



Shep-O-Gram

German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis/St Paul

June 2010

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I am sure we are all saddened by the passing of former member Barbara Ricciotti this past month. I have her obituary on page 3.

We are closing in on the Specialty shows and we still need volunteers to help with setting up, and other activities. We could use more donations for the raffle also. There are two raffles this year, one for various prizes and a 50/50.

We voted to have the volunteer incentive program with hats, T-shirts and jackets with the club logo as incentives for working at club events and holding office. We will have additional information as we go along, but this is in effect starting June 1 of 2010 so volunteer and start racking up points!

In July, we have the German Shepherd Fun Day, another opportunity to have fun and earn points toward the club items in the incentive program.

In May we had an obedience workshop with Ron Halling and a Herding Fun Day. I audited the first workshop from Puppy class through Open and found it very informative and enjoyable. Lunch was great too! The next workshop will be June 12. There will be handouts at training and on the club web site. You may also refer to the information in the May issue of the Shep-O-Gram for directions to the St. Paul Dog Training Club. I recommend this for anyone interested in more tips and tricks if you have a puppy that is just starting out, have a pet that you want to be a better household companion, or if you are training to show your dog. Ron has been training and showing for many years and has some unique ideas to help you get what you want out of your faithful companion.

I will be having surgery on May 28 and the Shep-O-Gram may not always be on time in the next few months as I recover, I would appreciate it if people would step up and help with the German Shepherd Fun Day since there will probably be restrictions on what I can do at that time. I have no one yet for the conformation/ Jr. handling portion of the day nor to organize the potluck picnic. I am hoping we can offer hot dogs or something in addition to what people bring. You can talk to Judy Morin, Mada Skare, or Virginia Bailey about the planning for this if you can not reach me. When I get out of the hospital I will be staying with friends until I can return home. I should have computer access once I escape from the hospital.

Julie Swinland.

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SOG Due Date

July issue - June 21

June 11 membership meeting 8:30 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

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The German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis/Saint Paul

FOUR SHOW WEEKEND, JUNE 24th – 27th

- **Thursday, June 24th** -- Anoka County KC
Breed/Group Ms. Patricia Laurans
BIS Mrs. Kimberly Meredith-Cavanna
- **Friday, June 25th** -- Anoka County KC
Breed/BIS Mr. Lee Brown
Group Mr. Robert Stein
- **Saturday, June 26th** -- GSDC of MSP Specialty
Breed/Jr's Mr. Dick Jones
Obed/Rally Dr. Kathleen M. Galotti
Team Mrs. Ginny (Virginia) Altman
- **Sunday, June 27th** -- GSDC of MSP Specialty
Breed Mr. Tony Monk
Jr's Mrs. Marilyn Lindsey-Miller
Obed/Rally Mr. Chuck Kline

Entries close, June 9th, 2010, Noon CST

*******ALERT!!! NEW FABULOUS SHOW SITE! *******

**DAKOTA COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
4008 220th St W, Farmington, MN**

Located within the 360 acres of the Dakota County Fairgrounds, there will be a huge grassy specialty ring, large indoor obedience area, RV hookups, dump station and plenty of parking for vans and RV's. Available electric includes 120 volt/20 amp, 120 volt/30 amp, and 240 volt/50 amp.

***** BONUS***** Exhibitors/Handlers entering six or more dogs. Contact Holly Bryan to receive a complimentary electrical hookup. Camping is \$20 per night and should be reserved thru the fairgrounds. Contact:

Michelle Kaslow
Office Manager
Dakota County Fair
651-463-6900

mkaslow@dakotacountyfair.org

Still have questions? Please contact: Holly Bryan at Hollybryan1@aol.com, (612) 239-5293 or visit our website at WWW.GSDCMSP.ORG

Herding Fun Day May 15, 2010



Michelle Patet and Annie gave a demo



Waltraud Brogen and Jazz



Jetta owned by Sandy Heinz, at about 8 weeks of age, sees sheep for the first time

Barbara P. Ricciotti

Former CLub memembr and long time German Shepherd breeder, Barbara Riciotti passed on May 3. I searched the web for information on her and found pictures of two of the dogs she bred at her Domara Kennel in Winona. I am including the obituary from the Winona Daily News

Barbara P. Ricciotti, 70, of Winona passed away at the Bethany Riverside Nursing Home on Monday, May 3, 2010, after a lengthy battle with dementia.

