch
Lauren Brownhill & Brendan Groves	Grnd Ch. Neut Ch. T Ch. RO Ch. Colwhip Golden Shimmer CCD RAE RM HTM.S FS.S ET	Dual Ch RO
Lauren Brownhill & Brendan Groves	Grnd Ch. Dual Neu.Ch(RO) T Ch. Colwhip Golden Shimmer CCD RAE HTM.S FS.S ET	Trpl Neut Ch T/RO
Tania Schumann	Ch *Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy RN	CCD
Tania Schumann	Ch *Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy CCD RN	RA
Tania Schumann	Ch *Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy CCD RA	RE
Theresa Lewis	Camnusch Vaga AZ CCD ET TD	TDX
Peter & Dawn Howard	T Ch. Ch Killara Stasia CCD RN	RA
Peter & Dawn Howard	T S Ch. Ch TCh Killara Stasia CCD RA	Dual Ch T
Peter & Dawn Howard	Dual Ch (T) TS Ch Killara Stasis CCD RA	TS Grnd Ch
Cathy Workman	Jayshell Ghan CCD RA TD ET	TDX
Cathy Workman	Jayshell Ghan CCD RA TDX ET	RE
Karim Mehrabi	Nala	CCD
Rosalie Gerlach	Ch Killara The Green Mill Murder RN TD	TDX
Rosalie Gerlach	Ch Killara The Green Mill Murder RN TDX	CCD
Rosalie Gerlach	Ch Killara The Green Mill Murder CCD RN TDX	T Ch
Rosalie Gerlach	Ch TCh Killara The Green Mill Murder CCD RN	Dual Ch (T)
Rosalie Gerlach	Dual Ch (T) Killara The Green Mill Muder CCD RN	TSD



AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION (Conformation)

S Bick & N McDermott	*Jayshell Nebraska AZ
Dianne Cameron	T.Ch Takimbre Call Me Annie
Debra Colson	*Vanharley Promiscuous Girl AZ
Julie Jordon	Bozeeb Whisky Fire
Kathleen Raven	Lordavo Royal Commander AZ
Edward & Julie Smith	Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ TD
Shaun Schembri	*Bodecka Casanova AZ
Melissa Kelly	*Iniff Autumn Fire AZ

AUSTRALIAN GRAND CHAMPION

Michelle Mercieca	Ch *Schaeferhund Balleena AZ CCD RN ET
Lauren Brownhill	Ch Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RN TD

AUSTRALIAN NEUTER CHAMPION

U & T Rhyn	TCh Killara Summer Wine
Dearne Jackson	Glenraco Your The One RN
Lauren Brownhill & Brendan Groves	Grnd Ch Colwhip Golden Shimmer CCD RAE RM TDX HTM.S FS.S ET
Jen Eaton	Kuira Aurora ET

AUSTRALIAN NEUTER GRAND CHAMPION

Lauren Brownhill	Ch Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RN TD
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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 2018.)

Excellent in Tracking

Julie Jordon	Ch Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ TDX
P & D Howard	Dual Ch (T) TS Ch Killara Stasis CCD RA

Excellent in Rally

Bronacre Kennels	Ch *Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy AZ CCD RA
Ilona Bohdal	*Schaeferhund Nelke AZ RE ET
Gayle Johnston	Glenraco Your The One RN

Excellent in Show

G & B Jacobs	*Traumdorf Gimme A Kiss	Excellent in Show
Jenny Orchard	*Iniff Fruit Tingle AZ	Excellent in Show
Jenny Orchard	Ch *Iniff Autumn Fire AZ TD	Excellent in Show
W & M Goodwin	*Willmaurs Victory Valdo AZ	Excellent in Show
Frank Grigons	*Awatea Ymiss Suzie AZ	Excellent in Show
Frank Grigons	*Awatea Bright Eyes AZ	Excellent in Show
Frank Grigons	*Awatea Waratha Blossum AZ	Excellent in Show
Gayle Johnston	*Glenraco Supernatural AZ	Excellent in Show
Helen Dunn	*Manprince Groovy Kinda Magic AZ	Excellent in Show
P & D Howard	T S Ch. Ch TCh Killara Stasia CCD RA	Excellent in Show
Ilona Bohdal	*Schaeferhund Valli AZ	Excellent in Show
Jean Colenso	*Dellaress Ashanti AZ	Excellent in Show
Debra Colson	*Vanharley Promiscuous Girl AZ	Excellent in Show
Ilona Bohdal	*Schaeferhund Stacey AZ	Excellent in Show
Ilona Bohdal	*Schaeferhund Luka AZ	Excellent in Show

