



# Shep-O-Gram

German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis/St Paul

April 2011

## **Shep-O-Gram**

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I seem to be getting farther and farther behind. Let's blame it on Daylight Savings Time.

This month We have an article on Joan Johnson. I hope you enjoy it especially seeing the pictures of her from long ago. Some of you may not realize that she used to show in obedience.

We had the match last month and the results are on page 6. A big thank you to Jan Anderson and Kathy DuVall for their hard work to bring about another successful match and to Laurie Schray for organizing the food. The 50/50 raffle was won by Verna Kubik. The club donated the remaining 50% to Faerieland Rescue

Next month we will have our first agility match on May 13. Hopefully next year we will have a three day weekend of agility trials. We are getting more members who participate in agility all the time, showing the versatility of our breed (and our members!) I am still recovering from last weekends 3 day trial at St. Paul Dog Training where I propelled my body around one course at a higher velocity than it is meant to attain.

Faerieland Rescue has provided us with a list of items they could use.

Pam Magadance has agreed to take care of our Regional Challenge again. So please send you new title information to her. Her e-mail and home addresses are on page 7.

Verna still needs more volunteers for the Specialty shows and Futurity. Please connect with her to volunteer for a job.

The GSD Fun Day is coming up August 20 and we could add a temperament test to it if someone would take the lead on that. It isn't terribly hard. Give it a try.

Remember the membership meeting April 15 where we will vote on the amendment to the bylaws.

## **SOG Due Date**

May issue - April 21

**April 15 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)**

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**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Address** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

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*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*

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**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Signed** \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to: Gail Hardcastle, 49 Lakeview Road, White Salmon, WA 98672  
 hardcastle@starband.net

**This is the membership application for the German Shepherd Dog Club of America. For the application for our club see the club web site or pick one up at training**

### **Faerieland Rescue Wish List:**

over the counter meds like benedryl,  
 mats for crates  
 dog food  
 dog treats  
 collars  
 leashes  
 toys  
 shampoo  
 flea and tick products  
 wormers  
 antibacteria meds  
 supplements (missing link, vitamins, etc)  
 ear products for cleaning(cleaner, cotton balls, qtips)

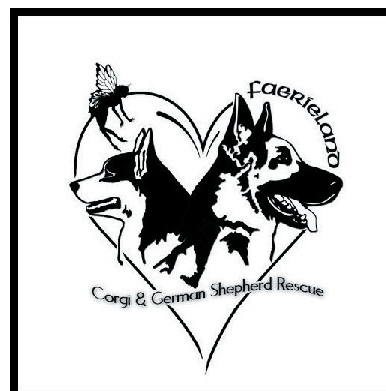
dental products for cleaning(enzyme spray on, doggie toothpaste or brushes or finger cleaners)

gift certificates to vet??(Vet Center on Main, Dr Heule or Winsor Vet)  
 gift certificates to Petco, Petsmart, Chuck and Don' (any of the pet food places)  
 dog training certificates for rescue dogs to take classes on Friday nights. All the dogs need training, and I have been taking them with me when I train at Total Recall and Animal Inn.  
 dog crates metal or airline (all sizes-as I do the Welsh Corgis too)(slightly used we can resell to new owners if they need one or sell at the garage sale)( I have some crates you can have, just need to get them out for you. Next time you come, have some empty spaces in you vehicle, or we

could use Lance's truck to bring them to your place. I have a few Kennel-Air and some metal fold-ups.  
 clips or double clips for cage or kennel runs  
 gas or visa card to cover all the driving we do  
 fly ointment and/or fly spay for dog ears  
 triple antibiotic ointment  
 stretchy wrap for dog legs etc(can't think of the name of this one but they come in colors and they are self sticking) it is called vet wrap.  
 elizabethan collars or no-bite collars  
 sanitary garment to help a new dog with housebreaking in a home

all kinds of cleaning supplies (Oda-Ban, KOE, Pine Sol, etc)  
 Country Vet Air freshners.

