



# **2021 ANNUAL REPORT**



# **THE GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**

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## **ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2021**



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Presents to its members

### The 2021 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, 2021.

On behalf of the Executive and Management Committee of the GSDCV, I congratulate all the members who have worked tirelessly throughout the year. 2021 has again been a difficult year for members, and the continuing pandemic continued to challenge member's priorities. The removal and then slow return to a new "normal" for our member's daily lives of dog shows, performance events, weekend training, lockdowns, stretched individuals as well as our Branches. To still get out there in the community as Branches and individuals with a GSD beside you doing whatever with your dog(s), has helped shine a light on our beautiful breed and we thank you.

I would like to thank all the Committees and the Instructors. The time and effort you put in week after week to assist the general members often goes unthanked. It is important to remind you that the members *are* grateful for all the time you put in, week after week to assist them and their GSDs.

I would also like to thank our major sponsor Royal Canin and the Monash Vet Clinic for continuing their support of the GSDCV in 2021.

Finally, I would like to thank all the contributors to this Annual Report and Maroondah Printing for once again producing this report with such fantastic and friendly service.

*Deanne Jackson*  
*Honorary Secretary – GSDCV*

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## HISTORY OF PATRONS & LIFE MEMBERS

### PATRON IN CHIEF & PATRONS

<b>Patroness</b> Dame Mabel Brookes	1973 to late 1970's
<b>Patron In Chief</b> Mr. S. I. Miller, Chief Commissioner of the Victorian Police Force	1984 to 1988
<b>Patrons</b> Mr. R. Jackson – both as Chief Commissioner & Retired Chief Commissioner of the Victorian Police Force	1984 to 1993
<b>Patron In Chief</b> Mr. K. Glare, Chief Commissioner of the Victoria Police Force	1988 to 1993
<b>Patron</b> T. R. Luxton, Esq.	 1984 to 2017

### LIFE MEMBERS

NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED	NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED
Mr. Schellenberger		Mrs. Val Moody	2000
Mr. S.A. Rowe		Mr. Ian Urie	2004
Mr. Norm Watts	1983	Mr. Ian Holden	2006
Mrs. Anne Watts	1983	Mrs. Louisa Rodger	2006
Mr. Karl Heyne	1984	Mr. Ben Glasheen	2008
Mr. Wally Szillat	1988	Mr. Dom Cafari	2008
Mrs. Fran Farley	1989	Mr. Bernie Lester	2009
Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley	1994	Mr. David Berry	2010
Mrs. Fran Tantaró	1995	Mr. Andrew Saliba	2014
Mr. Vince Tantaró	1995	Mrs. Jenny Yuen	2016
Mr. Chris Hollingworth	1997	Ms. Jacinta Poole	2017
Mr. Frank Moody	1998	Mr. Vincent Ebejer	2019

### LIFE MEMBERS - (Deceased)

NAME	LIFE MEMBERSHIP PRESENTED	DECEASED
Mr. Walter Reimann		1982
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 ( <i>GSDCV Patron 1984-2017</i> )	1983	2017
Mr. Ron Orchard	1997	2017
Mr. James Rodger	1988	2018
Mr. Ian Cameron	1996	2018
Mrs. Reene Hayman	1972	2018
Mrs. Anita Pettenhofer	1983	2020
Mr. John Hodges	1994	2020

## GSDCV MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2021

### MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



L-R: Les Rudling, Nicky McDermott, Fiona Henderson, Tony Mercieca, Dearne Jackson, Vince Ebejer:

### OFFICE BEARERS

<b>President</b>	Mr. Vince Ebejer
<b>Vice President</b>	Mr. Tony Mercieca
<b>Secretary</b>	Mrs. Dearne Jackson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mrs. Fiona Henderson
<b>Breed Affairs Administrator</b>	Mrs. Nicky McDermott
<b>Obedience Training Administrator</b>	Mr. Les Rudling

### BRANCH MANAGERS

<b>Ballarat</b>	Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley	<b>Northern</b>	Ms. Diane Page
<b>Bendigo</b>	Mrs. Debra Mill	<b>Skye</b>	Ms. Carla Srb
<b>Eastern</b>	Mr. Peter Wallbridge	<b>Specialist Show Branch</b>	Mr. Alastair Henderson
<b>Geelong</b>	Mr. David Organ	<b>Western</b>	Mr. Steve Kinsman
<b>Gippsland</b>	Mr. Ray Batchelor	<b>Wodonga</b>	Mrs. Carol Mindin
<b>Malvern</b>	Ms. Jacinta Poole		

### POSITION HOLDERS

<b>Membership Officer</b>	Mrs. Lin Ebejer
<b>Shepherd News Editor</b>	Ms. Jacinta Poole
<b>Website Chairman</b>	Ms. Jacinta Poole
<b>Minutes Secretary</b>	Mrs. Barbara Blythe
<b>Trial Manager</b>	N/A
<b>Demo Team Manager</b>	N/A
<b>Promotions Officer</b>	N/A



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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Mr Vince Ebejer**

On behalf of the Management Committee of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria, I would like to welcome you all to our 2021 Annual General Meeting. It is an honour and a privilege to present my report as your President.

I would like to start by thanking our major sponsor, Royal Canin for their support through 2021 and I am pleased to report they have agreed to continue our long-term relationship into 2022.

Thankfully we did not have the number of cancellations that we did in 2021. We were able to honour our pledge and present Royal Canin product to our entrants and winners at our events as well as continue to offer their great product to our membership base through our branches. While it is not uncommon to receive 'sponsorship', the added benefit of being able to offer Royal Canin products through our Branch structure to our membership certainly sets us apart. We would also like to thank our long-term friend Monash Veterinary Clinic.

2021 started off ok, the low number of reported Covid-19 cases made us think that the worst was most likely over. Wishful thinking as it turns out, with 2021 turning into a continuation of 2020 Covid-19 once again becoming the central theme. Record breaking lockdowns defined our year. Not only was our training impacted, the ever present threat of lockdowns made planning for events a worrisome task. In true GSDCV fashion, somehow, we made it all work. We used what we learnt from the previous year, for Branches unable to train in person, keeping in touch with the members via social media, emails and the like providing tips, homework, training and advice. Luckily, through the Special General Meeting, we were able to make a Constitutional change which allowed us to conduct and vote at committee meetings via video conferencing if government regulations precluded us from meeting in person. It would not be a regular year without some sort of challenge and last year was no different. The challenge this time was the state mandated covid-19 vaccination and the requirement on organisations to ensure they only allow those that are vaccinated to participate. While it may seem that it was a new thing, ironically it wasn't. We require all GSDs that take part in training to be vaccinated, now it was going to be extended to the members themselves. Thankfully, the work we had done in previous years on our membership database and training app allowed us to navigate through the process with a minor upgrade to our already great membership database. Certainly there were those who were not happy, fortunately the vast majority of our membership understood our predicament, worked with us and we were able to return to full training. Teamwork has got us where we are today and continues to move us forward.

As it turned out, we were able to conduct a number of events. Our SGM in January, Championship Show and Restricted to Breed Trial in March, 4 Breed Surveys, the State Breed Exhibition and Restricted to Breed Trial, an Endurance Trial as well as our Championship Show and Restricted to Group Trial in conjunction with the Working Dog Club of Victoria albeit in December rather than over the November Cup weekend, as well as a slightly subdued Annual General Meeting.

Due to the disruptions in 2020, we found it hard to compare training number in 2021 with 2020, though we expect it would have grown based on being 'open' for longer periods. Memberships themselves were again surprisingly up with 3497 members spread over 1768 units, a huge increase on 2020 with 2672 members spread over 1402 units, itself up from 2019 with up from 2451 members over 1387. Each year we continue to grow. From what information we have from the other States, we are the only GSD Club in Australia to do so. We can only attribute this to the relationship ship we have with our members, through our Breeders, Social media presence, and most importantly the Branch Committees and Instructors. The relationship they have with our members and the public, contact that was maintained throughout the year. While the lockdown periods presented their own unique challenges, we adapted, utilized what we had available and through the dedication and hard work, we kept in touch with the membership base. Providing instruction sets, tips and homework as well as responding to members questions and feedback, members were able to continue training on their own, making sure they were ready to return to training when possible as well as having the best ambassador our breed can have, a well-behaved GSD. Covid-19 safe /return to play plans were developed, considering government guidelines and each unique requirement that the relevant local council requested.

While there was no physical barrier around the metropolitan area, as in the previous year with our structure and dispersion across the State, there were times when metropolitan Branches were closed and regional branches were open. Dependent on where they lived, this affected committees, instructors and members alike. With staggered



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training times, kitchens unable to serve due either to lack of volunteers or regulations, the Branch Committees and Instructors did their utmost to deliver what services they could.

As always, the GSDCV could not function without the multitudes of volunteers that make the GSDCV what it is, from the committees to instructors to the general helper on the ground, it takes an enormous amount of effort each week and every time we conduct an event, and their efforts cannot go unrecognised.

Whether we are open or closed for training, there is a great deal of work that goes on behind the scenes. Many often say that we 'are just a dog club', true we are a dog club. What many do not realise just how big we are. The GSDCV is the single biggest breed club in Australia (actually we are bigger than all of the other state German Shepherd Clubs combined). We are also Incorporated. Each of these brings its own requirements, the 'business' of the GSDCV requires reports to be submitted, financial accounting, bills to be paid, magazines to be produced, dealings with government and Dogs Victoria and a multitude of other things that need to happen in order for us to function, in order for training to take place each week and in order for the membership to enjoy the many benefits of being part of the GSDCV.

Our Club has a long and proud history. All that it has achieved has been through a willingness to work together, a belief that the whole is greater than the sum of its parts, that no one part is more important than the other and that each contribution to the mission and vision of the GSDCV is as valuable as any other. Continuing in this way will ensure our growth, strength and reputation that I believe is the envy of the canine fraternity.

#### **VALE**

Unfortunately, as has occurred in previous years we lost a number of dear friends during 2021. Perhaps this year, these losses have affected us greater, with restrictions preventing us from being able to gather to mourn as we have in the past.

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

No matter what a year brings, whether being fully operational, fully closed or somewhere in between, our organisation could not operate effectively without a number of key roles. I would like to take this opportunity to highlight some key individuals and extend my thanks for their efforts. Without delving too deeply into their portfolios, as I am certain they will present their report much more comprehensively than I, bringing to light the roles they hold:

#### **Vice President: Tony Mercieca**

Tony continued in the role of Vice President during 2021, a position I and the Club rely heavily on. Tony has provided good counsel and a balanced view, something that will be invaluable in the years ahead. I am pleased to say that Tony has agreed to stay on for the 2022 year.

#### **Secretary: Dearne Jackson**

Club Secretary for the GSDCV is arguably one of the most time-consuming roles in the organisation. Dearne's experience as an administrator and knowledge of Club operations has served us well this past year. Not only does Dearne provide administrative assistance to Tony and myself, Dearne is a valued member of the Executive offering counsel and advice on the numerous issues that we face. Including a strong working relationship with Dogs Victoria is not only an added bonus, it is essential in the challenges we face. Thankfully Dearne is continuing in the role for 2022

We cannot mention the role of Club secretary without recognising the work of Barbara Blythe and the assistance that she provides to Dearne. Not only minute secretary and assistant secretary for the management committee, Barbara also assists in many other facets of the administration providing valuable support to Dearne and others.

#### **Treasurer: Fiona Henderson**

The role of Club Treasurer for a Club the size of ours is not only time consuming, it is essential. The added requirements for an incorporated organisation are something we should not take for granted. Thankfully, our





financial requirements are in the capable hands of Fiona who continued in the role of Club Treasurer again during 2021. Fiona makes it look effortless though I am sure that it is not. Not only dealing with the overall Club finances, which we all know for a volunteer organisation are not insignificant, Fiona as part of the Executive and the leadership group brings her own special skill set and personality to the varied issues that face us.

With the assistance of Dom Cafari and Pam Anderton as assistant treasurers, both extremely capable in their own right, Fiona is instrumental in dealing with our fiscal responsibility, meeting our legal and moral responsibilities. It certainly puts my mind at ease, and it should yours as too, that Fiona is continuing in the role for 2022.

#### **Breed Affairs Administrator: Nicky McDermott**

We often say the Breed Affairs post is varied and can be all encompassing. Shows, Judges, Breed Surveys to name a few of the many items that fall under the portfolio. Nicky has continued to bring her own unique touch to the position, with a number of meetings and the majority of Shows held, a great deal of work went on behind the scenes.

Nicky was ably assisted during 2021 by Vince Tantaró. Being a Past president of both the GSDCV and GSDCA, as well as long-time Breed Surveyor and Judge, Vince's knowledge and council was well received and sought out.

#### **Obedience Training Administrator: Les Rudling**

Continuing in the role held since 2017, Les has led the Obedience & Training Committee during what has again been a very difficult year to conduct training. Catering to the vast majority of our membership base, Les has the 'largest' portfolio in terms of sheer numbers. Many of our Branches have more dogs on the ground each and every week than some interstate Club have numbers. Sitting quietly behind Les without formal roles and assisting him with the running of the Obedience and Rally trials are Carla Srb and Rosie Garbett. Thank you both for your assistance to Les, it is appreciated.

Through the efforts of instructors across the Branches, training continued to ensure we have well behaved GSDs. I look forward to the plans Les has in place for 2022

#### **Branches:**

The GSDCV has the largest membership base of all the German Shepherd Dog Clubs in Australia and the Branch Structure is the face of the GSDCV. To be honest, we must accept that many members see 'their' branch as the 'Club', which is fine as it is the nurturing at the Branch level that develops into a commitment to the breed and a desire to help, first at a 'local' level then hopefully in a more global aspect. The numerous Branch Committees again faced a difficult challenge this past year. Through social media, group emails and other means, each Branch managed in their own way to keep the relationship with the members going, training when and how they could, all in preparation for a time when we can return to full physical training and social gatherings.

The Management Committee is where the Executive and Branch Managers come together to provide leadership and direction for the future of the GSDCV and the German Shepherd Dog. It is here that we come together as ONE CLUB, with an equality of votes regardless of position. I would like to thank the Branch Managers for your commitment and dedication to the Club as a whole and to your own Branch.

There are numerous people and groups of people within each Branch that I wish to thank. The Obedience and Show Instructors, without which there would be little reason for the members to turn up or be a part of our organisation, the Branch committees that provide the framework for the instructors and members to get together, and of course, the members themselves. While we are the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria, we really are about people. If we did not have any members, we would not have a Club. Thank you one and all.

