



Shep-O-Gram

German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis/St Paul

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I have so much for September and October that I am going to try to combine the issues.

We had a lot going on in the last few weeks including the GSD Fun Day, the State Fair demos and The herding trials. All were big successes.

We are headed into fall and the nationals are behind us. We will have a geocaching event on Oct 16 chaired by Beth Hatfield. Check out the information on this on page 9. There will be a pot luck picnic and the fall colors should be grand. The following weekend Ron Halling will be having the obedience workshop at St Paul Dog Training.

We still need a chair for the November 18 fun match or there will not be a match.

Our members were very successful at the nationals again this year. The results and some pictures are on pages 12 and 13. Many other winners not listed were bred by our members or sired by members' dogs such as the Grand Victor and Grand Victrix by Oscar. We have much to be proud of. Our club won the Regional Club Challenge again and the Shep-O-Gram won the Large Club Monthly Newsletter award for the third year. The web site placed fourth in the web competition. Darn good! Let's all thank Pam Magadance for compiling all of our stats for the regional competition and take a look at her report on pages 16-17.

Very soon it will be time to select new officers. I think we need to divide up the duties a little better and we need more people who are willing to be actively involved. We now have 185 members. Certainly there are a few more people who can take on some duties. My job has grown to take on the training director role and taking the minutes while our secretary has been unavailable. That, in addition to doing the Shep-O-Gram is way too much. When the new president and board is selected they will have to find someone to be training director also. I

Remember the Geocaching day at Nerstrand-Big Woods is Sunday Oct 16 check it out on page 9.

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SOG Due Date

Nov issue - Oct 21

October 14 & November 11 membership meetings 8:30 PM Animal Inn

fun! at the 2011 state fair!

We had a great turn out again at the State Fair. I don't know how many members were there this year but probably 40 or so. Lisa Marie Fortier once again narrated the demos explaining things in an informative and painting a picture with words that kept the audience glued to their seats even during the dead times while changing from one demo to the next. I have watched a number of clubs give their State Fair demos and one of the things we have that the others lack is Lisa Marie.

We had a minor glitch at the last minute realizing no one was planning to bring the club trailer. Ann and Ken Jeddeloh saved the day bringing the trailer bright and early for set up and Beth Hatfield hauled it back to it's parking place at the Animal Inn at the end of the day.

Once again we had demos of conformation, obedience, rally, agility, therapy work, and carting followed by periods of meet and greet with the audience. Verna Kubik and Holly Bryan handled the desk giving out literature about the club and our training.

Connie Halfen did an excellent job as State Fair coordinator.



Lisa Marie did her usual excellent job of explaining everything all day



Deb and Connie Halfen relaxing after a hard day. Connie was the State Fair coordinator this year



Carla Scott and Justice in the therapy dog demo



Conformation



Molly Patet and Annie relax

Pam Magadance and Gypsy demo how to deal with a wheelchair



Eileen Varhalla and Zoe joined the conformation demo as Connie Bissonnette discusses the different colors of GSD's



Speak no evil, text no evil see no evil



Xena shows what an 11 year old can do



Michelle Patet and Jake



Jeanne Sutich's Luka



Mary Bente's Jack demos Utility



Rin Tin Tin XII with Rhonda Meath

GSD Fun Day 2011

We had another beautiful day for our 2nd GSD Fun Day. The temperament test attracted a lot of people to participate and to watch. Verna had a great location under the trees in the shade. The building and grounds were fantastic just like last year. We had a few people try tracking and an assortment of people tried agility, obedience, rally and carting. I believe we had 8 dogs go through the CGC test with Mary Sorcic and all but one passed. The vendors were great, with many people taking advantage of the services of the masseuse, chiropractor and animal communicator. I made an attempt this year to get people to sign in so we could get an accurate count but I think I need to put the sign up outside where more people might see it. The lunch was great.



Brady enjoys a massage

Agility with Michelle and Molly Patet taking the lead



Jan Anderson took the applications for the CGC test



Mary Sorcic was our CGC evaluator

Temperament Test

by Verna Kubik



Verna was the Temperament Test Chair

A total of 31 dogs were tested; I think 28 passed. Income to the club was \$775 so we should have made a small profit after expenses.

