

# 2019 ANNUAL REPORT



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#### Presents to its members

# The 2019 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, 2019.

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 Tantaro      | 1995                      | Ms. Jacinta Poole  | 2017                      |
| Mr. Vince Tantaro      | 1995                      | Mr. Vincent Ebejer | 2019                      |

# Mr. Chris Hollingworth 1997 LIFE MEMBERS - (Deceased)

| 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 2019**



#### **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**



# **OFFICE BEARERS**

PresidentMr. Tony MerciecaVice PresidentMr. Frank Moody2nd Vice PresidentMr. John SchulzSecretaryMr. Vince EbejerTreasurerMrs. Fiona Henderson

**Breed Affairs Administrator** Mr. Ian Urie **Obedience Training Administrator** Mr. Les Rudling

# **BRANCH MANAGERS**

Mrs Marilyn Wrigley **Northern** Mr. Terry Taukus **Ballarat Bendigo** Mrs Edwina Neale Skye Mr. Ken Smith **Specialist Show Branch Eastern** Mr. Peter Walbridge Mrs. Nicky McDermott Western Mr. Steve Kinsman Geelong Mr. David Organ Gippsland Mr. Ray Batchelor Wodonga Mr. Gordon Cole Malvern Ms. Jacinta Poole

#### **POSITION HOLDERS**

Membership OfficerMrs. Lin EbejerShepherd News EditorMs. Jacinta PooleWebsite OfficerMs. Jacinta PooleMinute SecretaryMrs. Barbara BlytheTrial ManagerVacant

**Demo Team Manager** Vacant Vacant **Promotions Officer** Vacant



# **Executive Office Bearer Reports**

# **PRESIDENT – Mr Tony Mercieca**

As President of the GSDCV Inc., I am pleased to submit this report to the GSDCV Annual General Meeting. The year of 2019 was genuinely an especially busy year for the GSDCV on many fronts.

Membership - Our end of year membership number was slightly down on 2018 however we still finished the year with a respectable 1387 unique membership units being comprised of 567 single, 796 family plus 24 life member memberships – compared to 1435 membership units in 2018.

Let me kick off this report by recognizing the significant support the GSDCV and its members have received in 2019 from our two long-term major sponsors; Royal Canin and Monash Veterinary Clinic. Both of these wonderful organisations stepped up most generously in 2019 in light of the GSDCV hosting the 47<sup>th</sup> GSDCA National Show and Trial in April. As those who entered would know, Royal Canin not only donated sponsor product to all show and trial classes in line with previous years, providing a total of 41x 12kg bags and 118x 3kg bags of specific German Shepherd nutrition, they also donated an additional 500x 3kg bags. That is one 3kg bag for every exhibitor who supported the National Show and Trial. I think that all would agree that this was especially generous on behalf of Royal Canin and we would like to thank them for that. In addition, the Monash Veterinary Clinic made a very generous financial contribution to the running of the National Show and Trial. It must be noted that both of these organizations have been long-term friends and sponsors of the GSDCV and I would encourage all members to seriously consider their products and services when in need. I very much look forward to continuing these relationships into the future.

The main event for the GSDCV in 2019 was undoubtedly the hosting of the GSDCA National Show and Trial in April. My sincere thanks to the whole of the organising committee and the many helpers, many of whom worked extremely long and hard in the lead up to, and all the way through the event to ensure its organisational success. It is fair to say that the underlying intention was always to deliver an outstanding event; an outcome which we achieved – a more detailed description may be found later in this report. Based on the numerous comments and praises offered, I feel sure that exhibitor and spectator expectations were met. With the exception of an unforeseen weather event that destroyed a number of corporate marquees, many of which were promptly replaced, few people were left wanting over the weekend. The event was an organisational success achieving "memorable status" for all the right reasons.

Additionally, through the initiative of the then GSDCA President, Mr. Vince Tantaro, the GSDCV was pleased to play host to Mr. Harald Hohmann (SV Judge) on the weekend preceding the 2019 National. Harald presented an extremely informative ZAP training session and assessment workshop. Representatives from clubs from all corners for the country attended to listen, learn and ask questions of one of the architects of the ZAP program.

In 2019, the GSDCV and its Branches ran a number of events and activities including;

- AGM, SGM's, Breed Affairs, Obedience Training and Show Committee meetings as required
- Monthly branch committee meetings at 11 branches across the state
- 6 Breed surveys (including National Show survey)
- State Breed Exhibition including Obedience and Rally trials March 9 & 10
- Endurance Test Jun 22
- Open Obedience and Rally Trial Jul 13
- Lillydale KC Show (Aug10) and Breed Exhibition Aug 11
- GSDCV Championship Show and Trial plus WDC show Nov 2 & 3
- Breed Education Weekend Nov 10-11 (Pederson, Cathie, Groth & Zimmerle)
- Open Show Dec 1
- Various seminars, guest speakers and educational presentations at branches throughout 2019

Once again the GSDCV, spearheaded by our Western Branch and supported by Eastern Branch participated in the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal collecting an outstanding total of \$23,182.10 in 2019. The GSDCV has been represented in this iconic Melbourne community event for the last 36 years raising a grand total of \$648,104 – a grand effort, which all should be proud of.

In 2019 the GSDCV embarked upon the complex process of updating its aging membership database system in order to provide functionality and future stability to this all-important part of club administration. This system is now complete and is in operation across our club.



Once again, I must recognize the efforts and foresight of those who came before in developing the systems and processes to keep our club running smoothly. The machine that is the GSDCV requires such systems to ensure its efficient operation. In 2019, the GSDCV Management Committee formed a small Constitutional Review subcommittee to assess and propose changes to our Club Constitution and Regulations, if and where needed. These suggested changes were discussed and voted on by our membership at a Club Special General Meeting on 26th January 2020 with the formal outcomes being adopted as changes.

Earlier in this report I recognized the significant contribution Royal Canin makes to our club by way of product sponsorship for our various events, however this is not all they do for us. They also support our Club by way of a financial contribution, which allows us to continue our work for all members. In addition to this, Royal Canin offers all of our members' access to discounted German Shepherd specific nutrition. In short, our members save \$50 per bag off the RRP for GSD Puppy and \$30 off each bag for GSD Adult food – that is a brilliant benefit of membership in anyone's book. In addition, each branch gets a direct financial benefit from each bag sold.

I would like to pay tribute to the various Club and Branch committees as well as all of our qualified instructors, both show and obedience who really are the lifeblood of the GSDCV. With our large membership and 11 Branches spread across the state, the mechanics behind weekly training and the various extra activities is only possible through the dedication of these groups of people.

I am enormously fortunate, and endlessly thankful to have had the support and assistance of an extremely capable Club Executive (7ea), and an equally hard-working Management team (11ea) in 2019. Each member of the GSDCV Management Committee brings a unique perspective and argument to all discussions, with the subsequent decisions made based on the wider perspective. I offer my sincere thanks to each member of the GSDCV Management Committee, as well as the various Breed, Obedience, Show and Branch committees.

- Vice President Frank Moody. Frank has been an indescribable support over the last two years as Vice
  President. His assistance and advice has been invaluable. Of particular note, Franks attention to detail in projects
  such as the Constitution Subcommittee (along with Jacinta Poole and Vince Ebejer) was greatly appreciated –
  Frank will not be returning to the GSDCV executive in 2020. I would like to thank him for effort over the last
  year.
- 2nd Vice President John Schulz. John has often been a source of advice and perspective in 2020 in his role on executive. John was always willing to lend assistance in tasks whenever called upon. John too will not be returning to the club executive in 2020 Thanks John
- Club Secretary Vince Ebejer. Arguably the most complex and time consuming role within the GSDCV, Vince has
  done a commendable job in this demanding role. Even with the increasing load of his paid employment, Vince
  has not only managed to keep on top of all tasks and issues ranging from our Branches though to National
  Council matters, he has often lead the way forging forward keeping everything and everyone (me) on track. I'm
  happy to say that Vince will take up the role of President of the GSDCV once again in 2020 and I look forward to
  assisting him from the position of Vice President.
- Club Treasurer Fiona Henderson. What can I say, Fiona and her finance committee of Dom Cafari, Jacinta Poole and Pam Anderton have done an extraordinary job to keep track of all monies, In-Out & Stock across the whole club. Branch and Club finances are incredibly complex, yet they're always on time and correct. Fiona and her team have my full support and confidence and I'm happy to say they will be back in 2020.
- Breed Affairs Administrator Ian Urie. The GSDCV is primarily a Breed Club with the Breed Affairs portfolio being the key to keeping our club on track with doing things correctly on a local and a national level. Ian is always a tireless worker in his roles and is especially so around our shows and events. Ian has chosen retirement in favour to returning to this position in 2020 and I thank him for his past efforts.
- Obedience Training Committee Les Rudling. This incredibly demanding and varied role which is arguably responsible for the largest numbers in the club. More than 95% of the clubs training numbers in terms of hours logged and people/dogs trained fall under this category. Les and his band of branch Chief Instructors stay abreast of all the issues related to this aspect of club life. I am pleased, and somewhat relieved that Les will be staying on in this role in 2020.
- Branch Managers All 11 branches. I am extremely grateful for the effort our Branch Managers put in to keep our 11 branches running every week. They are at the coalface of our member interactions each and every week. Keeping their branches open and running smoothly, for the most part is due to their dedication and the teams they have built around themselves. I look forward to working with you all again in 2020.
- Incoming members of the Club Executive in 2020 I'm pleased to advise (as was printed in the January 2020 Shepherd News) that Dearne Jackson will be taking up the role of Club Secretary and Nicky McDermott the



position of Breed Affairs administrator. I am sure that you will each find these roles both challenging and rewarding and I look forward to working with you, and the rest of the Club Executive and Management Committee in the coming year.

The GSDCV would like to recognise and thank Mrs. Val Moody, who recently stepped down from official duties after 19 years in the demanding role of National Council Secretary. This has been an extraordinary effort on Val's part and we wish her all the very best for the future. Similarly, we wish to offer our thanks and best wishes to Mr. Vince Tantaro who also be stepped down from the position of National Council President at the end of his term. As Victorian members, the GSDCV is especially proud of both Val and Vince.

It's with sadness that the GSDCV said goodbye to a number of dear friends in 2019. While I certainly don't want to try to list them all, I feel that it would be remiss of me to not to make mention of the loss of Mr. Andrew Jones. Andrew was a respected GSD Specialist Judge, Trainee Surveyor, successful breeder and exhibitor, and great friend to all. All who knew him will sorely miss Andrew.

In closing, as most will already know, I have decided not to nominate for the position of GSDCV President for 2020. With the sudden and rather unexpected purchase of a new home during the year, I find that I am unable to commit the time to serve full justice to this position. I have however nominated for the position of Vice President of the GSDCV in order to continue my service to our club, its members, instructors and the incoming club president. My intention is to be a rather hands on Vice President. My plan is to take on certain aspects of the Presidents duties. I would like to once again thank all the members of the GSDCV Management Committee, and in particular the Club Executive for their skills, expertise and guidance.

We should always remember that all members of all committees and all instructors are volunteers. We do this work for the love of our breed, and for our friends who make up the membership.

**GSD National Show and Trial Summary**: The GSDCV National Show and Trial Committee (NSTC) started planning for this event during the early parts of 2018. In fact, preparations started around the same time as most exhibitors were preparing their dogs for the 2018 National Show and Trial in Adelaide. With tasks assigned and much work being done behind the scenes, the GSD fraternity started to receive information and updates online via web, social media, direct mail as well is in print via the Quarterly National Review in the months and week prior to event.

Entries were exclusively online as too were the Corporate Marquee sales, which sold out within 4 hours of the published start time. While there was some criticism levelled at the time regarding the timing and number of tents available for sale, the NSTC provided sufficient notice for the sale date and were determined that members had ample ring side space to erect their own shelter should the not wish to purchase a marque.

The NSTC worked closely with Dog Victoria (DV) for well over a year to ensure that the grounds were in as good condition as possible which included DV arranging to top dress and reseed / rebuild the ground surface.

Thankfully, the weekend finally arrived and the weather could not have been more kind.

At the close of entries, there were some 471 Conformation entries with approximately 26% of these being LSC, and 99 Performance (55 Obedience & 44 Rally) entries. It was especially pleasing to see that 20 animals entered into both arenas vying for the Dual Purpose award.

It was a pleasure to have the GSDCA Patron Mrs. Dawn Fraser AO MBE along with her daughter and grandson in attendance for nearly the entire weekend. Unfortunately, Dawn had another engagement for the later part of Sunday due to an existing commitment to her other love, Olympic Swimming. Also in attendance for the official opening and a few hours preceding was the Dogs Victoria Patron, Mr. Peter Hitchener OAM who along with Dawn proved a huge hit with those in attendance.

We were pleased to have a distinguished judges list for the weekend, which comprised;



• Herr. Richard Brauch (SV) Germany - All SC Bitches

Herr. Harald Hohmann (SV) Germany - All LSC Dogs & Bitches and All SC Dogs

Obedience

Mr. Barry Cotton (Vic)
 Mrs. Dawn Ayton (Vic)
 - UDX & CCD
 Novice





Mrs. Cheryl Bedggood (WA)

Mr. Clive Makepeace (Vic)

- Open - UD

#### Rally Obedience

Mrs. Dawn Ayton (Vic)
 Mrs. Cheryl Bedggood (WA)
 - Novice
 - Master

Ms. Tania Schumann (Vic)
 Excellent A&B, Advanced A&B

Junior Showmanship Judge

Mr. Andrew O'Loughlin (SA)

The Obedience component of the weekend was set up only a short, but adequate distance from the Conformation area. Consideration and effort was made to ensure that the main PA system would not effect these competitors. This placement allowed observers and competitors to move or wander between the two areas to view or compete in both events as needed.

A major consideration in organising and running an event such as this is the capacity for it to be financially responsible. Here sponsorship plays a major role. For this event, we were able to attract a number of contributors, including businesses, GSDCV Branches, sister Clubs and individuals that sponsored trophies, classes and rings. An absolute special mention is required for the sponsorship by our long-term partners Royal Canin who provided considerable product as prizes. In addition to the usual, but substantial donation of sponsor product to winners and place getters (conformation to position 5 and obedience to position 3, Royal Canin provided 500x 3kg GSD formula product as well as branded giveaway products for each and every exhibitor bag. This was an outstanding gesture of generosity.

Royal Canin also provided a sponsor marquee with a two dedicated representatives, including Ben their resident nutritional Veterinarian available to answer questions over the weekend.

We also thank Monash Vet Clinic for their substantial financial contribution to the event.

With the apparent declining interest in planned socials events around shows, the GSDCV sought permission to forego the usual Friday Night Presidents Dinner, which was granted. The weekend kicked off with the traditional Meet & Greet as well as survey on Thursday, which afforded the opportunity for our Judges, officials and exhibitors to assess the grounds prior to the start of the event as well as renew old acquaintances in a relaxed atmosphere. Here too the weather was extremely kind.

The weather was not so kind however overnight on Friday when strong winds demolished a number of tents and corporate marquees, only some of which could be replaced.

The Saturday social night was held at the grounds in the Lyndhurst room and the adjoining function marquee immediately following the close of judging. While attendance numbers were very good, the planned fun talent show had to be cancelled due to nil interest being shown by any member club other than Victoria. It was also unfortunate that many people decided to leave not long after the meals, however those who remained had a great night dancing to the sounds of "Fake News" who played a good variety of music.

The Opening Ceremony and awards presentations were held under sunny Autumn skies on the competition grounds. It was pleasing to have the Australian and German National Anthems sung so beautifully live before the official opening and welcome, speeches and award presentations. I'm happy to say that a large number of exhibitors and spectators watched this portion of the event. A good number of invited guests including Dawn Fraser, Peter Hitchener as well as representatives from Victoria Police Dog Squad, Dogs Victoria as well as GSDCA executive were present for the opening, which was followed by the official luncheon.

It was unfortunate that the recipient of the GSDCA Outstanding Canine Service Award, Police Dog Excellent (PDX) Ike and his handler Leading Senior Constable Heath Drew were unavailable to attend due to operational circumstances; however, a stand in member of the K9 unit as well as a senior staff member were able to attend to receive it on their behalf. PDX Ike was selected as a well deserving example of our Breed at work.

A very large crowd in addition to all the winners and Judges attended presentations on Sunday evening in a reasonably relaxed atmosphere. Those present appreciated the distinctive trophy table and sponsor product as well as a plentiful supper. Given the expected numbers, the presentations were held in the Boxhall Pavilion, which provided ample space however also possessed terrible acoustic properties. The presentations were unfortunately rather unintelligible to many.

The catering over the entire weekend was well received with the Club choosing to invite outside caterers for the majority of items with the Skye and Gippsland branches respectively operating the 'egg & bacon' breakfast and the Bar during the day and evenings.

The merchandise range at this year's National exceeded all expectations in terms of style, range and quality. Tania Schumann put in many hard yards on several reiterations, with advice from the NSTC before the final range was selected. New styles, materials and embroidery certainly lifted the merchandise bar over that which has come before.



One absolute standout was the efficient use of Social Media, the GSDCV Web page, email lists as well as the Team Viewer App to keep everyone informed and updated. Jacinta Poole excelled here not only providing clear and concise information about the event, including links to judge profiles, merchandise sales, sponsor pages etc., but importantly provided speedy updates of results.

Being the single largest annual German Shepherd event on our Australian calendar, the GSDCA National Show and Trial does not just happen, it is the culmination of many, many hours of perseverance and toil. Writes and rewrites of plans were discussed and sometimes debated with the result I feel being the best sum of all contributions. This planning goes hand in hand with the back breaking toil of a number of members to set up and pull down the rings and club tents. Here our show manager and assistant, David Organ and Ian Urie who along with several others worked from before the sun rose to well after it went down prior to and during the event. Our ringmaster extraordinaire show secretary, Cristine Begbie kept every task on track calling for actions and following up with external organisations and suppliers as needed.

The workload is enormous and required the input and dedication of many volunteers, all working together to achieve a truly memorable event. Every task, and every person was vital to the success of this event.

I would like to extend a special thanks to the Executive of National Council for the assistance they provided, and while it is impractical to list every person that assisted, I would like to highlight a few key players that made the 'National' the spectacle it was. Show Manager David Organ, Show Secretary Cristine Begbie, Show Treasurer Fiona Henderson. Trial Manager Dearne Jackson. Stenographers, Barbara Blythe, Amanda McAnuff, Rhonda Snidjers and Margaret Barnes. Stewards Dom Cafari, Gillian Cafari, Jenny Kenworthy, Peter Tjerkstra, John Fenner and Leanne

Irvine. Merchandise Manager, Tania Schumann. Our Skye branch BBQ Crew and the Bar Managers from Gippsland branch, and not forgetting Mr. Microphone Terry Taukus.