#### **Breed Surveyors:**

We were able to hold 4 Breed Surveys during 2021, while normally we hold 6 the work that occurred was no less significant

The Breed Survey Panel in Victoria provides valuable breed advice and guidance to our members as well as providing counsel to the organisation on the many and varied issue that arise. Upcoming challenges will not only be in developing future Judges and Surveyors, but it will also be in providing direction in a world where information is



available in an instance from across the globe and everybody believes they know best, a challenge we all face. Not only do they provide direction to the members at Breed Survey, but the knowledge also they bestow at a Breed Affairs meeting is essential to the decision making process we follow, through their experience and the peer group they provide a connection to the Breed throughout Australia;

Alistair Henderson has again led the Victorian Surveyor Panel, together with Gillian Cafari, organising the various aspect that go into making a survey day as well as the behind the scenes work that goes into co-ordinating the survey panel. I thank him for his work and dedication. Gillian Cafari continued in the role of Breed Survey Registrar, a job held for a considerable length of time, and one that no doubt requires many hours of work behind the scenes, not just what we see on Survey Day. Thank you Gill for the effort and dedication.

We could not mention our Breed Survey Panel without acknowledging the retirement of Fran Farley. While Fran stood down from being a Breed Surveyor previously, it was only this past year that Fran Judged her final Conformation Show, our Championship Show in March 2021, officially retiring soon after. Being one of the original Judges and Breed Surveyors, Fran has mentored many of the Judges and Breed Surveyors that we have come to respect and admire. It was through Frans dedication and knowledge that they were able to achieve such a pinnacle in their career. Frans retirement brings an end to an era. We wish Fran well in her GSD retirement, though I am am sure we will see her the around the 'tents' for many years to come.

#### **Show Manager: Ian Urie**

Ian leads the Show Committee, a small group of dedicated members who plan and conduct these events on behalf of the Club. Continuing from 2020, in 2021 Ian managing to hold all but one of our Shows (we cancelled the open show in order to conduct the combined Working Dog / GSDCV weekend). We cannot mention the Show Committee without acknowledging Cristine Begbie, who in her role as Show Secretary is the backbone of the Show Committee. There is another group of dedicated members while not on the Show Committee are *essential* to these events. Setting up and pulling down the rings, tents and all the other bits and pieces that go into making our shows great, often while others stand around and watch, we would not be able to hold these events if it were not for these members. Thank you

#### **Trial Manager: OTC**

With no specific member in the position, the tasks of trial manager fell to the Obedience & Training Committee. Trials were conducted in conjunction with our Championship Shows. We must again acknowledge and thank those members, not part of any specific committee that helped in setting up and removing the trial rings each time, the administration that goes into making the event and all the little things that if were missed would cause problems, Thank you.

#### **Position Holders:**

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

#### **Shepherd News and Webmaster: Jacinta Poole**

As we know Jacinta wears many hats within the GSDCV: Webmaster, Shepherd News Editor, Facebook Administrator, Photographer and all-round technical expert. Our Club keeps Jacinta busy on so many levels, it is near on impossible to quantify and properly thank Jacinta for the sheer volume of effort put into our Club. We are extremely lucky to have someone of her calibre willing to assist in the many ways that she does. We have Jacinta to thank for our ability to return to training so quickly, with her knowledge and expertise with our scanning app that ensured we were able to meet the State Government and Dogs Victoria's requirements regarding proof of vaccine checks.

#### **Membership Officer: Lin Ebejer**

The Club Membership Officers role is in line with the positions of Club Secretary and Club Treasurer for the sheer volume of work encompassing a single position within the organisation. Continuing in the role 2021, Lin dealt with the complexities and demands of the role, Branch access, dealing with the numerous issues that arise, often liaising with the Branch Membership officers to seek a quick resolution. Providing valuable information to the management committee which we can use as one metric to gauge the 'health' of the Branch. Thank you, Lin, for the great work over the year.



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### **Promotion Officer: No Position Holder**

With the lack of events this year, there were no specific promotion done.

### **Demo Team Manager: No Position Holder**

With the lack of events this year, there were no demonstrations conducted.

### **Publicity: No Position Holder.**

During 2021, there was no specific member filling the role of Publicity Officer, and the various stories were handled by numerous members. I thank all that contributed.

### **Royal Children's Good Friday Appeal:**

The Good Friday appeal is the largest non-dog related event that we support, with members collecting for the Royal Children's Hospital for the past 34 years. Thankfully we were able to take up collections on a few corners, though with the restrictions and the extremely hot weather on the day numbers were down, we were still able to collect nearly \$26,000 for the Children's Hospital Appeal, a great effort from everyone that took part. I'm certain Bernie Lester, Lyn Pickering and Dom Cafari for are already getting things organised for 2022.

### **Rehoming: Ian Urie**

Ian continued in role of rehoming officer for the GSDCV for 2021, bringing an expertise in the breed based on his many years as a breeder, judge and breed surveyor

Congratulations to everyone receiving an award today. With the many cancellations these past two years, they were a long time coming. These awards are the recognition for your hard work and dedication. You should be proud of your achievements.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Dearne Jackson for compiling the 2021 Annual Report.

I reiterate what I have said in the past and will continue to say, thank you to the unsung heroes of the GSDCV, I know you are out there. Those members who without fuss and fanfare, with no position attached to their name; that get in and do what's needed. Not because they must, or it is their job, but because it needs to be done and they want to. To them I say a very big Thank You.

Thank you also to the Executive and Management Committee, for their participation and support throughout the year.

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

***Vince Ebejer - President***

### **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT - Mr Tony Mercieca**

A thankful Good Bye to the year that was 2021. As with all other aspects to general life, Covid-19 lockdowns dominated all activities like nothing else in most of our living memory.

Pretty much all GSDCV branches and activities were essentially on hold for the huge majority of the year, with Metro branches being on a forced pause for longer than our Regional branches.

It's important to note however that while physical branch activities were on hold, Club matters still ploughed on with earnest. Correspondence within and external to the GSDCV as well as maintaining a view to how the ever changing Covid restrictions impact our activities etc were on the constant boil.



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I was pleased to see that some branches were still actively engaging with their members via email and Social Media with much needed training tips and information.

In addition, several branches were able to continue to provide our members with the important service of discount Royal Canine food. This not only represents a nutritional benefit to our members' dog, but it also provides a very real financial benefit to that member.

It should be recognised however that the one activity that constantly brought fun, information and most importantly continuity to our membership was the Shepherd News. Thanks for this must go to the driving force behind our member magazine, Jacinta Poole. This magazine not only continued to bring important information to our members, but it excelled in its content and relevance during this period.

On the whole, 2021 threw up a number of new challenges for the GSDCV Executive, Management Committee, Branches and Members. In my role of Vice President it was for me to assist our Club President, Vince Ebejer, whenever and however he needed. These usually took the form of me providing Vince with a willing sounding board to air and occasionally round off responses to these challenges. For the most part this was a rather easy job given that Vince has an excellent knowledge of our constitution, history, policies and procedures.

I'm sure that other reports will highlight the various Club and Branch activities that were able to be held, and those that had to be cancelled, as well as the steps forward taken in the last year regarding improvements to the Membership data base as well as changes to our Club Constitution.

We now look forward to a fantastic 2022 where a sense of normality many hopefully return to our Club and personal lives. While certain Covid precautions and protocols may remain it appears as those will continue to lessen and much certainty can return, with the planning of shows, trials, training and even social events on the card.

I look forward to being able to once again assist Vince as his Vice again in 2022, and hope that all members will enjoy their dogs, friends and club once more.

## **SECRETARY'S REPORT – Mrs Dearne Jackson**

My second year of being Honorary Secretary didn't revert to 'normal' as had been hoped for. With the continuation of pandemic restrictions, the challenges continued to raise themselves as yearly milestones arrived.

My thanks to the members of the Management Committee and the Executive for responding to requests as I worked through what needed to be done throughout the year.

The change in the constitution enabling electronic meetings to be held when Government restrictions prevented face to face meetings resulted in the GSDCV Management Committee meeting via online video conferencing. Meeting online certainly highlighted the differences in levels of technology/internet quality available in the different regions of Victoria when connection dropouts and poor audio, following strict protocols during meetings became some of the new meeting challenges. While Branch Committees and sub-Committees also benefited, which kept the administrative processes of the GSDCV moving. After the experience of online meetings, most would probably prefer physical presence, as the ability to interact with others is part of what attending meetings is all about!

The GSDCV maintained tradition and held the last AGM in March 2021. Consequently, it was business as usual. Branch Committees were able to change, and annual returns were able to be done in normal timeframes. I must again thank the incoming Branch Managers and Secretaries who kept the information flowing as to what was happening at their branch each month. As always, the Branch Secretaries are the quiet achievers and without them, my role would be much harder.

That said, I have been fortunate to again have the services of Barbara Blythe throughout the year as Assistant Secretary and Minutes Secretary. What a "backup" to have available. Thanks Barb!



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My thanks also go to Jacinta Poole (Shepherd Editor and Webmaster) who has helped again with ensuring important notices etc. appeared at the right time in the Shepherd News and on the Club Website. The background help Jacinta provides me (and others) is gratefully received.

In conclusion, this has again been an interesting year to be the Honorary Secretary. A traditional mantra is first year to learn, second year to consolidate, third year to feel comfortable in the role – but who on earth would believe that it might be possible to have two years like the past two?

### **TREASURER'S REPORT – Mrs Fiona Henderson**

Once again it is my pleasure to submit my report as Honorary Treasurer of the Club for 2021

Despite the Covid restrictions I am pleased to report that the Club maintained its financial position over the year. The Membership numbers increased and renewals for 2022 remain strong.

The total club surplus for the year was \$33,417 of which the Branches contributed \$4,991 and the other club activities represented by Shows, Trials and general operating contributed \$28,426.

We have transitioned the preparation of the Club Financials from MYOB to XERO software for the next financial year.

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 also thank the Executive and Management of the Club for their continued support. 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 and XERO data entry & mentoring of new Branch treasurers.

Finance Committee member Jacinta Poole continues to be invaluable, implementing changes to enhance the Branch reporting and assists with many areas of club activities.

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

I refer you to the auditor's report and financial statements for 2021 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 balance sheet as at 31 December 2021, the 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 2021, 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.



### **Basis of Accounting**

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. 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.

As part of an audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.



- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure, and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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Justin Brook  
Director  
GippsAudit Pty Ltd

Date: 8 March 2022  
Place: Sale



GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.  
(Registered Number: A0018463W)

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your Management Committee is pleased to submit the financial report of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc. (the "Club") for the financial year ended 31 December 2021.

**Management Committee Members**

The members of the Management Committee at the date of this report are:

**Executive:**

Mr. Vince Ebejer - President  
Mr. Tony Mercieca - Vice President  
Mrs. Fiona Henderson - Treasurer

Mrs. Dearne Jackson - Secretary  
Mr. Lesley Rudling - Obedience Training Chairperson  
Mrs. Nicky McDermott - Breed Affairs Chairperson

**Branch Managers**

Mrs. Marilyn Wrigley (Ballarat)  
Mr. Peter Wallbridge (Eastern)  
Mr. Ray Batchelor (Gippsland)  
Mrs. Diane Page (Northern)  
Mr. Alastair Henderson (Specialist Show)  
Mrs. Carol Mindin (Wodonga)

Mrs. Deborah Mill (Bendigo)  
Mr. David Organ (Geelong)  
Ms. Jacinta Poole (Malvern)  
Ms. Carla Srb (Skye)  
Mr. Steve Kinsman (Western)

**Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the Club during the financial year were to provide various forms of dog training, dog events and dog education, and other activities to members of the Club via the individual geographic branches, including Club functions and events.

**Significant Changes**

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the financial year.

**Operating Result**

The surplus (deficit) from ordinary activities was:	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	\$	\$
Main Club	28,426	11,585
Branches	<u>4,991</u>	<u>7,991</u>
<b>Total surplus</b>	<b><u>33,417</u></b>	<b><u>19,576</u></b>

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Management Committee.

  
Vince Ebejer - President

  
Fiona Henderson - Treasurer

Dated this Seventh day of March, 2022

**GERMAN SHEPHERD DOG CLUB OF VICTORIA INC.**

**(Registered Number: A0018463W)**

**STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Management Committee has determined that the Club is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Management Committee, the financial report as set in this Annual Report:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc. at 31 December, 2021 and its performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the German Shepherd Dog Club of Victoria Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Management Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Management Committee by:



President: Vince Ebejer



Treasurer: Fiona Henderson

Dated this Seventh day of March 2022



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## **BREED AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR – Mrs Nicky McDermott**

### **Breed Affairs Administrator's Report 2021 – Nicky McDermott**

Well, 2021 has certainly been another challenging year for everyone. The Breed Affairs committee once again had to cancel meetings this year, we did however hold a Zoom meeting which whilst generally successful is not the ideal forum in my opinion. Very few events were held this year. Our March Champ Show judged by Jenny Yuen – females and Fran Farley – males. This was Fran's swan song, it was a very special and emotional day, during presentations Kathy, Fran's daughter made an appearance. Our SBE judged by Vince Tantaro was well attended and our last show / event until December. We were very fortunate that Dogs Victoria allowed us to hold a Champ Show in place of our Open Show in conjunction with the Working Dog Club. Again, we weren't able to hold a seminar, any breed assessment days, most shows were cancelled and breed surveys were minimal. Due to the lack of shows none of the perpetual trophies will be awarded for 2021.

There are plans ahead to hold more ZAP assessment days, this has proved to be very popular and Victoria has always been a strong supporter of the scheme even though it was voted against at the GSDCA 2021 AGM. There is a motion for it to be reintroduced as a voluntary scheme with the results recorded on the data base.

Despite some breed surveys being cancelled due to lockdown, the numbers surveyed has still remained strong. Some special dispensations were given to due people's inability to complete requirements in the required timeframe due to no surveys being held in Victoria and their inability to travel interstate.

During 2021 we introduced online applications for Hip and Elbow forms and Breed Survey. This has been very well supported and a much welcome option for members. Many thanks to Jacinta and Gillian for the implementation.

I would like to thank the following position holders for their work, assistance and support

BAA	Vince Tantaro
BA Secretary	Rhonda Snijders
State Breed Survey / Show Training Co-ordinator	Alastair Henderson
HD ED / Breed Survey Registrar	Gillian Cafari
Puppy Listings Officer	Shirley Taylor
Show Manager / Rehoming Officer	Ian Urie
Show Secretary	Cristine Begbie
Breed Liaison Officers	
Ballarat	Theresa Lewis
Bendigo	Carolyn Anderson
Eastern	Rhonda Snijders
Geelong	Margaret Raftopoulos
Gippsland	Vacant
Malvern	Gayle Johnston
Northern	Debra Colson
Skye	Julie Urie
Special Show Branch	Hannah Kelly
Western	Vacant
Wodonga	Carol Mindin

Even though there wasn't a lot to report on it was still disappointing with lack of reports from some branches during the year. It is also very disappointing that a couple of branches are not represented at all. Let's hope 2022 will be a better year. We are hoping to hold a seminar midyear which should be of interest to most members. It is also exciting that we will finally be able to hold a National with Australian judges.