She was born in New York City on Nov. 21, 1939, to Benjamin and Rose (Schindler) Thomas. She studied painting at Washington University in St. Louis, Mo., where she met her husband, Dominic Ricciotti. They were married in New York City in 1966.

Barbara had a love for dogs. She had shown and bred German shepherds for many years. It was one of Barbara's shepherds, Apollo, that became the first police dog for the Goodview, Minn., police K-9 unit.

In addition to her husband, Dominic, of Winona, she is survived by one sister, Sheila (Richard) Hahn of Moriches, N.Y.; one brother, Steven (Melne) Thomas of Moriches, N.Y.; three nieces; one nephew; and grand-nieces and grand-nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents.

In keeping with her wishes, Barbara was cremated. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Thursday at the Winona Arts Center, located at the intersection of Fifth and Franklin streets.

Memorials may be given in Barbara's memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 4550 W. 77th St., Suite 200, Minneapolis, MN 55435.

Schumacher-Kish Funeral Home of La Crosse, Wis.

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Domara's Feelin Groovy

Artificial Respiration and CPR for Dogs

Veterinary & Aquatic Services Department, Drs. Foster & Smith

If your dog becomes unconscious, *respiratory* arrest may occur, and usually occurs before cardiac arrest. The heart may continue to beat for several minutes after the breathing stops. Artificial respiration, or rescue breathing, must begin immediately to save your dog's life. If the heart stops, chest compressions must be given right away to keep the blood pumping. Artificial respiration and chest compressions given together are called *cardiopulmonary* resuscitation, or CPR.

Artificial Respiration

If your dog has gone into respiratory arrest, begin artificial respiration immediately.

1. Lay your dog on his side on a flat surface.
2. Be sure your dog has stopped breathing: watch for the rise and fall of the chest, feel for breath on your hand, look at the gums - they will turn blue from lack of oxygen.
3. Check the airway - it must be clear. Extend the head and neck. Open the mouth and look for a foreign object. If an object is blocking the airway, grab the tongue and pull it outward. If this does not dislodge the object, use your fingers, pliers, or tongs to grasp it. If the object cannot be reached or pulled out, use the [Heimlich maneuver](#). Do not mistake the small bones in the throat for a foreign object.
4. Once the airway is clear, begin rescue breathing.
5. With your dog on his side, lift the chin to straighten out his throat.
6. Use one hand to grasp the muzzle and hold the mouth shut.
7. Put your mouth completely over the nose and blow gently; the chest should expand. Blow just enough to move his chest (blow harder for large dogs, gently for cats and small dogs).
8. Wait for the air to leave the lungs before breathing again.
9. Continue this, giving 20 breaths per minute (one breath every three seconds), until your dog breathes on his own or as long as the heart beats.
10. Continue to monitor the heartbeat.

CPR

If your dog's heart has stopped beating, CPR must begin immediately. It is best to have two people performing CPR - one continuing artificial respiration while the other does chest compressions. Follow the instructions for artificial respiration, alternating with chest compressions. For two people performing CPR, alternate one breath with three compressions. For one person performing CPR, alternate one breath with five compressions.

For Small Dogs (under 30 pounds)

1. Lay your dog on her side on a flat surface.
2. Place the palm of your hand on the rib cage over the heart. Place your other hand on top of the first. (For puppies and kittens, put your thumb on one side of the chest and the rest of your fingers on the other side.)
3. Compress the chest about one inch. Squeeze and release rhythmically at a rate of 80 to 100 compressions per minute.

For Medium & Large Dogs (over 30 pounds)

1. Lay your dog on her side on a flat surface.
2. Place one hand on top of the other over the widest portion of the rib cage, not over the heart.
3. Keeping your arms straight, push down on the rib cage. Compress the chest $\frac{1}{4}$ of its width. Squeeze and release rhythmically at a rate of 80 compressions per minute.
4. Continue CPR until your dog breathes on his own and has a steady heartbeat.