Thanks too, to some of the "Jacks and Jills" of all trades Jacinta Poole, Vince Ebejer, Frank Moody, John Schulz, Amanda Barr, Ian Urie and Les Rudling who continually rolled their sleeves up to get the job done.

On behalf of the Management Committee and members of the GSDCV, I would like to thank each and every person who assisted in the running of the 2019 National.



Peter Hitchener and Dawn Fraser with Trinity and Stephanie Jones and Porsche who won her class. 192294

#### **VICE PRESIDENT - Mr Frank Moody**

It has been an honour to have again served the GSDCV as Vice President for 2019.

During 2019 there has been, as usual, a lot happening within the GSDCV with the running of Shows and Trials, Breed Surveys, Seminars, and numerous meetings at all levels of the Club.

The highlight of the year was in April when we hosted the 47<sup>th</sup> GSDCA National GSD Show and Trial, on behalf of the GSDCA. Whilst the entry was slightly down on previous Victorian Nationals is was still a resounding success. A huge thankyou to all who contributed to the running of this successful event, but I would like to make special mention of David Organ (Show Manager) and Dearne Jackson (Trial Manager) who oversaw their respective areas. Such a large event cannot be successful without the assistance of a lot of people behind the scenes – I am sure David and Dearne will thank these people within their reports.

This is an event that comes around every 4 years and requires a lot of planning and hands on help – if you are able to assist in any way please come forward as our next National is only 3 years away, and planning will begin soon. Just prior to the National the GSDCV hosted a ZAP presentation (on behalf of the GSDCA) which was presented by Herr Harald Hohmann (SV judge) and attended by representatives from all GSDCA Member Clubs. Thank you to all who assisted in running this event.

The GSDCV is a huge organisation with over 2,400 members which is managed by the Management Committee, 11 branches and committees, Breed Affairs committee and Obedience Training committee – all volunteers.



Each of these groups play a key role in the smooth running of the Club and providing the services and facilities that you enjoy today. To maintain all this, we need more people to come forward and help in any way – we can't keep relying on the same few to do all the work. Please consider what you could do to contribute to this great Club.

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 2020.

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.

I will not be re-nominating for Vice President in 2020, and wish each of the incoming committee members all the best for the coming year.

# 2nd VICE PRESIDENT - Mr John Schulz

I have pleasure in submitting this, my first report as 2nd Vice President. 2019 lived up to the expectation that it would be a big year for our Club.

Along with the usual Championship Shows, Breed Surveys, Breed Assessments, Educational Seminars, Obedience and Rally-O Trials, Endurance Test and Tracking and Track and Search Trials throughout the year, Victoria hosted the 47th National German Shepherd Dog Show and Trial in May. I congratulate all entrants on their hard work in preparation for these events and especially those who gained passes, titles and Championships along the way. Congratulations and thank you to all those involved in the administration of, and preparation for, all our events throughout the year. One only has to look behind the scenes to realise what a complex task each is. Without these dedicated groups of Volunteers: our Executive, Committee of Management, Breed Surveyors, Judges, Stewards, Show and Trial Managers, Secretaries and Committees, Ring assemblers and Track layers and their leaders, our Club would be in a parlous state.

Then we have our Branch Managers, Branch Committees and Instructors who, as the face of our Club, work tirelessly, week in week out. Without you, we would not be able to provide the service to our members that we do so well. In saying that I am acutely aware that many of our members see "the Club" as where they train their dog on Saturday or Sunday. Many have no appreciation of, or perhaps no interest in what more the Club can offer them or what they can offer the Club. This brings me to my next point.

I note a comment made by Louisa Rodger in her 2nd VP report in 2014. "As I look around it is very obvious that we need to encourage our younger members to become part of the development and running of this large organisation". Five years on, I believe that this is still very much the case and I encourage our longer established members to consider ways that you can inspire our younger members to become more involved within their Branches and in wider- reaching roles for they are the future of our club.

2019 was also a year tinged with sadness with the passing of a number of long-standing members and friends. I'm sure that as we go about our daily lives, each of us will be reminded of them in some way and the affect they had on us.

In conclusion, thank you for the support that I have received during the year and I look forward to 2020, once again, being the Year of the Shepherd.

# **SECRETARY – Mr Vince Ebejer**

I am pleased to submit my report as Honorary Secretary of the GSDCV for the 2019 year. The challenge of being a Club secretary in an organisation the size of ours while working full time was big enough the first year, yet with a change of circumstance, as happens in life, became even greater this past year. Yet, as always with the help of friends that have come about through our great Club I managed, and for them I am truly grateful. There were a number of additional events during 2019 that added somewhat to the workload, the 2019 National Show and Trial, changes to our constitution that entailed legislative requirements, and numerous other items that blend in to the normal the flow of emails, 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 or 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 gueries 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, and 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.

This is my final report as Secretary of the GSDCV, I have enjoyed my service to our organisation in the varied roles I have held and find that it is time to move on. I will support my successor in this role, offering whatever assistance I can to them and the Management Committee.

#### TREASURER – Mrs Fiona Henderson

Once again it is my pleasure to submit my report as Honorary Treasurer of the Club for 2019.

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 Lin Ebejer our Membership Officer for her timely reporting of all Membership items.

Dearne 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 2019 in the following pages.

# **Financials & Auditors Report**





#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc

#### **Qualified Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc ("the Entity"), which comprises the consolidated club balance sheet as at 31 December 2019, the consolidated club income & expenditure statement, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and statement by members of the management committee.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matters described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraphs, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc as at 31 December 2018, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

#### **Basis for Qualified Opinion**

#### Revenue

It is impracticable to establish controls over all monies received prior to entry into the financial records. Accordingly, as the evidence available to audit regarding revenue was limited, our audit procedures were restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records and we are therefore unable to express an opinion on whether the recorded revenue is free of material misstatement.

#### Stock takes of inventory not undertaken

As it is not practical for audit to observe the physical stock takes of inventories and equipment held by the entity, and we were unable to undertake alternative verification procedures, we are unable to determine the existence of these assets and their aggregate value.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities* for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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#### **Basis of Accounting**

Without further modifying our opinion, we draw attention to cash the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting responsibilities. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

#### Responsibilities of Management and the Committee for the Financial Report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

The Committee is responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

Rochelle Wrigglesworth Director

GippsAudit Pty Ltd

Date: 4 March 2019

Place: Sale



#### **BREED AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR - Mr Ian Urie**

### **Breed Affairs Administrator's Report 2019**

I wish to thank all members of the Breed Affairs committee, especially my Assistant Nicky McDermott, our Secretary Melissa Siktars, Show Manager David Organ, Show Training Administrator Vince Ebejer, 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. Shirley Taylor took on the position of Puppy Listings Officer, and Ian has been acting Rehoming Officer (following the resignation of long-time incumbent Judy Eppinger). Gillian Cafari holds two positions, as Hip and Elbow Registrar and Breed Survey Registrar. I wish to thank Mel Siktars, David Organ and Vince Ebejer, who are retiring from the committee this year, and I will also be stepping down from my role as BA Administrator. Thank you to all for your generous voluntary work and assistance to our Club members. Thanks also to my Assistant Nicky, for standing in for me during July when I was incapacitated in hospital.

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, including the mammoth task of running the 47th National Show and Trial, with an expanded committee. Our 102nd GSDCV Championship show was held in conjunction with the Working Dog Club show in November, where Senor Roberto Caputi from Ecuador and yours truly (Ian Urie) officiated. We acknowledge support again in 2019 from our major sponsors Royal Canin and Monash Vet Clinic. The National Show and Trial Committee was very busy meeting regularly and planning for the 47th National, and a separate National report follows.

Victorian exhibitors had much success at the National, including in Junior Handler classes 2nd place 7-9 years, 1st and 3rd 10-12 years and 1st and 4th place 13-17 years. Sensen Mann Yokon was the Dual Performance winner, Gold Medal SC Bitch was Charlotte von Tronje, Gold Medal LSC Dog Ch. Bodecka Cassanova, Silver medal LSC Dog Ch. Jayshell Glasgow, as well as Silver Medal in Obedience Bodecka Interogator and Bronze medal Vindel Dancing with Mr D, and several conformation class winners – Baby Puppy Dog SC, Puppy Dog SC, Junior Dog SC and Reserve Challenge, Baby Bitch LSC, Puppy Bitch SC, Intermediate Bitch LSC, Junior Dog LSC and Challenge, the CCD and Novice Obedience class winners and a clean sweep of all the Rally classes.

Prior to the National the GSDCA held a ZAP Assessor's training seminar conducted by Herr Harald Hohmann SV, and representing GSDCV were Alastair Henderson (Character and Working Test Officer), Ian Urie (Breed Affairs Administrator), and Les Rudling (Obedience Training Administrator). We also held a Breed Education Seminar in October, with assistance from Specialist Show Branch and the GSDCA Education Committee. Topics of discussion were Playing with Puppies as a training and character development aid, the ZAP Character Assessment, and Tips for Handlers Presenting Dogs in shows, with a photo workshop.

The VCA Judges Training Scheme was supported again this year by GSDs attending training workshops led by Vince Tantaro 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 had three aspiring Show Instructors attending the training course, with Marg Raftopoulos becoming a newly qualified Show Instructor.

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 offered seven Breed Surveys (one at the National) and conducted two Structural Assessments during the 2019 year.

I represented the GSDCV as our Club delegate at the annual GSDCA National Breed Commission and Judges Committee meetings held in Sydney in July. In closing, I would like to encourage more breeders, general members and Branch representatives to attend our Breed Affairs meetings. Whilst voting is only available to Branch Liaison Officers, elected position holders and Breed Surveyors, all members are welcome to come along and join in the discussions. The GSDCV is a breed-based Club, and breed issues are as important as training of dogs. I wish the incoming Administrator all the best with chairing the Committee in the coming year.

Ian Urie



# **Breed Affairs Committee 2019**

Breed Affairs Administrator Ian Urie

Assistant BA Administrator
Show Training Administrator
Show Manager

Nicky McDermott
Vince Ebejer
David Organ

Breed Surveyors Alastair Henderson, Greg Green, Jenny Yuen, Vince Tantaro, Ian Urie

State Breed Survey Coordinator
Breed Survey Registrar
Breed Affairs Secretary
Show Secretary
HD / ED Registrar
Puppy Listings Officer
Rehoming Officer
Alastair Henderson
Gillian Cafari
Melissa Siktars
Cristine Begbie
Gillian Cafari
Shirley Taylor
Ian Urie

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 – David Organ, Gippsland – vacant, Wodonga – vacant

# **Show Manager's Report**

It is with pleasure and sadness that I present this (my last report as Show Manager), on the past year as Show Manager for the GSDCV.

I have been the Show Manager since March 2016 and have enjoyed every minute that I have done this role. Due to work commitments, I must stand aside as I am unable to give 100% to this role. 2019 has seen one of the most dedicated committees within the GSDCV, they freely give their time to ensure that all of our shows run smoothly and are well executed. There is a lot of behind the scenes work that this team do, that is not seen by the exhibitors which is a shame. There is also a band of workers who help setup and pull down the rings, tents and other equipment as required who also deserve a huge Thank you.

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.

Our Show calendar was very busy during 2019, especially with the several All Breeds shows with specialist judges.

Ballarat Show – Cancelled (Heat Policy)

47th National – Herr Richard Brauch and Herr Harald Hohmann

The State Breed Exhibition – Mr Greg Green and Mrs Jenny Yuen

Lillydale Kennel Club – Mr Louis Donald

GSDCV Exhibition – Mrs Sharon Ballantyne-Gordon

Working Dog Club - Mr Ian Urie and Sig Roberto Caputi

GSDCV 102nd Championship Show - Mr Ian Urie and Sig Roberto Caputi

GSDCV Open Show - Mrs Katherine Wishart

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 was well received in 2018 and continues in 2019 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. Thanks to everyone who showed, trialled and helped the Committee during 2019 to make it a very successful show season.

David Organ, GSDCV Show Manager



# 2019 National Show and Trial Report

In 2018 we saw the formation of the National Show and Trial Committee to oversee the running of the 47th GSDCA National German Shepherd Dog Show and Trial, hosted by the GSDCV at The State Dog Centre, KCC Park, Skye. This was held over the weekend of 5th, 6th and 7th April 2019 (last weekend of daylight savings). The Show Committee rose to the occasion and went above and beyond, to put on and celebrate the 47th GSDCA National. My sincere thanks to my team who worked hard to ensure that this National went off without a hitch. Again, this was a very dedicated committee who all worked efficiently in their allotted areas and succeeded in doing an excellent job. GSDCV was looking forward to continuing the tradition of hosting what we believe to be the best "Nationals" in the land, and we were very proud of the result. Financially, we made a loss of several thousand dollars, but believe the event was enjoyed by all who attended and/or competed. We were blessed with mild, sunny days over the entire event, making it much more enjoyable for all.

The event attracted a total entry of 570 exhibits, 471 Conformation and 99 Obedience/Rally. Both of our Conformation Judges, Herr Richard Brauch (SC females) and Herr Harold Hohmann (SC males and all LSC) were well received and both did an excellent job of judging. Mr Andrew O'Loughlin (SA) judged the Junior Showmanship classes.

The Obedience and Rally Trials were held on the Friday (Rally) and Saturday (Obedience) with the Obedience class winner runoff being held on Sunday. The National Trial attracted 55 Obedience entries and 44 Rally, with qualifying score winners in every class. The high quality of the Obedience Class winner runoff for Gold, Silver and Bronze on the Sunday was a pleasure to watch. In addition, there were a number of exhibits which competed in all disciplines available at the National event. Trial judges who officiated were: Barry Cotton CCD, Dawn Ayton Novice and Rally Novice, Cheryl Bedggood Open and Rally Master, Tania Schumann Rally Advanced A&B and Excellent A&B, Clive Makepeace Utility Dog and Utility Dog Excellent.

The National web site went live in November 2018 along with Facebook, both of which were a great success. They were both full of information relating to the National. Jacinta did a fantastic job of this and should be very proud of this achievement. Thank you.

Merchandise for the National, with an excellent selection available went on sale online, with items to be picked up at the event. Tania Schumann and Jacinta Poole both worked overtime for this and a job well done. Thank you. Due to a small but very strong storm cell that went through on the early hours of Saturday morning, a number of the Corporate Tents were damaged, but quick work of the committee had this sorted out and replaced with some new tents. 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 played a big part as the major sponsor for the National with a very generous offer and I would like to thank Tony Mercieca and Vince Ebejer for securing this deal. The vest bags were well received by the Exhibitors, and included give-aways and a 3kg bag of Royal Canin Dog Food for all Exhibitors. Our thanks to those sponsors who contributed with product to be included.

In closing, on behalf of the 2019 National Show and Trial Committee, we would like to thank everyone who entered their dogs in the National. And a huge thank you to each and everyone of you who helped the NSTC to present a memorable National Show and Trial.

David Organ (Show Manager), Dearne Jackson (Trial Manager), Cristine Begbie (Show Secretary).



# **Show Training Administrator's Report**

I am pleased to present my second report and final report as Show Training Administrator for the GSDCV. During 2019, we had 1 new applicant to the Show Instructors Trainee program: David Organ. Steve Mase has deferred for 1 year and will complete the program in 2020. I am pleased to say that Margaret Raftopoulos completed the program and underwent her final tests late 2019, becoming a qualified Show Instructor.

This year again saw a partial combining of the Show Training program and Obedience Training program, with the Show Instructor Trainees 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 2020.

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.

I have enjoyed my time as Show Training Administrator for the GSDCV, and I thank all those that have provided support during this time. Due to other commitments I will not be taking on the role in 2020. I wish my successor all the best.

Vince Ebejer

## **State Breed Survey Coordinator's Report**

This year saw 38 animals presented for survey.

Show branch hosted five surveys and Western branch hosted one. I must thank those branches for looking after the members who arrive to watch and participate, and also catering for surveyors' lunches.

It is a concern to see breeders presenting animals for survey that fail or are excused, and then still breeding with them anyway. When an animal is not classified that means the animal has faults and not suitable for breeding. Unfortunately, it seems that they know better and money to these breeders is more important than improving the breed.

It was sad for us to lose a fellow judge and aspiring Breed Surveyor Andrew Jones who fought a long battle with cancer and on behalf of the Survey panel I would like to pass on our condolences to his family.

A big thank you to our State Registrar Gill Cafari who does all the hard work before and during the Survey, checking paperwork and giving members information about Survey.

Finally I must thank my fellow surveyors Jenny Yuen, Greg Green, Ian Urie and Vince Tantaro for making themselves available to survey for everyone.

Wishing everyone a healthy, successful 2020.

Alastair Henderson

#### **Breed Survey Registrar's Report**

It is with much sadness I note the passing of Mr Andrew Jones in September this year following a long illness. Andrew was a respected Specialist GSD Judge and Aspiring Breed Surveyor. Together with his wife and partner, Rachel and their children, they were prolific GSD breeders and exhibitors with their dogs under the 'Zandrac' prefix, having imported many animals to enhance and further their bloodlines, always competitive in the show ring and achieving many successes. I will miss Andrew's eye for detail and the professionalism he applied to everything he did. My condolences to Rachel and their family.

I would like to congratulate Alastair Henderson, our State Breed Survey Coordinator, together with all the Victorian Surveyors on another successful Survey year. Our Survey Panel give their time freely in the interest of further improving the GSD through the GSDCA Breed Survey Scheme. Congratulations also to the breeders and owners of animals that gained Breed Survey Classification during the year. The total number presented to Survey was one less than last year. The provision of photos to complete the Survey remains an ongoing issue, I thank those owners who do so when asked.

During the year the prerequisite of having a 'good' grading prior to presenting for Breed Survey was discontinued.



Following is a table showing the results by classification of animals presented at Victorian surveys for the year ended December 2019.

|               | CLASSIFIED | BREED SURVEY     | FAIL | TOTAL |
|---------------|------------|------------------|------|-------|
|               | IMPORT     | CLASSIFIED (BSC) |      |       |
| DOGS (SC)     | -          | 4                | -    | 4     |
| DOGS (LSC)    | -          | 8                | -    | 8     |
| BITCHES (SC)  | 1          | 17               | 2    | 20    |
| BITCHES (LSC) | -          | 6                | -    | 6     |
| TOTAL         | 1          | 35               | 2    | 38    |

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

Mr Ian Urie -11, Mrs Jenny Yuen -9, Mr Alastair Henderson -8,

Mr Vince Tantaro -8, Mr Greg Green -2.