With what's happening between Australia and Germany and Harmonization, some interesting times are ahead. Let's all work together for the love of and betterment of this breed we all hold dear to our hearts.

**Nicky McDermott**



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## **Breed Affairs Position Holders' Reports:**

### **Assistant Breed Affairs Administrator Report – Vince Tantaro**

The unfortunate crisis that started in 2020 continued to again play havoc with exactly what we could participate in the last 12 months. Luckily a number of Breed Survey's, meetings and shows were held to keep up our spirits and interest.

Everyone must be congratulated for working hard and maximising what we could do during these trying times. The ideals that our Club holds dearly and has fought hard for are being challenged on many fronts least of all by our sister clubs that in reality has seen a much weakened national position when it comes to the promotion and betterment of the GSD!

In our own Club we must try and reinvigorate the Breed Affairs Committee and ensure and assist our Branch Breed Liaison Officers to be voice of breed, promoters of breed awareness and primary promoters of Breed Affairs at their Branches. On this matter, initial discussion and planning will see more done at Branches and a Breed Seminar held in 2022.

I again thank all BAA position holders and the army of fellow members who contribute and work tirelessly every weekend to see our breed served across Victoria.

This continued commitment by many is the true mission of the GSDCV.

***Best wishes.***  
***Vince Tantaro***

### **Show Manager's Report – Ian Urie**

The problems of the previous year, with lockdowns and closures of KCC Park due to Covid19 spilled over into this year, with several shows however being able to go ahead. There were no overseas judges able to come here though.

Ballarat Dog Club show was cancelled again in 2021, and Kurt Morton was eventually able to fulfil his judging appointment in February 2022.

We held the March GSDCV Championship Show, with local judges Mrs Fran Farley judging all dog classes and Mrs Jenny Yuen judging all bitches. We had a good entry around 120, with fewer Interstate exhibitors than we normally expect. This was the final appointment for Fran Farley who has now retired as a GSDCA Specialist Judge, and presentations were made to her on behalf of the Club and National Council. Thanks again Fran for all your contributions to the Breed over a very long-time span. Challenges were awarded to Jarvinia Chiquititia (LSC), Ica von der Zenteiche (Imp Deu), Denargun Zhivago (LSC) and Chili della Valcuvia (Imp Ita). Best Dual Performance was won by Arristar Lyka Bat Outa Hell.

The State Breed Show in April was judged this year by Vince Tantaro. The entry of 86 animals was again predominantly from within Victoria. State Siegerins were Lordavo Royal Symphony (LSC) and Kelpark Rozata. State Siegers were Denargun Zhivago (LSC) and Ulle von Tronje (Imp Deu). Dual Performance award went to Arristar Lyka Bat Outa Hell. Sires Progeny Groups were presented by UK Ch. Conbhairean Freddie (Imp UK) and Chili della Valcuvia (Imp Ita).

Lilydale Kennel Club show in August was cancelled, as was the GSDCV Breed Exhibition, due to closure of KCC Park.

The "November" Championship show and Working Dog Club show were postponed by lockdowns until December and run in place of our Open Show. The Champ show was judged by Mr Alastair Henderson with 106 entries, including some from Tas, SA and NSW. Challenges were awarded to Chili della Valcuvia (Imp Ita), Jayshell Rickodo (LSC), Ch.



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Shardon Under My Spell, and Maadrica Anya CCD RN TD ET (LSC), who also took out the Dual Performance Trophy. Working Dog Club of Victoria engaged Mrs Nicky McDermott to judge GSDs (as the contracted Italian Judge could not travel here) with an entry of 94. Nicky awarded SC Dog Challenge and Best Of Breed to Chili della Valcuvia (Imp Ita), and Bitch CC to Onja Du Val D'Anzin (Imp FR). LSC Challenges were awarded to Gr. Ch. Lordavo Royal Commander and Maadrica Anya CCD RN TD ET, who was also LSC BOB.

I wish to thank all of my Show Committee, especially Assistant Vince Tantaró, Secretary Cristine Begbie, Chief Stenographer Barbara Blythe, our Ring Stewards, and the ground crew who turn up religiously to help set up the grounds for all of our Club shows. Without you, my job as Show Manager over past years would have been a lot more difficult. This is my last year as Show Manager, and I wish Tony Merceica the best in taking on the job for 2022.

***Ian Urie***

### **Show Training Administrator's Report - Alastair Henderson**

2021 was another Covid year with lockdowns and interruptions.

We can only hope for some normality in 2022.

During the year Jacinta Poole and I put together a website for show Instructors which should prove beneficial for both current and new Instructors.

I plan to try and recruit new Instructors and hopefully see the branches offering show classes again.

Thanks to all who have helped and instructed this year. Looking forward to an improved and consistent 2022.

### **State Breed Survey Coordinator's Report - Alastair Henderson**

There was a reduction in both the number of surveys held & animals presented due to repeated lockdowns and the breaks in training and uncertainty whether events would be held.

I would again like to thank the great efforts of our Registrar Gill Cafari who chased up paperwork and participants. I also thank the Breed surveyor panel who continue to work for the breed and our club.

I hope that in 2022 things return to some normality and we can work at re-establishing survey participation.

### **Breed Survey Registrar's Report - Gillian Cafari**

We started 2021 full of hope that our new 'normal-living-with-COVID' life and the freedoms that we come to expect would prevail only to have more multiple lockdowns that heavily impacted our day to day lives and our canine activities. We had six Breed Surveys scheduled for the year and were only able to conduct four, losing our August and October Surveys to lockdowns.

It has been difficult and frustrating to plan Surveys dates with changing State Government rules and requirements with COVID and I sincerely thank Alastair and his team who ensured we could provide Surveys to our members. It was a team effort from many and I thank and congratulate everyone who assisted with planning or conduct of Surveys on the day.

I again thank our Breed Surveyors, led by Alastair Henderson, our State Breed Survey Coordinator, who 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 is an increase to the 21 the previous year.



The provision of a photo to complete a Breed Survey remains challenging and I thank those owners who do so when asked.

Following is a table showing the results by classification of animals presented at Victorian Surveys for the year ended December 2021.

	CLASSIFIED IMPORT	BREED SURVEY CLASSIFIED (BSC)	FAIL	TOTAL
DOGS	2	3	1	6
DOGS (LSC)	-	1	-	1
BITCHES	-	10	2	12
BITCH (LSC)	-	5	3	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	2	19	6	27

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

Mr Alastair Henderson – 8      Mr Greg Green – 5      Mr Ian Urie – 5  
 Mr Vince Tantaró – 5      Mrs Jenny Yuen – 4

I would like to thank Greg, Alastair, Vince, Ian and Jenny and for their continued support throughout the year. We would not have any Breed Surveys without you.

Thank you to SSB for hosting our Surveys and for their hospitality.

I also thank all the breeders and owners who support this GSDCA Breed Improvement Scheme and wish you all a successful year in 2022.

**Gillian Cafari**

### **Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Registrar's Report - Gillian Cafari**

In 2021 there were 79 Hip and Elbow Dysplasia (HD/ED) Control Scheme contracts issued which is an increase on the previous year (66 forms in 2020), with all forms except one for x-raying of hips and elbows, the other for elbows only. It is noted that there were no forms issued for tilted or poorly positioned repeat x-rays during the year.

The GSDCA Hip and Elbow Dysplasia Scheme recognises breeders/kennels with awards when 10 or more animals are successful in gaining the 'A' and 'Z' stamp. For 10 animals they are awarded the Bronze medallion, for 25 animals the Silver medallion and for 50 the Gold medallion. This year our Club member Mrs. Rachel Jones of Zandrac Kennels qualified for the Silver medallion for 25 'A' stamps. Congratulations Rachel for your continued support of this Breed Improvement Scheme and on attaining this milestone.

I would like to thank the GSDCA National Hip and Elbow Control Scheme Registrar, Doug West for his support and friendly assistance during the year. Doug has promptly sent forms when called upon which results in a consistent supply when our members need them. This is very much appreciated.

This year saw the introduction of online payments for this scheme, providing an alternative to payments made by mail. This would not have been possible without the expertise and experience of Jacinta Poole who continues to develop and refine the process as our members enjoy this new option for purchasing their contract. Thank you Jacinta, for your considerable efforts in this area, your input and support is very much appreciated.

There is no doubt that the support breeders and owners have demonstrated for the GSDCA HD/ED scheme in the past is now reflected in the excellent hip/elbow results today's 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





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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 2022. Even if you don't intend to show or breed your German Shepherd Dog, 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 Report – Shirley Taylor**

My report is very short. Breeders seemed to have had puppies sold before they were born, so had no need to advertise them through puppy listings, as their waiting lists are longer than the number of puppies that they have had available.

Each day I receive calls for puppies, and I spend most of my time pointing out that the caller would probably have to wait to get a puppy *if* a breeder was happy to include them on their waiting list.

The hardest calls to deal with continue to be those who had recently lost their GSD to age or illness and they were genuinely seeking a replacement because of their attachment to the breed. The easiest calls to deal with are those who were not sure what breed they were asking about. You knew they were just calling every breed puppy listing officer they could find a phone number for.

Many unscrupulous people have taken advantage of those desperate for a puppy, and scams have become a problem right around the country. "Too good to be true" social media pages again produced stories about deposits paid for a puppy, the puppy to be "transported" to them once the full payment was made, and then no puppy arriving. The term buyer beware has never had more relevance.

All in all, another challenging year to be the Puppy Listings Officer.

I 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 GSDCV in promoting German Shepherds from litters which comply with the GSDCA health and Breed Survey schemes.

***Shirley Taylor***

### **Rehoming Officer's Report – Ian Urie**

I have again had a steady number of calls (averaging two per week) from people wanting to rehome/adopt a GSD throughout the year, possibly a little more frequently during the Covid lockdown periods.

Of course, we don't always have dogs available to satisfy demand, but I have successfully rehomed some of the dogs offered this year. Several dogs offered for a new home had to be declined as they did not comply with the Club policy of being desexed.

In general, due to a higher demand for dogs than we have available, I am usually able to place them into new homes fairly promptly, and the fact that we don't have a constant supply of dogs needing a new home is, I guess, a good sign.

***Ian Urie, GSDCV Rehoming Officer.***



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

Welcome to my 2021 report. Who would have thought we would have to endure two years of lockdowns, isolations, separations and little or no organised events or training. The last two years have almost been a carbon copy of each other. But we made it through and hopefully we won't see another period like 2020 and 2021. I'm sure our dogs have enjoyed the last two years with the extra attention and exercise.

While 2021 we were only able to complete one discipline, this year we did complete four events. The first being the Championship Show, Obedience and Rally trial on the labour day weekend in March at KCC Park. Then in May we were able to run the SBE before the long lockdown occurred. We had the Endurance test in June on a course that was setup at KCC Park. Many thanks to the Malvern branch for organising and running the test, and thank you all those that assisted with Marshalling and administration duties on the day, everything went really well. Our final trial of the year was the RTG5 Obedience and Rally trial which was meant to be held on the 30<sup>th</sup> of October but due to the lockdown restrictions being in place at the time, the decision was made to move the date to the 4<sup>th</sup> of December at KCC Park, which proved to be the correct decision as lockdown restrictions were eased several weeks before the trial. Everything went very well on the day thanks to the efforts of our great trial group.

We did manage to run the Trainee Instructor course in 2021 with 16 Trainee Instructors entering the course which started earlier than usual, the trainee course would normally start in April but we changed the structure of the course in an endeavour to give the trainees the opportunity to complete the course in one year if the trainee desired, though any trainee can complete the course over two years. So, we started the course in February to give everyone the time frame required to complete the course but of course the pandemic caused many a headache through the year with so many lectures having to be held over for another month or completely changing the order of the lectures, but we did manage to get seven trainees that completed the theory lectures and practical tests. The remaining trainees will hopefully be completed early in 2022.

The Obedience Training Committee's AGM was held at the Eastern branch in February however the scheduled meeting failed to obtain a quorum which meant we returned the following week to complete the AGM. During the year we were able to have several physical meetings however with the restrictions going on for so long we needed to continue to keep the wheels turning behind the scenes, so we were forced to try our hand at online meetings using the Microsoft Teams platform. And I would have to say they were extremely productive and very well organised. A massive plus from the meetings is that we had all branches represented at the meetings even those with the least technological abilities managed to work out the system of logging on. Well done everyone.

We began the year without an Assistant Obedience Administrator, after several discussions with Craig Whitford from the Western branch, Craig volunteered to take on the role and has done a great job since joining the committee, many hands make light work as they say, and our club runs on those many people.

While it has been a very weird year with uncertainties, continual changes and re-organising events and meetings, we have been able to keep everything running reasonably well with the help of so many people willing to assist, I truly thank everyone I have had dealings with over the year no matter how small or how large their contribution has been it all adds up to a massive job being carried out by volunteers, while it is becoming more difficult to find the volunteers needed to run an organisation like ours, those that are involved are certainly very passionate and willing people, thank you so much for your help and making my job a little easier.

Also, not to forget our judges and stewards that have done a superb job over the year, it has made our job much easier. And I would like to add our Instructors to that list who give so freely of their time to help our members and more so this year than ever by keeping lines of communication open and providing tips and advice where possible to help them through the lockdowns.

At the time of writing the sad news has come through that we have lost an Instructor from our Western Branch. Ros Mills, Ros was a passionate Obedience Instructor with the Western Branch for over 15 years, and also a very strong committee member in that time. Ros successfully trialled her dogs in both Obedience, Tracking and Track and Search, and obtained the honour of Grand Champion Track and Search Dog. Ros was a pleasure to work with and will be sadly missed by so many within the GSDCV community.

Rest in peace Ros  
Regards





## Leslie Rudling OTC Administrator

### GSDCV AGM Trial Report on Performance Trials held in 2021

In the absence of a Trial Manager, OTC has continued to run the three Restricted to Breed/Group 5 Obedience/Rally trials which are connected to the GSDCV Specialist conformation shows (March, November and SBE). While the pandemic again created uncertainty in 2021 as to whether events could "go ahead" we got to hold the RTB & RTG5 trials even though the November event was postponed until December. The numbers entering being similar to 2017 figures, the impact of two years of Pandemic event cancellations, has seen dogs retired etc. and others not yet ready to start trialing.