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Pet Insurance Julie Swinland

Something to consider with the rising costs of, well, everything, is the cost effectiveness of Pet Insurance. I have had pet insurance on my dogs for about 9 years. Most years I didn't need it at all. Shortly after I got it, Amy had to have emergency surgery which came to a little over \$2,000. I got back about \$990 from her pet insurance. She was on Veterinary Pet Insurance (VPI). The cost of the insurance varies by breed, age of the dog and what state you live in. I don't know if that is true of all the policies available now, but that was how VPI figured our monthly rates. I rarely had need of it after the first incident until Amy had to have emergency surgery for pyometra and I had the misfortune of speaking to someone had VPI who didn't know what that was and then said it was elective surgery because it involved spaying. My vet sent pictures showing that Amy had the potential beginnings of Cancer as well as infection but the company only covered a fraction of the cost. So I have had variable results and I cancelled Amy's policy as well as Gabby's. Xena is still covered and apparently they will cover a significant amount of the cost of tooth extraction which she needs since she broke off two teeth and wore some down. The cost of the extraction etc was \$452.02 submitted May 6 and the amount approved to reimburse me was \$156.60 sent May 18.

Today I thought I would check to see what pet insurance companies are available now. When I got VPI it was the only one I could find. Well, there is a big selection now. I found a great comparison chart online that also has links to check out each company and get rate quotes.

Here is a link to the web site: <http://www.petinsurancereview.com/dog.asp> . If I had a younger dog I would look into it. My dogs are both approaching 10 and I don't think they would be eligible for a new insurance policy through most companies. Xena can stay on VPI as long as I keep up the payments, but If I drop it, she can not be reinstated. Her current premium is around \$18/ month I believe. I had a multiple dog discount when I had three dogs insured.



Fun for you and your German Shepherd

German Shepherd Dog Club of
Minneapolis and St Paul



Obedience



Conformation



German Shepherd Fun Day

July 11, 2010
start time 9 AM



Agility



Tracking

For more information
www.gsdcmsp.org or
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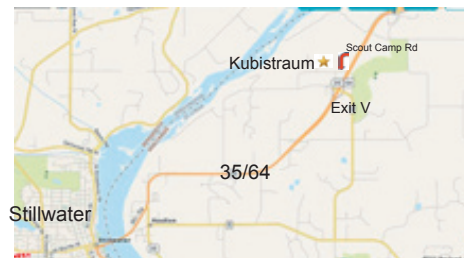
Canine Good Citizen Test Potluck Picnic! Bring Food Vendors

Canine/human massage
Canine chiropractor
Animal Communicator
Raw food
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Experienced trainers
will walk you through
Conformation
Obedience
Agility
Tracking
Rally
Carting
Geocaching
with your German Shepherd
Come and try an
activity or come and watch!

Conformation, tracking and
geocaching will be held
outside, other events will be
indoors in air conditioned
building

Location: Kubistraum
Holton WI. just across the river from
Stillwater.
Cross the Stillwater bridge, remain on
HWY 35/64 to Exit V. At the top of the
exit ramp go left, take the first road to
the right. At the stop sign go left on
Scout Camp Road. Kubistraum is on
the right. 274, Scout Camp Rd Houlton
WI.



Watch the www.gsdcmsp.org
web site for event times .

Bring Food and a chair

Excerpts from the AKC Publication - A Beginner's Guide to Dog Shows

The AKC offers a wide variety of resources to assist everyone from the first-time puppy buyer to the experienced dog fancier. All exhibitors are required to be familiar with these rules prior to entering a dog show. To order the rule book, contact Customer Service at 919-233-9767 or via email at OrderDesk@akc.org. Copies of this rulebook may also be purchased at our online store. The following information is intended as a general description of dog shows and is not intended as complete information about any aspect of showing. For complete information, see the Rules Applying to Dog Shows.

The World of Dog Shows

Showing dogs is a great sport where the thrill of competition is combined with the joy of seeing beautiful dogs. Dog shows are one of many types of AKC dog events in which AKC-registered dogs can compete. These events, which draw over three million entries annually, include dog shows and tests of instinct and trainability, such as obedience trials, Canine Good Citizen tests, field trials, agility trials, lure coursing, rally, hunting tests, herding trials, tracking tests, coonhound and earthdog events.

Dog shows (conformation events) are intended to evaluate breeding stock. The size of these events ranges from large all-breed shows, with over 3,000 dogs entered, to small local specialty club shows, featuring a specific breed. The dog's conformation (overall appearance and structure), an indication of the dog's ability to produce quality puppies, is judged.