I would like to thank Alastair, Greg, Ian, Jenny and Vince for their continued support throughout the year.

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 2020.

#### Gillian Cafari

#### Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Registrar's Report

In 2019 there were 83 Hip and Elbow Dysplasia (HD/ED) Control Scheme application forms issued compared to the previous year (75 forms in 2018). Of these 81 were for Hip and Elbow assessment, 1 was for Hips only and 1 was for Hips and Elbows due to poorly positioned (tilted) x-rays previously submitted. It is good to see an increase in the number of forms issued during the year.

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. Doug has been asked on several occasions to reissue A and Z stamps Certificates (due to an original being lost in the post) and has done so promptly each time. This is very much appreciated by our members.

There is no doubt that the strong support breeders and owners have demonstrated for the GSDCA HD/ED scheme in the past is now reflected in the excellent hip/elbow results todays members are now 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 2020. Even if you don't intend to show or breed your GSD, by x-raying and submitting through the GSDCA HD/ED Scheme you are providing valuable information to improve the soundness and health of the breed we all love.

#### Gillian Cafari



# **Puppy Listing Officer Report**

**Shirley Taylor** took on the role of Puppy Listings Officer this year. Whilst she regularly receives calls from people enquiring about buying a puppy from a Club recommended breeder, unfortunately the reality is that we quite often don't have any litters on our books that we can direct prospective buyers to. We would like to urge all breeders in Victoria with litters from Surveyed parents to consider using this free service (in addition to advertising on internet sites) and assist the GSDCV in promoting German Shepherds from litters which comply with the GSDCA Health and Breed Survey schemes.

#### **Rehoming Officer Report**

I receive calls on a fairly regular basis from people wishing to "adopt" a German Shepherd. Most have seen on our Club website that we offer a rehoming service, and I explain that when we have a dog who needs a new home we can put them in touch with the existing owner of the dog and hopefully they come to a mutually satisfactory arrangement. The dogs are not offered for sale, and neither do we handle dogs that have not been de-sexed. When we do get a call about a dog that needs rehoming for whatever reason, I have generally been able to arrange placement of the dog within a week or two, and several dogs have been advertised on the GSDCV website. (During the year I obtained on behalf of the GSDCV a Pet Exchange Register number to allow us to advertise dogs free to a good home.)

On occasions I have had a list of people waiting for a dog, and have not found advertising to be necessary. We have successfully rehomed about 8 GSDs this year, and I had to refuse a couple of others which did not qualify for our criteria (not de-sexed). Unfortunately it is sometimes the case that people wish to rehome their dog because they have a problem with it, either they didn't think properly through the process when they decided to buy a GSD, or it has developed behavioural problems (e.g. barking or aggression). I always tell these people that they must be completely honest with prospective new owners about the reason they cannot keep the dog, and thankfully in those cases we have found suitable homes with others who understand the problem and are willing to work with it.

Ian Urie



# **OBEDIENCE TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – Mr Les Rudling**

It is with pleasure that I present this report to the 2020 GSDCV AGM from the Obedience Training Committee. 2019 was a very busy and eventful year for our committee; we ran seven trials over the year, beginning with the SBE trial in March, the National in April, The Queen's birthday weekend tracking trial at Haddon in June. Our Endurance test in June at Churchill in Gippsland: A soaking wet Open trial in July. The Track & Search in September: and finally the RTGrp5 Trial in early November. While entry numbers were down on previous years, and it has been a challenging year recruiting assistance to run these trials, we did have an excellent team of Judges and Stewards at our many trials that have been supportive and helpful which helps to make a friendly and pleasant atmosphere for our competitors. While our committee has managed these trials throughout the year, it is important to know that we are still in the search for a Trial Manager to coordinate these events. There is a lot of assistance available to help any candidate.

Congratulations to those members that were successful enough to achieve a pass or title in their chosen discipline. The National was the big event for the club during the year and with the help of a very dedicated and enthusiastic team we were able to deliver a very successful and professional National Obedience and Rally Trial, concluding with the Winner of Winners where we were presented with an amazing display of obedience & team work. We had many praising comments from Judges and Competitors regarding presentation and conducting of the trials. Prior to the National, on the 30th of March I joined Council delegates from around Australia to attend a Zap Puppy Seminar and Practical workshop held at the Western clubrooms and hosted by Herr. Harald Hohmann. It was an

Seminar and Practical workshop held at the Western clubrooms and hosted by Herr. Harald Hohmann. It was an opportunity for us to study the practicalities and understanding of the Harmonisation scheme. It was a very informative workshop on the requirements and process for conducting ZAP assessments.

We had eight new trainee instructors enter their first year of our trainee instructor education course. All trainees were very engaging, and with their level of interest and desire to learn, will prove to be an asset to the club in the future.

The 2018 intake Trainees have all been tested and passed their final practical exam. I would like to welcome; Sarah Economou from Eastern Branch

Rhonda Snigders from Eastern Branch

Justin Morton from Eastern Branch

Marggie Raftopoulos from Geelong Branch

Tony Lerias from Western Branch.

Our Education Co-Ordinator has put together a very good team of lecturers to ensure we provide a very well structured and high quality program. Thank you to everyone that has been a part of our course.

I attended the annual Skye Branch seminar in October. This year the workshop was presented by Elkie Effler, it was a professional, informative and passionate presentation on the many tasks involved in Search and Rescue and demonstrated a variety of exercises that could be used in training to offer more variety and fun to our members and their dogs.

In October our committee organised a workshop on Aggression in Dogs presented by Trish Harris from Four Paws, (A Government Accredited Training Organisation). A small group of Instructors was invited from each branch to observe how Trish deals with Aggression in dogs. It was an excellent presentation and very well received, and there will be more to come on this subject during in the year.

I also attended the Breed Education Seminar at KCC Park which was another very informative and interesting workshop on our Breed, and techniques that can be used to make training more fun for the handler and their dog. In July the committee approved the development of an Obedience Challenge Competition with the intention of encouraging members to work towards trialling and to provide the lower classes the opportunity to participate in a variety of exercises and fun games that would suit all classes. The competition is a voluntary concept where a branch would request an Obedience Challenge. To assist with understanding how this works, the following is a brief description of the process.

- 1. Branch applies to OTC for the opportunity to host an Obedience Challenge day.
- 2. Date set by mutual agreement between OTC and branch.
- 3. Judges allocated, will usually be the OTC Exec. If a high number of entries other Instructors will be asked to assist. Preferably the judges will not be from the host branch.
- 4. Members from other branches can attend if they would like to.
- 5. Classes will be
  - a. Beginner (class 1 and 2)
  - b. Intermediate (class 3 and 4)
  - c. Advanced (trial/ready to trial and people who like a challenge.)
  - d. Novice Rally course can be included if there is enough interest.
- Ribbons/Sashes will be provided for the winners of each class and Challenge Champion.\*



7. Winner of Winners run off is optional. If a branch decides to run a Winner of Winners they will provide the trophy/prize. Highest place of each class compete again. Highest score wins (calculated on percentage) \*Challenge Champion is the dog with the highest score based on percentage across all classes. Bendigo Branch volunteered to be the first Branch to conduct the Challenge, they prepared very well for the challenge, heavily promoting the day with their members which was a huge success with a very big turnout of members on the day.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge our team of Instructors for their dedication, commitment and professionalism; they turn up week after week giving freely of their knowledge and advice. Thank you for this important role you provide our members. And not to forget all those terrific people that have assisted us behind the scenes with catering, running trials, set ups, packing up and helping with administration on trial days, we could not do this work without your help.

I would like to thank the OTC Committee for their support and assistance over the year, it has been a very committed and engaging team and has been able to deliver many good outcomes, it has been a pleasure to work so constructively with everyone on the committee. I also would like to thank the management committee for their support through the year.

#### **Performance Trials held in 2019**

2019 saw Victoria hosting the GSDCA National Show and Trial, this event while held in April, replaced the March Championship Show and Trial. The State Breed Exhibition Restricted to Breed Trial was shifted from May to the March weekend.

Many thanks to the members who have assisted at the Obedience and Rally Trials this year. Once again in 2019 there has been no Trial Manager and OTC has covered the trials by seeking individuals to manage each trial's requirements. This creates difficulty and uncertainty as to whether events can "go ahead" when planning activities, as trial preparations are started at least six – nine months out from the event to ensure the event is managed according to Australian National Kennel Control and local Dogs Victoria requirements. Further, the lack of assistance for set up and management on the day(s) of the events makes it even harder for these events to happen. Given the number of members involved in obedience training it is disappointing to see that this does not convert across to entries in the GSDCV run obedience and rally trials. While it's acknowledged that all members are leading busy lives and have multiple opportunities to participate in different activities with their dog(s), OTC has started questioning the relevance to run certain events where there is little support in both entries and manpower from the GSDCV members.

In 2019 the October double open trial was not conducted, and the lack of interest/queries from the membership as to why the October trial did not occur in 2019 suggests that the membership would not have supported the trial even if it had been held. The overall number of entries has also reduced with the Restricted To Breed/Group 5 Obedience trials showing lower entries in the past year. In addition, while a number of older dogs retired from competition reducing entries in the senior classes, lower class dogs were transitioning through to the senior classes.

|                     |     |       | 20      | 16      |         |       | Inc | rease  |     |       | 20       | 17     |          |       | Inc  | rease |     |       | 2       | 018     |        |       | Inc | rease  |     |       | 20      | )19    |         |       | Incr | ease |
|---------------------|-----|-------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-----|--------|-----|-------|----------|--------|----------|-------|------|-------|-----|-------|---------|---------|--------|-------|-----|--------|-----|-------|---------|--------|---------|-------|------|------|
| Obedience trials    | Ob  | edien | ce Tria | al Enti | ry by o | lass  | ove | r 2015 | C   | bedie | nce Tria | l Entr | y by cla | ass   | over | 2016  | (   | Obedi | ence Tr | ial Ent | try by | class | ove | r 2017 | 0   | bedie | nce Tri | al Ent | ry by c | lass  | over | 2018 |
| 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)   | 2   | 8     | 8       | 7       | 0       | 25    | -43 | -63%   | 7   | 4     | 4        | 2      | 0        | 17    | -8   | -32%  | 14  | 4     | 6       | 6       |        | 30    | 13  | 76%    | 29  | 11    | 11      | 3      | 1       | 55    | -13  | -43% |
| State Breed (RTB)   | 6   | 2     | 7       | 1       | 0       | 16    | -16 | -50%   | 9   | 1     | 4        | 1      | 0        | 15    | -1   | -6%   | 17  | 5     | 8       | 4       |        | 34    | 19  | 127%   | 5   | 8     | 4       | 0      | 1       | 18    | -16  | -47% |
| July Open Obed      |     |       |         |         |         |       |     |        |     |       |          |        |          |       |      |       | 20  | 12    | 23      | 22      | 3      | 80    | 80  |        | 14  | 9     | 16      | 17     | 3       | 59    | -21  | -26% |
| Oct Open Double (1) | 7   | 12    | 21      | 15      | 1       | 56    | 11  | 24%    | 7   | 5     | 7        | 7      | 2        | 28    | -28  | -50%  | 15  | 18    | 14      | 15      | 1      | 63    | 35  | 125%   |     |       |         |        |         | 0     | 0    | 0%   |
| Oct Open Double (2) | 4   | 12    | 7       | 7       | 0       | 30    | -6  | -17%   | 5   | 3     | 6        | 6      | 2        | 22    | -8   | -27%  | 16  | 12    | 14      | 16      | 2      | 60    | 38  | 173%   |     |       |         |        |         | 0     | 0    | 0%   |
| Nov Champ (RTG5)    | 1   | 2     | 5       | 7       | 0       | 15    | 5   | 50%    | 4   | 6     | 6        | 8      | 2        | 26    | 11   | 73%   | 15  | 5     | 12      | 8       | 2      | 42    | 16  | 62%    | 5   | 7     | 8       | 3      | 3       | 26    | -16  | -38% |
| Total for Year      | 20  | 36    | 48      | 37      | 1       | 142   | -49 | -26%   | 32  | 19    | 27       | 24     | 6        | 108   | -34  | -24%  | 97  | 56    | 77      | 71      | 8      | 309   | 201 | 186%   | 53  | 35    | 39      | 23     | 8       | 158   | -151 | -49% |

July Open Obed was Rally only event until 2018

March data is National Trial and compared to 2015

#### Rally Trials held across 2019

In 2019 there were also reduced numbers of entries in the Rally obedience Trials. It should be noted that the only RTB trial that had "Victorian only" dogs was the SBE. While the March trial figures reflect the National and the November RTG5 includes non GSD entries, the SBE maintained numbers competing in the Rally classes in the past two years. Which suggests that shifting the Rally competition to afternoon rather than running concurrently with the Obedience in the morning was appreciated by competitors and this reflected in the continued support of the event in 2019.



|                     |    |     |         | 201   | 6     |         |       | Inc | rease  |    |      |        | 2017   | ,    |       |       | Inc | rease          |    |      |        | 201     | 3    |       |       | Incr | ease |    |     |          | 201     | .9    |         |       | Incr | ease |
|---------------------|----|-----|---------|-------|-------|---------|-------|-----|--------|----|------|--------|--------|------|-------|-------|-----|----------------|----|------|--------|---------|------|-------|-------|------|------|----|-----|----------|---------|-------|---------|-------|------|------|
| Rally Trial Entries |    | Ra  | lly Tri | al En | try b | y class |       | ove | r 2015 |    | Rall | y Tria | l Enti | y by | class |       | ove | r <b>20</b> 16 |    | Rall | y Tria | al Enti | y by | class |       | over | 2017 |    | Ra  | ally Tri | ial Ent | ry by | / class |       | over | 2018 |
| Class               | RN | RAA | RAB     | REA   | REB   | RM*     | Total | Act | %      | RN | RAA  | RAB    | REA    | REB  | RM    | Total | Act | %              | RN | RAA  | RAB    | REA     | REB  | RM    | Total | Act  | %    | RN | RAA | RAB      | REA     | REB   | RM      | Total | Act  | %    |
| March Champ(RTB)    | 3  | 1   | 1       | 4     | 0     | 4       | 13    | -13 | -50%   | 13 | 1    | 0      | 2      | 0    | 4     | 20    | 7   | 54%            | 7  | 4    | 1      | 1       | 1    | 4     | 18    | -2   | -29% | 14 | 6   | 6        | 8       | 5     | 5       | 44    | 18   | 69%  |
| State Breed (RTB)   |    |     |         |       |       |         |       |     |        |    |      |        |        |      |       |       |     |                |    |      |        |         |      |       |       |      |      |    |     |          |         |       |         |       |      |      |
| Trial               | 1  | 4   | 2       | 2     | 0     | 3       | 12    | -7  | -37%   | 8  | 1    | 1      | 3      | 1    | 4     | 18    | 6   | 50%            | 10 | 5    | 1      | 2       | 1    | 3     | 22    | 4    | 67%  | 4  | 3   | 4        | 5       | 3     | 4       | 23    | 1    | 5%   |
| July Open Rally     | 4  | 8   | 6       | 6     | 6     | 32      | 62    | -15 | -19%   | 13 | 6    | 5      | 5      | 5    | 18    | 52    | -10 | -16%           | 17 | 13   | 12     | 12      | 13   | 24    | 91    | 39   | 75%  | 4  | 4   | 7        | 4       | 7     | 17      | 43    | -48  | -53% |
| Nov RTG5 Rally      |    |     |         |       |       |         |       |     |        |    |      |        |        |      |       |       |     |                | 8  | 8    | 5      | 6       | 5    | 11    | 43    | 43   | 0%   | 1  | 4   | 3        | 4       | 2     | 15      | 29    | -14  | -33% |
| Total for Year      | 8  | 13  | 9       | 12    | 6     | 39      | 87    | -35 | -29%   | 34 | 8    | 6      | 10     | 6    | 26    | 90    | 3   | 3%             | 42 | 30   | 19     | 21      | 20   | 42    | 131   | 41   | 46%  | 23 | 17  | 20       | 21      | 17    | 41      | 110   | -21  | -16% |

<sup>\*</sup>First year of Master class (RM)

Note November RTG5 Trial did not include Rally until 2018

March data is National Trial compared to 2015

#### **Endurance Test**

The GSDCV Open to all Breeds Endurance Test changed location from Sale to Churchill in 2019 and with a different venue closer to Melbourne and a later starting time, competitors had the opportunity to make the event a one day event not requiring accommodation, thus reducing costs to themselves. The numbers entered doubled on previous year and the scenic location proved popular with the competitors.