C & F Azzopardi	*Maltaknights Flauie AZ	Excellent in Show
C & F Azzopardi	*Maltaknights Carlos AZ	Excellent in Show
Julie Jordon	Ch Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ TDX	Excellent in Show

Excellent in Obedience

Phil & Ros Vincent	Misteisha Florence	Excellent in Obedience
Margaret Raftopoulos	T Ch Ramara Justa Biachie TSD RA HSAS ET	Excellent in Obedience
Margaret Raftopoulos	Ramara Wild Child	Excellent in Obedience
Bronacre Kennels	Ch *Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy AZ RN	Excellent in Obedience

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Ian Williams Perpetual Tracking Trophy

Dianne Cameron *T Ch. Takimbre Call Me Annie AZ

High achieving Handler and Tracking Dog in TD

Judith Strachan and Hasenway Malibu (IID DEU) RN TD

High achieving Handler and Tracking Dog in TDX

Diana Oldfield and *Randinka Opal Moon AZ TDX ET

High Achieving Handler and Tracking and Search Dog in TSD

Rosalie Gerlach and Dual Ch (T) Killara The Green Mill Murder CCD RN TSD

High Achieving Handler and Dog: Novice Obedience

Michele Mercieca and *Gr Ch Schaeferhund Balleena AZ CCD RN ET

High Achieving Handler and Dog: CCD Obedience

Rosalie Gerlach and Ch TCh Killara The Green Mill Murder CCD RN

Neil Cousins Memorial Trophy – Not awarded

Pam Lewis Memorial Trophy – Not awarded

Gwen Ibbott Shield – In abeyance

PERPETUAL SHOW AWARDS

Margot Haines Puppy of the Year:

*Margot Haines was a long-time member and Life Member of the GSDCV. She assisted in many positions over the years, including Club Secretary, Minute Secretary, Stenographer, Shepherd News Editor, Assistant Show Secretary, and for 25 years as our Puppy Listings Officer. She was particularly fond of puppies, and when Margot passed away in 2003, her family requested donations to a trophy fund in lieu of flowers at her funeral. These funds were donated to the Club and held in trust to award the "**Margot Haines Puppy of the Year" trophy** to the best performing GSDCV member's dogs in Puppy show classes each year.*

The Winners of the Margot Haines Trophy for 2018 year are:

Male (Stock Coat):	Jayshell Ricochet	(P & N McDermott)
Female (Stock Coat):	Karabach Pinch of Pepper	(John Carter & Jeannette Wolk)
Male (Long Stock Coat):	Lordavo Royal Commander	(Kate Raven)
Female (Long Stock Coat):	Jarvinia Chiquitita	(Narelle Cullen)

Erich Orschler Annual Breeders Trophy:

*Erich Orschler is a respected (now retired) SV Judge who visited Victoria many times and became a friend and mentor to our Club, often giving talks on breeding and training of GSDs for our members. Erich instigated on one of his visits in 1984 a Perpetual Trophy for achievement by kennels in the fields of Show results, Obedience results, Titles, and Breed improvement schemes (hip, elbows and survey results). This is known as the "**Erich Orschler Annual Breeders Trophy**" and is awarded to the most successful Victorian kennel on their combined point-scores each year.*

Winner of the Erich Orschler Trophy for 2018 is:

Jayshell Kennels – Nicky & Pat McDermott

Schneider Trophy:

*The **Schneider Trophy** was donated to the GSDCV by Committee members Mrs E Schneider and Mrs B Ryan (then Club Secretary) in 1949 and has been awarded ever since to the most successful show dog owned by a Victorian Club member. The original trophy is still in use today and is a large, heavily plated silver cup that on today's value would be worth thousands of dollars.*