Types of Conformation Dog Shows

There are three types of conformation dog shows:

All-breed shows offer competitions for over 150 breeds and varieties of dogs recognized by the AKC. All-breed shows are the type often shown on television

Specialty shows are restricted to dogs of a specific breed or to varieties of one breed. For example, the Bulldog Club of America Specialty is for Bulldogs only, but the Poodle Club of America's specialty show includes the three varieties of the Poodle - Standard, Miniature and Toy.

Group shows are limited to dogs belonging to one of the seven groups. For example, the Potomac Hound Group show features only breeds belonging to the Hound group.

Which Dogs May Participate

To be eligible to compete, a dog must:

- be individually registered with the American Kennel Club

- be 6 months of age or older

- be a breed for which classes are offered at a show

- meet any eligibility requirements in the written standard for its breed

Spayed or neutered dogs are not eligible to compete in conformation classes at a dog show, because the purpose of a dog show is to evaluate breeding stock.

The Role of the Judge

Judges examine the dogs, then give awards according to how closely each dog compares to the judge's mental image of the "perfect" dog described in the breed's official standard.

The standard describes the characteristics that allow the breed to perform the function for which it was bred. These standards include specifications for structure, temperament and movement.

The official written standard for each breed is maintained by the breed's national club and is included in the The Complete Dog Book published by the AKC.

The judges are experts on the breeds they are judging. They examine ("go over") each dog with their hands to see if the teeth, muscles, bones and coat texture conform to the breed's standard. They view each dog in profile for overall balance, and watch each dog gait ("move") to see how all of those features fit together in action.

How a Dog Show Works

Each dog presented to a judge is exhibited ("handled") by its owner, breeder or a hired professional. The role of a handler is similar to that of a jockey who rides a horse around the track and, hopefully, into the winner's circle.

Most dogs in competition at conformation shows are competing for points toward their AKC championships. It takes fifteen points, including two majors (wins of three, four or five points) awarded by at least three different judges, to become an American Kennel Club "Champion of Record."

The number of championship points awarded at a show depends on the number of males (“dogs”) and females (“bitches”) of the breed actually in competition. The larger the entry, the greater the number of points a male or a female can win. The maximum number of points awarded to a dog at any show is 5 points.

Males and females compete separately within their respective breeds, in seven regular classes. The following classes are offered, and are divided by sex:

Puppy - For dogs between six and twelve months of age, that are not yet champions (optional class).

Twelve-To-Eighteen Months - For dogs twelve to eighteen months of age, that are not yet champions (optional class).

Novice - For dogs six months of age and over, which have not, prior to the date of closing of entries, won three first prizes in the Novice Class, a first prize in Bred-by-Exhibitor, American-bred, or Open Classes, nor one or more points toward their championship (optional class).

Amateur-Owner-Handler – For dogs that are at least six months of age that are not champions. Dogs must be handled in the class by the registered owner of the dog and is limited to exhibitors who have not, at any point in time, been a professional dog handler, AKC approved conformation judge, or employed as an assistant to a professional handler (effective January 1, 2009) (optional class).

Bred By Exhibitor - For dogs that are exhibited by their owner and breeder, that are not yet champions (optional class).

American-Bred - For dogs born in the United States from a mating which took place in the United States, that are not yet champions (mandatory class).

Open - For any dog of the breed, at least 6 months of age (mandatory class).

After these classes are judged, all the dogs that won first place in a class compete again to see who is the best of the winning dogs. Males and females are judged separately. Only the best male (Winners Dog) and the best female (Winners Bitch) receive championship points. The Winners Dog and Winners Bitch then compete with the champions for the Best of Breed award. At the end of the Best of Breed Competition, three awards are usually given:

Best of Breed - the dog judged as the best in its breed category.

Best of Winners - the dog judged as the better of the Winners Dog and Winners Bitch.

Best of Opposite Sex - the best dog that is the opposite sex to the Best of Breed winner.

The Road to Best in Show

Dog shows are a process of elimination, with one dog being named Best in Show at the end of the show.

Only the Best of Breed winners advance to compete in the Group competitions. Each AKC-recognized breed falls into one of seven group classifications. The seven groups are Sporting, Hound, Working, Terrier, Toy, Non-Sporting and Herding. Four placements are awarded in each group, but only the first-place winner advances to the Best In Show competition.

Finally, the seven group winners are brought into the ring where they compete for Best In Show, the highest award at a dog show.

How Do I Get Started Showing My Dog?