**Contact Kathy DuVall or Sharon Todoroff**



## Memories of Joan Johnson

by Julie Swinland



I am sure all of the people who knew Joan Johnson will feel that there is an emptiness in our lives which Joan's presence once filled. I have heard a number of people mention that the specialty shows this year just won't be

the same. We will miss her expressions such as : "Oh my word" and "Who died and made you Queen?" Joan was definitely a woman of strong character, always willing to stand up for what she felt was right

no matter what the odds. She was extremely loyal to her friends and was always willing to help anyone. A week ago I travelled out to the Johnson/Oster home to look through pictures going back to Joan's early childhood and to talk to Paul about memories to put into this article. It was an emotional experience for both of us. My friendship with Joan and Paul

goes back over 30 years when I was looking for a puppy. I called first and immediately liked Joan's voice over the phone. Her humor and obvious devotion to German Shepherds had me determined to get a puppy from their kennel. I immediately trusted her and a bond started to form.

So as Paul and I looked through the pictures and exchanged stories we travelled back in time to when he met Joan. They met at the Newman Club at the University of Minnesota in their freshman year. Joan loved dogs, Paul had some family dogs but hadn't yet developed quite the passion for dogs that Joan had. When they were first married Joan had weekends off and Paul had Tuesday through



Thursday off. They started searching for strays as a pass time and would try to locate the dog's owners and return them or find homes for them. Joan had a Golden Retriever/Lab cross named Boots. Paul was an avid fisherman and planned a fishing trip. Joan said she had to have Boots with her. So she brought

Boots and a bag of books. They went out in the boat to fish and Joan started to read. Paul noticed that Joan's bobber never moved, while he was catching fish. He discovered she had never baited the hook and did not like fishing. They went back to the cabin and they never went fishing together again. They spent the rest of the time reading and playing with Boots.

In their search for strays they found two puppies in a hole in a field and those were the first dogs they owned together. They started their training and showing in obedience with Golden Retrievers, Paul with Dusty, their first Golden Retriever got the Dog



World Award in Novice and Open and 4 OR 5 High In Trial awards. After showing for awhile they found they wanted a breed with a little more to it. A dog that thought beyond the training and they looked at Collies and German Shepherds. The first dog was Pam Countess Paula-Jo of Knox UD.

They found German Shepherds to be very trainable and perceptive. They trained for personal protection with Emmet and Mae Cushing at

Bloomington Obedience Training Club. Paul wanted their dog to protect Joan and not let anyone touch her. They trained Pam, to grab, but not bite. Emmet tried to put his hand on Joan one day and Pam put her front feet on his shoulders and put her nose on his. He got the message. They always took Pam in their station wagon and left the window open so she was always available. She would stay until called. As Joan and Paul got more interested in GSD's, they decided to buy their foundation bitch from Dick and Armie Hawes, Ch Ricella's Fantasy. Dick and Armie, mentored them and took them to shows. Meanwhile Paul and Joan were planning a family, but after 10 years decided to adopt. A month before the adoption was to be complete, Joan became pregnant and had 5 children in the next 10 years; Kathy, Mike, Pat, Bob, and Liz. Only Kathy and Liz shared their parent's love of showing.

Joan and Paul were early members of the German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Joan and Pam took several High Scoring Also Shown in Breed awards. Over the years Joan has served in many positions in the club including Shep-O-Gram editor - using one of those old mimeograph machines,





**August 1976 back row, Joan, Cathy, Paul,  
Front row Liz, Pat, Mike and Bob**

Secretary, catalog sales, and anything that needed doing.

One time I was driving to a show, following Paul, and Joan was riding with me and we started talking about dogs we had in the past. Soon I was crying about her dogs of long ago and she was crying about mine. I was touched that this lady, who had so many dogs, still loved each one so much.

Joan loved a good mystery and could read at least one book a day. She was partial to the Murder She Wrote TV show.

So who was Joan Johnson? She was a strong woman of equally strong opinions and she was not afraid to let you know what they were. If you wanted to know where you stood with her, all you had to do was ask. She was a family person; she lived for her family, kids and grand kids. She would never swear but she could cut you off at the knees with her sharp wit if she deemed it necessary. A formidable foe and loyal friend., Joan was a woman of indomitable spirit and I would be willing to bet she is now working hard to reorganize heaven and maybe start a dog show circuit. So watch out when you cross the Rainbow Bridge, Joan will be there recruiting volunteers for the next show.