The helpers that I can remember were, Roger, Linda, and Kelly Salava, Paul Johnson, Judy Morin, Lisa Marie Fortier, Kathy DuVall, Sheryl Carlson, Verna Kubik, Cristina McColl, & Judy Morin. I think there were a couple of others who also filled in.



Paul Johnson as the weird stranger in the temperament test

Super thanks to Laurie Schray, for again doing such a great job managing the pot luck, and to every one who brought food. We used at least 24 hot dog and 36 sloppy joe buns, so must have served at least 60 people.

Congratulations and many thanks, Julie for co-ordinating another successful event. It was nice to see so many people who are not yet involved in the competitive dog sports show interest and get a chance to try the various activities.

Verna

GSD Fun Day Continued



Nancy Kehoe and the tracking segment



No dog event would be complete without lunch! Laurie Schray was in charge of food.



Jinny demos carting

German Shepherd Dog Club of Mpls & St. Paul

Board Meeting August 12 2011 6:00 PM

Officers present Julie Swinland - president, Eileen Varhalla- vice President, Roger Salava- treasurer, Board members Lisa Marie Fortier and Linda Salava

Abent: Ginny ALtman and Chris Duffy

I. Call to Order 6:16

II. Reports of the Officers

a. President – Julie Swinland no report

b. Vice President – Eileen Varhalla no report

c. Secretary's Report – Chris Duffy

i. Correspondence Thank you from Ginny, Info from AKC for

d. Treasurers Report – Roger Salava

III. Committee Reports:

a. Membership Report – Linda Salava

183 members

Updating info for the fair flyer

b. Shep O Gram and Website – Julie Swinland

Julie may not be able to get newsletter out every month the next few months.

c. Training Director – Julie

Nothing new

d. 2011 Futurity & Specialty Show – Verna Kubik expenses are in we will make \$463 plus whatever the parent club sends us for the futurity. Traditionally, this is a certain amount per entry.

e. Herding Trial – Zoa Rockenstein - Going well.

f. Agility Trial and match Rhonda Meath

i. updates –

We are still waiting on the AKC to approve the dates.

IV. Old Business

i. German Shepherd Fun Day

Temp test - Verna - everything going well

V. New Business

a. Specialty 2012 - call in to fairgrounds to get the ball rolling for next year. The county fair is in session right now so probably will not get a call back for a few days.

b. State Fair Roger will buy the tickets Eileen is collecting info on passes.

c. Governor membership?

d. STAR Puppy Class register at front check in just to see if they are on the list. Details from Lisa Marie's e-mail:- All item approved.

Registering/Paying for class:

Students should be encouraged to download the form from the website and bring it to the club. If not, those forms should be at the front desk. Students should fill them out and pay the front desk.

The front desk should then take whatever information they need from that form to create and attendance roster that they can use to check folks in each week. Since the class is now a "course" as long as they are on the list for the current class, then all is good. Someone not on the list needs to pay and register but can attend class ONLY IF WE ARE TAKING NEW PUPPIES THAT NIGHT. The puppy instructor should be given those forms prior to the class start so that the instructor has a chance to learn what is coming into class. The instructor will also keep an attendance roster as needed to determine eligibility for S.T.A.R. puppy testing.

Instructor Payment:

August Board Meeting minutes continued

With the current confusion, it has been challenging to determine the number of puppies attending each class. That number is factored into the payment. My understanding is that Eileen is getting a flat fee for instructing her “course” based class and Roger and I thought that might be a great solution since the payment approach (you pay for the entire class, not just for the times you show up) is the same for both. I am recommending \$20 per week. Completely open to discussion though, that’s simply a starting point. For reference the current base is \$15 with a dollar for each puppy per week.