The best place to start is by joining a local kennel club, whether an all-breed kennel club or a breed-specific specialty club. A listing of clubs by state can be found on our Club Search page or through our customer service department by calling (919) 233-9767.

Local clubs will have information on training classes for the show ring, and for obedience and agility classes. Even if the show ring is not your ultimate goal, the relationship that training forms between you and your dog will be very rewarding to you both. Local clubs also have “Matches” where you and your dog can test your skill in the ring.

Handling your dog is an exceptional and enjoyable experience. From the grooming table to the show ring, you and your dog will develop a bond. While training classes offer the best hands-on way to practice for the show ring, attending shows and observing your breed is also a great way to gain understanding of what judges and other competitors do.

If you do not wish to handle your dog yourself, or have a friend or family member do it, you may contact a

German Shepherd Dog Club of
Minneapolis/St Paul
May Board Minutes
May 02, 2010

Mada Parnell, President , Julie Swinland, Vice
President, Jill Myers, Secretary
Roger Salava, Treasurer
Board Members:
Linda Salava, Board (3 year term)
Ginny Altman, Board (1 year remaining)
Lisa Marie Fortier, (2 years remaining)
Guest:
Virginia Bailey

This month's meeting was held at Mada's home.

President called the meeting to order at 1:39pm.

- 1 President's Report** – none
- 2 Vice President's Report** – none
- 3 Secretary's Report** –
 - Kent Tank, our 2nd ranked judge for the 2011 Futurity judges has taken another assignment which eliminates him from our show. Judges 3, 4 and 5 will be moved up.
- 4 Treasurer's Report** – none
- 5 Membership Report** –
 - Linda Salava noted there are 2 potential new members and 1 refund requested and granted.
- 6 Shep O Gram** –
 - Julie Swinland reports the newsletter is going well.
- 7 Breeder's List** – none
- 8 Training** –
 - No training will be held June 25th, the Friday before the Specialty or July 2nd.
 - Discussion regarding Lisa's training took place.
 - Training meeting was scheduled but as of this writing was since canceled.
- 9 Training Director** – none
- 10 2010 Specialty Show** – Volunteers are still needed and a detailed list will be submitted on-line to the members or contact Holly.
- Advertising ideas will be brought to the members for approval
- 11 Program Chair** –
 - A Program Chair is still needed to oversee the event chairs
- 12 All Breed Liaison** –
 - Lynn Klingel would like us for vote for 10 more All-Breed judges in August.
- 13 Herding Trial** – the committee still needs volunteers for food & trophies
- 14 GSD Fun Day** –

- To be held at Verna Kubik's home July 11th. Contact Julie Swinland with any suggestions for dog related vendors.

15 Herding Fun Days -

- Remaining Fun Days are on 5/16 & 7/10, see Eileen Varhalla for signup and details.

16 State Fair Demo –

- GSD demo day is 9/5/10. A Schutzhund demo was discussed and may be included as long as the club has final say in what is demonstrated. Lisa Fortier will be our "voice" again. Mary Bente will be helping out again also.

17 New Business-

- A discussion around the challenge of getting members to volunteer and the number of events the club is trying to sponsor resulted in the idea of exploring a Strategic/Marketing plan. Linda Salava, Lisa Fortier & Jill Myers will meet on this. Others are welcome.
- Possible Schutzhund presentation at a member meeting was discussed. MN Valley and St Croix Valley Schutzhund clubs are resources.
- August member meeting will include voting on Specialty judges as well as additional All-Breed judges.

18 Old Business –

- Volunteer incentives were discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:28pm

Next Board meeting:

Tentatively Saturday June 5th.

Jill Myers, Secretary

COME TO THE KABOB BASH



Speaker - Dr. Don Rice from Stillwater Vet Clinic

Subject - Canine Reproduction

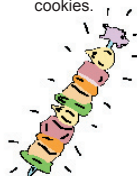
Saturday June 26, 2010

Time - 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Location - In the Obedience Building

Dinner Price - \$16.00

Food will be: Beef and Chicken Kabob's with choice of salad
Tabouli or Dinner salad, Buttered Rice, Pita Bread and homemade
cookies.



Please complete and send the reservation form with entries
and a separate check made out to GSDC of MSP to:
Holly Bryan, 5319 Bartlett Blvd, Mound, MN 55364.

Dinner Reservation Form

Name _____

Number attending _____ Amount enclosed _____

Send with separate check made out to GSDC of MSP to:

Holly Bryan
5319 Bartlett Blvd
Mound, MN 55364

**German Shepherd Dog Club of
Minneapolis/St Paul
May 14, 2010**

Board Members:

Mada Parnell, President, Julie Swinland, Vice President, Jill Myers, Secretary, Ginny Altman, Board (1 year remaining), Lisa Marie Fortier, Board (2 years remaining), Board Members Absent:, Roger Salava, Treasurer
Linda Salava, Board (3 year term)

The President called the meeting to order at 8:35pm

1. President's Report:

- None

2. Vice President's Report:

- None

3. Secretary's Report:

- None
- Myra Shear moved that we dispense with the reading of the minutes; it was seconded and carried unanimously

4. Treasure's Report:

- none

5. Shep-O-Gram & Website:

- The training schedule on the web site will be fixed.

6. Training Director:

- After discussion Mike Metz moved that training be canceled June 25th, the Friday before our show and July 2nd; the motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

7. 2010 Specialty:

- Volunteers are still needed.
- Mike Metz reported that Bobbie Moore has arranged for donated mats to be delivered. Thank you Bobbie!! Discounted RV spots are available, premium list went out last week, and Julie Swinland is working on a flyer. Additional information is on the website.
- Discussion regarding taking out a printed ad for further coverage of the show was agreed by the members to be cost prohibitive.

8. 2011 Futurity Show

- Verna Kubik has volunteered to be Show Chair and will work with Holly Bryan and others to fulfill the secretary duties as well.

9. GSD Fun Day

- Julie Swinland confirmed that CGC testing by Deb Schneider will be held for \$10/dog.
- The event will be held at Verna's on July 11th and include carting, conformation, rally, agility, geocaching demos, a potluck and vendors (\$15 for vendor space).

10. Breeder Liaison

- Linn Klingel has asked us to vote for 10 additional All-Breed judges.

11. Other Upcoming Events

- Herding fun day July 10th.
- State Fair GSD Demo Day will be on September 5th this year.
- Herding Trial & Test on September 11th & 12th.

12. Old Business:

- Julie Swinland presented a proposal to provide incentives to volunteers, earning points for specific contributions that could be turned in for rewards such as T-shirts, jackets, etc.
- Ginny Altman moved that the proposed list with the amendment of increasing hands-on activities to 15 points be approved for implementation; the motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

The next membership meeting is scheduled for June 11th.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50pm

Jill Myers, Secretary



Obedience



Conformation



Kabob Bash June 26 5:30 PM
Dr Don Rice Stillwater Vet Clinic will
speak on Canine Reproduction



Conformation
Junior showmanship
Obedience
Rally



German Shepherd Dog
Club of Mpls/St. Paul



Junior showmanship



German Shepherd Dog Club
of Mpls/St. Paul Specialty
shows June 26-27, 2010
Dakota County Fairgrounds
Directions on web site



For more information
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Show Secretary
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612-239-5293 Cell



Junior showmanship



Junior showmanship



Junior showmanship

Obedience Workshop

The German Shepherd Club of Mpls & St. Paul is pleased to announce **Monthly Obedience Workshops**. The purpose of these workshops is to introduce you to the other local German Shepherd owners in a relaxed environment while improving obedience skills and knowledge. Students of all levels are welcome. Come learn unique training techniques that increase your demonstrated performance each month. Students will have fun training with ideas that they learn at the workshop and practice during the month. This is a positive and confidence building training for your GSD. This will provide more thought provoking techniques that will make training your best friend easier. You will develop into a happier and better behaved team at your **leisure activities** or **competing in the ring**.

For the non-competition team learn ideas that make owning a GSD a pleasure and not a stressful day in the park. Learn why GSD's are considered such a smart breed and bring out the best in your pet.

If you are competing, learn ideas to polish you and your dog's ring presence and make you **"that team"** at the shows or at **social functions**. While looking professional you will also learn how to minimize ring errors, to own the ring and practice overcoming distractions. We will work on your particular problems in class.

A pop machine and a main dish will be supplied in the lunchroom/kitchen area. Participants are encouraged to bring a dish to share in the lunchroom and acquaint themselves with other GSD owners or merely train at the allotted time and enjoy the rest of the day as planned.