**Joan  
Showing  
Pam in  
Conformation**



**Joan  
and Pam  
1964- High  
Combined  
and High  
Scoring  
Also Shown  
in Breed**



**Pam's tree  
climbing  
ability made  
the cover  
of Picture  
Magazine**





Joan, always a presence at  
ringside



Joan, Cathy, and the kids



Doesn't she look like a  
little Shirley Temple?

IT'S HARD TO EXPLAIN CLOSE TO PERFECTION. "HARD TO  
DEFINE--BUT DEFINITE WHEN PRESENT" - Paul



1938 2 1/2 yrs old



School picture



Joan and the grand kids



## **GSDC MSP March 18, 2011 Match Results**

### **Conformation**

#### **6 - 9 Puppy Dogs**

**1st - Rosewood's Irish Hero**

**Owner: Mike Bristow**

**2nd Portbrix Ian Klaus**

**Owner: Anna Beltrame**

#### **9-12 mo Puppy Dogs**

**1st - Lindenhill Maverick**

**Owner: Danielle Keller**

#### **12-18 mo Puppppy Dogs**

**1st - Todorhaus Stealing My Heart**

**Owner: Sharon Todoroff**

### **Am Bred Dogs**

**1st - SimCar's Low Rider**

**Owner: Peggy Simerson & Craig Carson**

**2nd - Falkora's Limelight v Kubistraum**

**Owner: Linda Kofstad and Betsy & Mike Halverson**

### **Open Dogs**

**1st - Bloomsbarry's Checkmate v Rosewood**

**Owner: Steve & Kay Bloom**

**2nd - Finnegan**

**Owner: David Mielke**

### **3-6 mos Puppy Bitches**

**1st - Todorhaus Shooting Star**

**Owner: Sharon Todoroff**

**2nd - Rosewood's V for Victory**

**Owner: Bo Vojovich**

### **9-12 mo Puppy Bitches**

**1st - Clementine of Oh-My**

**Owner: Myra Shear**

**2nd - Rosewood's Queen of Sheba**

**Owner: Bo Vujovich**

**3rd - Stone Lanes Just A Babe**

**Owner: Wade Lovdokken**

### **12-18 mo Puppy Bitches**

**1st - L A (something I can't read)**

**Owner: Rainer Litly**

### **Am Bred Puppy Bitches**

**1st - Todorhaus Mercy**

**Owner: Sharon Todoroff**

### **Open Puppy Bitches**

**1st - Spotlights Sarah Bernhardt**

**Owner: Holly & Chris Moen**

**Best Male Puppy - Lindenhill Maverick**

**Best Female Puppy - Clementine of Oh-My**

**Best Puppy - Clementine of Oh-My**

**Best Opposite Sex Puppy - Lindenhill Maverick**

**Best Adult Male - Todorhaus Stealing My Heart**

**Best Opposite Sex - Todorhaus Mercy**

**Best Adult - Todorhaus Stealing My Heart**

**Best Opposite Sex Adult - Todorhaus Mercy**

**Best in Match - Clementine of Oh-My**

### **Obedience**

#### **Novice A**

**1st - Annie**

**Owner: Michelle Patet**

**2nd - Jackson**

**Owner: Dave & Lisa Hein**

#### **Beginning Novice A**

**1st - Lindenhill Maverick**

**Owner: Danielle Keller**

**2nd - Kubistraum's Quasar Shadow**

**Owner: Lisa Lunde**

#### **Beginning Novice B**

**1st - Jeddhaus Peppermint Pattie**

**Owner: Nancy Ernst**

**2nd - Thor**

**Owner: Jean Melin**

**3rd - CH Oak Haven Xena of Black Forest**

**Owner: Julie Swinland**

### **Rally**

#### **Rally Novice A**

**1st - CH Todor/Chablis Betty Boop**

**Owner: Ann Jeddeloh**

**2nd - Kubistraum Quasar Shadow**

**Owner: Lisa Lunde**

**3rd - Justice Prevails**

**Owner: Carla Scott**

#### **Rally Novice B**

**1st - Kubistraum's Can't Buy Me Love**

**Owner: Conni Sokolouski**

# Regional Challenge

Send in copies of your titles and information on therapy visits to Pam Magadance starting with your August 2010 results.

agility\_gage@hotmail.com

Pam Magadance  
2208 County Rd CC  
New Richmond, WI 54017

## Braggs

Am Can and Int'l Ch Oak Haven Xena of  
BLK Forest CD, RAE, OJP, OAP,TT,TC,CGC,  
OFA H&E Julie Swinland

3-19-11 NEAM Agility Trial 1st place Open  
Standard Preferred 100, she ran about 20  
seconds under standard course time! New  
Open Agility Preferred title  
!