2020 figures are not included here because the only event held was the March Championship show. (Total of 19 dogs entered in Obedience and 16 in Rally). The previous year comparison is done against 2018 being the last year where all local events were held. While numbers in the lower classes are reasonable, the impact of the pandemic on older dogs in the higher classes has seen a reduction in numbers. Hopefully as the lower classes progress in the levels, the higher-class levels will again increase. However, with the ever-increasing pressures of different performance discipline availability and opportunity to compete at non GSDCV events, competitors need to see a reason to continue to compete at GSDCV events.

	2017							Increase over 2016		2018						Increase over 2017		2019						Increase over 2018		2021						Increase over 2018	
Obedience trials	Obedience Trial Entry by class						Obedience Trial Entry by class						Obedience Trial Entry by class						Obedience Trial Entry by class														
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)	7	4	4	2	0	17	-8	-32%	14	4	6	6		30	13	76%	29	11	11	3	1	55	-13	-43%	14	1	5	1	1	22	-8	-27%	
State Breed (RTB)	9	1	4	1	0	15	-1	-6%	17	5	8	4		34	19	127%	5	8	4	0	1	18	-16	-47%	10	5	7	2	1	25	25	74%	
Nov Champ (RTG5)	4	6	6	8	2	26	11	73%	15	5	12	8	2	42	16	62%	5	7	8	3	3	26	-16	-38%	8	4	5	6	4	27	27	64%	
Total for Year	20	11	14	11	2	58	2	4%	46	14	26	18	2	106	48	83%	39	26	23	6	5	99	-7	-7%	32	10	17	9	6	74	-32	-30%	

March data is National Trial and compared to 2015.

	2017							Increase over 2016		2018							Increase over 2017		2019							Increase over 2018		2021					Increase over 2018	
Rally Trial Entries	Rally Trial Entry by class									Rally Trial Entry by class									Rally Trial Entry by class									Rally Trial Entry by class						
Class	RN	RAA	RAB	REA	REB	RM	Total	Act	%	RN	RAA	RAB	REA	REB	RM	Total	Act	%	RN	RAA	RAB	REA	REB	RM	Total	Act	%	RN	RA	RE	RM	Total	Act	%
March Champ(RTB)	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%	8	1	1	1	11	-7	-39%
State Breed (RTB)	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%	9	2	1	2	14	-8	-36%
Nov RTG5 Rally										8	8	5	6	5	11	43	43	0%	1	4	3	4	2	15	29	-14	-33%	7	4	3	8	22	-21	-49%
Total for Year	21	2	1	5	1	8	38	13	52%	25	17	7	9	7	18	83	45	118%	19	13	13	17	10	24	67	-16	-19%	24	7	5	11	47	-36	-43%

March data is National Trial and compared against 2015.

**Endurance:** The GSDCV Endurance Test was successfully held on 26 June 2021. It was one of the few ETs held in 2021 as others fell within pandemic lockdown periods. A new venue was used – KCC Park. Along with the many GSDCV members contributing to the successful running of this event, this year saw our own GSDCV conformation judge Alastair Henderson (newly qualified as an ET Judge in 2021) adjudicating his first Endurance Test, along with Dawn Ayton. In addition, the GSDCV renewed its relationship with the Melbourne University Veterinary School by using 5 Vet students to assist the adjudicating Vet Maribeth Murphy with managing the vet check requirements. 21 dogs were entered for the event, however on the day the usual problems of dogs having been injured, in season and handlers with covid concerns meant that not all competed/completed on the day. However, there were several GSDs who successfully completed their ET. As Dogs Victoria move forward in the future with creating a dedicated Endurance Test course at the Park, the GSDCV is well placed to continue holding the event there.

	2018		Diff to prev			2019		Diff to prev			2021		Diff to prev	
	Venue	Total	Act	%		Venue	Total	Act	%		Venue	Total	Act	%
Open Endurance	Sale	7	-8	-53%		Churchill	17	10	143%		KCC Park	21	4	24%



Tracking and Track and Search Dog: Both events were cancelled due to falling within COVID pandemic lockdown periods.

Over the year we had an excellent selection of judges and stewards which is essential in running successful events, and with an experienced team we have been able to deliver excellent disciplines. Many thanks to everyone that have assisted us over the year.

## GSDCV POSITION HOLDERS

### Membership Officer – Mrs Lin Ebejer

I am pleased to present the membership report for the 2021 year. The upgrade to the membership database was in full swing, completed in 2020 it provided a comprehensive and true online membership database. The lack of training during 2020 allowed us to iron out any hiccups, (though as with all technology there are always glitches) and we moved into and through 2021. The activity hub, allowing Branches to scan the membership badge and check financial status added an extra benefit to tracking training numbers, classes and a variety of other items, which made the workload at the Branch level somewhat easier. Overtime each Branch became more familiar with the process, getting into the swing of things with the system is progressing well. 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.

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.

The year finished with the eleven Branches enrolling 1579 new members. Overall memberships were surprisingly up with 3370 members spread over 1705 units up from 2745 members spread over 1432 units in 2020. the Branch breakdown is as follows.

### BRANCH NUMBERS OF GSDCV MEMBERS ON 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2021

Branch Name	Number of Members	Number of Units (inc. Life Members)	Number of New Members this Year to Date
Ballarat	148	71	65
Bendigo	87	47	35
Eastern	474	245	204
Geelong	308	145	148
Gippsland	89	48	21
Malvern	617	302	307
Northern	446	218	216
Skye	564	279	281
Specialist	69	43	6
Western	499	257	274
Wodonga	42	24	22
Others	27	26	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>3370</b>	<b>1705</b>	<b>1579</b>

**Lin Ebejer**  
**Membership Officer**

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## Shepherd News Editor – Jacinta Poole



The '**German Shepherd News**' Club magazine once again played a hugely supportive role for members in 2021. We all get so little 'real mail' these days, so having the magazine arrive in our mailboxes eight times each year is something to look forward to. And especially in these times of lockdowns and restricted activities, it's a great way for our club to stay in contact with members near and far, even if we could not physically see each other.

We had a few shows and obedience trials and an endurance trial to report on, and it was great to have branches open for activities and reporting their news. We were also able to provide training articles and fun and informative stories for reading.

Thankyou to all the branch publicity officers who filled us in on happenings, it's the best way our whole club can know what's happening and where. Everyone enjoys reading the various news and views and seeing photos in print.

Thank you to our regular contributors of articles. To Vince Ebejer for his President's reports and Les Rudling for OTC news. Thank you to Secretary Dearne Jackson for proofreading each edition in a timely manner.

Thank you to anyone and everyone who supported the magazine. A hard copy magazine is a valuable asset to our club and members, and we rely on members contributions and the variety of stories provided. We are always 'on time' in the mailbox with each edition, so please keep up that support !

I hope everyone has enjoyed the 'Shepherd News' magazine this year and that it's provided an interesting read in some strange times, and kept you in contact with your Club and training branch. Please email me anytime with articles of interest via [sheped@gsdcv.org.au](mailto:sheped@gsdcv.org.au).

**Jacinta Poole**  
**Editor**

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

Over the last two covid impacted years we've all spent more time 'on-line', so the GSDCV website and our social media accounts are important lines of communication to both members and the general public for information about our Club and breed. The website provides a repository for all our club information that can be quickly linked via social media to highlight news and events. Once again enquiries this year for litters and puppies available skyrocketed during lockdowns. The lack of listings on the website proved frustrating for many. Similarly requests looking for training help for young dogs also increased.

Thank you to the branch website and facebook administrators for their efforts during the year. We must use social media with care and caution and following a High Court ruling in 2021 regarding who carries responsibilities for page posts, our administration and moderating of our Club and Branch facebook pages has been stepped up. The GSDCV will not tolerate misuse or abuse by members, about members or dogs. However social media can have a very positive impact for our club, which we must use to our advantage.

A key addition to our website late in 2021 was the opening of online purchasing for Hip and Elbow Contracts and paying for Breed Survey. This will assist owners and breeders greatly, by taking advantage of the ease of online transactions. It also comes with a need for more specific and specialised information for first time owners wanting to xray or survey, to ensure all paperwork is correct and can be uploaded at the time of purchase. This fact centre is being expanded to help members. The online purchasing is progressing well to date. My thanks to Gillian Cafari who manages the contracts after the transaction. Our online payments are all processed via the NAB Transact website for security. In 2021, approximately \$38,800 was transacted via our online shop, the majority being attributed to membership renewals. Online is the quickest and easiest way to complete your membership renewal. The club



absorbs the transaction fees that are incurred for online services. We believe this is a valuable service for our members.

With reduced shows and trials during 2021, there were no Show Trophy Point Score trophy results for 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 107,000 questions and averages about 500 per month. 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 restricted to covering the GSD and the GSDCV.

Follow our social media accounts to keep up with all the latest:

[www.facebook.com/GSDCV](https://www.facebook.com/GSDCV)

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**Jacinta Poole**  
**Webmaster**

**Demonstration Team Manager – No position holder for 2021**

**Promotions Officer – No position holder for 2021**

**Publicity officer – No position holder for 2021**

## **Training Records for 2021**

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 2021 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.

### **Activity Hub**

Our branches use an electronic app to record member and dog attendance at training. The barcode scanning makes check in simple, and the connection to our membership database which cross references financials readily assists branches to ensure member status is up to date. Covid Vaccination status flags in the app streamlined check ins to assist with covid-19 requirements and member safety later in 2021. The ease of recording and reporting attendance, vaccinations for dogs, class pass ups etc is of great use to branches.

We can report that the GSDCV had at least 12,437 dog units involved in training over the 2021 year and a total of 2,222 instructor hours were provided to train GSDCV members and their dogs. The corresponding total data for 2014-19 is below. 2020 is not reported due to covid restrictions severely limiting training. This indicates that our training numbers have returned over the last 12 months with numbers heading back towards pre covid. Given the number of weeks closed, it is evident a great number of members took advantage of training when they could, with the average number of dogs trained each week increasing, which is pleasing.



Our branches were only open for training on average 28 weeks of the 2021 year (normally 43+). 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. But particularly for covid-19, which closed metropolitan branches for up to 20 weeks and regional branches for up to 15 weeks during the year, severely limiting training.

	Total obed dogs trained	Ave obed dogs per week	Obedience Instructor hours for year	Total show dogs trained	Ave show dogs per week	Show Instructor hours for year	Total dogs trained at branch	Total Instructor hours for year
Ballarat	798	27	190				798	160
Bendigo	489	16	131				489	131
Eastern	1580	61	269	8		8	1588	277
Geelong	1002	24	190	133	4	30	1135	220
Gippsland	366	9	111				366	111
Malvern	2135	82	318				2135	318
Northern	1397	50	204				1397	204
Skye	2131	82	296				2131	296
SSB				636	24	52	636	52
Western	1576	61	303	44	2	15	1620	318
Wodonga	109	4	105	33	1		142	105
<b>Totals</b>	<b>11583</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>2117</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>12437</b>	<b>2222</b>
<b>Comparison data</b>								
<b>2020 Totals</b>	No data due to covid-19 interruptions							
<b>2019 Totals</b>	<b>15059</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>2800</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>15642</b>	<b>2931</b>
<b>2018 Totals</b>	<b>17297</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>2773</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>17965</b>	<b>2913</b>
<b>2017 Totals</b>	<b>16536</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>2820</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>17418</b>	<b>2969</b>
<b>2016 Totals</b>	<b>16145</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2717</b>	<b>1094</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>17239</b>	<b>2889</b>
<b>2015 Totals</b>	<b>15256</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>2574</b>	<b>1232</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>16488</b>	<b>2727</b>
<b>2014 Totals</b>	<b>13171</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2242</b>	<b>1111</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>14282</b>	<b>2408</b>

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

## GSDCV BY NUMBERS

\*2021 YEAR

**ONE Club**

**3,418 Members**

**11 Training branches**

**We entertained**

6,766 facebook friends

**199,000 unique website visitors**

**Achieving**

11583 dog units obedience trained

854 dog units show trained

21 dogs breed surveyed

'Happy owners, happy dogs!'

**\*Covid-19 Impacted Training Year**

**12,437\* happy dog units trained**

**2,222\* instructor hours completed**

**We conducted**

3 obedience trial

1 endurance trial

0 track & search trial

0 tracking trial

4 conformation shows

4 breed surveys

Managed by

160 administrators

103 obedience instructors

28 show instructors

5 breed surveyors

7 specialist judges





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## BRANCH COMMITTEE & REPORTS FOR 2021

### BALLARAT

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Marilyn Wrigley	<b>Ass. Branch Manager</b>	Dean O'Keefe
<b>Secretary</b>	Keryn Leggett	<b>Treasurer</b>	Doug Ellery
<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Marilyn Wrigley	<b>Breed Affairs Liaison Officer</b>	Theresa Lewis
<b>Membership Officer</b>	Keryn Leggett	<b>Ground Manager</b>	Bernie Rieniets
<b>Canteen Manager</b>	Beth Leggett		

Our Annual General Meeting 2021 has seen a lot of changes overall at the branch. As branch Manager I sincerely thank all our position holders for their positive impact and great skills. This has meant our branch has been able to better serve our members in a number of areas.

As we all know several lockdowns were enforced during the year, some applying to Ballarat and others not so much. People who bought puppies during this time and contacted us were able to bring them to training but this did not always happen, and we had G.S.D.s turn up with very little training and minimal socialization skills, which was another issue we and our instructors needed to face.

Due to the positivity of our committee, we have been able to present to our members an increase in membership and that we have set up Royal Canin sales which has been our main fundraising source for the year along with equipment sales. This has enabled us to purchase additional agility equipment for both the Puppy and adult classes.

We welcome Keryn Leggett and Deb Holford to our instructor pool after they successfully completed their instructor training in 2021 and we are hoping to see a number of others apply for the trainee course to be held in 2022. This will mean we will be better equipped to help all members train their dogs and hopefully aspire to compete at trial level. This increase in instructors will enable our branch to offer our handlers and dogs more disciplines as well. Thank you to all instructors who made themselves available throughout a difficult stop and start year in 2021. I also thank visiting instructors from Bendigo, Western and Geelong branches for their help when we were short staffed some weeks.

Our Branch followed the COVID 19 protocol during training days re signing in, social distancing both in the clubrooms and on the ground with regular cleaning of the clubrooms to the correct standard. Thank you to all those who helped in this regularly changing environment.

### THINGS TO MENTION

Trainee Branch visits – Ballarat hosted Bendigo Geelong and Western branch trainees. Northern, Western, Bendigo and Geelong hosted our Trainees, and we thank these branches for their support to ensure the successful completion of their training.

Trainee Testing Day – Ballarat branch hosted Les Rudling and Craig Whitford from OTC with trainees from Bendigo and Ballarat completing their practical assessments.