****Notebooks for homework assignments are highly encouraged****

Where: **St. Paul Dog Training Club (Please acquaint yourself with parking and exercise rules)!**

Time: **Puppy 10:00 -10:45 am (\$10.00)**

Beginners 11:00 am -12:30 pm

Novice 1:00-2:30 pm

Open/Utility 3:00-4:30 pm



Specialty Class, (brace, team etc & Run-Thru's 4:45-???)

Price: \$20.00 for the first dog and 15.00 for a 2nd dog or workshop. Critiqued Run-Thru's-\$5.00

Questions or concerns; Hallings@frontiernet.net

Next Workshop: **June 12**

For directions to St Paul Dog Training Club and parking instructions go to www.gsdcmsp.org and click on the button for the Training Workshop near the top of the page. Directions are on the second page of the PDF. **DO NOT** park in front of the grocery store.

SOGGY by Julie Swinland



Point System for the GSDCMSP Volunteer Program

In order to promote and reward volunteerism in our club we will award points for taking on various activities necessary for the running of our club. The rewards will be jackets with the club logo, caps with logo, and T-shirts with the club logo.

After accumulating 250 points a member will receive a T-shirt or cap.

After accumulating an additional 250 points for a total of 500 points a member will receive a jacket.

There will be sign up sheets at meetings and club functions and points will be tallied from these sheets. It is the member's responsibility to sign up and the chair of the function should verify the person completed the task.

Points will be earned in the following ways

Activity	Point earned
Attending a club meeting – all the way to the end	10
Submitting article for the Shep-O-Gram that can be used (that we can get permission from original publication to reprint)	15
Handling 50/50 raffle or silent auction	
Stewarding	
Work a station at the temperament test or CGC test	
Taking entries at matches	
Food handling	
Herding trial helpers	
Selling catalogs at the specialty	
Participating in State Fair Demos at least ½ day	30
Writing an article for the Shep-O-Gram	40
Holding Office in the club and attending the majority of the meetings	250
Being on the board & attending the board meetings	200
Chair a committee	30
Co-chair a committee	25
Secretary for specialty shows and Futurity	250
Chair for specialty/futurity	75
Secretary for the herding trials	150
Chair for herding trials	50
Chair Temperament test	30
Newsletter editor	150 (per year if newsletter is produced monthly)
Web management	100/ year
Chairing a major raffle or silent auction at specialty (acquiring many items etc)	30
Training Director	100
10 pts can be purchased for \$25.00	



Brags

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Connie Karner

May 1st 2010

Heart of Iowa Kennel Club

Best of Breed and Group 3

May 2nd, 2010

Heart of Iowa Kennel Club

Best of Breed

Badger Kennel Club

May 7th, 8th, 9th - BEST OF BREED

May 9th- GROUP 2

Rosewood's Indian Blessing (Blessing)

Tom & Jackie Thulin

AHBA Herding test on 3/28/10, Passed

Herding Capability Test (Leg 2), Completed

HCT Title



Club Events

Membership meeting June 11 at 8:30 at Animal Inn.

Obedience Workshop with Ron Halling June 12

Specialty shows June 26-27 See page 5 for more information. Contact Holly Bryan to volunteer to help hollybryan1@aol.com

Herding Fun Day July 10. See information in March Issue and On page 10 of this issue. The April fun day is full. Come to watch or check with Eileen Varhalla if there is an opening in the sessions you are interested in.

German Shepherd Fun Day July 11



Pam Magadance and Willy at the May Obedience Workshop

Shep-O-Gram
1087 Allen Avenue
W. St Paul, MN 55118



German Shepherd Dog Club
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GSDC MSP Class Schedule

Obedience Classes revised March 1, 2010

Ring 1

Eileen Varhalla	
Run throughs	6:00-6:45
Intermediate Novice	7:00-7:45
Beginning Obedience	8:00-8:45

Ring 2

Lisa Marie Fortier	
S.T.A.R. Puppy Class	6:45-7:30
Jinny Bailey and Ron Halling	
Beginning Open Class	7:30-8:30
Rally 8:30-close	

Ring 3

Mike Wakeling - April	
Puppy Conformation	7:00-7:30
Adult Conformation	7:30-8:00
Paul Johnson and Liz Oster	
Junior Handlers	8:00-8:30
Puppy Socialization -designed for breeders and owners to chat	8:30-9:00

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