3-20-11 NEAM Agility Trial  
1st place Excellent Standard Preferred 100  
3rd place Open Jumpers with weaves

4-9-11 SPDTC Agility Trial  
1st Place Open Jumpers with Weaves  
preferred

4-10-11 SPDTC Agility trial  
2nd Place Open Jumpers with Weaves  
preferred - New Title! OJP  
Jumpin' Jack Von Noblehaus UDX RN  
AX OAJ - Mary Bente

SPDTC 4-10-11 was 1st in Excellent  
A Standard - 24" and finished his  
Excellent Standard title (AX)

SLOVANSKEHO'S MAJESTIC  
AUF DE HAUS ~ Rhonda Meath  
After a very comedic start to  
SMITH's agility weekend at St  
Paul Dog Training Club, he got  
serious, showing the crowd he  
is not just your average CLOWN  
!!!

He earned a 2nd & 1st place in  
Novice Jumpers with weaves !!



~KLEINE PRINZESSIN KATJA ~ MXP6 MJP7  
PAX2 - Rhonda Meath

KATJA was 6 for 6 on all her runs earning all  
1st place finishes, three more QQ's and her  
MXP 7 title !!!

She has 10 QQ's towards her PAX 3  
great weekend for all the German Shepherd  
Dogs !!!!

Kubistram had a great weekend at Wright  
County KC obedience/Rally trials.

Quest got his third GN leg and finished his  
Graduate Novice title with 190.5 and second  
place on Saturday.

BMW got this third Rally excellent leg and  
finished his Rally Excellent title Saturday.

Willie (with Pam) got his 3rd Beginner Novice  
leg with a 195 and 4th place on Saturday, and  
Carmine got her 3rd BN leg on Sunday with  
a 198 and 1st place to finish both of their BN  
titles.

Gambler (with Jinny) qualified both days in  
Beginner Novice with a 196 and 2nd place on  
Saturday and a 197 and 2nd place on Sunday to

Ann has finally come back to Earth after an  
exciting weekend at the Clinton Iowa Kennel  
Club Dog Show, April 2 and 3..

First, Jeddhaus O'Henry (Hank) and Ann picked  
up two legs in Novice B Obedience on Saturday  
and Sunday. Then with minutes to spare, Hank  
not only placed number 1 in GSD Open Dogs  
but also Winners Dog and Best of Winners for a  
3 point major.

# Volunteer Opportunities

We have many volunteer opportunities coming up, starting with the match on March 18. We can use people to help with the food, people to donate food (see the flyer on the opposite page for contact info) and stewards for the obedience ring.

We need help for the specialties and futurity in June. Please contact Verna Kubik about volunteering. We need:

Ring stewards for Obedience and Rally Friday and Saturday  
Booth rental coordinators  
Hospitality people  
People to transport the judges  
People to handle the 50/50 raffle and auction  
Food wranglers  
and probably a cast of thousands to help with other duties

Remember we have a big club and if everyone helps a little no one will be overwhelmed. Keep up the momentum from our winning year last year.

**Contact Verna Kubik about what you can do to help make this show the best ever.**

**715-549-6365**  
**vmk4gsds@dishup.us**

## The German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis & St. Paul



invites you to join us for the

**2011 Midwest Regional  
Futurity/Maturity Shows  
Sunday, June 26, 2011**

Judge: Roberta Kindy

and the  
**MW Amateur Futurity/Maturity**

Judge: Ken Cunningham

### Back to Back Specialty Shows with Obedience and Rally Obedience Trials

Friday, June 24, 2011

Breed Judge: Sally Hayden

Obedience/Rally Judge: Karen Anderson

Saturday, June 25, 2011

Breed Judge: Dr. Didier Ardoin

Obedience/Rally Judge: Mary Higdum

Beautiful outdoor rings at the Dakota County Fairgrounds, Farmington, MN

Held in conjunction with

**The Anoka County, MN, Kennel Club on Thursday, June 23, 2011**

All Breed Show with supported German Shepherd Entries at the Isanti County Fairgrounds, Cambridge, Mn. ( Jack Onofrio, Supt.). **GSD Breed Judge: Marilyn Lindsey Miller**