Winner of Schneider Trophy for 2018 is:

- ***Ch. Jayshell Nebraska A Z**

The Walter Reimann Annual Dual Performance Trophy

*The **Walter Reimann Dual Performance Trophy** has been presented for many years at our Championship shows to the best performed dog in conformation and obedience. The trophy (featuring a distinctive pewter goblet) was made by Dick Atyeo, a long serving obedience instructor at Malvern Branch. Since Dick's passing, the last remaining "Walter" trophy has been made into an Annual Perpetual award, and is presented to the best overall dog that has won two or more Dual Trophies during the year.*

Winner of the Walter Reimann Annual Dual Performance Trophy for 2018 is:

None Awarded

SPECIALIST DOG AND BITCH OF THE YEAR 2018

The ***Specialist Dog and Bitch of the Year*** are awarded the "Special Show Perpetual Trophy", a tall cup that was donated by Von Roland and Von Eichen kennels in 1978 at a time when showing in the Specialty ring became the preferred way to exhibit German Shepherd Dogs, rather than the former kennel club or all-breed style shows. It is awarded to the most successful show dog & bitch on an aggregate point-score from results at GSD specialty shows held Australia wide, including the National show.

Specialist Dog of the Year 2018 (Stock Coat)

***Jayshell Nebraska 'A' 'Z'**
(Owner – S Bick & N McDermott)



Specialist Bitch of the Year 2018 (Stock Coat)

***Ch. Jayshell Kenzie 'A' 'Z'**
(Owner – Pat & Nicky McDermott)



Specialist Dog of the Year 2018 (Long Stock Coat)

***Karabach Night Force 'A' 'Z'**
(Owner – Mrs H Kelly)



Specialist Bitch of the Year 2018 (Long Stock Coat)

***Stobar Yalina "A", "Z"**
(Owner – Narelle Cullen)



JUNIOR HANDLER AWARDS – CONFORMATION

Junior Handler of the Year
(7 – 9 years)

**Ayden Jones
&
Ryan Kelly**



Junior Handler of the Year
(10 to 12 years)

**Chelsea Juggins
&
Claire Byron**



Junior Handler of the Year
(13 – 17 years)

Stephanie Jones



YOUNG HANDLER ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

(This conformation award is presented to young handlers under 20 years of age who handle dogs in the regular classes.)

2018 Achiever Trinity Jones



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.	1987	*Karlrach Wyoming Belle 'A'	Aust. Ch.
1950	Prince Kazan		1988	*Hasenway Putz 'A'	Aust. Ch.
1951	Willunga Baron		1989	None awarded	
1952	Weldenfels Bedwolf	KCC Ch.	1990	*Quincito Awol 'A'	Aust. Ch.
1953	Helenbryan Patricia CDX	KCC Ch.	1991	*Elvarado Super Star	Aust. Ch.
1955	Kombrack Prince		1992	*Iniff Tapestry 'A' 'Z' CD	Aust. Ch.
1956	Kombrack Prince	KCC Ch.	1993	*Iniff Vagrant 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1957	Whelker Fram Beau	KCC Ch.	1994	*Iniff Vagrant 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1958	Macron Marita	KCC Ch.	1995	*Denargun Flying Colours 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1959	Bramcourt Barleena	KCC Ch.	1996	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1960	Rosenthal Jelda		1997	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1961	Yram Prince Amin	Aust. Ch.	1998	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1962	Lardo Pretty Shinee	Aust. Ch.	1999	*Iwan vom Lechtal "a" 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1963	Lardo Pretty Shinee	Aust. Ch.	2000	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1964	Lardo Pretty Shinee	Aust. Ch.	2001	*Winbirra Elegance 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1965	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2002	*Denargun Brownd Off 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1966	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2003	*Spellbinda High Society 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1967	Liebestraum Leader	Aust. Ch.	2004	*Bodecka Grandslam 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1968	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2005	*Zandrac Rivendell 'A' 'Z'	
1969	Hagenstolz Kismet	Aust. Ch.	2006	*Peshar Inga 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1970	Hagenstolz Kismet	Aust. Ch.	2007	*Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1971	Hagenstolz Cicero	Aust. Ch.	2008	*Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1972	Tanaba Amonasaro	Aust. Ch.	2009	*Lashadas Ace of Hearts 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1973	Trievon Rajah	Aust. Ch.	2010	*Freevale Crazy In Pink 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1974	Kaznora Kommandant		2011	*Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1977	Willmaurs Fondawn		2012	*Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1979	Edinsmuir Liz's Girl of Bedwin	Eng/Aust.Ch.	2013	*Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1980	*Von Roland Axel		2014	*Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1981	Glenawly Kenner	Aust. Ch.	2015	*Ch. Jayshell Winona 'A', 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1982	Wanteppich Asta	Aust. Ch.	2016	*Ch. Jayshell Winona 'A', 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1983	Volscain Navita	Aust. Ch.	2017	*Ch. Xaro von der Plassenburg a ED	Aust. Ch.
1984	*Bedwins Finnigan	Aust. Ch.	2018	*Jayshell Nebraska 'A' 'Z'	
1985	*Karlrach Satans Rites	Aust. Ch.			
1986	*Landrina Majic Melody	Aust. Ch.			