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

| Open<br>Endurance Test | 20     | 15    |     | f to<br>rev | 2016   |       | Diff to | prev | 2017     | 201   | 8     |     | ff to<br>rev | 2019      | )     | Diff to | prev |
|------------------------|--------|-------|-----|-------------|--------|-------|---------|------|----------|-------|-------|-----|--------------|-----------|-------|---------|------|
| June                   | Venue  | Total | Act | %           | Venue  | Total | Act     | %    | Venue    | Venue | Total | Act | %            | Venue     | Total | Act     | %    |
|                        | Altona | 12    | -8  | -40%        | Altona | 15    | 3       | 25%  | Not held | Sale  | 7     | -5  | -42%         | Churchill | 17    | 10      | 143% |

2018 compared to 2016

#### **Tracking and Track and Search Dog events**

After a year in abeyance, the GSDCV Open Tracking Trial was again held in 2019 at Haddon, Ballarat. Overall entry numbers remained consistent with previous years and a number of GSDCV members competed at this trial with success. This event runs across three days of competition and two days of pre event preparation at the venue for preparation of the tracks and equipment requirements. Again, the issue of the membership not understanding the commitment needed to the event management needs leaves a few members (and non-members) being left to hold this trial together by performing multiple tasks. While members are often prepared to assist on single days (when they are tracking themselves), this leaves no continuity in the event management across the multiple days of the event.

| ODEN Treeline           |    |    |    |      |       |       |      |    |       |        |        |       |      |       |     |    |      |    |       | Dif | f to |             |    |    |    |      |      |      |      |      |       | Dif | ff to |
|-------------------------|----|----|----|------|-------|-------|------|----|-------|--------|--------|-------|------|-------|-----|----|------|----|-------|-----|------|-------------|----|----|----|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-----|-------|
| OPEN Tracking<br>Trials |    |    | 20 | 16 E | intry | by by | clas | S  |       | Diff t | o prev |       | 20   | 17 En | try | by | clas | S  |       | pr  | ev   |             |    |    | 20 | 19 E | ntry | by ( | Clas | S    |       | рі  | rev   |
| 11 Idis                 | T1 | T2 | T3 | T4   | T5    | T6    | T7   | T8 | Total | Act    | %      | T1 T2 | T3   | T4    | T5  | T6 | T7   | T8 | Total | Act | %    | Not held in | T1 | T2 | Т3 | T4   | T5   | T6   | T7   | T8 - | Total | Act | %     |
| Total for Year          | 6  | 9  | 9  | 8    | 6     | 6     | 11   | 5  | 60    | -17    | -22%   | 6 1   | 9 10 | ) 9   | 7   | 4  | 8    | 7  | 70    | 10  | 17%  | 2018        | 10 | 7  | 9  | 14   | 3    | 7    | 10   | 8    | 68    | -2  | -3%   |

The Open Track and Search Dog event was held in September and again had sufficient entries to run across the full three days. However the mix of entry levels left each judge fully utilised each day with initial test schedules resulting in there being no "track ons" being made available (track on enables a competitor with a successful test completion to attempt the next level test available within that title level (Tests 3,6, 8 and 10 are Title tests). So when considering the number of entries in 2019 compared to the 2018 event should be understood that these are initial entries only, not including "track ons" (which the earlier year data includes).

| Track and Search Dog Trials |    | 2  | 017 E | ntry b | y Cla | ss  | •     | Diff to | prev |    |    | •  | 20 | 18 E | ntry | by C | lass |    |     | •    | Diff t | o prev |    |    | 20: | 19 Er | itry l | by Cla | ass | _  |     |       |     | ff to<br>rev |
|-----------------------------|----|----|-------|--------|-------|-----|-------|---------|------|----|----|----|----|------|------|------|------|----|-----|------|--------|--------|----|----|-----|-------|--------|--------|-----|----|-----|-------|-----|--------------|
| Test Level                  | T5 | Т6 | 17    | T8     | Т9    | T10 | Total | Act     | %    | T1 | T2 | ТЗ | T4 | T5   | Т6   | 77   | Т8   | Т9 | T10 | Tota | Act    | %      | T1 | T2 | Т3  | T4    | Т6     | 77     | T8  | Т9 | T10 | Total | Act | %            |
| Total for Year              | 2  | 8  | 7     | 10     | 5     | 7   | 39    | -8      | -17% | 9  | 9  | 11 | 9  | 9    | 9    | 4    | 10   | 4  | 7   | 81   | 4      | 10%    | 9  | 8  | 8   | 11    | 8      | 2      | 8   | 10 | 8   | 77    | -4  | -5%          |

2018 first year T1 - T4 available

Note no track ons done at this trial in 2019

Note Track ons provided



# **GSDCV POSITION HOLDERS**

#### **Membership Officer – Mrs Lin Ebejer**

I am pleased to present the membership report for the 2019 year. As some may have realised, I have returned to the role of Membership Officer of the GSDCV.

The 2019 year saw the implementation of a totally new Membership database system, one custom built for our needs with many enhancements over the old system and the ability to incorporate additional functionality for the Branch Membership officers. For a period of time the two systems where run in conjunction though there came a time when the old system was retired and we relied fully on the new system, one that continues to grow and evolve, streamlining the workload for myself and the Branch membership officers as well as added benefits for Club members in general.

Our year end numbers saw a total of 2451 members in 1376 units, the Branch breakdown is as follows.

| Branch     | No of<br>members in<br>2019 | No of units in 2019 | No of new<br>members in<br>2019 |
|------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Ballarat   | 80                          | 46                  | 33                              |
| Bendigo    | 95                          | 52                  | 48                              |
| Eastern    | 340                         | 198                 | 117                             |
| Geelong    | 190                         | 96                  | 79                              |
| Gippsland  | 75                          | 42                  | 11                              |
| Malvern    | 299                         | 174                 | 97                              |
| Northern   | 349                         | 176                 | 143                             |
| Skye       | 425                         | 237                 | 216                             |
| Specialist | 71                          | 49                  | 4                               |
| Western    | 461                         | 264                 | 205                             |
| Wodonga    | 52                          | 30                  | 17                              |
| Others     | 14                          | 12                  | 2                               |
| Totals     | 2451                        | 1376                | 972                             |

I wish to thank the Branch Membership officers for their work over the year, getting used to a new system can at times be daunting, with a little bit of help, support from their Branch Manager and working together we managed. I would like to thank Rob Filardo for building us such a wonderful database, one that I'm sure is the envy of our

In closing I would like to offer my personal thanks to Jacinta. From putting together the comprehensive instructions for myself and the Branch Membership officers to dealing with a technical issue, Jacinta is always at the end of the phone or email. I am truly thankful for Jacinta's continued support.

#### **Shepherd News and Enews Editor – Ms Jacinta Poole**

Eight editions of The 'German Shepherd News' roll out each year, containing news, stories, photos, reviews and all the important and required information that the Club has to provide to members. It's a big task!

The Shepherd News is our most important communication tool - it might not be as quick or flashy as facebook or the website, but we know that everyone gets a copy to read and is 





Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the magazine over the past year, with articles, photos, interviews and the like, especially those who have contributed when asked or invited. It provides great variation for the magazine. A core ingredient of the magazine is the branch news and what's happening at each branch, as we are a club spread so far and wide. Thankyou to all the branch publicity officers who make the time and effort to report on your member activities. Everyone enjoys reading what each branch has been up to and its great to see new names and photos in print.

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. Also thank you to Cristine Begbie and Dearne Jackson for provision of show and trial schedules.

Thank you to Secretary Vince Ebejer for proofreading each edition. 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.

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 up 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. Please email me anytime with articles of interest via <a href="mailto:sheped@gsdcv.org.au">sheped@gsdcv.org.au</a>.

Jacinta Poole Editor

#### Website & Electronic Media Co-Ordinator – Ms Jacinta Poole

#### www.gsdcv.org.au

The GSDCV website is the hub of the core information we provide to members and the general public. While facebook is the 'go to' for many for information via their handheld device, the bulk of that stored information is resident on the website and linked for virtual reference. This means the use of the website and social media go hand in hand. This is unlikely to change in the near future as social media consolidates its usefulness. Our challenge is to ensure the general public get to that core information on the website, as its so easy to 'send a message' via facebook and then for us to do the return with information that is already available. It's an everyday challenge in the digital world for all businesses and clubs.

Thank you to the branch website 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.

Our website comes into its own for online transactions. 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 2019, \$87,000 was transacted via our online shop. 53% of this was attributed to membership renewals and 47% for online sales via the web shop, the majority of which was sales for the National Show and Trial. The club absorbs the transaction fees that are incurred for online services. We believe this is a valuable service for our members.

Show and trial results and critiques are also some of the most keenly awaited information we can provide to members following events. 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 OTC for trial results. Thanks to Cristine Begbie for show schedules and OTC for trial schedules. Thank you to Debra Colson for the Show Trophy Point Score updates and results throughout the year.

Our website virtual assistant "Ask Max" is provided by flexAnswer Solutions (part of Sabio group) as a community service, in conjunction with members Grant and Lin Milne. Thank you to Grant and Lin for their ongoing support with this useful software tool. "Ask Max" is an intelligent virtual assistant service generously provided since 2009. "Ask Max" has answered nearly 80,000 questions and averages about 500 per month. The use of "Ask Max" allows us to



expand the Q&As we provide based on the questions users ask, so we hope we are helping teach GSD owners about our dogs and our club. The presence of "Ask Max" on the home page is helping tailor our answers to be more specific and accurate as he continues to learn and accrue knowledge. The answers are generally restricted to covering the GSD and the GSDCV.

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**Demonstration Team Manager – No position holder for 2019** 

**Promotions Officer – No position holder for 2019** 

Publicity officer – No position holder for 2019



# **Training Records for 2019**

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 2019 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.

We can report that the GSDCV had at least 15,642 dog units involved in training over the 2019 year and a total of 2,931 instructor hours were provided to train GSDCV members and their dogs. The corresponding total data for 2014-18 is below. This indicates that our training numbers have reduced over the last 12 months, with obedience dog numbers reducing by 9.5% but instructor hours increased by 1.0%. Show dog training numbers decreased by 12.7%.

Our branches were open for training on average 44 weeks of the 2019 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.

|           |            | Ave  |            |         | Ave  |            | Total   |            |
|-----------|------------|------|------------|---------|------|------------|---------|------------|
|           |            | obed | Obedience  | Total   | show | Show       | dogs    | Total      |
|           | Total obed | dogs | Instructor | show    | dogs | Instructor | trained | Instructor |
|           | dogs       | per  | hours for  | dogs    | per  | hours for  | at      | hours for  |
|           | trained    | week | year       | trained | week | year       | branch  | year       |
| Ballarat  | 580        | 12   | 114        |         |      |            | 580     | 114        |
| Bendigo   | 619        | 14   | 199        |         |      |            | 619     | 199        |
| Eastern   | 2201       | 46   | 439        | 4       |      | 3          | 2205    | 442        |
| Geelong   | 1290       | 31   | 198        |         |      |            | 1290    | 198        |
| Gippsland | 555        | 14   | 154        |         |      |            | 555     | 154        |
| Malvern   | 2796       | 61   | 421        |         |      |            | 2796    | 421        |
| Northern  | 1871       | 43   | 215        | 63      | 1    | 24         | 1934    | 239        |
| Skye      | 2227       | 47   | 451        |         |      |            | 2227    | 451        |
| SSB       |            |      |            | 362     | 10   | 36         | 362     | 36         |
| Western   | 2421       | 50   | 494        | 84      | 2    | 26         | 2505    | 520        |
| Wodonga   | 499        | 10   | 115        | 70      | 1    | 42         | 569     | 115        |
| Totals    | 15059      | 33   | 2800       | 583     | 3    | 131        | 15642   | 2931       |
| Compariso | on data    |      |            |         |      |            |         |            |
| Totals    | 17297      | 38   | 2773       | 668     | 3    | 140        | 17965   | 2913       |
| 2018      | 16536      | 36   | 2820       | 882     | 4    | 149        | 17418   | 2969       |
| 2016      | 16145      | 35   | 2717       | 1094    | 5    | 172        | 17239   | 2889       |
| 2015      | 15256      | 35   | 2574       | 1232    | 6    | 153        | 16488   | 2727       |
| 2014      | 13171      | 32   | 2242       | 1111    | 6    | 166        | 14282   | 2408       |

We can 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.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> 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.





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# **BRANCH COMMITTEE & REPORTS FOR 2018**

#### **BALLARAT**

| Branch Manager     | Marilyn Wrigley | Asst. Branch Manager                 | Dean O'Keefe             |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Secretary          | Louise Butler   | Treasurer                            | Doug Ellery              |
| Chief Instructor   | Marilyn Wrigley | <b>Breed Affairs Liaison Officer</b> | Vacant                   |
| Membership Officer | Keryn Leggett   | <b>Ground Manager</b>                | Dean O'Keefe/Skye Webber |
| Canteen Manager    | Beth Leggett    |                                      |                          |

I have much pleasure presenting the 2019 Annual Report on behalf of Committee and Members of Ballarat Branch GSDCV.

Our official start date for 2019 was 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019 due to fact of first week in February we would not be training due to catering commitments with the Ballarat Dog Club All Breeds Show being held on that Sunday. Unfortunately due to heat policy regulations of Dogs Victoria this show was cancelled. We held training as during daylight saving time we start training at 9am so in case high temperature is forecast on or above heat policy we have finished training early.

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February after training and the new committee for 2019 was duly elected with most positions filled. Meeting was well attended, previous committee were thanked for their input and interest by Chair, the new committee was welcomed and asked for continued support of the branch which has been evident throughout 2019.

Easter Sunday training was cancelled due to not enough instructors available as they had plans to have some time with their families.

The Retrieve Lecture was well received by members and each participated in the exercises Michael from Eastern Branch set up for them. Michael presented a lecture on the principles of retrieving, he then used his dog to demonstrate retrieving. Feedback from members was good and many questions were asked and answered.

As the Anzac Day March we participate in at Ballarat and Ararat was approaching we used the next training day to get dogs and handlers used to the distractions, noise etc. making sure our handlers and dogs who were representing "Animals in War" behaved themselves well. Other animals attending the March were 2 Bedlington Terriers who marched behind us, and a fly past when pigeons were released at the end of the March. Unfortunately horses are no longer able to participate due to the dangerous protests where marbles were thrown onto the road at the horse's feet making them stumble and possibly fall. The Animals in War were Horses, Donkeys, Camels, Dogs and Pigeons.

Our first catering day was held on 7<sup>th</sup> April for the Dog Club next door, numbers of entries were down therefore our profits suffered on the day. We also held training as we had been advised numbers were down so we organised that instructors came early and worked until 9am then took class and the other team took over, that way we did not miss another training day.

Our lease with Ballarat City Council was signed for another three years for which we pay a nominal fee each year. The Council fenced our ground we train on adding high fencing behind our clubroom goal area and Pleasant Street area this was a welcome addition to stop the public entering our area while we are training and off lead work can also be done without too much stress to handlers. It also has gates that can be shut in 3 areas, and two vehicle entrances one near clubhouse and one near soccer area so a vehicle can enter ground if someone is hurt or ill. We also met with Council asking for a few other matters to be addressed in regards to our verandah being left in a filthy state each week by soccer people, as well as some other requests still to be followed up in 2020.

A few of our members attended the Western Branch Trivia Night on 6<sup>th</sup> July and enjoyed the competition and banter, our Trivia night was held on 19<sup>th</sup> July and although our members did well the members of Ballarat Dog Obedience Club took the shield home for the winning table. We are thinking of stacking our tables at the 2020 Trivia Night as they have now won both challenges.



Our outside lights were replaced in July thanks to Jake organising this for us, thanks Jake. We were invited to Bunning's new store at it's opening at Delacombe to have information and dogs there and from that we were allocated 2 Bunning's BBQ's in October and December 2019, both of which have boosted our profit making ventures somewhat. Hoping to keep this allocation going in 2020 and must thank members who embraced this chance and worked hard to keep up with the demand from customers making both quite successful.

An Obedience Day was held at the Branch on  $11^{th}$  August where Andrew Saliba and Gail from Western Branch attended putting on a demo with his young dog Finn for members, then took class for some, followed by talk inside at brunch. This was enjoyed by those attending and we trust this will be an ongoing event each year.

Due to shocking condition of our ground in front of clubhouse we have had to train out the back and so our equipment has not been able to go out for some months. Although it rained heavily when Andrew was at the branch the rest of the month saw the ground improving so hopefully we put out equipment soon for members and their dogs to enjoy.

We had received an invitation to Western Branch for a Gyros Day, not knowing what that entailed we threw ourselves into supporting this event. Unfortunately many members did not take the opportunity to also do so which was disappointing because it was a really well run day with obedience classes held where our instructors could instruct with Western instructors or take their dog into the class. This was followed by a great lunch of slow cooked meats and salads where thanks must go to Bill, Kevin and Steve who were cooking meat well before daylight. Thanks to everyone plus those in canteen who served the many attendees on the day. After the lunch there was a Breed Survey held which members could stay and watch should they wish. All in all a great day thanks to Steve and his hard working committee for a really enjoyable day which it is hoped may turn into a yearly event.

We were offsite on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October at Bunning's and catered for Dog Club next door the day after that so that was a busy time. We would like to thank the visiting instructors who helped us out when Dean was away in Adelaide due to work commitments for a few weeks, greatly appreciated by all.

We had another Bunning's BBQ on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December which was a busy day also, thank you to members who put their names of the roster for the day. We started on time and finished cooking around 4pm, by the time we then cleaned up and returned things back to club rooms we finished up getting home around 5.30pm however it was well worth the effort.

We welcomed a lady in a wheelchair who loves our breed to our training on 15<sup>th</sup> December and to our break up. This was negotiated by N.D.I.S. and our branch, approval agreed to by Management and Obedience Training Committee. Carers attend the branch with her to look after her, her wish is to watch training from the verandah and loves the equipment being out, she along with her carers then join us for morning tea. Our members' make her welcome and she is quite social, enjoying whatever is going on and a joke or two. Her wheelchair is motorised so she can take the chair into a maxi taxi. She really enjoyed our break up as well as we had a few things happening other than training. She has been one of the last to leave each visit.

Our break up held on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December with a good turn up participating in training, equipment, games, BBQ lunch and presentations. We also had some visitors on the day with new member Margaret from Hamilton who picks up her new puppy in the New Year. Craig from Western Branch who has helped us with instructing and apologies from Colin and Joy Rowe, Jeff and Damen from Puppy Class. Thanks to Keryn and Dusty, Craig and his dog, Skye and Cairo for their performances in the obedience ring and all who prepared and cooked lunch.

Congratulations to all winners

Presentations were awarded on the day to:

Best Branch Person for 2019 Most Improved Handler for 2019 Most Consistent Attendance for 2019

Achievement Awards

Carl Roberts
Tiffany Gay
Barry Turbitt
Brian Thomas
Skye Webber
Erin Roberts

Bernie Rienietts

**Encouragement Awards** 

Jeff Wood

# Damen Clayton



Our start date for 2020 is Sunday January 12th and our AGM is to be held on Sunday 23rd February after training.

In closing I sincerely wish to thank our committee, instructors and members for all help and support during the year. Looking forward to a successful 2020 and that our breed is well supported and recognised not only here but in outer surrounding districts. I am again asking for committee member's support and help to see that we reach the goals as set and see the branch building their numbers whilst retaining those we have.

Marilyn Wrigley Branch Manager- Ballarat Branch.

#### **BENDIGO**

| Branch Manager       | Edwina Neale    | Grounds Manager                      | Peter Neale     |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Asst. Branch Manager | Tony Kekich     | <b>Breed Affairs Liaison Officer</b> | Edwina Neale    |
| Secretary            | Norma Meaney    | Publicity Officer                    | Anthea Hamilton |
| Treasurer            | Debbie Kennedy  | Social Secretary                     | Trish Lang      |
| Chief Instructor     | Terry Kennedy ( | •                                    | -               |
| Membership Officer   | Anthea Hamilton |                                      |                 |

I'm pleased to bring to you the Annual Report for 2019 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 have increased considerably this year and our membership is steadily growing. Our new members thrive in the welcoming atmosphere.

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 as a group and we were able to provide a lot of one on one guidance to members. We have very high quality instructing Staff who keep members interested, 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. This year we have noticed an increase in older aggressive dogs joining our branch. Our resources are limited however Deb and Anthea attended the aggressive dog workshop and we are now better equipped to deal with this problem.

To our Chief Instructor, Terry Kennedy, thank you once again for all your efforts this year. Terry and Deb have put in yet another year of hard work and our Branch has become even better established because of their efforts. We have a strong commitment to ensuring good behaviour of our GSDs in our local community. Most 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.

This year we have a core group of members who are aiming to trial their dogs. This is particularly encouraging to us as Committee and Instructors that we have created the interest and given our members the confidence to 'have a go'.

In October Bendigo held the Inaugural Obedience Challenge which was a huge success. Our members competed at their class level and the feedback was extremely positive and we all had a fabulous day.







We hold Wednesday evening training and socialisation over the summer break. Our aim is continuity so we don't lose members over the summer not returning in the new year.

Our Qualified Instructors are:

Terry Kennedy
Anthea Hamilton
Shirley Taylor (Show)
Ron Bailey
Deb Kennedy
Edwina Neale
Norma Meaney
Caro Anderson

Many thanks to this hard working group.

Steve Gunst and Kevin Dare attend and help when in Bendigo and their input is greatly appreciated.









This year, we held some of our 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 May we held our training session at Lake Weeroona and attended the RSPCA Million Paws walk.







In October we promoted Bendigo Branch at a Community Car Park Morning at Bunnings in Epsom.

Our finances are still poor but once again, our committee has stepped up and held sausage sizzles at Bunnings. We will continue to hold these fund raisers at Bunnings whenever we can.











I sincerely thank our Bendigo Branch Committee 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. Trish Lang has been unwell this year but has still assisted with our social media. We are looking forward to Trish making a full recovery and returning with Digby next year.

Our final meet for 2019 was a Christmas breakup which was a huge success and enjoyed by all.



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 extremely positive to see many of our members helping on a weekly basis to put the equipment in and out and assist around the Branch - Thankyou. Thanks also to Sheridan who has put her amazing baking skills to work and supplied cakes for our Obedience Challenge and Christmas Party.

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 2020.

Edwina Neale Branch Manager- Bendigo Branch.



#### **EASTERN**



| Branch Manager       | Peter Wallbridge | Shepherd News                | Barbara Stewart |
|----------------------|------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| Asst. Branch Manager | Michael Simmons  | <b>Website Officer</b>       | John Schulz     |
| Secretary            | Rhonda Snijders  | <b>Breed Liaison Officer</b> | Mellisa Siktars |
| Treasurer            | Jenny Burley     | Membership Officer           | Barbara Jacobs  |
| Chief Instructor     | Andrea Cornwall  | Canteen Manager              | Jenny Burley    |
| Grounds Manager      | Ethel Thompson   | <b>Equipment Officer</b>     | Mellisa Siktars |
| Education            | Chris Mosley     | Social Secretary             | Ethel Thompson  |
| General              | Rosie Garbett    | Cathy Workman                | Karen D'Amico   |
|                      | Richard Oldfield | Elke Effler                  | Diana Oldfield  |

I am pleased to present my first report as Branch Manager of the Eastern Branch.

2019 was a very busy year for the Branch with the instructors taking classes on 44 Sundays and 17 Wednesday nights offering our Eastern members obedience training, show training, tracking, demo team, rally-o, agility and 3 puppy kinder programs.

# **Training and Education**

Rhonda Snijders did an interesting and fun presentation on the 8th September on using games in training which was well attended by instructors and a number of members.

Norm Hawthorne ran an information session for aspiring stewards on the 15th September and two of our members Peter Osborne and Gayle Anderson assisted at the obedience trial in November.

Andrea Cornwall, Rhonda Snijders and Diana Oldfield attended a theory and practical on K9 land search at Skye on 12th October. Elke and Peter Effler presented a full day workshop to Shepherd Club members covering the theory and practical on K9 Land Search which was very enjoyable and informative.

An "Assessing Aggression" workshop was taken by Trish Harris in late October at the Western Branch and was attended by three instructors. The workshop was so successful that there are plans to offer the workshop to all instructors next year.

The Branch completed a member survey in October. The results were overwhelmingly positive in regard to instructor knowledge and helpfulness and also confirmed that life skills, dog to dog socialisation, dog manners and basic obedience were the priorities for the Branch going forward.

A number of instructors and members attended a breed education seminar at Skye on the 9th and 10th November. The Saturday session focused mainly on the ZAP test and playing with puppies with an interesting overview and practical demonstration given by Susanne Pedersen. The Sunday session concentrated on the breed standard and preparing for show trials which members found most valuable.



#### Puppy Kinder

Eastern provided 3 Puppy Kinder programs during the year with up to 6 enthusiastic puppies in each of the programs. Rosie Garbett and Mary Hawthorne provided our puppy handlers with valuable advice on all aspects of training and dog behaviour. Thanks to Peter Garbett and Michael Simmons for their assistance during the year. A number of instructors and trainees attended some of the nights as well.

#### **Demo Team Activities**

The Knox Pets in the Park demonstration was held on Sunday 31st March. It was a successful day despite the wet weather which did affect attendances. Our dogs were all well behaved, and the two demonstrations were well received. A big thank you to our demo team members Michael, Norm & Mary, Barb, Bronwyn, Lisa and Justin and to Stacey & Mel as our MC's on the day. It was another good opportunity to promote the German Shepherd breed and the Eastern Branch.

#### **Tracking**

The tracking group kicked off their year on Sunday 12th May and trained mainly at the Police Paddocks during the months of May to September averaging 13 members per week over the 15-week tracking period. Thanks to Mary and Norm Hawthorne for a great training program. Mary Hawthorne and Cathy Workman obtained their Tracking Champion Titles while Michael Simmons, Jason Karanzoulis, Richard Oldfield and Rhonda Snijders all obtained their Tracking Dog Titles. Other members of the tracking team are at various stages towards their titles with next year expecting to have further success.

Diana Oldfield also obtained her Track & Search Title this year.

Norm and Mary assisted with the running of the tracking trials in Haddon and Inverleigh during the year which was much appreciated.

#### **Show and Obedience Report**

Barbara Jacobs took show training during the months of March to June.

There were several handlers who had great success in the show ring during the year particularly Rhonda Snijders in stock coat and Di Cameron in long stock coat with great results at the National and other specialty shows. Congratulations to Helena Walter on her Rally Masters and Rally Novice titles with her two dogs. Also, Cathy Workman on her Rally Advanced Excellent title and Justin Morton on gaining his Endurance Title this year.

# **General Training**

Eastern had good training numbers throughout the year on both Sundays and Wednesday nights. We offered obedience training for puppies and other class members again in January with a total of 48 members training over the three Sundays.

We had regular instructor attendance each week during the year with 10 instructors attending training on more than 30 Sundays.

Rhonda, Sarah and Justin passed their final practical assessment on 17th November becoming fully qualified instructors at Eastern. The Eastern branch also hosted an aspirers' practical day in April.

We had an activities day on Sunday 26th May which gave members the opportunity to do agility, life skills, rally-o, retrieving and games on the day.

We continued the group socialisation and practising dog manners before class each Sunday which was important in settling the dogs down before the formal training started.

# Other highlights

John Schulz, Ethel Thompson, Barb Jacobs, Ben Glasheen and Barb Stewart assisted at the GSDCV National in April. Sixteen members from the Branch collected for the Good Friday appeal assisting members from the Western Branch collecting a record amount of money this year.

The Branch ran a successful BBQ at Bunnings on 7th April. Thanks to our volunteers Peter, Karen & Mal, Brian, Bill Goldberg, Nicole Strufer and Jenny O'Brien.

Barb Stewart assisted at the Championship Show and Restricted Trial.

Barb Stewart, Andrea, Rosie, Jenny, Mary and Norm put in a brilliant effort at the July obedience and rally trial at KCC Park on 13th July.

A Girls Football Carnival was held on our ground on Thursday 1st August with Ethel, Barb Jacobs, Di Oldfield and Peter cleaning the rooms, toilets and veranda area after the event.

The Committee/Instructor dinner on 16th November was attended by 25 members and partners and our Christmas Party/Branch awards night was held on 7th December and attended by 65 members and partners. Both social activities were a great success.

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Our breakup games day was held on Sunday 15th December with 70 members plus Committee and 14 Instructors in attendance enjoying the games format, Father Christmas and a free BBQ. Thanks to all the instructors who assisted with setup and manning the games equipment during the day. A great event to finish off a very busy year.

Several members reached milestones in the Branch including:

- 20 year Committee service Rosie Garbett, Barb Stewart and Barb Jacobs.
- 30 year Membership Lois Goodes, Wendy Pruis and Eddie Turner.

In closing I would like to thank all the instructors for their dedication, enthusiasm and commitment week after week. It has been a great team effort again this year and is much appreciated.

Thanks to the members of the Eastern Committee and some general members who assisted week after week in the canteen, equipment store, membership desk, signing in table, ground equipment setup, Shepherd News....the list goes on.

Last but not least I would like to thank all the Eastern members who came along to training on Sundays and Wednesdays to socialise and train their German Shepherds and to support the Branch.

Peter Wallbridge Branch Manager – Eastern Branch

#### **GEELONG**

| Branch Manager          | David Organ     | Membership Officer       | Michelle Wood/Mel Kelly        |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Asst. Branch Manager    | David McNerney  | Canteen Manager          | Michelle Russell               |
| Secretary               | Jeanne Gant     | <b>Publicity Officer</b> | Sheridan Salmon                |
| Assistant Secretary     | Geoff Bagley    | <b>Grounds Manager</b>   | Elizabeth Saunders/Frank Patti |
| Treasurer               | Michelle Cabel  | <b>Equipment Officer</b> | Julie-anne Venn                |
| Chief Instructor (until | Veronica Filmer | Social Media & website   | Sheridan Salmon                |
| August)                 |                 |                          |                                |
| Asst Chief Instructor   | Jo Mee          | Committee                | Edwina Davis, Simon            |
|                         |                 |                          | Stavenuiter                    |

The year 2019 has been a strong year for the Branch with an auspicious beginning as new committee members filled roles that had previously been shared between a small number of members. This has allowed us to begin reviewing our activities in areas of administration, maintenance and member experience, resulting in developments in all areas that will continue during 2020.

Of note, we held a Structural Assessment day in May, providing our members and those of other Branches to have their dogs assessed by specialist judges Vince Tantaro, Ian Urie and Nicky McDermott. We are extremely grateful for the generous donation of time and knowledge that allowed those who participated - many of whom were new to conformation - to obtain a greater understanding and appreciation of their dogs. We are also indebted to tracking judge, Peter Miller, who also gave up his time and shared his experience in a tracking workshop that was held in August and introduced a number of our members to another discipline that they and their dog could enjoy. We will be introducing regular show classes in the new year and invite more specialists in various canine disciplines to present workshops to our members.

This year we also joined Ballarat Branch to attend a joint training session at Western Branch. This provided members and their dogs with a great opportunity to train under different instructors and on different grounds and to meet others who share our love of the breed. Thank you to Western Branch for the wonderful hospitality shown to us.

We had several members entering show and obedience trials in the 2019 GSDCA National GSD Show & Trial in Melbourne. Lorelle and I were proud of the success of our 6 dogs and puppies and particularly thrilled with Kaiser winning the Silver Medal. We also commend Abbey Cabel, Emily Lees and Jeanne Gant for their participation in the obedience trials and coming just points away from passes. Elsewhere, we had a number of members trialling in Rally Obedience, Tracking, Track and Search and Endurance and we congratulate Marie Felsovary, Mel Kelly and Frank Patti, and Andrea Taylor whose dogs were awarded titles during the year while Kath Devlin passed her 7<sup>th</sup> tracking trial.

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Meanwhile, our Branch has continued to participate in annual demonstrations at the Wallington Strawberry Fair 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 also accepted an invitation from Estia Health, Bannockburn, to send two representatives from our Branch to provide a demonstration to their residents and to give them a much welcome opportunity to interact with our dogs. Edwina Davis and Abbey Cabel certainly fulfilled all expectations with their dogs behaving beautifully and representing our Branch with distinction. We hope to see more community outreach opportunities coming our way in 2020.

Our Tuesday night classes continued throughout the year. Members have been able to embrace training for obedience trialling, learning the exercises for Rally Obedience, rehearsing for demonstrations and toward year's end. A separate class was introduced on this night for the more 'excitable' dogs and their owners in which they could work in a smaller group to gain confidence in working with each other and with other dogs. Another regular activity introduced during the year were group walks in the city and bush/mountain trails that were welcomed by members.

The Friday morning classes also continue and, while small in number, the Friday group not only train their dogs, but they also contribute greatly to the unsung activities that take place behind the scenes including regular cleaning of the clubrooms, preparations for sausage sizzles (in conjunction with Michelle R) and setting up for festive occasions such as Christmas in July and our end-of-year break-up. Without their efforts we would have more work to do on Sundays, so a sincere thank you to Jo, Desma, Kath, Mary, Loretta, Karen and Deborah for your hard work throughout the year.

I would like to thank our instructors, Veronica Filmer, Jo Mee, Desma Dickeson and Kellie Spark as well as our trainee instructors, Margi Raftopoulos and Jeanne Gant, who have provided invaluable instruction and guidance to our members and their dogs. Congratulations to Margi Raftopoulos who completed both the trainee obedience and trainee show course and is now a qualified instructor in both disciplines. Next year, Jeanne and I will complete our trainee obedience and show courses respectively while four members have expressed an interest in undertaking the obedience course next year. The greater depth of knowledge and experience will allow us to provide a broader range of activities for our members.

Our fund-raising continued through two major sources: raffles during our family-oriented Christmas in July event as well as our end-of-year break-up 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 so that there were quite a few lucky winners.

Thanks to Sheridan, communication to our members and the general public has seen a solid increase in interest in our website and social media page, while the monthly e-news is keeping members informed of what we have been and what we will be doing in and around the grounds.

The Branch has enjoyed stability in membership numbers, with new members joining us as others leave. Many of these members have been making great contributions to the Branch by assisting with various events and activities throughout the year. Indeed, one of our new members, Simon Stavenuiter, 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. Simon has been an invaluable assistant with maintenance issues both on the grounds and in the clubrooms and we thank him for organising the purchase and/or installation of our speaker system, new air conditioners, and signage into our grounds, amongst many other things. Well done Simon!

I am deeply grateful to committee members David Mc., Jeanne, Michelle C., Veronica, Jo, Michelle W., Michelle R., Sheridan, Mel, Frank, Julie-anne, Elizabeth, Edwina, and Simon 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.

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 2020 as we move forward into an even more exciting year.

David Organ Branch Manager – Geelong Branch

#### GERMAN SHEPHERE DOC CLUB OF VICTOR

#### **GIPPSLAND**



Branch Manager Asst. Branch Manager Secretary Treasurer Chief Instructor Membership Officer Ray Batchelor Katrina Binotto Trish Taylor Rick Bradley Alan Purcell Katrina Binotto Canteen Manager Equipment Officer Publicity Officer Breed Liaison Officer Grounds Manager Promotions Officer Equipment Officer Nicole Allman
Carol Batchelor
Sharyn Thompson
Vacant
Frank Cullen
Anne Lee
Carol Batchelor

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

In 2019 our instructors were led by Alan Purcell, I would like to thank Alan and all the Instructors for their outstanding efforts throughout the year. Busy lifestyles resulted in some challenging times with Instructor availability but through Alan's leadership and ability to adapt we made sure everyone got value for money week in and week out. The introduction of Nosework to the training program also proved quite popular and hopefully it will continue in 2020. I would like to thank the instructors for all their time and efforts throughout the year.

Despite the competitive nature of our members often shown at our branch fun and games days we don't have many people who choose to show or trial their dogs. It was encouraging to see some members enter their dogs in Conformation and Obedience at the 2019 National with mixed results. We also had 2 Gippsland Branch members achieve the Endurance Title at our ET in June. As I say every year, 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.

Our branch is also very proud to announce that in 2019 we had another 3 dogs accredited for the Story Dogs program bringing our total number of Story Dogs up to 4. These dogs are the best representatives of our wonderful breed that we could possibly have and the importance of what they do and achieve for the school children they visit every week cannot be overstated. Congratulations to Rick Bradley with Prada, Leonie Taylor with Shay and Wilma Bates with Rosie on gaining Story Dogs accreditation and joining Sharyn Thompson with Kali as the public face of our branch and breed in the Gippsland area.

As we go into 2020 we hope for another successful year at Gippsland. We will again be hosting the GSDCV Endurance test in June and encourage members from all branches to enter and have a relaxing 20km run/ride with their dog. We have also planned for several branch competition days, the annual Caringal weekend getaway and we will also hold a fund raising fun day for the Royal Children's Hospital on the Easter long weekend.

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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  | <b>Breed Affairs Liaison</b> | Gayle Johnston |
|---------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|----------------|
| Asst. Branch Manager      | Dearne Jackson | Media Manager                | Grant Milne    |
| Secretary                 | Sam Siebel     | Social Secretary             | Lin Milne      |
| Treasurer                 | Wayne Speck    | Committee                    | Maggie Davis   |
| Chief Instructor          | Dearne Jackson |                              | Jim Begg       |
| <b>Membership Officer</b> | Trish Doherty  |                              |                |

Malvern's 2019 year was strong, successful and productive. On average, 60 dogs each Sunday were trained, and 10 on Wednesday nights for the trial group. Our Sunday classes continued to evolve and change in response to the needs of our members, particularly around utilising our equipment and offering challenges for the dogs. Dogs love change and challenges, handlers like variation and confirmation their basic obedience efforts will pay off. Using our varied equipment ensures they really know the commands and the handlers have control under distractions – or they need more work . We continue to ensure that each class has multiple instructors working together, and that dogs that need one on one when required can be accommodated – at all class levels. New older dogs and handlers to training get extra attention short term, meaning that longer term they quickly integrate into classes more seamlessly and comfortably as they improve and learn.

We continue to work hard to educate everyone on what is acceptable behaviour for dogs and how handlers should allow their dogs to interact. This is both at the branch and out in the community where it counts the most. We are all ambassadors for our breed every day. We continued our regular free bacon & egg brekkies through the year. They provide 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. Regularly we see dogs forming their little 'hang-out' packs, eager to meet up each week. The set of scales we purchased early this year have also proved popular each week – and a few dogs have lost weight as a result!

The Malvern branch represented the GSDCV to provide assistance at the Dogs Victoria Big Day Out For Dogs in December, 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.

At Malvern our trial and show members often take a back seat to our Sunday dogs and handlers, but their successes are no less important. And 2019 was a big year in both performance and conformation activities. Great success this year in the specialist show ring for Vanessa and Damian Wisdom with Kodo, winning LSC Junior Dog and also Challenge Dog at the National, following up with two further wins at the WDC Champ Show weekend. Kevin Juggins did well at the National too with Emma winning the LSC bitch Bronze medal. Woohoo! Gayle Johnston & April and Peter and Dawn Howard with Venice gained excellent gradings at the National and throughout the year. In the all breeds ring Dearne Jackson did well with Leica as did Urs and Therese Rhyn with Elke, winning multiple Neuter awards. Success in Track and Search for Lin Milne & Echo achieving their TSD Grand Champion title and in Rally for Dearne Jackson and Leica. Urs & Therese Rhyn have also done well with Elke in tracking and obedience, gaining her CCD and CD title in quick succession. We congratulate those who challenge their dogs in other disciplines and hope for more successes in 2020. Thanks to all who assist each other at training.

Thank you to Stonnington Council for their support and provision of ground and pavilion facilities at Waverley Oval, East Malvern. We are lucky to train our dogs on lovely grounds, maintained to high standards year round that are the envy of many. We also acknowledge our Club sponsors Royal Canin for their support throughout the year, along with Monash Vet Clinic. Thankyou to the GSDCV Executive, Management Committee, Breed Affairs and the Obedience Training Committee for their support of the Malvern branch.

Our very dedicated committee worked tirelessly in making sure Malvern was well managed each week. Without this group of members providing the administration and organisation of our branch, we could not function as well as we



do. It's a great team that work in combination with our instructors to run a big training branch. Our committee included Jacinta Poole, Dearne Jackson, Sam Siebel, Wayne Speck, Gayle Johnston, Trish Doherty, Grant Milne, Lin Milne, Jim Begg 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. We particularly mention Khin Htwe and Rodney Spark who have helped enormously on Sunday mornings at the desk, and Vanessa Wisdom who assisted with memberships. Good team work all round.

Training is our core activity and our instructors are the drivers of each members progress with their dog. The information and training knowledge they impart each week is a gold mine to 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 Pat Wright and Amanda Holt as trainee instructors. Both have made great progress in their learning and the skills they will bring to our branch. We wish them well in year 2 of their course. 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, Grant Milne, Sam Siebel, Mike Fajdiga, Donna Bradley, Pat Wright and Amanda Holt.

So another year is done and dusted at Malvern. We know we've helped many, and we can always strive for more and better. Any small part we can play in a dog and handlers progress is worth the effort each week. Thanks to each and every member who came along on a Sunday to class, if we've assisted you in some small way, then it was worth it. Onwards and upwards into 2020.

Jacinta Poole Branch Manager – Malvern Branch

#### **NORTHERN**

| Branch Manager           | Terry Taukus   | Membership Officer              | Karen Cogdell                |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Asst. Branch Manager     | Vacant         | <b>Equipment Officer</b>        | Julie Taukus                 |
| Secretary                | Zora Marko     | <b>Grounds / Maintenance</b>    | Barry Clarke                 |
| Treasurer                | Julie Taukus   | <b>Grounds / Maintenance</b>    | Bill Gates                   |
| Chief Instructor         | Terry Taukus   | <b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>    | Debbie Colson / Jean Colenso |
| General Committee        | Geoff Byron    | <b>Publicity / Social Media</b> | Melissa Bauer                |
| <b>General Committee</b> | Dennis Simpson | _                               |                              |

A pleasing aspect of 2019 for Northern was that we were able to continue on from a very healthy 2018, consolidating our weekly numbers and providing our members with a consistent level of training and an inclusive atmosphere off the training ground.

Firstly to the instructors, who selflessly give up their time each week to impart their knowledge and expertise. As we know there would be no GSDCV without these people right across the breadth of the club. With Northern we have a small group, with Andrew Quinn and Steve Gunst being the elder statesmen with something like 40 odd years' experience between them. Unfortunately Stephen will be leaving Northern and taking up new challenges at the Bendigo Branch. Many thanks to Stephen for his excellent instruction, puppies through to class 4. Melissa Bauer, Terry Skinner, Jim Rose and Liza Zankowski have all excelled in their respective classes. Zora Marko and Geoff Byron have completed the first year of their trainee course and are regularly taking classes.

Melissa and Irena Borodinova have taken a small but enthusiastic tracking group over winter and we hope to see some results in 2020.

Unfortunately our show classes have dropped off somewhat, a reflection of the smaller numbers supporting shows in recent years. Geoff Dennis' efforts in steering our showies both old and new, goes largely unnoticed. Geoff has been unwell during the course of the year but has still made a very useful contribution.



Special thanks to Ethel Thompson from Eastern for her commitment in helping out each week.

So while the instructors are doing their thing out on the ground, the committee is running the branch in every other respect, always willing to change jobs at a moment's notice to ensure smooth running each week. My thanks to our committee this year:

Zora Marko, Julie Taukus, Terry Taukus, Karyn Cogdell Jean Colenso, Deb Colson, Barry Clark, Bill Gates, Melissa Bauer, Geoff Byron and Dennis Simpson

Thanks also to Faye Quinnell and Shelly Jacobs for their assistance in the canteen. Very much appreciated.

Thanks to you the members in supporting the committee and instructors and we will look forward to more of the same from the Northern Branch in the coming year.



Terry Taukus Branch Manager - Northern Branch

#### **SKYE**

| Branch Manager               | Ken Smith        | <b>Publicity Officer</b> | Cristine Begbie  |
|------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| Secretary                    | Carla Srb        | Social Secretary         | Melissa Hill     |
| Treasurer                    | Pam Anderton     | Website                  | Ron Clarke       |
| Chief Instructor             | Sharon Hargraves | <b>Equipment Officer</b> | Sharon Hargraves |
| <b>Breed Liaison Officer</b> | Julie Urie       | Catering Officer         | John Brady       |
| Membership Officer           | Liz Rudling      | <b>Grounds Manager</b>   | Lez Rudling      |

It is with pleasure I present the Skye Branch Annual Report for 2019.

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 (10 x walkie talkies, *defibrillator Etc*). The *Branch also paid for* several Committee Members and Instructors to obtain their Certificates in first aid with St Johns and also a Pet First Aid course

On October 12<sup>th</sup> we held a seminar with Elke and Peter Effler as the guest speakers presenting the sport of canine land search.

Sunday the 24<sup>th</sup> of November we had our break up which was enjoyed by everyone that attended. This year Santa arrived aboard the back of a prime mover. 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    |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Asst. Branch Manager | Mr Brank Auwema      | Grounds Manager           | Mr David Berry           |
| Secretary            | Mrs Ann Hammond      | Breed Affairs Liaison     | Mrs. Chris Auwema        |
|                      |                      | Officer                   |                          |
| Treasurer            | Mrs Fiona Henderson  | Catering Officer          | Mrs Maureen Goodwin      |
| Publicity officer    | Miss Melissa Hammond | <b>Promotions Officer</b> | Mrs Margaret Raftopoulos |
|                      |                      |                           |                          |

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

- ♦ 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. Ann also stepped in to represent the branch at some Management Meetings when I was representing Breed Affairs. Thank you, that helped me immensely.
- 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. Fiona also shone yet again with her prowess at catering for numerous events.
- Chris Auwema continued to keep us up to date with breed issues both domestic and international in her role as our Breed Affairs rep.
- A big thank you to Alastair who as chief instructor kept our show training interesting with some new and innovative ideas.
- ♦ To all our instructors, Fran, Barbara, Jenny, Ian, Alastair, David, Mel, Amanda and Mark who have also assisted throughout the year. Congratulations to Margi Raftopolous who successfully passed both her obedience and show instructor exams. 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, Melissa is also extremely generous with her time and helping out members during show training classes.
- Maureen Goodwin who has managed the canteen and BBQ this year. Providing a greater variety of food for all who attended our Branch. During the year whilst Maureen was out of action Judy Wade and Ann and Melissa Hammond stepped up to help out which was greatly appreciated. So good to see Maureen back.
- 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.

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. This was extremely evident by the highly successful 2-day seminar held in November.

I will not be restanding for the position of Branch Manager as I have nominated for Breed Affairs Administrator. I do hope whoever steps up to the plate is given the same support that I have enjoyed for the past few years.

Nicky McDermott Branch Manager - Specialist Show Branch

#### GERMAN SHEPHERD DOC CLUB OF WICTORIA

#### **WESTERN**

| Branch Manager                             | Mr. Steve Kinsman  | Membership Officer       | Mrs. Roslyn Mills    |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Assistant Branch Manager                   | Mr. Craig Whitford | Canteen Manager (1)      | Mr. Arthur McPherson |
| Secretary                                  | Mrs. Lyn Pickering | Canteen Manager (2)      | Mr. Bill Hounslow    |
| Treasurer                                  | Mrs. Sue Hounslow  | <b>Equipment Officer</b> | Ms. Stacy Lerias     |
| Chief Instructor                           | Mrs. Sue Hounslow  | <b>Publicity Officer</b> | Mrs. Lin McPherson   |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Assistant Chief instructor | Dani Hauri         | Website Manager          | Mr. Tony Lerias      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Assistant Chief Instructor | Mr Craig Whitford  | <b>Grounds Manager</b>   | Mrs. Lyn Pickering   |
| Breed Liaison Officer                      | Mrs. Carol Osborne | Asst. Grounds Manager    | Mr. Andrew Saliba    |
| Social Secretary                           | Mr. Dom Cafari     |                          |                      |

It is my pleasurer to write this report on behalf of the Western Branch. It has been a very busy but productive year, with some great social functions as well.

On the social scene we have had our Trivia night, information night (Victoria Police), Bunnings Sausage Sizzles, and our Survey and Gyros day in October, committee and instructor's night out, our end of year Presentation Night and raffles during the year. Thanks to Dom Cafari for heading all these up and for the smooth running of all events. We also did the Brimbank Festival where we had a stall for the day and we did 3 demo's throughout the day. Thanks to Carole Osborne for all the work on this day and Billy Carole's dog and his mum Hanna. They represented the breed very well on the day. Also visits to a Retirement home at Runcon Retirement Village.

The number at Western continue to grow each week which is awesome to see and keeps Roslyn Mills busy every week, she does a fantastic job each week.

We also updated some of our equipment this year, 4 new tunnels and bags, new puppy equipment. Also, the installation of the new off lead enclosure to replace the old puppy ring, which we can use for many different aspects of our training i.e. off lead gating, off lead recalls, and a safe puppy area for our little puppies. We also put in new cabinets in the main club room under the TV, great storage and a little bit neater.

In 2020 the council will be installing ground plugs to half of our grounds, so now we will have water to water the grounds which will be fantastic for us. We might have better grounds in the near future, and we will have some nice green grass shortly.

The Branch is still in a strong financial position even though we spent a lot of money on new equipment and the off-lead area, due to fundraising and management of funds. We will continue to grow this in 2020 with our social team and hopefully more Bunnings Sausage Sizzles and Raffles.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my whole committee and instructors, you guys do a fantastic job, week in week out, you guys are why Western is so strong and a big thanks to all of our members you guys rock, the way a lot of you help out each week so thank you all round.

Let's build on this in 2020 to make Western even strong and better, thank you all.

Kind regards

Steve Kinsman Branch Manager – Western Branch

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#### GERMAN SHEPHERD DOC CLUB OF WICTORN

#### **WODONGA**

| Branch Manager       | Mr. Gordon Cole   | Chief Instructor                 | Mr. Gordon Cole   |
|----------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Asst. Branch Manager | Vacant            | Groundsman                       | Vacant            |
| Secretary            | Mrs. Marlene Cole | <b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>     | Vacant            |
| Treasurer            | Mrs. Marie Brew   | Canteen Manager                  | Mrs. Marlene Cole |
| Membership Officer   | Vacant            | Social Secretary                 | Mrs. Tracey Hill  |
|                      |                   | <b>Publicity/Website Officer</b> | Mrs. Carol Mindin |

The Membership at the Wodonga Branch has decreased during the year and this can be related to a number of factors. The weather during the year has been very unpredictable during the winter months. It was a mixture of very cold, windy, heavy fogs and light rain whilst during the summer months it was very hot and windy causing catastrophic bush fires in many areas. As the Branch has no Club House the weather plays an important role with restrictions to our training which also affects our training numbers. Another reason is the younger generation who join and generally only attend for a short period of training before other outside interests 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.

Another problem with country Branches is the work load the Club has forced onto the Branch committees with changes in the constitution to lessen the work load of the Club committee. Members of a country Branch are reluctant to join the Branch committees because of the new requirements and now find a number of Branch committee positions are vacant. The system would work for large metropolitan Branches with many members to draw their committee from. Today generally the people that join are only interested in training their puppy or dog to a standard that suits them and only stay until that requirement is met.

The Branch may have only one new puppy to train during the Christmas break a far cry from the puppies trained in the past years, people are struggling in the country with unemployment and the severe drought and are finding it difficult with the cost of training, feeding and vet bills to own a dog.

The reduction in membership is in no way caused by the standard of instruction available to the members nor the equipment available for training as my team of two Obedience and three Show Instructors with many years of experience worked tirelessly throughout the year to ensure classes are varied and challenging and that all dogs and handlers are improving their skills so that they can progress through to a higher grade. To my team of Instructors sincere thanks to 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.

All is not gloom as 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 and Junior Handler Zachary with Kin, Viva and Shadow, Bec and Mark Hopgood with Odin, Kia and Lexi, and in Tracking Gordon Cole with Jemma received their tracking Champion Title and their TSD Title also. Congratulations to all.

The Branch held two Bunning's Sausage Sizzles during the year, both being quite successful, these are the only fund raising 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. Four Branch Instructors attended the Zap Breed Education weekend at KCC Park. Martine Burges is participating in an Obedience correspondence course conducted by UK professional dog trainers.

On Sunday 15th December the last day of training for the year the Branch held a break-up breakfast with plenty of goodies and this was followed by a presentation by Branch Manager Gordon to the most improved handler during

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the year. The day was very successful and was enjoyed by everyone present. It is the only time that all members get together socially (due to the number of Instructors the Branch has with classes being split). Puppy training will continue over the Christmas period.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my dedicated team of Instructors and Committee Members for 2019 and look forward to the challenges of 2020.

Gordon Cole Branch Manager – Wodonga Branch



## 2019 Special Achievement Award:

## Ms Alexa Mc Guaran and \*FOLLOWTREK USS ENTERPRISE P.T. 'A' 'Z'

For the achievements of Alexa and Bear in travelling to Germany in 2017, immersing themselves in the herding lifestyle and gaining their herding title with an excellent grading



#### 2019 Special Recognition Award: Ms Karen Ballantyne

## Presented posthumously to Karen, for 30 years service as GSDCV HD/ED Registrar

Karen & partner Tony Leverett joined the GSDCV in 1980. Karen became the GSDCV HD registrar in 1988. It later became the HD/ED Registrar, a position she still held at the time of her passing. Some 30 years of service. As with everything Karen did she researched the conditions and provided much advice and guidance to many members re Hip and Elbow Dysplasia. Fran Farley then Gil Cafari worked as her assistants in this role.

Karen won the GSDCA Sam Bonifacio "Sammy" Breeders Trophy 5 times.

Won the GSDCV Schneider Trophy For highest scoring dog with Browned Off and highest scoring bitch with Flying Colours.

Won the GSDCV Eric Orschler Breeders Trophy 9 times.

Karen bred under the Denargun prefix and achieved her first Excellent Select with Denargun Chardi in 1988. She researched in depth the bloodlines of the dogs available for breeding.

There followed a stream of high quality animals to name just a few and there are many more:

Cracklin Rosie, Blue Print, Ex Select Flying Colours, Iwony, Moz on You, Jabiru, Chokito, Fandango and the Excellent Select Sieger and multi National Gold, Silver and Bronze medal winner Browned Off who became a very successful sire.

Denargun became one of the top producing kennels in Australia.

Karen and Tony always followed and promoted the German Shepherd Dog Council of Australia breed improvement schemes for HD, ED and Breed Survey.

## 2019 Outstanding Service Award - Mrs Gillian Cafari

Gillian has been a continuous member for 29 years and during that time has been heavily involved with both her branch and the club in general. She has been a willing helper at shows, pulling down rings, helping with catering and assisting as a stenographer when required.

Her years of service and dedication as a position holder of the GSDCV are illustrated by the following:

Western Branch Membership Officer – 1 year

GSDCV Membership Officer – 5 years (2005 – 2009)

Breed Affairs Secretary – 5 years (2004 – 2008)

GSDCV Breed Survey Registrar - 15 years (2004 to current)

GSDCV HD/ED Assistant Registrar – 14 years (2005 to current)

GSDCA NBC Breed Survey Registrar – 2 years (2011 – 2012)

Whilst not a high profile person, Gillian has not only stood firmly behind Dom, helping him during his tenure as President and other positions within the Club.

She has a strong dedication to all she has tackled and has been a most helpful and considerate person when dealing with our members, both as a membership officer and through her various portfolios relating to Breed Affairs. Her ability to deal with various situations in a calm, logical manner has ensured the Survey and HD/ED areas she is responsible for run smoothly.

During her time as GSDCA/NBC Registrar her services were very greatly appreciated by both the NBC Chairman and the Surveyors.



## 2019 Outstanding Service Award - Mrs Barbara Blythe

Barbara is one of those members who always gives all she has to give, and is not afraid to step up when needed. She has been, and continues to be an extremely valuable cog in the workings of the GSDCV.

Barbara often doesn't know how to say no and is always ready to assist anyone who needs her. In addition to her own tasks, she has always been willing to 'go the extra mile', to ensure that job is done properly and professionally. She dots the i's and crosses the t's making sure that life is easier for others in the process As much of Barbara's contribution occurs in the background and often goes unnoticed, her attitude and willingness to help is always in a friendly and cheerful manner and is always without expectation of recognition.

Not only has Barbara given dedicated service to the GSDCV over many years, she has assisted the broad GSD world including the GSDCA as well as other state clubs with minutes and stenographer work when need. They too recognize Barbara's skills and value.



#### Membership:

1986 bought her first German Shepherd dog and joined the GSDCV. 1988 Bought her first female.

Attended Skye Branch and started showing.

Bred under the Blythedale prefix, breeding only 9 litters.

Always supported the GSDCA Breed improvement schemes i.e. Hips and elbow X- rays and Breed Survey.

#### Roles within the club:

Skye Secretary 4 years from 2000

Show Branch Secretary 3 years from 2014

Breed Affairs Secretary 2 years

Member 2019 Show and National Show and Trial Committees

GSDCV Minute Secretary 5 years to current,

GSDCA AGM & NBC Minute Secretary since 2014

Show Instructor since 2013.

Show Stenographer for nearly 20 years

Barb has also taken on the essential role of training, organising and mentoring the next generation of show stenographers.

## 2019 Life Membership Award - Mr Vince Ebejer

Vince and his wife Lin 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 organisation 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 - 2017. 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, and in the past the annual NBC 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 was part of numerous working parties that have developed the following plans and strategies:

· Strategic Plan which provides direction in achieving our mission and goals.



- · Marketing and Sponsorship Plan,
- · Updating our Club logo.
- · Succession planning.

Over the past 16 years, Vince's involvement with the GSDCV Club and members include:

- ➤ Joined Northern Branch in 2003 16 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 10 years.
- ➤ GSDCV Vice President in 2010.
- ➤ GSDCV President 2011 to 2017 8 years.
- ➤ GSDCV Club Secretary 2018
- > Member of the GSDCV Show Committee (including the organisation of the GSDCA National in Victoria in 2010 and again in 2015 and 2019).
- > Responsible for arranging agreement with our major sponsor Royal Canin for 8 yrs.
- ➤ Member of the Strategic Planning Committee in 2011.
- ➤ Chair of the GSDCV Constitution Review Sub Committee 2014 to 2016 = 3 years.
- ➤ Show Training Administrator 2018

Vince has worked extremely hard for the GSDCV and its Members, and continues to do so, and is most deserving of the GSDCV "Life membership"





## **AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE 2020 AGM**

These are all awards achieved throughout the 2019 year

## **SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP AWARDS**

## Membership Awards - awarded to members for continuous membership

| John Strachan     | 25 | Specialist |
|-------------------|----|------------|
| Judith Strachan   | 25 | Specialist |
| Judy-Gaye Streit  | 30 | Others     |
| Charlie Azzopardi | 30 | Western    |
| Fran Azzopardi    | 30 | Western    |
| Chris Azzopardi   | 30 | Western    |
| Lois Goodes       | 30 | Eastern    |
| Wendy Pruis       | 30 | Eastern    |
| Eddie Turner      | 30 | Eastern    |
| Jenny Joseph      | 30 | Geelong    |
| Wendy Seng Hpa    | 30 | Eastern    |
| Frank Grigons     | 30 | Western    |
| Dawn Whitford     | 30 | Skye       |
| Cristine Begbie   | 40 | Skye       |
| Betty Beasley     | 40 | Skye       |
|                   |    |            |

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

| Ann Lee         | 5  | Gippsland |
|-----------------|----|-----------|
| Terry Skinner   | 5  | Northern  |
| Jim Rose        | 5  | Northern  |
| Melissa Bauer   | 5  | Northern  |
| Phil Cooper     | 5  | Skye      |
| Andrea Cornwall | 5  | Eastern   |
| Ethel Thompson  | 10 | Eastern   |
| Barbara Stewart | 10 | Eastern   |
| Julia Tahourdin | 20 | Malvern   |
| Helen Dunn      | 30 | Skye      |
| Arlene Kerr     | 30 | Skye      |
| Andrew Saliba   | 35 | Western   |
| David Berry     | 40 | Skye      |
|                 |    |           |

## Show Instructor Awards - awarded for continuous service as a Show Instructor

| Barbara Jacobs | 10 | Eastern |
|----------------|----|---------|
| Val Moody      | 30 | Western |
| Frank Moody    | 30 | Western |
| Vince Tantaro  | 40 | Western |



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

| John Schulz      | 5  | Eastern |
|------------------|----|---------|
| Peter Wallbridge | 5  | Eastern |
| Julie Urie       | 10 | Skye    |
| Cristine Begbie  | 10 | Skye    |
| Amanda Barr      | 10 | Skye    |
| Les Rudling      | 10 | Skye    |
| Mellisa Siktars  | 15 | Eastern |
| Jenny Burley     | 15 | Eastern |
| Rosie Garbett    | 20 | Eastern |
| Barbara Stewart  | 20 | Eastern |
| Barbara Jacobs   | 20 | Eastern |

## **Obedience Instructor Certificates**

| Sarah Economou       | Eastern Branch |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Rhonda Snijders      | Eastern Branch |
| Justin Morton        | Eastern Branch |
| Margaret Raftopoulos | Geelong Branch |
| Tony Lerias          | Western Branch |

## **Show Instructor Certificates**

Margaret Raftopoulos Geelong Branch



## TITLES AWARDED

| Alex & Karyn Cogdell            | Vindel Dancing with Mr D RA  | RE          |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Alex & Karyn Cogdell            | Vindel Dancing with Mr D RE  | CCD         |
| Alex & Karyn Cogdell            | Vindel Dancing with Mr D CCD RE  | RM          |
| Alex & Karyn Cogdell            | Vindel Dancing with Mr D CCD RM  | CD          |
| Alex & Karyn Cogdell            | Vindel Dancing with Mr D CD RM   | RO Ch       |
| Alex & Karyn Cogdell            | Ch Vindel Sheeza Raynbow CD RAE RE   | RM          |
| Andrea Taylor                   | Randinka Tiger Lily  | ET          |
| Andrew Quinn                    | Misteishah Florence CD   | RN          |
| Andrew Saliba                   | Bodecka Interogator  | CD          |
| Andrew Saliba                   | Bodecka Interogator CD   | CDX         |
| Bronacre Kennels                | *Bronacre Salted Popcorn AZ  | ET          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Ch Volscain Akira AZ CDX HIT  | RN          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Ch Volscain Akira AZ CDX RN HIT   | RA          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Ch Volscain Akira AZ UD RA HIT  | RE          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Ch Volscain Akira AZ UD RA HIT  | RM          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Kamunyak Khaleesi AZ  | RN          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Kamunyak Khaleesi AZ RN   | RA          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Kamunyak Khaleesi AZ RA   | RE          |
| Carolyn Anderson                | *Kamunyak Khaleesi AZ RE   | RM          |
| Cathy Workman                   | Jayshell Ghan CCD RE TDX ET  | RAE         |
| Cathy Workman                   | Jayshell Ghan CCD RAE TDX ET   | T Ch        |
| Dearne Jackson                  | Neut Ch Glenraco Your The One RA   | CCD         |
| Diana & Richard Oldfield        | Bronacre Popped To The Maxx  | TD          |
| Diana & Richard Oldfield        | *TCh Randinka Opal Moon AZ ET  | TSD         |
| Edward Smith                    | Ch Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ TDX  | TCh         |
| Edward Smith                    | Ch TCh Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ  | Dual Ch (T) |
| Edward Smith                    | Dual Ch (T) Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ   | TSD         |
| Frank Grigons                   | *Esko von den Zwei Steinen AZ (IMP GMY)  | ET          |
| Helena Walter & John Schulz     | Maadrica Amalie AZ   | RN          |
| Helena Walter & John Schulz     | *Schaeferhund Nelke AZ RAE ET  | RM          |
| Henderson/Bobbin/Knuckey/Cathie | Ch *Sensen Mann Yokon (IMP DEU) CD TDX ET                                      | T Ch        |
| Ian & Denise Woollard           | Jayella Wot R The Odds TD  | TSD         |
| Ian & Denise Woollard           | Jayella Wot R The Odds TD TSD  | TDX         |
| Ian & Denise Woollard           | Jayella Wot R The Odds TDX TSD   | CD          |
| Jason Karanzoulis               | Kenjja Sitting Bull  | TD          |
| Judith Strachan                 | Hasenway Malibu (IID DEU) AZ RN TDX  | TCh         |
| Justin Morton                   | TCh Kazkiri Smoke and Mirrors  | ET          |
| Lauren Brownhill                | Dual Ch(T) Sup Ch Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RA                                 | RE          |
| Lauren Brownhill                | Dual Ch(T) Sup Ch Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RE                                 | CCD         |
|                                 | Grand Ch Tri Ch (Neut) (T) (RO) Colwhip Golden Shimmer                         | 002         |
| Lauren Brownhill                | RAE RM HTM.S FS.S ET   | CD          |
| Lauran Proumhill                | Grand Ch Tri Ch (Neut) (T) (RO) Colwhip Golden Shimmer                         | EC N        |
| Lauren Brownhill                | CD RAE RM HTM.S FS.S ET Grand Ch Tri Ch (Neut) (T) (RO) Colwhip Golden Shimmer | FS.N        |
| Lauren Brownhill                | CD RAE RM HTM.S FS.N ET  | TSD         |
|                                 | Grand Ch Tri Ch (Neut) (T) (RO) Colwhip Golden Shimmer                         |             |
| Lauren Brownhill                | CD TSD RAE RM HTM.S FSN ET   | HTM.N       |



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| Lauren Brownhill      | TCh RO CH Phoenix Brownhill CD RAE3 TSD HTM.N ET  | FS.I        |
| Lauren Brownhill      | TCh RO CH Phoenix Brownhill CD RAE3 TSD HTM.N FS.I ET TCh RO CH Phoenix Brownhill CD RAE3 TSDX HTM.N FS.I | TSDX        |
| Lauren Brownhill      | ET  | HTM.I       |
| Lin Milne             | TS Ch TCh Djenuen Triple Treat AZ   | TS Grand Ch |
| Marie Felsovary       | TCh Ramara Justa Biache CCD RA TSD HSAs ET  | RE          |
| Marie Felsovary       | TCh Ramara Justa Biache CCD RE TSD HSAs ET  | TSDX        |
| Megan MacDonald       | Neut Grnd Ch Glenbala Universal Design RN   | CCD         |
| Mel Kelly             | *Ch Iniff Autmn Fire AZ TDX   | TCh         |
| Mel Kelly             | *Ch T Ch Iniff Autumn Fire AZ   | Dual Ch (T) |
| Michael Simmons       | Iturna Jim Dandy CDX  | TD          |
| Norm & Mary Hawthorne | Gipfel Shadow Land CD RN  | TCh         |
| Rhonda Snijders       | Jayshell Touchee (AI)   | TD          |
| Rosalie Gerlach       | Dual Ch(T) Killara The Green Mill Murder CCD RN TSD   | TSDX        |
| Rosalie Gerlach       | Dual Ch(T) Killara The Green Mill Murder CCD RN TSDX  | TS Ch       |
| Rosalie Gerlach       | Dual Ch(T) TS Ch Killara The Green Mill Murder CCD RN   | Tri Ch      |
| Stuart MacDonald      | *Grnd Ch Stobar Quentin AZ CDX ET   | TD          |
| Stuart MacDonald      | *Grnd Ch Stobar Quentin AZ CDX RN TD ET   | TDX         |
| Stuart MacDonald      | *Grnd Ch Stobar Quentin AZ CDX RN TDX ET  | TCh         |
| Stuart MacDonald      | *Grnd Ch ChT Stobar Quentin AZ CDX RN ET  | TSD         |
| Tania Schumann        | Ch Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy RE   | CD          |
| Tania Schumann        | Ch Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy CD RE  | RAE         |
| Tania Schumann        | Ch Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy CD RAE   | FS.S        |
| Tania Schumann        | Ch Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy CD RAE FS.S  | RM          |
| Tania Schumann        | Ch Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy CD RAE RM FS.S   | HTM.S       |
| Theresa Lewis         | Volscain Feebie   | TD          |
| Urs & Therese Rhyn    | Dual Ch(Neut/T) Killara Summer Wine   | CCD         |
| Urs & Therese Rhyn    | Dual Ch(Neut/T) Killara Summer Wine CCD   | TSD         |
| Urs & Therese Rhyn    | Dual Ch(Neut/T) Killara Summer Wine CCD TSD   | CD          |
| Wendy Seng Hpa        | Vonbios Carina A RAE RM   | RO Ch       |
| Wendy Seng Hpa        | Ro Ch Vonbios Carina A RAE  | ET          |
|                       |   |             |

## **AUSTRALIAN CHAMPION (Conformation)**

David & Lorelle Organ \*Lordavo Royal Symphony AZ

Dianne Cameron Maadrica Anya RN
Frank Grigons Traumdorf Gimme A Kiss
Ian Austin Vonpeta Just Bya Head (AI)
Irina Borodinova \*Freevale Crazy Beautiful
Jen Eaton Ubiqque Bluebells Desire
Michelle Mercieca \*Zandrac Jaguar AZ

Tania Schumann Shebelle French Champagne

## **AUSTRALIAN GRAND CHAMPION**

Len & Yvonne Hornsey

Ch Allendell Man in the Mask

Len & Yvonne Hornsey

Ch Andacht Torque Awhile

## **AUSTRALIAN NEUTER CHAMPION**

Tania Schumann \*Ch Bronacre Murumbidgee Murphy AZ

Mrs J Jordan \*Ch Bozeeb Ultrafox



#### **AUSTRALIAN SUPREME CHAMPION**

Lauren Brownhill Dual Ch.(T) Rimerini Dare To Dream AZ RA

Len & Yvonne Hornsey Allendell Once Upon a Dream

#### **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 2019.)

**Excellent in Tracking** 

Mr S & Mrs J Jordan Dual Ch (T) Bozeeb Whisky Bravo AZ TSD

**Excellent in Rally** 

Alex & Karyn Cogdell
Carolyn Anderson
Helena Walter & John Schulz
John V McIntosh
Vindel Dancing with Mr D RA
\*Kamunyak Khaleesi AZ
Maadrica Amalie AZ RN
Vonbios Carina CD RAE RM

**Excellent in Show** 

Anthony Leverett \*Denargun Zhivago AZ Excellent in Show Bronacre Kennels \*Bronacre Muckle Roe AZ Excellent in Show David & Lorelle Organ \*Lordavo Midnight Fantasy AZ Excellent in Show Tracey Hill \*Trayken Yes No Maybe So AZ Excellent in Show

**Excellent in Obedience** 

Alex & Karyn Cogdell Vindel Dancing with Mr D RA Excellent in Obedience
Carolyn Anderson \*Kamunyak Khaleesi AZ Excellent in Obedience
Jenny Joseph Bodecka Interogator Excellent in Obedience



#### SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Ian Williams Perpetual Tracking Trophy: None for 2019

Neil Cousins Memorial Trophy None for 2019

Pam Lewis Memorial Trophy – None for 2019

**Gwen Ibbott Shield** – In abeyance

#### **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 2019 year are:

Male (Stock Coat): Stobar Genaro Brank & Chris Auwema

Female (Stock Coat): Karabach Quinn S. Parker, J. Carter, S. Bick, B. Blythe

Male (Long Stock Coat): Trayken Jesse James Tracey Hill
Female (Long Stock Coat): Karabach Quite A Skywalker Michelle Rovetto

#### **Eric 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 2019 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 2019 is:

• \*Ch. Jayshell Nebraska AZ Sally Bick & Nicky McDermott



#### **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 2019 is:

None Awarded

#### **Specialist Dog and Bitch of the Year**

The <u>Specialist Dog and Bitch of the Year</u> 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 2019 (Stock Coat) \*Jayshell Nebraska `A' `Z' (Owner – S Bick & N McDermott)



Specialist Dog of the Year 2019 (Long Stock Coat) \*Karabach Night Force `A' `Z' (Owner - Mrs H Kelly)



Specialist Bitch of the Year 2019
(Stock Coat)

\*Charlotte Von Tronje a ED (Imp Deu)
(Owner – Rachel Jones)



Specialist Bitch of the Year 2019
(Long Stock Coat)

\*Stobar Yalina "A", "Z"

(Owner - Narelle Cullen)



## JUNIOR HANDLER AWARDS - CONFORMATION

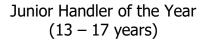


Junior Handler of the Year (7 – 9 years)

## **Ryan Kelly**

Junior Handler of the Year (10 to 12 years)

**Joel Clark** 



## **Stephanie Jones**







## YOUNG HANDLER ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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

## 2019 Achiever Trinity Jones



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## **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.           |      |                                     |           |
|------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1950 | Prince Kazan                |                   | 1987 | *Karlrach Wyoming Belle 'A'         | Aust. Ch. |
| 1951 | Willunga Baron              |                   | 1988 | *Hasenway Putz `A'                  | Aust. Ch. |
| 1952 | Weldenfels Bedwolf          | KCC Ch.           | 1989 | None awarded                        |           |
| 1953 | Helenbryan Patricia CDX     | KCC Ch.           | 1990 | *Quincito Awol 'A'                  | Aust. Ch. |
| 1955 | Kombrack Prince             |                   | 1991 | *Elvarado Super Star                | Aust. Ch. |
| 1956 | Kombrack Prince             | KCC Ch.           | 1992 | *Iniff Tapestry `A' `Z' CD          | Aust. Ch. |
| 1957 | Whelker Fram Beau           | KCC Ch.           | 1993 | *Iniff Vagrant `A' `Z'              | Aust. Ch. |
| 1958 | Macron Marita               | KCC Ch.           | 1994 | *Iniff Vagrant `A' `Z'              | Aust. Ch. |
| 1959 | Bramcourt Barleena          | KCC Ch.           | 1995 | *Denargun Flying Colours 'A' 'Z'    | Aust. Ch. |
| 1960 | Rosenthal Jelda             |                   | 1996 | *Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'       | Aust. Ch. |
| 1961 | Yram Prince Amin            | Aust. Ch.         | 1997 | *Hasenway Wild Knight `A' `Z'       | Aust. Ch. |
| 1962 | Lardo Pretty Shanee         | Aust. Ch.         | 1998 | *Hasenway Wild Knight `A' `Z'       | Aust. Ch. |
| 1963 | Lardo Pretty Shanee         | Aust. Ch.         | 1999 | *Iwan vom Lechtal "a" 'Z'           | Aust. Ch. |
| 1964 | Lardo Pretty Shanee         | Aust. Ch.         | 2000 | *Hasenway Wild Knight `A' `Z'       | Aust. Ch. |
|      | Kohinoor Kazan              | Aust. Ch.         | 2001 | *Winbirra Elegance `A' `Z'          | Aust. Ch. |
| 1966 | Kohinoor Kazan              | Aust. Ch.         | 2002 | *Denargun Browned Off 'A' 'Z'       | Aust. Ch. |
| 1967 | Liebestraum Leader          | Aust. Ch.         | 2003 | *Spellbinda High Society `A' `Z'    | Aust. Ch. |
| 1968 |                             | Aust. Ch.         | 2004 | *Bodecka Grandslam 'A' 'Z'          | Aust. Ch. |
| 1969 | Hagenstolz Kismet           | Aust. Ch.         | 2005 | *Zandrac Rivendell 'A' 'Z'          |           |
|      | Hagenstolz Kismet           | Aust. Ch.         | 2006 | *Peshar Inga `A' `Z'                | Aust. Ch. |
| 1971 | Hagenstolz Cicero           | Aust. Ch.         | 2007 | *Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'      | Aust. Ch. |
| 1972 | Tanaba Amonasaro            | Aust. Ch.         | 2008 | *Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'      | Aust. Ch. |
|      | Trievon Rajah               | Aust. Ch.         | 2009 | *Lashadas Ace of Hearts 'A' 'Z'     | Aust. Ch. |
| 1974 | Kaznora Kommondant          |                   | 2010 | *Freevale Crazy In Pink 'A' 'Z'     | Aust. Ch. |
| 1977 | Willmaurs Fondawn           |                   | 2011 | *Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z'ET     | Aust. Ch. |
|      | Edinsmuir Liz's Girl of Bed | dwin Eng/Aust.Ch. | 2012 | *Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z'ET     | Aust. Ch. |
| 1980 | *Von Roland Axel            |                   | 2013 | *Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET   | Aust. Ch. |
| 1981 | Glenawly Kenner             | Aust. Ch.         | 2014 | *Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET   | Aust. Ch. |
| 1982 | Wanteppich Asta             | Aust. Ch.         | 2015 | * Ch. Jayshell Winona `A' `Z'       | Aust. Ch. |
| 1983 | Volscain Navita             | Aust. Ch.         | 2016 | * Ch. Jayshell Winona `A' `Z'       | Aust. Ch. |
|      | *Bedwins Finnigan           | Aust. Ch.         | 2017 | * Ch. Xaro von der Plassenburg a ED | Aust. Ch. |
|      | *Karlrach Satans Rites      | Aust. Ch.         | 2018 | *Jayshell Nebraska `A' `Z'          |           |
| 1986 | *Landrina Majic Melody      | Aust. Ch.         | 2019 | * Ch. Jayshell Nebraska 'A' 'Z'     | Aust. Ch  |