Communication with Students:

As we discussed before, since many of the student’s are not members of the club they miss out on ALL of the email communication that is done which includes announcements/reminders about class. At the last board meeting we agreed to create a separate list of non-members that we would send training related emails to (such as weather related closures) instead of us having to scramble to email them individually. We also thought this might be a great time to give them a taste of what the club has to offer by sending them a welcome email (in addition to the one sent by the puppy instructor), a few additions of the SOG, information about upcoming events, and then an invitation to join when their class is nearing the end. This would apply to Eileen and Ginny’s students too. This could be a great way to get folks engaged and excited about the club and perhaps increase our membership and volunteer base. If this is approved, instructors would need to get the names to Linda (or perhaps the front desk) where she would manage from there.

Meeting adjourned 6:55



Canine Breeder’s Health and Education Symposium

The American Kennel Club and the AKC Canine Health Foundation will be presenting a Canine Breeder’s Health and Education Symposium on Saturday, November 5th, 2011 at the University Of Minnesota College Of Veterinary Medicine, Pomeroy Student Learning Building. Experts in Genetics, Canine Nutrition, Canine Reproduction, along with the latest advances in Oncology will present on these and other relevant topics to breeders, experienced and novice. Dog breeders are invited to meet, learn and share ideas with some of the most sought after researchers and experts in their fields.

Space is limited, so [click here](#) to register.

For more information:

Ron Rella at (212) 696-8303 RNR@akc.org

Samantha Wright (888) 682-969 SJW@akc.org

German Shepherd Dog Club of Mpls & St. Paul
Membership Meeting August 12, 2011 8:30 PM

Officers present: Julie Swinland; President, Eileen Varhalla- Vice President, Lisa Marie Fortier board member Absent: Roger Salava- Treasurer, Ginny Altman and Linda Salava - board members

I. Call to Order Please sign the membership sheet going around

II. Reports of the Officers

- a. President – Julie Swinland no report
- b. Vice President – Eileen Varhalla no report
- c. Secretary's Report – Chris Duffy
 - i. Minutes – The minutes of the board and last meeting were emailed and posted to the website and Shep O Gram
 - ii. Vote to dispense with reading minutes moved, seconded and passed.
 - iii. Correspondence
- d. Treasurers Report – . Auditing Committee – Roger Salava, and Mike Metz no report

III. Committee Reports:

- a. Membership Report – Linda Salava 183 members She is revising the club info sheet for the fair.
- b. Shep O Gram and Website – Julie Swinland
- c. Training Director – Julie
- d. 2011 Futurity & Specialty Show – Verna Kubik
 - 1. Summary?
- e. Herding Trial – Zoa Rockenstein - Everything going fine
- f. All Breed Liason – Linn Klingel No report
- g. Agility Trial and match Rhonda Meath
- i. updates – None

- h. Program committee – Martha Simonett No report
- i. Budget and Finance Roger and Mike – No report

IV. Old Business

- i. German Shepherd Fun Day

Food volunteers Laurie Schray is coordinating this

V. New Business

VI. State Fair Chair Connie Halfen

- i. Special membership for the governor?

VII. GSD FUN Day -Temperament Test – Verna

- a. Food – Laurie Schray
- b. Need someone to take CGC apps

VIII. Banquet Jan 21 Guldens

We need someone to handle the desk on Friday Aug 19.

Next membership meeting September 9, 8:30

Meeting adjourned 9:00

GSD Geocaching Day-Oct 16

Enjoy the fall colors

Come with your dog and join other members of the club and a Minnesota DNR Naturalist Officer at Nerstrand Big Woods State park on October 16. We will start the walk at 9AM. Meet at the visitor center for a 30-45 min instruction. Dogs should remain in the vehicles during the instruction.

There have been 5 GPS units reserved for our group, but they have more available as the need arises. If you have a GPS, please bring it. All park GPS's must be turned in by noon for the afternoon reservations.

The state park does have rules for pets

No person shall allow a dog, cat or other pet to enter a building or swimming beach

No pet shall be unrestrained

Pets shall be personally attended to at all times

Pets shall be effectively restrained by a portable enclosure or by a leash, not exceeding six feet

Animals shall not disrupt other persons

Pet waste deposited in mowed or maintained areas MUST be immediately cleaned up by the pet owner.