CHALLENGE SASHES DONATED BY THE GSDCV INC. FOR 2018

EVENT	EVENT DATES	JUDGE
Ballarat Dog Club Inc	4 th February 2018	Mr. I. Urie
Twilight Canine Country Club	18 th February 2017	Mr P Tjerkestra
Lilydale Kennel Club	11 th August 2018	Mr Graham Saltiel (NZ)
Royal Melbourne Show	29 th September 2018	
Working Dog Club of Victoria	4 th November 2017	Herr Wolfgang Hassgall (SV) & Mr Andrew Jones (Vic)
Dogs Victoria Royal Canin Summer Spectacular	1 st December	

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"!)

Owner	Dog	Breeder	Sire	Dam
Gayle Johnson	*Glenraco Wild Witch	Mrs Gayle Johnson	Unox Von Aduct (Imp Deu)	*Glenraco Wild Rose CD
Darryl Lipchick	Jayshell Kilkenny	Mrs N McDermott	Lafer von Batu (Imp Gmy)	Moroka Cassie ET
Steele Warren & Anne Adams	Vanharley Zazoo	Mrs Debra Colson	Ch Aimsway Abacus	Vanharley Quanta
Nicky McDermott	*Blackngold Honey Jumble	Ms Vanessa Stocks	*Stobar Peete	Kardin Tammy AZ

HISTORY OF OFFICE BEARERS OF THE GSDCV

YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR	TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR
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
1964	Mr. W. Henderson	Mr. T. vd 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



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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. vd 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. Tantaro	Mrs. L. Cooper	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1985	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. L. Cooper	Mr. T. Leverett	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
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



HISTORY OF OFFICE BEARERS (Cont'd)

YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT / 2 nd VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR	TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR
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. V. Ebejer 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
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
2014	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. I. Urie Mrs. L. Rodger (2 nd VP)	Mrs. N. Meaney	Mr. M. Simmons	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2015	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mrs. N. McDermott Mrs. L. Rodger (2 nd VP)	Mrs. Val Moody	Mrs. J. Jacobson & Mrs. F. Henderson	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2016	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mrs. N. McDermott Mrs. L. Rodger (2 nd VP)	Mrs. Mel Siktars	Mrs. F. Henderson	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2017	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. Tony Mercieca Mrs. L. Rodger (2 nd VP) Resigned – 1 st June '17	Mrs. Mel Siktars	Mrs. F. Henderson	Mr. I. Urie	Mr. L. Rudling
2018	Mr. Mr. Tony Mercieca	Mr. F. Moody Mrs. J. Yuen (2 nd VP)	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mrs. F. Henderson	Mr. I. Urie	Mr. L. Rudling



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
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)



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YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
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
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
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