For premium lists or hospitality information, visit our website: [www.GSDCMSP.org](http://www.GSDCMSP.org) or contact

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## Faerieland Rescue Statistics

Pet finder stats since I started posting in Feb 1687 were for German Shepherd views  
March we have added 2 more shepherds with a total of 5 more dogs so the #'s should increase again - Kathy

### 2011

March 977 views  
February 4,471 views  
January 1,647 views

### 2010

December 1,389 views  
November 1,409 views  
October 241 views

### Placed in 2011

Dixie (f)  
Amigo (m)  
Trixie (f)  
Missy (f)

Currently in foster care  
Jerry lee (m)  
Dakota (f)

getting this weekend  
Gunner (m)  
Brodie (m)  
Sophie (f)



**Kathy DuVall**  
**Sharon Todoroff**  
**[www.faerielandrescue.org](http://www.faerielandrescue.org)**



# German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis and St Paul Board Meeting Minutes March 4, 2011

## Report of Officers:

President, Julie Swinland – No report

Vice President – Eileen Varhalla – No report

Secretary's Report – Chris Duffy

-- List of new officers has been sent to both AKC and the GSDCA.

-- Preliminary information put together on contacting judges for future events, and they will be contacted in the near future now that she knows the tentative dates to give to them

-- She has received a number of phone calls from individuals wanting information, mostly regarding training of new GSDs, but also 2 people who are interested in adopting a rescue dog. People were directed either to February SOG, which had information on a rescue group, or for training to stop by on Friday nights, see the puppy classes, and definitely get information about enrolling.

Treasurer's Report – Roger Salava

Roger distributed copies of the Club's Bank Reconciliation Summary for both checking and Money Market accounts, with balances as of as of 2/28/11 and 2/20/11, respectively.

## Committee Reports:

a. Membership Committee – Linda Salava

Linda will add a post-it note to application folders with instructions: 1 free class for working the desk on a Friday evening.

b. Fun Match – Jan Anderson/Kathy Duvall

Beginning Novice – yes; Pre-novice – no. Need to send an e-mail to AKC saying we are doing Beginner Novice rather than pre-novice. There will be food at the match.

c. Shep-O-Gram and Website – Julie Swinland

d. Training Director – Julie Swinland

Discussion on nature of the job. Linda brought up the need, perhaps, for a job description so the duties are clearly spelled out. The training director needs to be in more than one place at the same time occasionally, which is a challenge. Several ideas on how to maintain volunteers at the desk/door were discussed, but with no definitive conclusions at that time.

e. 2011 Futurity and Specialty Show – Verna Kubik

1. and 2. Discussion about suggestion

made that the shows be dedicated to Joan Johnson. and having a perpetual trophy in memory of her. Other suggestions included a page in the program dedicated to Joan and it was suggested by Martha Simonett that a ribbon given for Best Puppy in the Specialty Show might be appropriate. The idea would be for this to be an ongoing award. Roger suggested that the Club maintain a plaque for this award, with the name of each winner, each, year, being placed on it (so that there is a listing of each year's winners on the plaque). The ribbon itself might be a larger type, with a picture in the middle.

3. RV parking at Fairgrounds: is it a problem? After discussion, the bottom line is that parking issues are the Fairgrounds' responsibility, not the Club's. Verna is not sure what the problem or confusion was previously, but the Fairgrounds decides and handles all parking issues. We do need more parking spaces allowed, however.

Verna needs volunteers to handle food, hospitality, transportation for judges, etc. She has a committee together to handle most things, but there is still a need for extra hands. Also needed is someone to be in charge of the vendor booths, to solicit vendors, etc.

Verna will look into motels (Motel 6 in Lakeville for example, has an AKC discount)

Sheila Metz has offered to handle fundraisers, but will probably need some help.

Connie Bissonette has agreed to serve as Show Secretary.

4. *Specialty & Futurity trophies*

Laurie and Jill are calling for trophy solicitation. No separate drive for herding trophies.

f. Herding Trial – Zoa Rockenstien

Everything going well.

g. All Breed Liaison – Linn Klingel

No information received.

h. Agility Trial and match – Rhonda Meath

Will have proposal at membership meeting (March 11), will occur in May, 2011.

i. Program Committee – Martha Simonett

No report

j. Budget and Finance Committee – Kelly Knight

No report

## IV. Old Business

A committee needs to be formed to look at updating the standing rules.

## V. New Business

An obedience team is going to the nationals. Is there some way to help them financially? This is open to suggestions. They would like to wear matching shirts with the club logo.

### **Next meetings:**

The April membership meeting has been **moved from April 8<sup>th</sup> to April 15<sup>th</sup>** because Animal Inn is booked on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Next Board meeting April 2nd at 5:30 pm (please note change of time)

Submitted by  
Chris Duffy

### **German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis and Saint Paul Membership Meeting – March 11, 2011 – 8:30 pm**

I. Call to Order at 8:35– President Julie Swinland

II. Reports of the Officers

a. President – Julie Swinland – no report

b. Vice President – Eileen Varhalla – no report

c. Secretary's Report – Chris Duffy

The minutes of the most recent board and membership meeting were e-mailed and posted to the website and Shep O Gram, reading of the minutes. Moved, seconded, passed

There is no correspondence to report. A new list of officers sent to AKC and parent club.

She has received a handful of phone calls from individuals interested in either adopting a rescue GSD, or information on puppy training. Julie and Verna were consulted about what information should be given when these calls are received.

d. Treasurer's Report –

Treasurer Roger Salava was not present, however, a handout was distributed indicating that as of February 28, 2011, the checking balance was \$8,314.16. The money market account had a balance of \$5,711.53 as of February 20, 2011.

e. Auditing Committee – no report

III. Committee Reports

a. Membership Report – Linda Salava

Currently, there are 166 members plus applicants, adding 1 or 2 every Friday night.

b. Fun Match – Jan Anderson, Kathy Duvall (not present), Laurie Schray (reporting)

Food donations are needed, as well as volunteers to help. Please sign up!

c. Shep O Gram and website – Julie Swinland

No report; things are the same as usual.

d. Training Director – Julie Swinland

No report; still searching. She is trying to get Ann Jeddeloh to be in charge of the desk. Any ideas who we can get as director/desk people?

e. 2011 Futurity & Specialty Show – Verna Kubik

Verna reported that the show is coming together. Futurity entries closed last week. It will be at the Dakota County Fairgrounds. Verna is finalizing lodging for those who need it. The veterinarians are the same as previously.

Food and volunteers are *Very Much Needed!* In addition to food donations, Verna needs 2 people to line up food for three days (Laurie Schray has already volunteered to do one day). Other volunteer tasks include providing transportation for judges, serving as volunteer Ring Stewards for conformation, etc.

Connie Bissonette will serve as show secretary, with Jill Meyer assisting.

Kelly Salava is working on a hospitality event for Saturday night, which absolutely needs to be put together by Apr 1.

Jill Meyers and Linda Schray are soliciting donations for trophies (one solicitation per year is done for this). Peggy Simerson is working on acquiring ribbons and trophies. A vote was taken on having a Perpetual Puppy Trophy in memory of Joan Johnson plus large ribbon to be given one day only (Saturday). Moved, seconded, motion carried. This will be paid for out of the general fund at a cost of up to \$100.

Videotaping is a possibility this year for those who would like a video of their GSD.

There will be a 50/50 raffle all 3 days (no one assigned to sell tickets yet.)

h. Agility Trial and Match – Rhonda Meath

Rhonda distributed a very detailed report to those present, which was followed by extensive discussion. Approximately 70 volunteers per day are needed for the trials. These come from the people showing who are then guaranteed a run.

The match has to occur on a Friday. The proposed date is Friday, May 13, but that is Mother's Day weekend. Verna Kubik suggested that we consider another Friday night, and Mike Metz suggested holding the 13<sup>th</sup> as a backup date.

In addition, Verna pointed out that the Friday Club meetings and activities would normally be scheduled on the Friday, May 13 date; perhaps the club meeting could be held May 6 or 20 instead. There was a motion and second to move the May meeting to May 6.

i. Constitutional Change

We need to amend the Club Constitution for agility and other events. Chris will send postcards to members and

applicants a minimum of 20 days before next membership meeting for a vote.

i. Program committee – Martha Simonett

No report

j. Budget and Finance – Kelly Knight

IV. Old Business

None

V. New Business

An Obedience Team has been formed for the nationals (9/26-10/2). It was suggested that we should provide some support for the team.