## **CHALLENGE SASHES DONATED BY THE GSDCV INC. FOR 2019**

| EVENT                   | <b>EVENT DATES</b>                           | JUDGE                            |
|-------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Hawkes Bay GSDC         | 23 <sup>rd</sup> February                    | Mr A Henderson                   |
| Hawkes Bay GSDC         | 24 <sup>rd</sup> February                    | Mr I Urie                        |
| Otago GSDC (NZ)         | 1 <sup>st</sup> March                        | Mr I Urie                        |
| GSDC of Malaysia        | 1 <sup>st</sup> June                         | Mr V Tantaro                     |
| Lilydale Kennel Club    | 11 <sup>th</sup> August                      | Mr L Donald (Qld)                |
| Bairnsdale Kennel Club  | 1 <sup>st</sup> September                    | Mrs S Bruno (Qld)                |
| Royal Melbourne Show    | 21st September                               | Challenges & Best in Trial       |
| GSDC of Finland         | 21st September                               | Mr A Henderson                   |
| ACTGSDA                 | 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> of October | Mr A Henderson                   |
| Wording Dog Club of Vic | 3 <sup>rd</sup> November                     | Mr I Urie and Snr R Caputi (Ecu) |
| Sunbury Canine Club     | 5 <sup>th</sup> November                     | Mr V Tantaro                     |
| Indonesia GSD Club      | 9 <sup>th</sup> November                     | Mr V Tantaro                     |

## **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 amazing "oldies"!

| Dog  | Owner                   | Breeder               |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Volscain Pascha                              | Shelly Jacobs           | Volscain Kennels      |
| Sire: Yacko von hom Holtkamper see (Imp Gmy) |                         |                       |
| Dam: Siwa vom Gelper Hof (Imp Gmy            |                         |                       |
| Rozenbelle Demmi                             | Michelle Wong           | Mrs T Boeriage        |
| Sire: Maltaknights Master Unox               |                         |                       |
| Dam: Bozeeb Rather Risque                    |                         |                       |
| Willmaurs Berlinton Berti                    | Julia Shannon           | W & M Goodwin         |
| Sire: Aimsway Abacus                         |                         |                       |
| Dam: Willmaurs Only the Lonely               |                         |                       |
| Blakngold Honey Jumble                       | Nicky McDermott         | Vanessa Stocks        |
| Sire: Stobar Peete                           |                         |                       |
| Dam: Kardin Tammy                            |                         |                       |
| Bonshannon Xambo                             | Kerryn Bogure-Latchford | Bonshannon Kennels    |
| Sire: Lasso von der Watercant                |                         |                       |
| Dam: Bonshannon Georgia                      |                         |                       |
| TS. Grand.Ch. Tri Neut Ch TRO Awatea         | Urs & Therese Rhyn      | Mr F & the late Mrs M |
| Loven Missy UD RAE HT                        |                         | Grigons               |
| Sire: Awatea Ykiss Agirl                     |                         |                       |
| Dam: Yontali Tis Mine                        |                         |                       |

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#### **MAJOR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS**

## Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal

# \$23,182 Collected for the Kids This brings out total amount collected over 36 years to \$648,104



#### Wow! 36 years collecting for the Royal Children's Hospital Good Friday Appeal.

First of all, we must thank those dedicated members for helping out on the day.

So once again thank you very much to those members from Western, Eastern and Malvern, family members and friends for your dedication and hard work. I know most of us were very tired and had sore feet, but it is very satisfying to know in some way we have achieved this great result.

#### Names and helpers and corners:

#### **Main Road East and Sunshine Avenue**

Bernie Lester, Heidi & Jones Ma, Christine Lakey, Michael Blunt, Tony Mercieca, Andrew Saliba, Andrew & Tory Keam, Sarah Davis, Mat Blackford.

#### **Ballarat Road and Gordon Street**

Lyn Pickering, Ros Mills, Ashley & Justin Condello, Max Bragiola, Luke Pickering, Gail Stewart, Taylah Gunnser, Angelo Rados, and John Prout.

#### **Ballarat, Anderson and McIntyre Road**

Dom Cafari, Lauren Whitford, George Mells, Teresa Kohut, Bill, Tina, Sarah and Elias Frantzeskos, Viny Ballal-bagh, Peter Hallgarten, Steve, Jessica, Rebecca, Tara and Brad Kinsman.

#### **Epsom Road and Smithfield Road**

Ethel Thompson, Karen D'Amico, Andrea Cornwall, Michael Simmons, Barb Stewart, Di & Sean Oldfield, John Schulz, Helena Walters, Maryanne Millar, Moabe, Gayle Anderson, Bec Carroll, Jessica & Fernado Bermudea and Bill Goldberg.

It was very disappointing that we had to drop some corners due to lack of members being able to help. Next year we can only ask that members of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria will be able to spare some time to collect for Good Friday Royal Children's Hospital Appeal.

Thanks everyone from Lyn Pickering, Dom Cafari & Bernie Lester.

## **HISTORY OF OFFICE BEARERS OF THE GSDCV**

| YEAR | PRESIDENT                       | VICE-PRESIDENT                                    | SECRETARY                         | TREASURER           | B/AFFAIRS<br>ADMINISTRATOR | TRAINING<br>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/<br>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/<br>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.<br>Henderson    | Mrs. B. Ryan                      | Mr. E. Fitzgerald   | N/A                        | N/A                       |
| 1964 | Mr. W. Henderson                | Mr. T. vd Ryst/Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. T.<br>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/<br>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.<br>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/<br>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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| YEAR      | PRESIDENT                          | VICE-PRESIDENT              | SECRETARY  | TREASURER   | B/AFFAIRS<br>ADMINISTRATOR | TRAINING<br>ADMINISTRATOR       |  |  |
| 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/<br>Mrs. M. Haines/<br>Mrs. Westwood | Mr. W. Edmonds/Mrs.<br>S. Westwood/Mr. J.<br>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/<br>Ms. K. Combes                   | Mr. L. Donald              | Mrs. A. Kerr/<br>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/<br>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 <sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT   | SECRETARY        | TREASURER                            | B/AFFAIRS<br>ADMINISTRATOR | TRAINING<br>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<br>Mr. D. Cafari (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)   | Mrs. V. Moody    | Mr. G. Jacobs                        | Mrs. J. Yuen               | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2007 | Mr. F. Moody                       | Mr. D. Cafari<br>Mr. I. Urie (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)   | Ms. V. Dobson    | Mr. G. Jacobs                        | Mrs. J. Yuen               | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2008 | Mr. D. Cafari                      | Mr. I. Urie<br>Mr. J. Rodger (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)   | Ms. V. Dobson    | Mr. G. Jacobs                        | Mrs. J. Yuen               | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2009 | Mr. D. Cafari                      | Mr. I. Urie<br>Mr. J. Rodger (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)   | Ms. V. Dobson    | Mr. G. Jacobs                        | Mrs. J. Yuen               | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2010 | Mr. D. Cafari                      | Mr. V. Ebejer<br>Mr. J. Rodger (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)                                       | Mrs. V. Moody    | Mr. G. Jacobs                        | Mrs. J. Yuen               | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2011 | Mr. V. Ebejer                      | Mr. I. Urie<br>Mrs. V. Moody (2 <sup>nd</sup> 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<br>Mrs. L Rodger (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)                                       | Mrs. N. Meaney   | Mr. M. Simmons                       | Mr. I. Urie                | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2014 | Mr. V. Ebejer                      | Mr. I Urie<br>Mrs. L Rodger (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)  | Mrs. N Meaney    | Mr. M Simmons                        | Mrs. J. Yuen               | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2015 | Mr. V. Ebejer                      | Mrs. N. McDermott Mrs. L. Rodger (2 <sup>nd</sup> 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 <sup>nd</sup> VP)                                     | Mrs. Mel Siktars | Mrs. F Henderson                     | Mrs. J. Yuen               | Mrs. M. Wrigley           |  |  |
| 2017 | Mr. V. Ebejer                      | Mr. Tony Mercieca Mrs. L. Rodger (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP) Resigned – 1 <sup>st</sup> June '17 | Mrs. Mel Siktars | Mrs. F. Henderson                    | Mr. I. Urie                | Mr. L. Rudling            |  |  |
| 2018 | Mr. T. Mercieca                    | Mr. F Moody<br>Mrs. J Yuen (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)   | Mr. V Ebejer     | Mrs. F. Henderson                    | Mr. I. Urie                | Mr. L. Rudling            |  |  |
| 2019 | Mr. T. Mercieca                    | Mr F Moody<br>Mr J Schulz (2 <sup>nd</sup> 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          |



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|-----------|----------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
|           | Eastern        | M. Valastro             | G. Saddington | D. Taylor      | J. Tenkaten   |
|           | LaTrobe Valley | H. v Rysbergen          | C. Bennett    | I. Bennett     | L. McAlpine   |
|           | Malvern        | M. Sharp                | B. Gascoigne  | P. Lewis       | M. Nelson     |
|           | Waverley       | R. Orchard              | D. Westwood   | F. Eastgate    | C. Humphrys   |
|           | Western        | A. Boyd                 | M. Boyd       | A. Saliba      | B. Lester     |
| 1986      | Ballarat       | J. Hodges               | M. Wrigley    | W. Hawksworth  |               |
|           | Eastern        | M. Valastro             | A. Franklin   | G. Saddington  | E. Pilar      |
|           | Geelong        | N. Sterzenbach          | H. Whiteford  | C. Christiaans |               |
|           | LaTrobe Valley | C. Wells                | I. Bennett    | C. Bennett     | L. McAlpine   |
|           | Malvern        | D. Bell                 | B. Gascoigne  | P. Lewis       | R. Staley     |
|           | Northern       | G. Harding              | K. Howell     | F. Harding     | •             |
|           | Waverley       | D. Dowell               | F. Henderson  | K. Dowell      | C. Humphrys   |
|           | Western        | A. Boyd                 | M. Boyd       | A. Saliba      | B. Lester     |
| 1987      | Ballarat       | J. Hodges               | M. Wrigley    | I. Kelly       | C. Hawksworth |
|           | Eastern        | M. Valastro             | A. Franklin   | G. Saddington  | E. Pilar      |
|           | Geelong        | C. Christiaans          | H. Whiteford  | D. Jenkins     | R. Nation     |
|           | LaTrobe Valley | C. Bennett              | D. Wells      | L. Goodge      | L. McAlpine   |
|           | Malvern        | D. Bell                 | J. Begg       | R. Jones       | R. Staley     |
|           | Northern       | G. Harding              | K. Howell     | C. Humphries   | K. Humphries  |
|           | Skye           | L. Holden               | N. Meaney     | G. Green       | B. Dunn       |
|           | Western        | A. Boyd                 | M. Boyd       | A. Saliba      | B. Lester     |
| 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     |



| YEAR | BRANCH         | MANAGER                    | SECRETARY    | TREASURER     | CHIEF INSTRUCTOR |
|------|----------------|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|
| 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        |



| YEAR | BRANCH    | MANAGER             | SECRETARY                  | TREASURER                  | CHIEF INSTRUCTOR    |
|------|-----------|---------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| 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 |



| YEAR | BRANCH          | MANAGER               | SECRETARY     | TREASURER               | CHIEF INSTRUCTOR             |
|------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1997 | Ballarat        | K. Rowlands/W. Drever | C. Rowlands   | P. Maggi                | J. Hodges/P. Cooper          |
|      | Bendigo         | D. Trickey            | R. Robson     | M. Dix                  | S. Bacon                     |
|      | Eastern         | B. Glasheen           | P. Duffy      | L. Marston              | J. Smith                     |
|      | Geelong         | C. Gardner/D. Bourke  | T. Ball       | A. Vella                |                              |
|      | Gippsland       | D. Hynd               | P. Pendlebury | P. Wiseman              | J. Moorey                    |
|      | Malvern         | P. Davies             | L. Satherley  | M. Fajdiga              | S. Kelly                     |
|      | Northern        | P. Vincent            | R. Walton     | A. Solarz               | A. Dordevic                  |
|      | Skye            | A. Adams              | J. Maynard    | D. Winter               | N. Meaney                    |
|      | Waverley        | I. Urie               | L. McDermott  | N. Clark                | T. Shaw                      |
| -    | Western         | D. Cafari             | T. Mercieca   | S. Kovacic              | C. Wood                      |
| 1998 | Ballarat        | G. Lowe               | C. Rowlands   | P. Maggi                | P. Cooper                    |
|      | Bendigo         | T. Kennedy            | R. Bailey     | A. Hassell              | S. Bacon                     |
|      | Eastern         | A. Franklin           | C. Srb        | L. Marston              | D. Berry                     |
|      | Geelong         | M. Valastro           | S. O'Connor   | N. McDonald             | F. Valastro                  |
|      | Gippsland       | J. Morrey             | P. 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                  |
|      | Waverley        | I. Urie               | N. Clark      | T. Leverett             |                              |
|      | Western         | D. Cafari             | D. Sturgess   | C. Sturgess             | P. Lazaric                   |
| 1999 | Ballarat        | K. Rowlands           | M. Maggi      | P. Maggi                | J. Hodges                    |
|      | Bendigo         | T. Kennedy            | R. Bailey     | A. Hassell              | S. Bacon                     |
|      | Eastern         | A. Franklin           | C. Srb        | B. Jacobs               | D. Berry                     |
|      | Geelong         | M. Valastro           | J. Henley     | M. Sinclair             | F. Valastro                  |
|      | Gippsland       | C. Hynd               | N. Pancutt    | S. Pancutt              | J. Morrey                    |
|      | Malvern         | G. Johnston           | J. Eppinger   | T. Poole                | J. Speers                    |
|      | Northern        | R. Walton             | C. Cawsey     | A. Solarz               | T. Taukus                    |
|      | Skye            | A. Adams              | J. Maynard    | I. Holden               | F. Spinelli/P. Aarons        |
|      | Specialist Show | I. Urie               | V. Ainslie    | T. Leverett             | C. Humphrys                  |
|      | Wangaratta      | D. Pollard            | C. Rice       | A. Pirie                |                              |
|      | Western         | F. Moody              | S. Petrella   | C. Sturgess/R. Petrella | PLazaric/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. ASchnoor       | A. Hassell             | S. Bacon                |
|      | Eastern         | G. Jacobs             | L. Marston        | B. Jacobs              | J. Atken/D. Berry       |
|      | Geelong         | A. Smith              | J. Henley         | M. Blunt               | F. Valastro             |
|      | Gippsland       | P. Pendlebury         | T. Taylor         | C. Bennett             | D. Hynd                 |
|      | Malvern         | D. Hopgood            | J. Eppinger       | T. Poole               | G. Johnston/D. Jackson  |
|      | Northern        | I. Hipworth           | J. Pound          | A. Solarz              | R. Walton               |
|      | Skye            | J. Maynard            | B. Blythe         | B. Duyvestyn           | H. Dunn                 |
|      | Specialist Show | M. Robson             | J. Yuen           | T. Leverett            | C. Humphrys             |
|      | Western         | F. Moody              | S. Petrella       | R. Petrella            | S. Petrella             |
|      | Wodonga         | D. Norgate/J. Greskie | C. Rice/P. Smith  | K. Pol/C. Heathcote    | F. Veletovski/G. Cole   |
| 2002 | Ballarat        | K. Rowlands           | C. Rowlands       | D. Ellery              | B. Wilson               |
|      | Bendigo         | R. Schnoor            | C. Whyte          | M. Phillips            | S. Bacon                |
|      | Eastern         | G. Jacobs             | L. Marston        | B. Jacobs              | D. Berry                |
|      | Geelong         | K. Heyne              | J. Henley         | M. Blunt               | J. Mee                  |
|      | Gippsland       | P. Pendlebury         | T. Taylor         | C. Hynd                | P. Wiseman              |
|      | Malvern         | D. Hopgood            | J. Eppinger       | J. Graham              | G. Johnston/D. Jackson  |
|      | Northern        | I. Hipworth           | J. Pound          | A. Solarz              | I. Woodhill             |
|      | Skye            | I. Holden             | B. Blythe         | S. Hargreaves          | H. Dunn                 |
|      | Specialist Show | M. Robson             | L. Rodger         | T. Leverett            | C. Humphrys             |
|      | Western         | F. Moody              | S. Petrella       | R. Petrella            | S. Petrella             |
|      | Wodonga         | J. Greskie            | P. Smith          | C. Heathcote/K. Pearce | G. Cole                 |



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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 Masrton  |
|      | 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       |
|      | 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. Willliams         | 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. Willliams         | 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          |



| YEAR | BRANCH          | MANAGER      | SECRETARY    | TREASURER    | CHIEF INSTRUCTOR |
|------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| 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. Willliams | 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          |
| 2010 | Dellawat        | M. Wrigdov   | C. Daharta   | D. Ellow     | M. Weiglay       |
| 2019 | Ballarat        | M. Wrigley   | S. Roberts   | D. Ellery    | M. Wrigley       |
|      | Bendigo         | E Neale      | N. Meaney    | D. Kennedy   | T. Kennedy       |
|      | Eastern         | P Walbridge  | R Snidjers   | J. Burley    | A. Cornwall      |
|      | Geelong         | D Organ      | J Gant       | M. Cabel     | V Filmer         |
|      | Gippsland       | R. Batchelor | T. Taylor    | R. Bradley   | A Purcell        |
|      | Malvern         | J. Poole     | S Siebel     | 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  | S. Hounslow      |
|      | Wodonga         | G. Cole      | M. Cole      | M. Brew      | G. Cole          |