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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
	Geelong	H. Whiteford	S. Lea-Wood	Q. Drew	M. Raftopoulos
	Malvern	A. Maddox	D. Jackson	H. Neff	J. Speers
	Northern	P. Vincent	K. Donaldson	A. Solarz	B. Donaldson
	Skye	A. Adams	N. Meaney	I. Holden	A. Kerr
	Waverley	L. Rodger	K. Green	N. Clark	C. Humphrys
	Western	V. Moody	E. Old	D. Cafari	B. Lester



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1993	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	M. Wrigley	P. Conte	J. Hodges
	Eastern	M. Valastro	N. Wharmby	A. Franklin	J. Smith
	Geelong	H. Whiteford	P. Saunders	Q. Drew	L. Wright
	Malvern	D. Eames	C. Rhoden	R. Jones	J. Speers
	Northern	P. Vincent	J. Niall	A. Solarz	B. Donaldson
	Skye	A. Adams	N. Meaney	I. Holden	A. Kerr
	Waverley	N. Clark	E. Neale	L. Bainbridge	C. Humphrys
	Western	V. Moody	R. Harris	D. Cafari	B. Lester
1994	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	M. Wrigley	P. Conte	J. Hodges
	Eastern	M. Valastro	L. Goodes	A. Franklin	B. Thompson
	Geelong	C. Christiaans	P. Saunders	L. Wright	L. Wright
	Gippsland	I. Cameron	V. Purcell	C. Bennett	M. White
	Malvern	D. Eames/Y. Cooney	C. Roden	P. Eames	J. Speers
	Northern	P. Vincent	J. Niall	A. Solarz	R. Donaldson
	Skye	A. Adams	N. Meaney	C. O'Sullivan	A. Kerr
	Waverley	N. Clark	E. Neale	L. Bainbridge	C. Humphrys
	Western	R. Petrella	B. Frantzeskos	D. Cafari	B. Lester
1995	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	P. Maggi	J. Hodges
	Eastern	B. Glasheen	C. Srb	A. Franklin	B. Thompson
	Geelong	C. Christiaans	P. Saunders	M. Giertolla	L. Wright
	Gippsland	I. Cameron	V. Purcell	C. Bennett	M. White
	Malvern	Y. Cooney	J. Speers	P. Davies	G. Johnson
	Northern	P. Vincent	J. Niall	A. Solarz	A. Dordevic
	Skye	J. O'Sullivan	J. Maynard	C. O'Sullivan	N. Meaney
	Waverley	N. Clark	U. Grimshaw	M. Scrivens	D. Berry
	Western	R. Harris	B. Frantzeskos/T. Mercieca	T. Frantzeskos/R. Petrella	D. Pook/S. Petrella
1996	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	P. Maggi	
	Bendigo	D. Trickey	A. Adams	M. Dix	S. Bacon
	Eastern	B. Glasheen	C. Srb	A. Franklin	J. Smith
	Geelong	C. Gardner	P. Saunders/T. Ball	P. Saunders	L. Wright
	Gippsland	A. Purcell/D. Hynd	V. Purcell	C. Bennett	M. White/J. Moorey
	Malvern	Y. Cooney/J. Speers	A. Hunt	P. Davies	B. Jackson
	Northern	P. Vincent	R. Walton	A. Solarz	A. Dordevic
	Skye	A. Adams	J. Maynard		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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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
1998	Western	D. Cafari	T. Mercieca	S. Kovacic	C. Wood
	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. Pendelbury	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
1999	Waverley	I. Urie	N. Clark	T. Leverett	
	Western	D. Cafari	D. Sturgess	C. Sturgess	P. Lazaric
	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	
	Western	F. Moody	S. Petrella	C. Sturgess/R. Petrella	P..Lazaric/E.Pasqua/S.Petrella



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2000	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
	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. A. Schnoor	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



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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
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



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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
	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
	Western	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	C. Napl/S. Cordner/R. Petrella	B. Lester
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	K. Pearce
2008	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	R. Garbett/L. Marston
	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
	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