New Reception Desk. – The branch purchased a new reception desk for our clubrooms making it easier to abide by COVID protocols and also providing an inviting entrance to our clubrooms.

Working Bee Clubrooms - Between COVID lockdowns a working bee was held and a thorough clean and tidy was done. New shelves were constructed in our storage area and our equipment sales cupboard has been painted, repaired and is now well stocked. A large TV has been donated by branch members Jeff and Jenny Wood and we thank them for their kind donation.

We express our thanks to member Bryan Thomas who donated a portable microphone to the Branch for use by the Chief Instructor.



Congratulations to Deb Holford and Spencer who attended Ballan Primary School to listen to the Children read. Spencer enjoys this time and then goes to see the principal for snacks. This has led to Spencer and Deb receiving sponsorship to be a Story Dog.

We attended at very short notice Bunnings Delacombe for a family fun night where many organisations took over the northern end of the car park and were able to show what their groups were all about. This was well attended, and our area had 2 puppies and Story dog Spencer. A number of committee members also attended and were able to speak with individuals who asked many appropriate questions.

Keryn Leggett our Secretary and Membership officer is retiring from Secretarial duties at our upcoming AGM. We thank you for your service to our branch and wish you well in your endeavors in 2022 we know you will apply yourself to the further studies you are taking on. We look forward to continuing to see you around the branch as our Membership officer and Instructor.

We also thank Beth Leggett for your untiring work as catering officer at Ballarat Branch. We are all very sorry to have you step down but trust that you will come and see us occasionally to catch up.

I again thank all the Ballarat Committee for their outstanding commitment during 2021.

**Marilyn Wrigley**  
**Branch Manager- Ballarat Branch.**

## BENDIGO

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Deb Mill	<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Peter Neale
<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Vacant	<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Terry Kennedy
<b>Secretary</b>	Ros Vincent	<b>Breed Affairs Officer</b>	Carolyn Anderson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Mark Snell	<b>Membership Officer</b>	Jayne Young/Howard Mill
<b>Equipment Officer</b>	Peter Neale	<b>Website Manager</b>	Heather Snell

Bendigo branch has packed in a busy year despite the lockdowns.

February brought a new lockdown and branch committee to learn the ropes. Thank you to previous committee for the support and handover. Deb and Terry Kennedy not only provided great guidance for the committee newbies but were awarded for 15 years of service awards as obedience instructor. Congratulations and Thank You! Ros stepped up, sharing her knowledge and experience with the committee. Having branch members willing to step up and take on roles has kept the branch going, Thank You to everyone for your time and commitment.

Special mentions to both Pete, for all the setting up and packing up, and Heather for the great photos on Facebook each week and only capturing the 'good' side- mostly.

A number of our members have competed in both the show ring and obedience trials when restrictions have allowed. Members have supported both the GSDCV State Breed Exhibition and the GSDCV Championship show with some very good results.

Our branch numbers have grown and it's been great to meet members, some new to GSDs and others old hands keen to start off a new family member at training. Weekly training numbers have also trended up through the year and we have newer members keen to try show and trial work.

Between restrictions we had a successful BBQ fundraiser, which was well supported by members. Two member events were held. In October we were fortunate to have Mark Murray present on The Power of Play, demonstrating for the members the practical application with their own dogs with impressive results. Then our end of year Christmas break up with team games and Santa handing out doggie gifts. We plan to run more member days next year.



Our instructor team, ably lead by Terry, has done a great job encouraging handlers to work on skills and have some fun over the year. The time put in by all the instructors is much appreciated.

Bendigo had two Aspirer instructors complete their training; Howard and I would like to thank all the instructors who gave their time to provide feedback and help us over the year.

A big Thank You to the members who have supported the branch through the year, Bendigo looks forward to another busy year in 2022.

**Deb Mill**

**Branch Manager- Bendigo Branch.**

## EASTERN

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Peter Wallbridge	<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Michael Simmons
<b>Secretary</b>	Rhonda Snijders	<b>Treasurer</b>	Jenny Burley
<b>Membership Officer</b>	Barbara Jacobs	<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Andrea Cornwall
<b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>	Rhonda Snijders	<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Ethel Thompson
<b>Website Officer</b>	John Schulz	<b>Social Secretary</b>	Ethel Thompson
<b>Equipment Officer</b>	John Schulz	<b>Shepherd News</b>	Barbara Stewart
<b>Education Officer</b>	Andrea Cornwall	<b>Canteen Manager</b>	Vacant
<b>General</b>	Rosie Garbett		Karen D'Amico
	Diana Oldfield		Elke Effler

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

We started off the year on 7<sup>th</sup> February free of a Covid-19 lockdown but always mindful that cases could occur at any time. This did happen for three weeks from late May to mid- June and a further two weeks in July. No sooner than being back at training on 1<sup>st</sup> August we experienced our sixth lockdown that lasted for 12 weeks. We finally resumed training on 31<sup>st</sup> October and trained until our breakup day on 12<sup>th</sup> December. Double vaccinations were required to train combined with other health directives.

We offered Sunday training initially to Puppy A, Puppy B and Class 1 commencing on the 10<sup>th</sup> January then opened training to all class levels on 17<sup>th</sup> January.

Wednesday night training started earlier than usual on the 13<sup>th</sup> January to concentrate on the loss of training for Puppy A and Puppy B members. We continued training until the 24<sup>th</sup> February. Wednesday night training recommenced again in early November. Thanks go to the four instructors rostered on each week together with John who looked after the equipment stall and new memberships. I attended each Wednesday to trial the new registration program and Ethel and Karen continued with the clubroom and toilet cleaning.

We held the Eastern AGM on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> February with the committee being ratified for the next twelve months unopposed.

Obedience and show Training continued during March, April and late May until Victoria went into a restricted (Circuit breaker) lockdown resulting in the 21<sup>st</sup> March Games Day and Highland Games Carnival being cancelled. We finally held a games day on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April with sixty-one members in attendance plus instructors and committee.

Thanks go to Barb Stewart for setting up the Rally equipment each Sunday and assisting members and their dogs. We are also fortunate to have two Rally Champions namely Wendy and Helena at our Branch who have passed on valuable rally experience and guidance to our members.

Tracking started on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May at the Dandenong Police Paddocks with our regular tracking members in attendance together with those members interested in trialling this year. Thanks to Rhonda, Justin and Michael for





organising the tracking each week. A tracking workshop was held at Eastern on the 27<sup>th</sup> June attended by interested members to learn about the basics of tracking and starting some practical tracking. Special thanks to Eddy and Adam Catton for their presentation and to Justin for organising.

Two great stories from Cathy Workman and Helena Walter on their individual journeys in the trialling ring appeared in the Winter Edition of the Quarterly National Review. Further articles appeared in the July Shepherd News about Wendy Seng Hpa and Cara's trick title at the May Inaugural Victorian Trick Test Trial and Cathy and Ricky's smelly success in their first pass in scent work.

We held three successful Bunnings BBQs in January, May and November with special mention to the following volunteers. Ethel, Karen, Barb Stewart & Barb Jacobs and Bill Goldberg our afternoon cook.

Four professional photography sessions were held during May and June of nearly 100 branch members and their dogs with photos being presented to them in a folder. Special thanks to Alfred and Margaret Zommers for taking and processing the photographs and to Andrea who suggested the idea and coordinating the sessions.

Titles gained in the different disciplines during 2021.

Endurance – Di Cameron with Jana and Richard Oldfield with Max.

Obedience – Di Cameron with Jana CCD.

Rally – Helena Walter with Nelke Rally Champion and Rhonda Snijders with Kaja RN

Tracking – John Schulz with Gillie, Michael Simmons with Luna and Di Cameron with Jana.

Tricks & Track & Search – Wendy Seng Hpa with Cara.

Scent – Cathy Workman with Ricky.

Milestones achieved in 2020 and 2021.

Brian Padgham 40 years as an instructor.

Michael Simmons and Margaret Starow 15 years as instructors.

Elke & Peter Effler 40 years membership, Ben Glasheen and Ian Woodhill 30 years membership. Margaret McCarthy and John Kempton 25 years membership.

Ethel Thompson 25 years on the Eastern Committee.

Thanks to the Good Friday Appeal helpers from Eastern – Ethel, Karen, John & Helena, Peter Osborne, Dennis Simpson, Maryanne & Sandra, Carol Smith & family, Di Oldfield.

Branch Activity Hub software was activated in January after importing branch member details including vaccination records and was fully operational in February.

A mention to three instructors who are retiring this year. Firstly Brian Padgham, patient, cool under pressure and always willing to pass on training advice to the members. Brian was a member for 41 years and an instructor for 40 years and has given an immense amount of time to the Club, the Eastern Branch and its members. Norm and Mary Hawthorn, the power couple who gave so much in the 35 years they were at the Eastern branch and the 8 years as instructors. From obedience instructing and trialling to tracking, puppy kinder, demo team and stewarding at shows they passed on a wealth of knowledge to our members. All three members will be sadly missed at the Branch, and we wish them all good health and happiness in their retirement.

Finally, to all the instructors led by Andrea our Chief Instructor and all the Committee, a special thank you for all their hard work and dedication to the Branch. It has been a difficult year, but everyone has contributed immensely, and the Branch is stronger for it.

**Peter Wallbridge**  
**Branch Manager – Eastern Branch**



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## GEELONG

<b>Branch Manager</b>	David Organ	<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Ash Kendal
<b>Secretary</b>	Jeanne Gant	<b>Treasurer</b>	Michelle Cabel
<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Marg Raftopoulos	<b>Assistant Chief Instructor</b>	Ash Kendal
<b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>	Marg Raftopoulos	<b>Membership Officer</b>	Stephanie Bassett
<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Paul Stynes	<b>Equipment Officer</b>	Marg Raftopoulos
<b>Social Media &amp; Website</b>	Sheridan Salmon	<b>Publicity Officer</b>	Stephanie Basset
<b>Committee</b>	Edwina Davis		Steph Staub

The year 2021 has been, shall we say, a strange year for the Branch (opening then closing, then re-opening, you get the drift). If it were not for the strong determination of the Geelong Committee and Instructors who all made themselves available to the members whilst in lockdown (either for training tips, how to manage a troubled dog or in need of dog food), they were there. Our Tuesday night classes and Friday morning classes during 2020/21 was also a victim of the Covid-19 and dis-continued for part of 2021, only starting up again later this year. Our other regular activities introduced during 2019/20 (group walks in the city and bush/mountain trails that were welcomed by members) also started up again with strong attendance for the beach walks organised by one of our instructors (Veronica Filmer).

Our Show Classes are still very strongly supported by members and with classes getting bigger every week, our new 30mtr x 60mtr multi-purpose fully fenced ring (being built in Feb and dedicated to our late member Maureen Williams) will be put to the test.

I would like to thank all instructors (both new and old) for the work that they have put in this year (2021) to keep our Branch up and running this year. The trainee instructors will be sitting their final exams in December 2021, so Geelong will start 2022 with 3 new instructors (Deb Wynd, Steph Basset and Edwina Davis).

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.

I am deeply grateful to the Geelong committee 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.

**David Organ**  
**Branch Manager – Geelong Branch**

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## GIPPSLAND

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Ray Batchelor	<b>Equipment Officer</b>	Vacant
<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Katrina Binotto	<b>Publicity Officer</b>	Carol Batchelor
<b>Secretary</b>	Trish Taylor	<b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>	Vacant
<b>Treasurer</b>	Daniel Binotto	<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Frank Cullen
<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Vacant	<b>Public Display Coordinator</b>	Anne Lee
<b>Membership Officer</b>	Sharyn Thompson	<b>Website Manager</b>	Rick Bradley
<b>Canteen Manager</b>	Nicole Allman	<b>Maintenance Manager</b>	Bernie Griggs

We all thought 2020 was a challenge and couldn't wait for 2021 to start.

Unfortunately, once 2021 arrived we found out very quickly that it wasn't going to get better any time soon. Although being a country branch allowed us to open a lot more than the metro branches, we still faced many challenges and disruptions to our year.

We had some early changes to our committee due to the personal circumstances of the people who originally took on the roles but as always we had other members step up to fill the vacancies. I want to thank each and every member of our branch committee for their efforts throughout the year. Although we were only open for 21 weeks across the whole year there are some roles that don't get to take a break so a special thanks to Assistant Branch Manager Katrina Binotto, Secretary Trish Taylor, Treasurer Daniel Binotto, and Publicity Officer Carol Batchelor.

Due to the resignation of our Chief Instructor early in the year, the CI duties were shared between the rest of the Instructor Group for the remainder of the year. Busy lives made availabilities very difficult all year so thank you to the Instructors that were able to give up what little spare time they had to help run classes. Our trainees Katrina and Daniel completed all the theory components of the trainee course and are now just waiting to complete their practical placements before becoming qualified GSDCV Instructors.

Although there were no trials or shows for members to attend throughout the year. Despite the stop and start weekend training when restrictions allowed our members did a great job keeping up with their training and enjoyed an end of year games day to finish off what has been another challenging year.



**Ray Batchelor**  
**Branch Manager Gippsland**



## MALVERN

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Jacinta Poole	<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Dearne Jackson
<b>Secretary</b>	Sam Siebel	<b>Treasurer</b>	Wayne Speck
<b>Membership Officer</b>	Vanessa Wisdom	<b>Breed Affairs Liaison</b>	Gayle Johnston
<b>Media Manager</b>	Grant Milne	<b>Social Secretary</b>	Lin Milne
<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Dearne Jackson		

Who would have thought that 2021 would be nearly as disrupted as 2020, no thanks to Covid-19 which again had a significant impact on Malvern branch's activities and freedom to operate. We doubled down on managing training with the extra requirements of checking vaccinations an added level of responsibility the committee carried for all members health and safety. Despite one lengthy 12 week lockdown our handlers came back with well behaved dogs. We had a huge influx once again of new puppies and owners who took the opportunity to begin training and socialisation. Our instructors and committee worked overtime to ensure that our core business of training handlers and their dogs was successfully met.

During the lengthy lockdown our members were once again treated to weekly eclasses, meaning we were in contact regularly for all training members. Our library of training classes developed during 2020 lockdowns came in handy as a basis for 2021 eclasses. As most handlers were now in higher classes, the variety of material was relevant and was only modified where required. For our new members from late last year, it was a new way of training and engaging with them. We had regular and continual feedback from many handlers during the eclasses, that extended to behavioural problem solving too for our house-bound young adult dogs, missing the important stages of training. All appreciated the extra level of support they felt even though they could not physically be at the branch. Thanks to our instructors for their online engagement, particularly to CI Dearne Jackson and Deputy Judy Eppinger for co ordinating the weekly emails and connected training materials.

When we could hold training, attendance numbers throughout the year were routinely over 90 dogs, a great weekly turn out and testament to owners wanting the best for their dogs. Again we extended training through until December 19<sup>th</sup> and the extra few weeks in class was appreciated by all members.

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 an all round 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, , Jacinta Poole, Grant Milne, Lin Milne, Sam Siebel, Julia Tahourdin, Mike Fajdiga, Donna Bradley and trainee Max Sivinski.

Stonnington Council were again very supportive during the year and provided clear, timely and well organised support and covid-19 advice for the return to training protocols we required, including around vaccination requirements. There were no delays getting back to classes as soon as restrictions allowed. We thank them 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 dedicated committee again excelled in branch management this year, implementing new protocols for the covid safety of handlers. QR coding, and advances in attendance scanning and vaccination recording streamlined a safe and quick check in, making sure we met our government requirements. All committee worked tirelessly in making sure Malvern was safely managed each week. Without this dedication to meet our significant health responsibilities, we could not have opened as we did, or for the numbers of handlers we managed. Our committee is 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, Vanessa Wisdom, Grant Milne and Lin Milne. All have made key contributions with all putting branch members before their own dogs and training.

Thank you to our other members who routinely assist with setting up or packing up on Sundays and providing other assistance, all of which helps. Special mention to Trish Doherty who helped on Sunday mornings at the desk for dog food and equipment purchases.



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In 2022 we hope to return to our regular branch activities, not curtailed by restrictions. That's all we hope for!! We look forward to helping all our members in any way required. Thanks to every member who accepted all the little changes we implemented to meet our Club and Council covid requirements and with their dog came back to enjoy training. Fingers crossed the next year is smooth sailing for all.

**Jacinta Poole**  
**Branch Manager – Malvern Branch**

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## **NORTHERN**

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Diane Page	<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Terry Taukus
<b>Secretary</b>	Zora Marko	<b>Treasurer</b>	Julie Taukus
<b>Membership Officer</b>	Christine Delasan	<b>Grounds Staff</b>	Bill Gate & Barry Clark
<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Andrew Quinn	<b>All Rounder</b>	Heather Neilson

To all our committee members volunteering each Saturday afternoon – the branch would not have been able to run without your support and great personalities. We said good bye to Heather Wills who has moved to spend more time with her family in Sydney – we will miss Heather and of course Bailey.

Special mention to the Bill and Barry, every week the rooms and grounds are clean and setup for us, we serve, we train, we leave, and they put everything away until then do it all again the following week – I really appreciate the effort and also stepping up to be our COVID Marshalls as well.

To our members – especially the ones who turn up week after week, rain or shine – you make our day, as they always have a smile on their face, or it is a grimace because their puppies/dogs are just not doing what they are supposed to do – LISTEN when spoken to!! We have enjoyed your laughter and pain as you have grown.

On behalf of the Chief Instructor I thank the team of instructors for their dedication because without them we would not have these classes, Jim Rose, Terry Skinner, Ethel Thompson, Geoff Byron(asp), Terry Taukus, Zora Marko(asp) – we sadly said goodbye to Lis Zankoski who has left for the Netherlands.

Northern branch have been extremely lucky over the last year, with no significant damage during the storms, a small amount of wet grounds, but it didn't stop the training.

I have really enjoyed being the Northern Branch Manager for the last year (Assistant BM prior) and a part of the GSDCV community.

Here's to 2022!

**Diane Page**  
**Branch Manager – Northern Branch**

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## SKYE

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Carla Srb	<b>Treasurer</b>	Sharon Hargraves
<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Michelle Fenwick	<b>Website</b>	Amanda Barr
<b>Secretary</b>	Cristine Begbie	<b>Equipment Officer</b>	Sharon Hargraves
<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Sharon Hargraves	<b>Canteen Manager</b>	John Brady
<b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>	Julie Urie	<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Les Rudling
<b>Membership Officer</b>	Susan Bain/ Sharon Hargraves		

2021 has been another year of covid lock downs and intermittent training sessions. When training was able to resume, Skye Branch divided the training session into two, catering for the younger classes (Puppies to Class 1) in the first session and the older classes (Class 2 to Trial) in the second session. This required the instructors to arrive earlier than normal and take two 45 minute classes. All the instructors at Skye supported this and, with the covid puppy influx, we were able to split the younger classes into smaller groups (as per covid regulations) which led to smaller class sizes and improved training. I would like to thank all the Skye instructors who gave up even more of their time to enable this. Some instructors maintained contact with members of their class by setting up individual Facebook groups and continuing training via U-tube and the like. Also, general U-tube videos were made available to all members on tips of how to teach your dog to walk on a loose-lead which had better success than attempting to teach them that in class.

The membership system was changed so that new members were asked to contact the Skye Membership Officer for the paperwork, which required to be filled in and signed by all relevant parties prior to them coming to training on Sunday. This worked well, however, there were a lot of new members to process. Our Membership Officer also commenced Wednesday night new member registrations once the covid restrictions of access to grounds and club house were in place, to lessen the number of people registering as new members on the Sunday. This worked well for the period of time it was in place. Thank you to Sharon Hargreaves and her membership team, Doreen and Pam, for making this possible.

Sales of Royal Canin continued but from Sharon Hargreaves house during the lock downs. As the food was already being delivered to Sharon, she had people make appointments to buy the food in a covid, non-contact way from purchasing directly from her house. This kept the Royal Canin sales up and kept our members happy.

The canteen and fundraising options were ceased during the lock downs and have the canteen has only recently been reopened. Equipment sales were also reduced with asking members to pre-order what they required and these items were available after training on Sunday for purchase.

I would like to thank all my committee and instructors: Michelle Fenwick, Sharon Hargreaves, Pam Anderton, John Brady, Doreen Van Ameringen, Amanda Barr, Cristine Begbie, Julie Urie, Les Rudling, Luke Rudling, Susan Bain, Ken Smith, Lynne Hawksworth, Helen Dunn and Arlene Kerr for their help and support during the last year. Without all their assistance we would not have been able to open the Branch and have it running as efficiently as it did.

I will not be standing for Committee in 2022 due to personal reasons, but the people nominated are of good calibre and some of long standing within the Branch and I have no doubt that Skye Branch will bloom under their appointment.

**Carla Srb**  
**Branch Manager – Skye Branch**





## SPECIALIST SHOW BRANCH

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Alastair Henderson	<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Alastair Henderson
<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Gurpeet Singh	<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Brank Awuema
<b>Secretary</b>	Ann Hammond	<b>Breed Affairs Liaison Officer</b>	Hannah Kelly
<b>Treasurer</b>	Fiona Henderson	<b>Catering Officer</b>	Melissa Hammond
<b>Publicity officer</b>	Melissa Hammond	<b>Membership</b>	Sec/BM/ABM

2021 bought another year of Covid and lockdowns where we could not train.

When we were able numbers were very good which made for a great atmosphere.

Once again, we had visits from Jo Cathie, Melanie Groth and Kylie Zimmerlie which attracted bigger numbers at training and gave of their knowledge and experience to help our members.

I wish to thank our committee for getting it done in tough times with bigger workloads owing to Covid.

Due to the reduced training days we had to borrow money from our investment account to pay our bills so hopefully this year is better.

The branch needs more help for it to go forward and survive and make life easier for everyone.  
Looking forward to 2022

**Alastair Henderson**  
**Branch Manager – Specialist Show Branch.**

## WESTERN

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Mr. Steve Kinsman	<b>Membership Officer</b>	Mrs. Roslyn Mills
<b>Secretary</b>	Mrs. Lyn Pickering	<b>Social Secretary</b>	Caroline Johns
<b>Treasurer/Website</b>	Tony Lerias	<b>Equipment Officer</b>	Ms. Stacy Lerias
<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Bill Frantzeskos / Dani Huri	<b>Assistant Treasurer</b>	Dom Cafari
<b>Assistant Branch Manager</b>	Bill Frantzeskos	<b>Publicity Officer</b>	Mrs. Lin McPherson
<b>Assistant Equipment Officer</b>	Jessica Kinsman	<b>Canteen Manager (1)</b>	Mr. Arthur McPherson
<b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>	Vacant	<b>Canteen Manager (2)</b>	Mr. Bill Hounslow
<b>Assistant Grounds Manager</b>	Mr. Andrew Saliba	<b>Grounds Manager</b>	Mrs. Lyn Pickering

Hi all it is my pleasure to present this report for the Western Branch for 2021. Well, what another year it has been open, close, and open again, due to Covid 19 again. We did manage to do our Good Friday appeal, thanks to all that helped raise around \$26,000, it was a grueling day but totally worth it.

I would like to thank all instructors and committee you guys did an impressive job under very hard times, and to all our members that keep us going thank you.

On an incredibly sad note we lost one of our long-term instructors, committee members, and a loyal friend Roslyn Mills, you will be deeply missed at our branch from all people.

That is about all due to a very trying year due to Covid.

Thank you all

**Steve Kinsman**  
**Branch Manager – Western Branch**



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## WODONGA

<b>Branch Manager</b>	Carol Mindin	<b>Chief Instructor</b>	Martine Burgess
<b>Secretary</b>	Tracey Hill	<b>Treasurer</b>	Karyn Cogdell
<b>Breed Liaison Officer</b>	Carol Mindin	<b>Membership Officer</b>	Karyn Cogdell
<b>Publicity/Website Officer</b>	Mrs. Carol Mindin		

We started the year in May after the Branch was Held in Abeyance due to the departure of the previous Committee and closure on the 13th December 2020.

After various discussions with members and Management a new Committee was formed and the Branch re-opened officially for training on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021. We held a Meet and Greet Morning Tea the week prior to catch up with some of our 2020 members looking to re-join. The morning was well supported with familiar and new faces.

During the year we welcomed new members and their puppies and trained from Puppy Class to Class 1 and 2. Our show team of Greg Green and Marie Baldwin, Jeff and Martine Burgess and Tracey Hill welcomed new puppies and were regular attendees. Their efforts were fruitful attaining Class wins and high places/gradings at the GSDCV and WDC Champ shows 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> December and also the GSDL Champ Show 11<sup>th</sup> December where Greg and Marie's Randinka Honeysuckle AZ (Cookie) placed 1<sup>st</sup> Intermediate SC and Challenge Bitch.

We have also had 4 trainee instructors. Alex and Karyn Cogdell, Alice Young and Cassie Young that signed up to undertake the Obedience Instructor course. They attended lectures at Western Branch when Covid restrictions allowed. Unfortunately, the course was unable to be completed and will continue in 2022. The trainees were able to assist and take classes however.

Although there was regular Covid lockdowns and later the mandatory vaccination policy placed on the Club we have still managed to train although with lower numbers than we would have liked.

Finally, I would like to thank all our members who have supported us during the year. Also to our dedicated Committee for their hard work behind the scenes, without which we could not function. Thank you also to our Chief Instructor Martine Burgess, Show Instructors Jeff Burgess and Tracey Hill and Obedience Instructor Billie Louwrier for their efforts during the year.

**Carol Mindin**  
**Branch Manager – Wodonga Branch**



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## 2020 OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD – Ken Smith



Ken joined the Skye Branch of the GSDCV with his family and dog Kaiser in 2002. Ken trained Kaiser to trial standard and successfully competed with him at several Obedience trials. Ken and Kaiser were also members of the Skye Branch Demonstration Team, performing at local events to promote the German Shepherd Dog and the Club.

In those early years of joining the club, Ken became involved in Branch affairs, and was very quickly identified as a future leader by the then Branch Manager Ian Holden. Ian proceeded to carefully mentor Ken with the view to take on the Branch Manager's role when Ian retired.

Ken became Branch Manager of the Skye Branch in 2004 and has remained in that role continuously since that date. Ken is possibly one of the very few Branch Managers who have held such a senior position continuously for such a length of time. – to date 16 years!

Under his leadership as Branch Manager, Ken has overseen many major developments of the Branch including

- The payment in full of the loan from the GSDCV for the Skye Clubhouse
- The design, construction, and payment for the veranda extension to the Clubhouse
- Designed and built the equipment trailer
- Arranged the purchase and installation of the audio-visual equipment in the Clubhouse for seminars etc.
- Designed and built a specialised set of Puppy Equipment
- Established a detailed computer database of members for ease of checking in and tracking attendance, etc.
- Has seen the number of members training with their dogs each Sunday grow from approximately 30 in 2002 to around 70–80 in 2020.
- Has overseen the financial viability of the Branch increase over the years whilst continuing to reinvest in our members.

In addition to these major accomplishments, Ken has unfailingly attended the Branch every training Sunday for the past 18 years, with very few exceptions. The wedding of his son and the Bathurst 500 are possibly the only events that have kept him away!

Furthermore, as Branch Manager, Ken has an enviable attendance record at GSDCV Management Meetings for the past 16 years!

In 2017 Ken completed the GSDCV Trainee Instructor's course, while also undertaking the National Dog Training Federation Instructor's course, qualifying in both. Ken also undertook and passed the Vicki Austin puppy course in 2017.

In 2017, Ken became the OTC Education Officer and has been largely responsible for a complete revamping of the Aspiring instructors course Which has now been in place for four years. Ken administrates the course, organising lectures, speakers, training modules, testing and marking of papers and reporting to the OTC Committee. This has developed into a course that is uniform and consistent and a very valuable asset of the GSDCV.

Without doubt, Ken Smith has worked tirelessly and productively for the Skye Branch, the Obedience Training Committee and many other areas of the club over many years, and we therefore recommend that he be awarded the GSDCV Outstanding Service Award.



## AWARDS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE 2021 AGM

*These are all awards achieved throughout the 2021 year.*

### SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

#### Membership Awards – awarded to members for continuous membership

John Kempton	25	Eastern
Margaret McCarthy	25	Eastern
Ivan Hipworth	25	Northern
Phyllis Hipworth	25	Northern
Trish Taylor	25	Gippsland
Frank Grigons	30	Northern
Margaret Raftopoulos	30	Geelong
Andre Torpy	30	Skye
Ros Vincent	30	Bendigo

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

Carole Batchelor	5	Gippsland
Ray Batchelor	5	Gippsland
Alicia Hart	5	Gippsland
Tania Waixel	5	Gippsland
Veronica Filmer	5	Geelong
Grant Milne	5	Malvern
Samantha Siebel	5	Malvern
Amanda Barr	5	Skye
Lyn Hawksworth	5	Skye
Ken Smith	5	Skye
Craig Whitford	5	Western
Michael Simmons	15	Eastern
Margaret Starow	15	Eastern
Martine Burgess	15	Wodonga
Roslyn Mills	15	Western
Billy Louwrier	20	Wodonga
Ken Mackay	20	Malvern
Judy Eppinger	25	Malvern
Ian Woodhill	25	Eastern
Jim Begg	35	Malvern
Cristine Begbie	35	Skye
Julie Urie	35	Skye
Brian Padgham	40	Eastern
Marilyn Wrigley	40	Ballarat

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

Jeff Burgess	5	Wodonga
Martine Burgess	5	Wodonga
Tracey Hill	5	Wodonga
Marilyn Wrigley	35	Ballarat



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

Katrina Binotto	5	Gippsland
Beth Leggett	5	Ballarat
Keryn Leggett	5	Ballarat
Lin Milne	5	Malvern
Samantha Siebel	5	Malvern
Wayne Speck	5	Malvern
Ray Batchelor	10	Gippsland
Dearne Jackson	10	Malvern
Anne Lee	10	Gippsland
Grant Milne	10	Malvern
Carol Mindin	15	Wodonga
Jacinta Poole	15	Malvern
Ethel Thompson	20	Eastern
Esther Dekkers	20	Gippsland
Paul Wiseman	20	Gippsland
Gayle Johnston	25	Malvern

## New Obedience Instructor Certificates:

Debra Holford	Ballarat	Stephanie Bassett	Geelong
Keryn Leggett	Ballarat	Edwina Davis	Geelong
Debra Mill	Bendigo	Jeanne Gant	Geelong
Howard Mill	Bendigo	Ashley Kendall	Geelong
Rebecca May	Western	Debra Wynd	Geelong

## TITLES AWARDED

Craig Whitford	*Eroica Jethro AZ RN	CCD
Dianne Cameron	*Ch. Maadrica Anya AZ RN	CCD
Iva Baloun	Taylorcruz Finn (AI)	CCD
Jeanne Gant	Kantenna Mocha Chino AZ	CCD
Judith Strachan	T.Ch. Hasenway Malibu AZ (IID Deu) RN	CCD
Peter & Dawn Howard	Bronacre Butterscotch Bliss AZ RN	CCD
Ian & Denise Woollard	Jayella Wot R The Odds CD TSD TDX	CDX
Abby Cabel	*Sanjesa Queen of Diamonds AZ	ET
Bronacre Kennels	*Ch. Bronacre Blue Ice AZ	ET
Diana & Richard Oldfield	*Bronacre Popped to the Maxx AZ TD	ET
Dianne Cameron	*Ch. Maadrica Anya AZ CCD RN	ET
Craig Whitford	*Eroica Jethro AZ	RN
Peter & Dawn Howard	Bronacre Butterscotch Bliss AZ	RN
Rhonda Snijders	*Jayshell Touchee (AI) AZ TD	RN
Stephanie Bassett	ShelbieGoes	RN
Cathy Workman	T.Ch. Jayshell Ghan CCD RAE ET	SWN



John Strachan	*Ch Hasenway Daddy Cool AZ	SWN
Judith Strachan	T.Ch. Hasenway Malibu AZ (IID Deu) CCD RN	SWN
Peter & Dawn Howard	*Dual Ch(T) TS Grand Ch Killara Stasia AZ CCD RA	SWN
Peter & Dawn Howard	Bronacre Butterscotch Bliss AZ CCD RN	SWN
Wendy Seng Hpa	RO CH Vonbios Carina A CDX RAE TK.S ET	TSD
Dianne Cameron	*Ch. Maadrica Anya AZ CCD RN ET	TD
Helena Walter & John Schulz	Schaeferhund Greeta	TD
Michael Simmons	Seigen Jimmys Luna	TD
Wendy Seng Hpa	RO CH Vonbios Carina A CDX RAE ET	TK.S
Andrew Saliba	Bodecka Interrogator CDX	UD

### CHAMPION TITLES AWARDED

Megan Macdonald	Taurorn Chardonay and Gucci	Champion
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Judith Strachan	*Ch Hasenway Daddy Cool AZ	Champion
Bronacre Kennels	*Bronacre Blue Ice AZ	Champion
Mrs E & Mr P Neale & Miss V McGinty	Bronacre Indian Summer Knight (AI) AZ	Champion
Stuart Macdonald	*Gr Ch Dual Ch (T) Stobar Quentin CDX RN TSD ET	Neutered Champion
Peter & Dawn Howard	*Dual Ch(T) TS Grand Ch Killara Stasia AZ CCD RA SWN	Neutered Champion
Ian & Denise Woollard	Jayella Wot R The Odds CDX TSD	Tracking Champion
Kath Devlin	Killara Hot Summer TDX	Tracking Champion

### GSDCA AWARD OF MERIT

*(These plaques are awarded to the breeder of an animal that has been graded "Excellent" in the conformation or performance disciplines for the first time during 2021.)*

#### Excellent in Show

Lorelle & David Organ	*Lordavo Dark Angel AZ
Steve & Judy Wade	*TaiTia Amigo Girl AZ
Iniff Kennels	*Iniff Icebreaker AZ
Helena Walter & John Schulz	*Ch. Maadrica Anya AZ CCD RN TD ET
Bronacre Kennels	*Bronacre Popped to the Maxx AZ TD ET
Bronacre Kennels	*Bronacre Uluru Jackaroo AZ

#### Excellent in Obedience

Peter & Dawn Howard	*DUAL CH(T) TS Grand Ch Killara Stasia AZ CCD RA
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### SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

**Ian Williams Perpetual Tracking Trophy:** None for 2021

**Neil Cousins Memorial Trophy** None for 2021

**Pam Lewis Memorial Trophy** None for 2021

**Gwen Ibbott Shield** In abeyance

**With limited shows or opportunity to participate due to regional lockdowns in Victoria in 2021. The decision was taken to suspend the perpetual trophies for 2021 due to the COVID19 pandemic.**

### 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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

#### **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.

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

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

#### **JUNIOR HANDLER AWARDS – CONFORMATION**

The decision was taken to award the Junior and Young Handler Awards - Conformation for 2021.

Junior Handler of the Year  
(7 – 9 years)  
Avery Kelly



Junior Handler of the Year  
(10 to 12 years)  
Ryan Kelly



Junior Handler of the Year  
(13 – 17 years)  
Stephanie Jones



## YOUNG HANDLER ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

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

Not awarded for 2021

## 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.	1990	*Quincito Awol 'A'	Aust. Ch.
1950	Prince Kazan		1991	*Elvarado Super Star	Aust. Ch.
1951	Willunga Baron		1992	*Iniff Tapestry 'A' 'Z' CD	Aust. Ch.
1952	Weldenfels Bedwolf	KCC Ch.	1993	*Iniff Vagrant 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1953	Helenbryan Patricia CDX	KCC Ch.	1994	*Iniff Vagrant 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1955	Kombrack Prince		1995	*Denargun Flying Colours 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1956	Kombrack Prince	KCC Ch.	1996	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1957	Whelker Fram Beau	KCC Ch.	1997	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1958	Macron Marita	KCC Ch.	1998	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1959	Bramcourt Barleena	KCC Ch.	1999	*Iwan vom Lechtal "a" 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1960	Rosenthal Jelda		2000	*Hasenway Wild Knight 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1961	Yram Prince Amin	Aust. Ch.	2001	*Winbirra Elegance 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1962	Lardo Pretty Shinee	Aust. Ch.	2002	*Denargun Brownd Off 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1963	Lardo Pretty Shinee	Aust. Ch.	2003	*Spellbinda High Society 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1964	Lardo Pretty Shinee	Aust. Ch.	2004	*Bodecka Grandslam 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1965	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2005	*Zandrac Rivendell 'A' 'Z'	
1966	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2006	*Peshar Inga 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1967	Liebestraum Leader	Aust. Ch.	2007	*Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1968	Kohinoor Kazan	Aust. Ch.	2008	*Sannjesa Crusty Demon 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1969	Hagenstolz Kismet	Aust. Ch.	2009	*Lashadas Ace of Hearts 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1970	Hagenstolz Kismet	Aust. Ch.	2010	*Freevale Crazy In Pink 'A' 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1971	Hagenstolz Cicero	Aust. Ch.	2011	*Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1972	Tanaba Amonasaro	Aust. Ch.	2012	*Orrinshir Elton John 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1973	Trievon Rajah	Aust. Ch.	2013	*Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1974	Kaznora Kommandant		2014	*Bronacre Dark Diamond 'A' 'Z' ET	Aust. Ch.
1977	Willmaurs Fondawn		2015	*Ch. Jayshell Winona 'A', 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1979	Edinsmuir Liz's Girl of Bedwin	Eng/Aust.Ch.	2016	*Ch. Jayshell Winona 'A', 'Z'	Aust. Ch.
1980	*Von Roland Axel		2017	*Ch. Xaro von der Plassenburg a ED	Aust. Ch.
1981	Glenawly Kenner	Aust. Ch.	2018	*Jayshell Nebraska 'A' 'Z'	
1982	Wantepich Asta	Aust. Ch.	2019	*Ch. Jayshell Nebraska 'A' 'Z'	Aust.Ch.
1983	Volscairn Navita	Aust. Ch.	2020	Not awarded due to Covid 19 pandemic.	
1984	*Bedwins Finnigan	Aust. Ch.	2021	Not awarded due to Covid 19 pandemic	
1985	*Karlach Satans Rites	Aust. Ch.			
1986	*Landrina Majic Melody	Aust. Ch.			
1987	*Karlach Wyoming Belle 'A'	Aust. Ch.			
1988	*Hasenway Putz 'A'	Aust. Ch.			
1989	None awarded				

## CHALLENGE SASHES DONATED BY THE GSDCV INC. FOR 2021

EVENT	EVENT DATES	JUDGE
Working Dog Club of Victoria	4 December 2021	Mrs Nicky McDermott

**Covid 19 lockdowns caused other shows to be cancelled.**



## CLUB 13 AWARDS

# The 13 Club

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

<b>Dog</b>	<b>Owner</b>	<b>Breeder</b>
<b>*Glenraco Upsadaisy AZ</b> Sire: Fellow Von Santamar (Imp Bel) Dam: *Glenraco Wild Witch AZ CD	Gayle Johnston	Glenraco Kennels
<b>Glenraco Mellow Fellow AZ CD</b> Sire: Fellow Von Santamar (Imp Bel) Dam: *Glenraco Wild Witch AZ CD	Gayle Johnston	Glenraco Kennels
<b>*Glenraco Golly Gosh AZ CD RE</b> Sire: Fellow Von Santamar (Imp Bel) Dam: *Glenraco Wild Witch AZ CD	Dearne Jackson	Glenraco Kennels
<b>Selbeck Charisma AZ</b> Sire: *Seigen Dragon Heart AZ Dam: *Seigen Rumour Control AZ	Alan and Deb Smith	Ms S Crawford
<b>*Volscaïn Udo AZ</b> Sire: Karlos von der Werther-Muhle (Imp Gmy) Dam: Molle von der Werther-Muhle (Imp Gmy)	Judy Levron	Volscaïn Kennels
<b>Iniff Anzac Spirit AZ CCD</b> Sire: Ch Kwint vom Juerikstall (Imp Ndl) Dam: *Iniff Cool Charm AZ	Jacinta Poole	Iniff Kennels
<b>Bonshannon Della</b> Sire: Karlos Von Der Werthermuhle (Imp Gmy) Dam: CH Schaeferhund Ussa	Ian Sprigg	Bonshannon Kennels

## Major Fund Raising

Easter is over and so is the Good Friday appeal for the Royal Children's Hospital. Great effort it was from dedicated members and friends from the Western branch and Eastern branch of the German Shepherd dog club of Victoria.

Even though it wasn't our biggest amount ever collected. The **\$25,827.40** was such a rewarding amount considering we had to cancel two of our corners due to lack of people power. Even though it was a very hot day (above 30°) and we were all tired at the end of the day everyone said they had a wonderful day.

I like to thank Ethel and her team from Eastern Branch Who get up early and drive over to be at the corner by around 8 o'clock and also the Western members, family and friends who helped out on this very special day for the kids. Also the Keilor Football Club for allowing four of our members to collect at their gates.



**This was our 37th year collecting for the Royal Children's Hospital which brings our total to \$673,931.40.**

Corners and names of the dedicated  
Keilor football ground ; Andrew Saliba, Leigh Saliba, Aaron Robinson  
and Rachel Jones.

Ballarat Road, Anderson and McIntyre Road Sunshine; Steve, Jess & Bec  
Kinsman, Craig and Lauren Whitford, Jacob Walters, Mike Looney, Vicki  
Solis, Tim Banks, Nico Adam & Caroline John's

Epsom & Smithfield rd Kensington ; ( Eastern members ) Ethel  
Thompson, Karen D'Amico, Di Oldfield Who travels from Yarra Glen to  
help, Carol Smith, Kathleen Smith, Connor Smith, Mia Rosenbrock, John  
Schulz, Helena Walters, Dennis Simpson, Peter Osbourne, Maryanne  
Millar, Sandra Zelic, & ( Shane Fraser a friend of the club who has helped  
out over the years)

Main Road East & Sunshine Avenue St Albans; Lyn Pickering, Jones Ma, Tony Mercieca, Gail Stewart, Michael Blunt  
(thanks for coming all the way from Geelong to help). Andrew Keam, (Sister Nilla, Sister Jona, & Camille from the  
order of Leaven of the Immaculate heart of Mary ) myself .

Also a special thank you to Lyn Pickering. Who does the coordination with the Royal Children's Hospital each year  
with the last two years being a bit more difficult.

I hope next year we can encourage more members to donate a little bit of their time on this special day so we can  
once again man all our corners again

Bernie Lester (Western Branch)

## HISTORY OF OFFICE BEARERS OF THE GSDCV

YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR	TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR
1945	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. Ryan/Mr. Simmons	Mrs. Wilson	Mrs. Ryan	N/A	N/A
1946	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. Simmons/Mr. Nicholls/Mr. E. Ryan	Mrs. Malcolmson/ Mrs. Ryan	Mr. Kitchell	N/A	N/A
1947	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. McPherson/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. J. Nicholls	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Kitchell	N/A	N/A
1948	Cap. H. Taylor	Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. Nicholls/Mr Press	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1949	Cap. H. Taylor/ Mr. Nicholls	Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. J. Nicholls/Mr. G. Press	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1950	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. J. Nicholls/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. W. Kerr	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1951	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. J. Nicholls/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. E. Schneider	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1952	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. J. Nicholls/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. G. Lane	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1953	Mr. G. Lane	Mr. Ryan/Mr. Siggins/Mr. Bushnell	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1954	Mr. Schellenberger	Mr. Bushnell/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. C. Siggins	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1955	Mr. K. Stubbs	Mr. G. Bushnell/Mr. Ryan/Mr. C. Siggins	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. Clarke	N/A	N/A
1956	Mr. K. Stubbs	Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. A. Davies/Mr. Buchanan	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. J. Caldwell	N/A	N/A
1957	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. A. Davies/Mr. S. Gilchrist	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. J. Caldwell	N/A	N/A
1958	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. S. Gilchrist	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. J. Caldwell	N/A	N/A
1959	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. M. McKerchar	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Burnell	N/A	N/A
1960	Mr. S. Rowe	Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Burnell	N/A	N/A
1961	Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Burnell	N/A	N/A
1962	Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. E. Ryan/Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. K. Stubbs	N/A	N/A
1963	Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mr. E. Ryan/Mrs. D. Carter/Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. E. Fitzgerald	N/A	N/A
1964	Mr. W. Henderson	Mr. T. vd Ryst/Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. T. Fitzgerald	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1965	Mr. W. Henderson	Mrs. D. Carter/Mr. E. VanBael/Mr. E. Ryan	Mrs. B. Ryan	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1966	Mr. E. Van Bael	Mr. W. Henderson/Mr. H. Herter/Mr. K. Stubbs	Mrs. B. Ryan/ Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1967	Mr. E. Van Bael	Mr. K. Stubbs/Mr. G. Gillan/Mr. H. Herter	Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1968	Mr. E. Van Bael	Mr. K. Stubbs/Mrs. J. Mason/Mr. G. Moody	Mrs. J. Kinsman	Mr. W. Kinsman	N/A	N/A
1969	Mr. E. Van Bael	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. Van Bael	Mr. G. Moody/Mr. D. Gardner/Mr. E. Pilgrim	Mrs. C. Pilgrim	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	N/A	N/A
1972	Mr. E. Pilgrim	Mr. K. Patterson/Mr. H. Brunner/Mr. K. Moore	Mrs. V. Moore	Mr. H. Brunner	N/A	N/A
1973	Mrs. V. Moore	Mr. R. Poole / Mr. H. Brunner / Mr. G. Moody	Mrs P. Savage/ Mrs. C. Pilgrim	Mr. K. Moore	N/A	N/A
1974	Mr. G. Moody	Mr. E. Pilgrim	Mrs. K. Chapman	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer		Mr. E. Van Bael
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 ADMINISTRATOR	TRAINING 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/ Mrs. M. Haines/ Mrs. Westwood	Mr. W. Edmonds/Mrs. S. Westwood/Mr. J. Rodger	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. E. Fink
1982	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Haines	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1983	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Haines	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. F. Moody	Mr. K. Heyne
1984	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. L. Cooper	Ms. F. Eastgate	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1985	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. L. Cooper	Mr. T. Leverett	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1986	Mr. J. Rodger	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. L. Cooper	Mr. T. Leverett	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. K. Heyne
1987	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. B. Newson	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. T. Leverett	Mrs. F. Farley	Mr. K. Heyne
1988	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. B. Newson	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mrs. B. Gascoigne	Mrs. J. Haase	Mr. F. Valastro
1989	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. J. Haase	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. F. Valastro
1990	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mrs. J. Haase	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. F. Valastro
1991	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. A. Saliba
1992	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mrs. A. Pettenhofer	Mr. A. Saliba
1993	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mr. A. Saliba
1994	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. F. Moody / Mr. D. Eames	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mr. A. Saliba
1995	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. D. Eames	Mrs. F. Tantaro	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. A. Kerr
1996	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. I. Cameron	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. R. Petrella/ Ms. K. Combes	Mr. L. Donald	Mrs. A. Kerr/ Mrs. L. Holden
1997	Mrs. M. Wrigley	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. N. Loos	Ms. K. Combes	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mr. J. Speers
1998	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. D. Hynd	Mrs. N. Loos	Ms. N. Clark	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
1999	Mr. V. Tantaro	Mr. D. Hynd	Ms. C. Poole	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2000	Mr. D. Hynd	Mr. P. Vincent	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2001	Mr. D. Hynd	Mr. P. Vincent	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2002	Mr. D. Hynd	Mr. P. Vincent	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2003	Mr. P. Vincent	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2004	Mr. P. Vincent/ Mr. F. Moody	Mr. F. Moody	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley



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YEAR	PRESIDENT	VICE-PRESIDENT / 2 <sup>nd</sup> VICE PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	TREASURER	B/AFFAIRS ADMINISTRATOR	TRAINING ADMINISTRATOR
2005	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. I. Urie	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mr. C. Hollingworth	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2006	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. I. Urie Mr. D. Cafari (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)	Mrs. V. Moody	Mr. G. Jacobs	Mrs. J. Yuen	Mrs. M. Wrigley
2007	Mr. F. Moody	Mr. D. Cafari 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 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 Mr. J. Schulz (2 <sup>nd</sup> VP)	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mrs. F. Henderson	Mr. I. Urie	Mr. L. Rudling
2020	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. T. Mercieca	Mrs. D. Jackson	Mrs. F. Henderson	Mrs. N. McDermott	Mr. L. Rudling
2021	Mr. V. Ebejer	Mr. T. Mercieca	Mrs. D. Jackson	Mrs. F. Henderson	Mrs. N. McDermott	Mr. L. Rudling



## HISTORY OF BRANCH OFFICIALS

YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
<b>1977</b>	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. Tantaró		
<b>1978</b>	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. Tantaró	M. Giertolla	I. Goodman
<b>1979</b>	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. Tantaró	F. Tantaró	M. Giertolla	I. Goodman
<b>1980</b>	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. Tantaró	F. Tantaró	M. Giertolla	U. Giertolla
<b>1981</b>	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. Tantaró	F. Tantaró	R. Schnoor	D. Conners
<b>1982</b>	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. Tantaró	M. Johnson	R. Schnoor	D. Conners
<b>1983</b>	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
<b>1984</b>	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)

## BRANCH OFFICIALS HISTORY (CONTINUED)





YEAR	BRANCH	MANAGER	SECRETARY	TREASURER	CHIEF INSTRUCTOR
<b>1985</b>	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	M. Valastro	G. Saddington	D. Taylor	J. Tenkaten
	LaTrobe Valley	H. v Rysbergen	C. Bennett	I. Bennett	L. McAlpine
	Malvern	M. Sharp	B. Gascoigne	P. Lewis	M. Nelson
	Waverley	R. Orchard	D. Westwood	F. Eastgate	C. Humphrys
	Western	A. Boyd	M. Boyd	A. Saliba	B. Lester
<b>1986</b>	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
<b>1987</b>	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
<b>1988</b>	Ballarat	J. Hodges	M. Wrigley	W. Hawksworth	G. Lowe
	Eastern	M. Valastro	A. Franklin	G. Saddington	E. Pilar
	Geelong	C. Christiaans	S. Lea-Wood	P. Savickas	
	LaTrobe Valley	C. Bennett	I. Bennett		
	Malvern	R. Atyeo	J. Begg	R. Jones	J. Begg
	Northern	G. Harding/P.Waldhauser	J. Waldhauser	C. Humphries	K. Humphries
	Skye	L. Holden	N. Meaney	G. Green	B. Dunn
	Waverley	T. Shaw	L. McDermott	S. Humphrys	
	Western	F. Moody	V. Watt	R. Petrella	A. Saliba



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<b>1989</b>	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
<b>1990</b>	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
<b>1991</b>	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
<b>1992</b>	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	M. Wrigley	P. Conte	J. Hodges
	Eastern	M. Valastro	U. Grimshaw	A. Franklin	J. Smith
	Geelong	H. Whiteford	S. Lea-Wood	Q. Drew	M. Raftopoulos
	Malvern	A. Maddox	D. Jackson	H. Neff	J. Speers
	Northern	P. Vincent	K. Donaldson	A. Solarz	B. Donaldson
	Skye	A. Adams	N. Meaney	I. Holden	A. Kerr
	Waverley	L. Rodger	K. Green	N. Clark	C. Humphrys
	Western	V. Moody	E. Old	D. Cafari	B. Lester



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<b>1993</b>	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
<b>1994</b>	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
<b>1995</b>	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
<b>1996</b>	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	D. Jackson
	Northern	P. Vincent	R. Walton	A. Solarz	A. Dordevic
	Skye	A. Adams	J. Maynard		N. Meaney
	Waverley	J. Haase	L. McDermott	N. Clark	
	Western	R. Harris/D. Cafari	T. Mercieca	S. Kovacic	S. Petrella/C. Wood



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<b>1997</b>	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
<b>1998</b>	Ballarat	G. Lowe	C. Rowlands	P. Maggi	P. Cooper
	Bendigo	T. Kennedy	R. Bailey	A. Hassell	S. Bacon
	Eastern	A. Franklin	C. Srb	L. Marston	D. Berry
	Geelong	M. Valastro	S. O'Connor	N. McDonald	F. Valastro
	Gippsland	J. Morrey	P. Pendlebury	C. Bennett	A. Purcell
	Malvern	T. Poole	J. Eppinger	J. Bendall	J. Speers
	Northern	P. Vincent	R. Walton	A. Solarz	T. Taukus
	Skye	A. Adams	J. Maynard	I. Holden	F. Spinelli
	Waverley	I. Urie	N. Clark	T. Leverett	
	Western	D. Cafari	D. Sturgess	C. Sturgess	P. Lazaric
<b>1999</b>	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	M. Maggi	P. Maggi	J. Hodges
	Bendigo	T. Kennedy	R. Bailey	A. Hassell	S. Bacon
	Eastern	A. Franklin	C. Srb	B. Jacobs	D. Berry
	Geelong	M. Valastro	J. Henley	M. Sinclair	F. Valastro
	Gippsland	C. Hynd	N. Pancutt	S. Pancutt	J. Morrey
	Malvern	G. Johnston	J. Eppinger	T. Poole	J. Speers
	Northern	R. Walton	C. Cawsey	A. Solarz	T. Taukus
	Skye	A. Adams	J. Maynard	I. Holden	F. Spinelli/P. Aarons
	Specialist Show	I. Urie	V. Ainslie	T. Leverett	C. Humphrys
	Wangaratta	D. Pollard	C. Rice	A. Pirie	
	Western	F. Moody	S. Petrella	C. Sturgess/R. Petrella	P. Lazaric/E. Pasqua/S. Petrella



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<b>2000</b>	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
<b>2001</b>	Ballarat	K. Rowlands	C. Rowlands	D. Ellery	B. Wilson
	Bendigo	R. Schnoor	R. A Schnoor	A. Hassell	S. Bacon
	Eastern	G. Jacobs	L. Marston	B. Jacobs	J. Atken/D. Berry
	Geelong	A. Smith	J. Henley	M. Blunt	F. Valastro
	Gippsland	P. Pendlebury	T. Taylor	C. Bennett	D. Hynd
	Malvern	D. Hopgood	J. Eppinger	T. Poole	G. Johnston/D. Jackson
	Northern	I. Hipworth	J. Pound	A. Solarz	R. Walton
	Skye	J. Maynard	B. Blythe	B. Duyvestyn	H. Dunn
	Specialist Show	M. Robson	J. Yuen	T. Leverett	C. Humphrys
	Western	F. Moody	S. Petrella	R. Petrella	S. Petrella
	Wodonga	D. Norgate/J. Greskie	C. Rice/P. Smith	K. Pol/C. Heathcote	F. Veletovski/G. Cole
<b>2002</b>	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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<b>2003</b>	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
<b>2004</b>	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
<b>2005</b>	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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<b>2006</b>	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
<b>2007</b>	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
<b>2008</b>	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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<b>2009</b>	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
<b>2010</b>	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
<b>2011</b>	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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<b>2012</b>	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
<b>2013</b>	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
<b>2014</b>	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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<b>2015</b>	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
<b>2016</b>	Ballarat	B. Hardenberg	M. Lee	D. Ellery	
	Bendigo	T. Kekich	C. Anderson	D. Kennedy	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	J. Schultz	A. McAnuff	J. Burley	P. Wallbridge
	Geelong	V. Filmer	M. Williams	M. Cabel	A. Kendall
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	C. Batchelor	D. Hynd
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	D. Bourke/G.Dennis	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	L. Hawksworth	P. Anderton	L. Rudling
	Specialist Show	J. Carter	B. Blythe	F. Henderson	S. Taylor
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	M. Sinclair	P. Van Vliet
	Wodonga	G.Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole
<b>2017</b>	Ballarat	M. Wrigley	S. Roberts	D. Ellery	
	Bendigo	T. Kekich	N. Meaney	D. Kennedy	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	J. Schultz	A. McAnuff	J. Burley	P. Wallbridge
	Geelong	V. Filmer	M. Williams	M. Cabel	K. Spark
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	R. Bradley	A. Purcell
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	T. Taukus	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	P. Anderton	A. Kerr
	Specialist Show	J. Carter/N. McDermott	B. Blythe	F. Henderson	S. Taylor
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	S. Hounslow	D. Cafari
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole



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. Williams	M. Cabel	K. Spark
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	R. Bradley	A. Tyben
	Malvern	J. Poole	J. Eppinger	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	T. Taukus	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	T. Taukus
	Skye	K. Smith	C. Srb	P. Anderton	S. Hargreaves
	Specialist Show	N. McDermott	A. Hammond	F. Henderson	A. Henderson
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	S. Hounslow	D. Cafari
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole
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
2020	Ballarat	M. Wrigley	S. Roberts	D. Ellery	M. Wrigley
	Bendigo	E Neale	R Vincent	D. Kennedy	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	P Walbridge	R Snidjers	J. Burley	A. Cornwall
	Geelong	D Organ	J Gant	M. Cabel	V Filmer/M.Raftopoulos
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	D. Binotto	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	A Henderson	A Hammond	F. Henderson	A Henderson
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	S. Hounslow	S. Hounslow
	Wodonga	G. Cole	M. Cole	M. Brew	G. Cole



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<b>2021</b>	Ballarat	M. Wrigley	K. Leggett	D. Ellery	M. Wrigley
	Bendigo	D. Mill	R Vincent	M. Snell	T. Kennedy
	Eastern	P Walbridge	R Snidjers	J. Burley	A. Cornwall
	Geelong	D Organ	J Gant	M. Cabel	M.Raftopoulos
	Gippsland	R. Batchelor	T. Taylor	D. Binotto	Vacant
	Malvern	J. Poole	S Siebel	W. Speck	D. Jackson
	Northern	D. Page	Z. Marko	J. Taukus	A.Quinn
	Skye	C. Srb	C. Begbie	S. Hargraves	S. Hargreaves
	Specialist Show	A Henderson	A Hammond	F. Henderson	A Henderson
	Western	S. Kinsman	L. Pickering	T. Lerias	B. Fatzekas/D. Huri
	Wodonga	C. Mindin	T. Hill	K. Cogdell	M. Burgess