One day entrance into the park is \$5.00. The one day pass will be reduced to \$3.00 with a 10 vehicle minimum (group rate). The year round park pass is \$25.00.

The naturalist will explain Geo Caching, the use of the GPS device and may accompany us on our walk (depending on the activity at the park) to answer any questions about Geo Caching or the park. You never know, we may even enlighten the DNR on our wonderful and versatile breed.

The walk will be flat for the comfort of our dogs – oh ya – us too! (no hill or rock climbing).

Our trek will be approximately 1 ½ miles. Wear sturdy shoes/hiking boots. Dress comfortably for the outdoors and carrying essential supplies such as water and snacks. As a service project to help the DNR, we might think about picking up any paper waste from their marathon that was run the day before. The event people are pretty good about picking up, but there may be a little.

Pot luck to follow. BBQ beef sandwiches, beans, brownies, plates and silverware to be provided. Bring something to share and also bring your own drink. The picnic shelter has been reserved for our club. It does have electricity.

Getting There:

Take I-35 to State Highway 19 east into Northfield. Go south on State Highway 3, east on State Highway 246, then turn right onto County Road 29. http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/nerstrand_big_woods/index.html



** If you cannot attend this one, we are thinking of another hike at another park. You have not lost the opportunity to enjoy the company of your dog and learning about Geocaching.

Beth Hatfield 651-455-4065 after 5 PM for questions.

Or Julie Swinland for questions on geocaching blackforestgsd@msn.com 651-457-5459



pictures from last Geocaching event



Braggs

GCH CH Can CH Mythical Zeus of Black Forest
Sept 17 Rochester BOB
Sept 19 BOB Group 1
Oct 9 MTKA KC Best of Breed Group 2

Jeddhaus Peppermint Pattie has her CD
6/24 GSDCMSP Judge Karen Anderson 196.5 1st Place
8/6 Coulee Kennel Club Judge RH Mullen 194 2nd Place
8/14 KC Freeborn Co Judge Brian Cleveland 193 Q

Ch. Todorhaus-Chablis Betty Boop RN
Rochester 9-18-11 She qualified for her third leg for her Rally Novice title.

Am,Can,Int'l Ch Oak Haven Xena of BLK Forest CD, RAE, AXP,OJP,TT,TC,CGC- Julie Swinland
Sept 18, BOTC agility trial 4th place in Excellent Standard Preferred. 100 3rd leg toward MXP - just 7 to go!

Wabana's Nordic Thunder "Thor"
got his Beginner Novice B title this past weekend!
Owner: Jean Melin

AKC Herding Trial in Pine City, Willie showed in sheep herding. Willie is Kubistraums Othello, BN, GN, CDX, RE, PT, HSA, NAP and is owned by Pamela Magadance and Verna Kubik.

On Saturday, September 11, 2011, he qualified with a 64.5 out of 100 points.

On Sunday, September 12, 2011, he qualified with a 92.5 out of 100 points and received --
2nd place in his class which Herding Started Sheep

Reserve High in Trial
Highest Scoring GSD
Highest Scoring Dog with a Performance Title other than Herding

Willie and agility

At the Greater Twin Cities Golden Retriever Club AKC agility trial held at Soccarblast on August 21, Willie (Kubistraums Othello, BN, GN, CKX, NAP, PT, HSA, RE, JHD, CGC, TDI, TC) owned by Pamela Magadance and Verna Kubik won first place in Jumpers With Weaves Preferred. He had a perfect score of 100 and ran the course in 30.01 seconds. 16 seconds under standard course time.

GSDCMSP Herding Trial Dedication to Linda Fisher

This herding trial is dedicated to Linda Fisher. Linda would be so honored by this dedication! The versatility of the GSD allows it to shine in so many different venues, and herding fascinated Linda. Instinct!! She was hooked the minute she saw Sera Jane at 8 weeks walk in and move the sheep. Linda said to me that day "Our breed is only limited by the people that own them" ..Powerful statement...one that will stay with me forever.