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2009	Ballarat	D. Ellery	S. Walsh	H. Parojarvi	
	Bendigo	M. Phillips	K. Cordell	R. Hall	D. Lund
	Eastern	D. Nicholson	M. Siktars	J. Burley	R. Garbett
	Geelong	C. Gissing	M. Williams	K. Shearer	J. Mee
	Gippsland	J. Jordan	T. Taylor	N. Binotto	
	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
	Specialist Show	D. Yuen	F. Farley	F. Henderson	N. McDermott
	Western	B. Lester	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	A. Saliba
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
2010	Ballarat	D. Ellery	D. Zammit		
	Bendigo	B. Crutchfield	M. Phillips	R. Hall	J. Gaw
	Eastern	B. Jacobs	M. Siktars	J. Burley	R. Garbett
	Geelong	C. Gissing	M. Williams	K. Shearer	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	D. Yuen	J. Wolk	F. Henderson	N. McDermott
	Western	B. Lester	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	F. Valastro
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	K. Pearce	G. Cole
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
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	J. Robertson	D. Berry
	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



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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
2014	Ballarat	B. Tobin/L. Maniz	J Gant/M Lee	D. Ellery	L. Maniz
	Bendigo	B. Crutchfield/T Kekitch	D Young/C Anderson	S. Murphy/D Kennedy	B. Crutchfield/T. Kennedy
	Eastern	P. Garbett	A. Vasiliou	R. Garbett	R. Garbett
	Geelong	A. Kendall	M. Williams	S. Hanley	J. Mee
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	C. Batchelor	A. Reynolds
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	A. Watson	D. Jackson
	Northern	D. Bourke	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	L. Hawksworth	B. Stockton	L. Rudling
	Specialist Show	N. McDermott	B. Blythe	F. Henderson	F. Farley
	Western	S. Petrella	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	D. Cafari
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole



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2015	Ballarat	B. Hardenberg	M. Lee	D. Ellery	L. Maniz
	Bendigo	T. Kekich	C. Anderson	D. Kennedy	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	P. Garbett/J. Schultz	A. McAnuff/B. Jacobs	J. Burley	P. Wallbridge
	Geelong	A. Kendall/D. Gladman	M. Williams	S. Hanley	J. Mee
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	C. Batchelor	D. Hynd
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	D. Bourke	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	L. Hawksworth	P. Anderton	L. Rudling
	Specialist Show	J. Carter	B. Blythe	F. Henderson	S. Taylor
	Western	S. Petrella	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	D. Cafari
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole
2016	Ballarat	B. Hardenberg	M. Lee	D. Ellery	
	Bendigo	T. Kekich	C. Anderson	D. Kennedy	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	J. Schultz	A. McAnuff	J. Burley	P. Wallbridge
	Geelong	V. Filmer	M. Williams	M. Cabel	A. Kendall
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	C. Batchelor	D. Hynd
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	D. Bourke/G.Dennis	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	L. Hawksworth	P. Anderton	L. Rudling
	Specialist Show	J. Carter	B. Blythe	F. Henderson	S. Taylor
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	P. Van Vliet
	Wodonga	G.Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole
2017	Ballarat	M. Wrigley	S. Roberts	D. Ellery	
	Bendigo	T. Kekich	N. Meaney	D. Kennedy	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	J. Schultz	A. McAnuff	J. Burley	P. Wallbridge
	Geelong	V. Filmer	M. Williams	M. Cabel	K. Spark
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	R. Bradley	A. Purcell
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	T. Taukus	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	P. Anderton	A. Kerr
	Specialist Show	J. Carter/N. McDermott	B. Blythe	F. Henderson	S. Taylor
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	S. Hounslow	D. Cafari
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole



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2018	Ballarat	M. Wrigley	S. Roberts	D. Ellery	M. Wrigley
	Bendigo	E Neale	N. Meaney	D. Kennedy	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	J. Schultz	A. McAnuff	J. Burley	A. Cornwall
	Geelong	V. Filmer	M. Williams	M. Cabel	K. Spark
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	R. Bradley	A. Tyben
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	T. Taukus	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	P. Anderton	S. Hargreaves
	Specialist Show	N. McDermott	A Hammond	F. Henderson	A Henderson
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	S. Hounslow	D. Cafari
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole