



Shep-O-Gram

German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis/St Paul

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Our club was in top form again at the GSDCA national show. Winners from our ranks are listed on page 3. There were many other fine dogs sired by dogs owned by our members or bred by our members or handled by our members. Two fine examples are the Grand Victor sired by Oscar and the Grand Victrix handled by Kelly Salava. We also had many fine performance entries.

The German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis and St. Paul also won the regional Challenge for the large club division AND for the first time, the Shep-O-Gram took first place in the large club monthly division of the newsletter contest!

To continue on a winning note four of our member's dogs are in the AKC/Eukanuba top 25 German Shepherd Dogs for 2009. Congratulations to:

CH Anneisle's Heiress V. Kenlyn Kaleef Martha Simonet

CH Marquis Stealing The Show Liz & Doug Oster

CH Mythical Zeus of Black Forest Connie Karner

CH Todorhaus Stetson Sharon Todoroff

What a way to end a year!

In this issue as well as the nationals results, we have; the conclusion of the carting article by our own Pam Magadance, The herding trial results, and the awards form for the awards banquet.

Coming up we have the holidays, and with that, the holiday pot luck on Dec 11, which will be organized this year by Joelle Hymel. She is new to this, so let's help her out. It will be food traditional to your family/culture this year,. Of course that means if you are Paul Johnson, it could be White Castles. Linda Salava is looking into the annual Santa photos and will get back to us on that in the next issue, but in the mean time, look for decorations. We might also have a silent auction so if someone would like to take charge of that please contact Joelle and let her know. I am sure she could use some help. joellehymel@yahoo.com

I had to cancel the second geocaching event of the year due to losing most of our participants to illness and other commitments.

Julie Swinland.

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SOG Due Date

Dec issue - Nov 21

November 13 Membership Meeting 8:30 PM Animal Inn

JOIN THE GSDC OF AMERICA TODAY!

German Shepherd Dog Club of America Membership Application

Requirements: Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Membership includes subscription to *The German Shepherd Dog Review*.

Membership Type: (circle one)

Single \$66.00 Family* \$100.00

*Dues are not tax deductible * Family is defined as same household or significant other.*

Make checks payable to GSDCA (Outside the US add \$24.00)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip _____

Phone (s) _____

Fax _____

Email _____

I (we) hereby make application to the above Club and agree, if accepted for membership, to abide by its Bylaws and the Bylaws of the AKC. Upon application I will be eligible for all privileges except the right to vote. Thirty days after my name is published in the Review, provided no objections have been filed I will be granted the right to vote

Signed _____

Signed _____

Mail to: Gail Hardcastle, 49 Lakeview Road, White Salmon, WA 98672

hardcastle@starband.net

GSDC MSP Class Schedule Obedience Classes

Class	Time
Alt weeks--Team & Run Thrus	6:00-6:45
Intermediate & Advanced Novice	6:45-7:45
Beginning Obedience	7:45-8:30
Beginning Open Obedience	7:30-8:30
Advanced Obedience Run-Thrus	8:30-Done

PPT & Rally Classes

S.T.A.R. Puppy	6:45-7:30
Rally-All Levels	8:30-Close

Conformation Classes

Class	Time
Socialization Only	7:00-8:30
Litter Socialization	6:30-7:00
Novice Conformation Handlers Class	7:00-7:30
Advanced Conformation	7:30-8:30
Open Ring Conformation	8:30-Close

NOTE: During the summer There will be a beginning Open class replacing the Competition Obedience class 7:30-8:30.

Sponsors and ad rates

In order to keep costs down, we are offering sponsorships (you can donate whatever amount you want) and you will be listed as a sponsor in the issue(s) you sponsor. We also will accept advertising.

Business card - 1 time \$10

1/4 page \$35

1/2 half page \$50

Full page \$75

This is based on a page size of 8 1/2 X 11. All rates are for black and white print, but may appear in color in the PDF version.

Upcoming Shows

There are many shows in MN, IA, WI and the Dakotas. See Events at www.akc.org for a complete listing or look at the calendar on the www.gsdcm.org web site.

GSDCA National Results 2009

Selects 2009



Dogs

3 CH MARQUIS STEALING THE SHOW

Doug & Liz Oster

8 CH HICLIFF GABLE

Pat, Randy, Darlene Cliff

Bitches

2. Ch Hi Cliff Sienna Kaleef

Pat, Randy, Darlene Cliff

4. Ch Anne Isle's Heiress V Kenlyn Kaleef Martha Simonette

Martha Simonette

7. Ch Cherry Crusgh of Oh My

Myra Shear

Class Placings

1st 9-12 Dog - Anne Isles Promise Keeper - Martha Simonett

4th Teio's Lil MZ Can't B Wrong G V Marquis- Linda, Kelly, & Roger Salava& Liz Oster

3rd Novice Dog - Hi Cliff's Nash V Kenlyn - Darlene, Randy, and Pat Cliff

1st Bred By Dog - Marquis Sharp Dressed Man - Liz Oster

2nd Kota's in Focus Booze'ev of Zytut Owner: Dr. Bill & Christina Duffy & Christy & Clint Heiman.

Maria Oster - Best Junior Handler with Maizy - AOE Select Ex Ch. Marquis' All About Me, RN, TC!

Performance

Ch Riverrocks Hotel California -

3rd in Herding Started Sheep High Scoring Breed Champion Zoa Rockenstein

Willaway's River of Dreams CD RA -

**Qualified in Rally Excellent
Passed Temperament Test
Nancy Kehoe**

Granite's Dressed in Black RN -

Rally Novice 97
Herding Instinct Certificate
Nancy Kehoe

Trio's MVP V Marquis -

**2nd Rally Novice A
passed Temperment Test
Herding Instinct Certificate
Laurie McDermid**

AOE Select Ex Ch. Marquis' All About Me, RN, TC Herding Instinct Certificate

Ch Trio's Johan Santana - Herding Instinct Certificate

Linda Kelly and Roger Salava

GSDCMSP won the Regional Challenge!

The Shep-O-Gram won the Large Club Monthly division of the newsletter contest

Martha Simonett won the Don Cliff Award

**CARTING or DRAFT DOG –
What is it and why would you want to consider it? Part 2
By Pamela Magadance**

Showing in Carting

What is Required for the Novice Level

Although carting classes are usually held at specialty shows for the traditional carting breeds, these classes are usually open to all breeds. The requirements vary somewhat by breed – these are the requirements for the Bouvier test. The North American Working Bouvier Association held their nationals in the middle of September in Glenwood City, Wisconsin. I watched their carting class, and this was what was expected of each team:

All exercises are done on leash. The handler can walk along the dog and be on either side or in front, as he chooses. There were two parts to the class:

Part One – Obstacle Course:

- A. Harnessing – the dog should stand and willingly accept harnessing
- B. Movement – forward, right and left turns, halts, circles to the right and left, and changes of pace at the judge's direction
- C. Gun Test – during the previous movements, a starter pistol was discharged two times at a distance of 20 to 30 feet from the dog
- D. Serpentine – a serpentine with the poles eight feet apart
- E. Distraction – while the dog was walking forward, a dog toy attached to a string was pulled across the dog's path about 10 feet in front of him
- F. Low and High Narrows – for both of the narrow obstacles, each cart was measured and the width to go through was 12 inches wider than the wheels of the cart. For the low narrows, there were two 6-foot pieces of PVC to walk between. For the high narrows, there were two 6-foot long sections of fence each 3-foot high
- G. Back – backup of a least 5 feet
- H. Gate – the dog must stay while the handler opens the gate, then the dog walks through the gate and must stay while the handler goes back and closes the gate
- I. Stay – the handler asks the dog to stay for two minutes while he stands about 20 feet away – the handler decides if he wants the dog to stand, sit or down for this exercise



Part Two – Cross-Country Draft Pull

The handler and dog must go over a cross-country course of one mile. They will encounter at least one bridge, a hill, and uneven terrain. There must be between 20 and 75 pounds in the cart. The handler decides on the amount of weight.

What is Required for the Advanced Level

The course is the same as for the Novice Level. The important difference is that at the Advanced Level, the dog must be off leash for all exercises. In addition, for the two-minute stay, the handler is out of sight of the dog.

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How to Get Started in Carting

If you are interested in training your dog, anyone you see who does it is usually very willing to talk about training. Also there are lots of articles on the internet which discuss training – just look up carting or draft dog. Also, you can check on the internet for traditional draft breeds, like the Bernese Mountain Dog, Bouvier, Newfoundland, Briard and Rottweiler to find out where there will be carting events that you can watch.

Some useful internet sites to check out are the following:

www.wilczekwoodworks.com

www.dogworks.com

www.nordkyn.com

<http://www.amrottclub.org/carting.htm>

<http://www.bernerpaw.com>

<http://users.erols.com/gr8rswis/IntroCarting.htm>

www.ncanewfs.org/working/draft/pages/dtvideo.html (7-part draft dog video seminar)

You can join the yahoo group called Carting-I for discussions of draft work and training. Go to www.yahoo.com to sign up.

The following items can be purchased for additional information on training:

1. From Wilczek Woodworks, (www.wilczekwoodworks.com – click on Books and Videos), the following books and DVDs can be purchased:

DVD: Training Your Draft Dog and Showing Your Draft Dog. These DVDs were put together by the Bernese Mountain Dog Club of SE Wisconsin. They can be purchased as a set for \$45.

Manual: Fun with Draft-Canine Training Workbook by Phil Chagnon and Lea Doane. Price is \$29.

2. From Dog Works, (www.dogworks.com – click on harnesses and equipment), the following items can be purchased:

Book: Newfoundland Draft Work Book by Consie Powell. The cost is \$26.95.

DV D: An Introduction to Canine Carting with Beth Ostrander. This item costs \$35.



3. From Linda Franklin directly. Her address is 44 W. 431 Route 64, Maple Park, IL 60151-8552, Her phone number is 630-365-9194. She has Tervs.

Book: Notebook on Cart Training. I think the price is \$35 including postage.

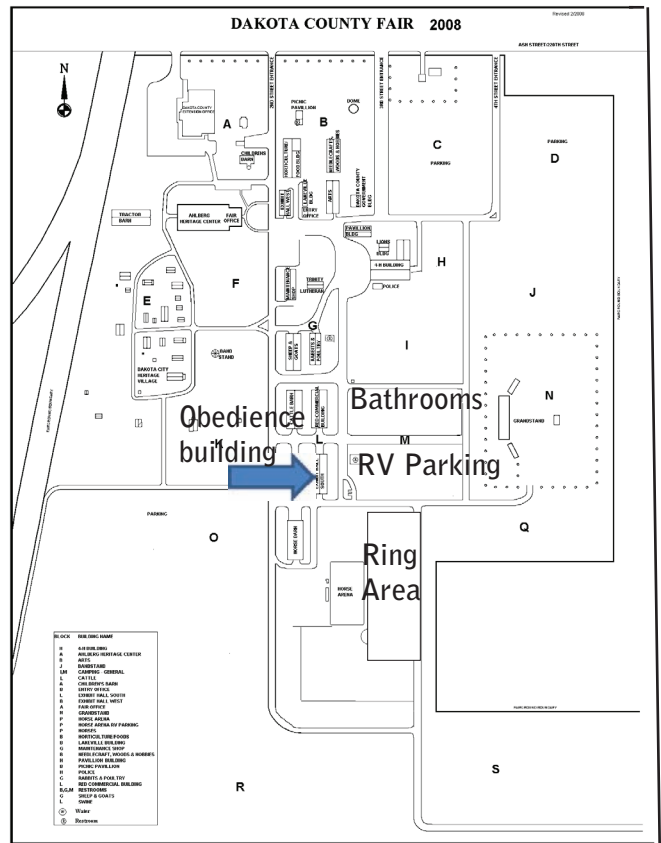


New Show Site- Dakota County Fair Grounds Farmington

The Show Site Committee, Bobbie Moore, Holly Bryan, and Julie Swinland, visited the Dakota County Fairgrounds on a lovely late summer/early fall afternoon. The Fairgrounds is located in Farmington, about 30-45 minutes south of the Twin Cities just a little west of Hwy 3. Toward the southern end of the fairgrounds there is a large building suitable for our obedience and rally classes and just a short distance away there is a flat field with ample space for a huge conformation ring. A very nice RV area is right across a dirt road from the conformation ring area and the restrooms are across from the obedience building in the RV area.



The distance between the rings is not too far and will make it easier to show in both obedience and conformation.



We will need mats for the obedience/rally rings. If anyone has suggestions or would like to donate mats please let the board know

At the October membership meeting we voted to accept this site for our shows in 2010 and 2011 when we will have the futurity,

German Shepherd Dog Club of
Minneapolis/St Paul
October Board Minutes
October 9, 2009

Mike Metz, President
Julie Swinland, Vice President
Jill Myers, Secretary absent
Mada Parnell, Treasurer
Board Members:
Liz Oster, Board (1 year remaining)
Ginny Altman, Board (2 year remaining)
Lisa Marie Fortier, (3 year term)

Guests – Judy Morin, Holly Bryan, Deb Clifford

President, Mike Metz, called the meeting to order at 8:15pm at the Animal Inn Training Center with Ginny Altman serving as secretary pro-tem in the absence of the secretary.

1 President's Report -

- Club Calendar - to be updated with Verna
- Herding Trial and Canadian National congratulations given to members
- Dakota County Fair grounds

2 Vice President's Report – There is a Geocaching event scheduled for Oct 24. Sign up is now open – contact Julie.

3 Secretary's Report -

- none

4 Treasurer's Report -

- None
- Estimated at approximately \$9600 combining accounts

5 Training Report –

- none

6 Budget and Finance Report –

- No report

7 2010 Show Report – Mike Metz reported

- Committee is still needed and a Chair/Secretary is needed
- Dakota County Fair Grounds is proposed at \$600 total two days including building
- Pricing for 2011 will be \$750 accommodating the Futurity
- We pay garbage, estimated \$40

- Deposit \$250 due Jan 1, 2010
- Opt out clause only re: Mother Nature
- 4H does horses but we are negotiating to try to avoid conflict

8 Website Report –

- The web site is again up and running

9 Old Business -

Potluck scheduled for 12/11/09
Banquet January—date not determined

16 New Business -

Next Board meetings **Saturday November 7th at 12:00 at Mike's**

Ginny to bring treats, Mada to bring salsa

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm
Ginny Altman, Secretary pro-tem

German Shepherd Dog Club of
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October Membership Meeting Minutes
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Jill Myers, Secretary Absent
Mada Parnell, Treasurer
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Lisa Marie Fortier, (3 year term)

President called the meeting to order at 8:38pm
Ginny Altman was elected Secretary Pro-Tem without objection.

1 President's Report – Mike Metz

- Herding Trial was successful -- Haines Clausen managed the food concession and made a profit – the club's appreciation for that work was expressed
- Nominating committee will be appointed in November
- Geocache event scheduled for October 24—urged members to participate
- Good Luck wishes were extended to those members exhibiting at the National

- Canadian National
 - o Congratulations were extended to the following members who did very well in competition with their dogs: Cliffs, Myra Shear, Johnsons, Osters, Simmonette
- 2 Vice President's Report – Julie Swinland**
Sign up for Geochaching. Information for registration is in Shep O Gram
 - 3 Secretary's Report -**
 - none
 - 4 Treasurer's Report – Mada Parnell**
 - Flowers were sent to Darlene Cliff—she had hip surgery
 - Total funds: about \$9600
 - Membership dues are due November 15, if not paid by that time a penalty will apply.
 - 5 Training Report – Verna Kubik**
 - Schedule up to date on web site
 - Beginners in January
 - Bev Capstick wants judge suggestions by November 2010 for Wright County
 - Star Puppy graduation tonight. Six puppies. Great feedback from members who participated in the class. Certificate will be awarded.
 - 6 Budget and Finance Report –**
 - No report
 - Question about whether an audit was conducted in 2009 was raised. There was no audit. Verna moved and it was seconded to do a two-year audit in 2009-2010. Motion approved.
 - 7 2010 Show Report –**
 - Committee looked at show sites. If approved, Dakota County is set up for June 26, 27, 2010 and June 23, 24, 2011.
 - \$600 for 2010 and \$750 for 2011 (two days 2010, three days 2011)
 - Does not include mat rental
 - Committee that reviewed the options recommends that the Dakota County Fair Grounds be approved for the 2010 and 2011 show site and the deposit of \$250 be authorized for the 2010 show.
 - 8 Membership Report -**
 - Ginny Altman moved that the recommendation be adopted. Motion carried.
 - Future report will include hotel information.
 - Need show chair and show secretary
 - 9 Shep-O-Gram Report –**
 - All is going well and Julie anticipates the SOG might get recognized by the GSDCA.
 - Julie asked Mike to be present for the presentation at the National
 - 10 Program Report -**
 - No programs planned
 - Pot luck Dec 11
 - January Awards banquet –date not set
 - 11 All Breed Liaison –**
 - No report
 - 12 Website Report –**
 - Was down is now up and running
 - 13 Breed Club Challenge –**
 - 2600 points submitted
 - 14 Old Business -**
 - Geocaching coming up
 - Herding Day three entries were filled and two dogs titled. The event provided a good learning experience. A letter was received from the Rottweiler Club thanking us. Event was coordinated by Eileen. NSHG is interested in coordinating the Herding event with us next year.
 - 15 New Business –**
No new business
- Next Membership meeting: **Friday, November 13, 2009.**
- Meeting adjourned at 9:18pm
Ginny Altman, Secretary Pro-Tem

Awards Presented at Our Annual Banquet in January

If you earned any awards for your dog during 2009, please fill out the attached form in order to be recognized at the banquet. Below is a description of the awards which qualify and how to determine whether you qualify for a plaque or bar.

The Club shall present an award for all titles for Agility, Conformation, Herding, Obedience, Rally, and Tracking Titles issued by the American and Canadian Kennel Clubs. Awards will also be given by the Club for titles earned at the American National & Titles earned from the GSDCA including Conformation, Obedience, Herding and Agility Grand Victor and Victrix, Select or Select Excellent, Maturity Victor/Victrix, Futurity Victor/Victrix, Winners Dog, Winners Bitch, Best Junior Handler, Best Puppy, Top Ten Stud Dog/Brood Bitch, ROM, Highest Scoring German Shepherd Dog in Regular Obedience Classes, Highest Scoring Champion in Obedience, High in Herding Trial, High in Agility Trial, Performance Award of Merit, Award of Excellence (AOE), High in Trial-Tracking. In addition, awards will be given for appearances in the annual Redbook Top 10 living ROM Sires & Dams, and the Top 10 sires & dams of AKC major point winning progeny.

For certificates honored at the AKC and American National level, the club will acknowledge the certificate in the banquet program in a "Honorable Mention" section. Such certificates include: Canine Good Citizen, Herding Instinct and other such certificates.

These awards will be presented to members of the Club in good standing. This requirement may be met by:

- ◆ Being a member in good standing at either the time the award is earned or at the date of the Annual Banquet at which the award is to be given or
- ◆ By becoming a member applicant by the date of the Annual Banquet at which the award is presented.

The Club will present one plaque award per member's dog. Any additional awards presented to that dog will be in the form of a bar, which will affix to the plaque. A member may purchase a plaque instead of a bar for the difference in cost to the Club. Members and co-owners may purchase their own plaques for awards not recognized by the GSDC – MSP at the cost equal to the amount billed to the Club.

Please submit the name of dog and owner for any awards earned in the calendar year 2008 in order to have your plaque or bar ordered and ready to be given out at the Annual Awards Banquet (First awards are free).

Complete one form for each dog

Bring a framed photo to the Awards Banquet.

Full Name of Dog _____
Call Name _____

Owner (s) _____

Award
Please circle one Bar or Plaque

Submit information about you and your dog on a separate paper (must fit on one page of our booklet) for the Awards Program booklet.

_____	Upgrade from bar to plaque	\$20.00
_____	Purchase additional Bar	\$15.00
_____	Purchase additional Plaque	\$30.00

Check must be enclosed for Upgrades and Purchases
Mail or E-mail this form, Check (if applicable) and narrative

By: December 20, 2009
(fees made out to GSDC - MSP if applicable) to:

Mada Parnell, 106 Twinkle Terrace, Circle Pines. MN 55014, wildfanz@comcast.net



December 11 7PM

Bring your favorite dishes to share.

Dogs welcome

Membership Meeting 8:30

Brags

New CD Title

Am Can & Int'l Ch Oak Haven Xena of

BLK Forest CD, RE, TT,TC,CGC

Julie Swinland

Sept. 26 Miniature Schnauzer Club
Obedience Trial

3rd leg completing her CD

Oct 17-18 TCOTC

Qualified in both Rally Excellent and
Rally Advanced each day to complete
2 more RAE legs. Just 6 to go!



Am Can Ch Mytjical Zeus of Black Forest

Connie Karner

Oct 3, Wright County KC

Best of Breed, Group 1

Oct 10, Mason City

Best of Breed, Group 3

Oct 11 Mason City BOB

Ch Regency's Minuet v Kubistraum, OFA, TC

Sire: Ch Von-Way's Gorbachov v Rimfires, OFA, TC

Dam: Kubistraums Joyous Noel, OFA

DOB: 9/11/97

Minnie is a Flag granddaughter and joins Effie,
another Flag granddaughter in the Thirteen Club
circle of GSDs.

Thank you Verna for having such wonderful dogs with
longevity!

Proud owners, Jan & Nils Anderson and Verna Kubik

SOGGY by Julie Swinland



GDSDC/MSP Herding Trial Oct 3 2009

Herding Tested

Qualified Pentangle's Captain Jacl. Bearded
Collie, Joanne Williamson

Pre-Trial

Qualifiers

Beiarlea Alta Bella, Bouvier des Clandres, Sunny
De Young

Kubistraums Othello RN HT, German Shepherd,
Pam Magadance, handled by Phyliss Clark

Millcreek Coquette O'polarmist, Samoyed, Sally
Pederson

Archi, Australian Cattle Dog, Joern Hansen

Muad'dib Blue Ecco, Australian Cattle Dog, Ann
and Henning Kaspersen

Course A Started Sheep

1. Aisia, Australian Cattle Dog, Kenneth Ramsoe &
Line Doling
2. Von Ruelmann's Intimidator, Rottweiler, Nancy
Groth
- 3 Kuawarri Rod, Australian Cattle Dog, Henning &
Ann Kaspersen
4. Kubistraum's Ramblin' Rose, German
Shepherd, Virginia Bailey & Verna Kubik

Course A Intermediate Sheep

- 1 Skylark, Border Collie, Diane Vezina

Course A Advanced Sheep

1. Cynamen Artisan Rising Star HXAsd, Bearded
Collie, Barbara Claxton
- Drover's Run Sweet Tess, Australian Cattle Dog,
Jim Jensen

Course A Started Ducks

- 1 Aisia, Australian Cattle Dog, Kenneth Ramsoe &
Line Doling
2. CKC/AKC Ch Kinpack's Anything Goes Cahill
CD RE HT, Rottweiler, Rosemarie & James Pontuti
& Phyliss Clark

Course A Intermediate Ducks

- 1 Quaint'a Dreaming Wild Raven, Cardigan Welsh
Corgi, Lorrie Feeney

Course A Advanced Ducks

No qualifiers

Course B Started Ducks

No qualifiers

Course B Intermediate Ducks

No entries

Course B Advanced Ducks

No qualifiers

High in Trial: Aisia

Reserve: Von Ruelmann's Intimidator, Rottweiler



**Kubistraums Othello RN HT, German
Shepherd Pam Magadance, handled by
Phyliss Clark**



**Kubistraum's Ramblin' Rose, German
Shepherd, Virginia Bailey & Verna Kubik**



**Helpers having
fun:
Holly Bryan,
Waltrud
Brogen, and
Judy Morin.
Notice the
stylish attire
- anything to
stay warm!**

Club Events

Pot Luck Dec 11

Joelle Hymel has agreed to take charge of this. Please offer to help her with a silent auction.

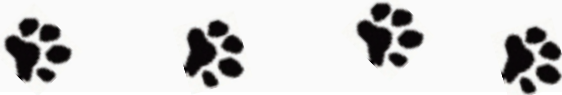
Banquet January 2010 - Date and location to be determined. See awards form on page 9.

Dues are due! Get your dues and sponsorship money in to Mada.

Run for office!

We need candidates for offices. We can use your talent and life experience. The nominating committee will be announced shortly, contact them and volunteer to run for office.

Beginning obedience - The next class starts on January 15. Contact Verna Kubik to register vmk4gsds@dishup.us



First place ribbon for winning the Large Club Division of the newsletter contest from the GSDCA. Thank you to Bill Burgraff for picking up the ribbon and to Diane Mehra and Mike Metz for seeing it safely home. Holly Bryan and Diane called me the day after the award and I think I was grinning the rest of the day at work.

Mike Metz related a nationals story of two young girls, Maria Oster and his granddaughter, Kianna, watching the nationals and playing like little girls do. Maria took the Best Junior Handler award as Kianna watched and cheered. Later Kianna said she now understands the thrill of dogs shows and she wants to be a handler! Mike and Sheila brought two puppy bitches home. Kianna insisted on signing a contract to handle the pups. Maybe one of them will go on to win at the nationals with Kianna on the lead. Let's cheer her on!

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