Nils Anderson sent an e-mail asking for a Club contribution to Humane Society Walk for Animal. Discussion ensued, but no motion made to donate.

Next membership meeting:

Animal Inn is booked for Friday, April 8, so there is no training.

Motion by Verna Kubik to move the membership meeting to the following Friday, April 15. Motion carried.

## **GSDC MSP AKC Sanctioned A Agility Match**

**Friday May 13 at On The Run Canine Training Center  
Ham Lake MN**



**Match Secretary Joan Kurlander**

**Match Chair Rhonda Meath**  
[gsdgspgirlz@gmail.com](mailto:gsdgspgirlz@gmail.com)

**Volunteer coordinator Mary Bente**  
[workingk9s@gmail.com](mailto:workingk9s@gmail.com)

**Entry fee \$5.**

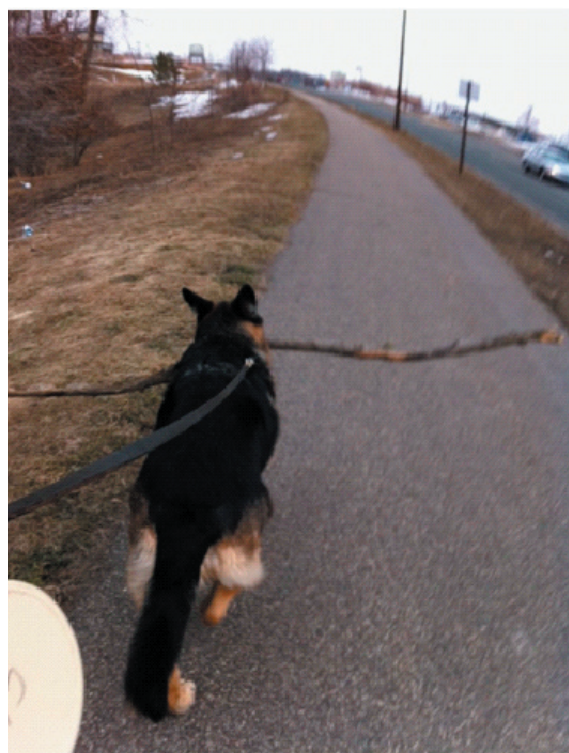
**Doors open at 2:00**

**Match starts at 3:00**

**All Levels Standard and Jumpers with  
Weaves (no FAST or ISC)**

**70 total runs - entries first recieved**

**Tyler**



**A dog and his stick from new member, Stephanie Fossbinder and Bear, "People were honking & waving & smiling. One guy even gave us the thumbs up!"**





## Club Events

April 15 membership meeting  
April 16 Obedience Workshop with Ron  
Halling - St Paul Dog Training  
April 30 Herding Day

May 13 Agility Match - On The Run  
Canine, Ham Lake  
May 20 Membership meeting

June 17 Membership meeting  
June 24-25 Specialty shows  
June 26 Futurity

July 8 membership meeting  
August 12 membership meeting  
August 20 GSD Fun Day  
September 4 GSD Day at the Fair

Shep-O-Gram  
1087 Allen Avenue  
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## GSDC MSP Class Schedule

Obedience Classes effective July 1, 2010

### Ring 1

Eileen Varhalla  
Run throughs 6:00-6:45  
Intermediate Novice 7:00-7:45  
Beginning Ob or Advanced Puppy 8:00-8:45  
Advanced Puppy will be offered between  
Beginning Obedience blocks

### Ring 2

Lisa Marie Fortier  
S.T.A.R. Puppy Class 7:00-8:00  
Jinny Bailey  
Rally Class 8:00-8:45

### Ring 3

Jinny Bailey  
Competition Obedience 6:45-7:30  
Various Trainers  
Jr Handlers/Puppy Conformation 7:30-8:00  
Adult Conformation 8:00--8:30  
Puppy Socialization -designed for breeders and  
owners to chat 8:30-9:00  
Training Director: Julie Swinland until we get a  
new one 651-457-5459