On June 28th 2011, our beautiful friend, Linda Fisher left her earthly body. I will miss her terribly, along with the many others whose lives she touched. She had so many beautiful qualities; of which her fierce determination was always present. Actually, Linda and her breed the German Shepherd Dog were a perfect match. Sharing strength and character, loyalty and love.

Linda decided to start her long awaited breeding program, and every kennel needs a name.

Linda's was Willaways. I asked her one time how she came up with it, for there must be a story and reason! She told me of the obstacles and challenges Butch and herself faced when they were setting up their kennel and breeding program. Thru it all, her mantra was "Where there is a will there is a way". Willaways!. of course

Linda purchased her foundation bitch Jecoda's Spice of Life, "Kia", from Dave and Connie Bissonett. Kia produced 2 litters for a total of 19 puppies. 8 became AKC confirmation champions, 3 in both U.S. and Canada, and 5 titled performance champions to give Kia her ROM

Like every good GSD mom, Linda was protective and passionate about her puppies. Each was a treasure to her to be placed in just the right home for that dog. Her commitment to the breed was only matched by her commitment to the people lucky enough to share in her life. The impressions Linda left in this world continue to ripple wider and wider, touching lives that will be enriched because of her presence in them. Our friend Linda, I will forever miss your physical presence, but will enjoy every day the legacy of your life touching ours.

Laurie McDermid





UKC CH. Juel's High Resolution, JHD, HT, RN, TC,
PT, OFA Excellent (H&E)
Brags for summer 2011
* Rally Novice
*GSDCA Temperament Certified
* Pre-Trial Tested (sheep), pending AKC approval
*One leg towards his CD

November 18 Who will be the match chair?



September 3,798 views
August 2,825 views
July 2,584 views
June 5,736 views
May 5,266 views
April 6,203 views
March 10,482 views
February 4,471 views
January 1,647 views

Petfinder stats above for 2011 as of 9/19/11-

September is a busy month

Shepherds in rescue currently:

Beauty 11 yr female
Hank 8 yr male
Sarge 7yr male-adoption pending
Suzie 3 yr female
Kaydee 2 yr female
Stryker 6 month female

Adopted recently (both of these dogs passed their Temperament Test at the Shepherd Fun Day)

Ike 5 yr male
Teemu 2 yr male

intake
2011 = 35 dogs
Adoptions
2011 = 28 dogs
12 Shepherds
14 Corgis
2 mixes

Thanks

Kathy DuVall
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for German Shepherds & Welsh Corgis only
Find us on PETFINDER and FACEBOOK

2011 National Winners

Select Dogs

Se Excellent # 2 Ch HiCliff's Free and Easy Greg Harrison, Liana New

Select # 16 Ch. Goodfella of Oh-My, Myra Shear
Sel # 20 Anne-Isle's Promise Keeper TD, TC TDI
Martha Simonett, Kurt and Kristan Laczniaik

12-15 month dogs

4th Keylis Happy Thyme Barbara Duncan and Haines Clausen

12-15 month Bitches

1st Rosewood's Sweetmness Bo Vujovich & Mike Bristow

2nd Keylis Let The Good Thymes Roll Barbara Duncan, Haines Clausen & C & H Moen

3rd Keylis Thyme Out-Take Five Karen Swexker Thacker and Barbara Duncan

Novice Bitches

3rd Keylis Quick Thyme Izzy, Barbara Duncan & Haines Clausen

American Bred Bitches

4th Clementine of Oh-My Myra Shear

Open Bitches

Knaufhill's Shana, Liz Oster Bruce Pickett

Veteran Bitches 7-9 years

Ch Marquis' All About Me Kelly, Roger and Linda Salava

Veteran Bitches 9 and Over

2nd CH Oak Haven Xena of BLK Forest CD, RAE, OJP, AXP, TT, TC CGC

PARADE OF GREATS

Am, Can, Int'l CH Oak Haven Xena of BLK Forest CD, RAE, OJP, AXP, TT, TC, CGC Julie Swinland

AOE 3X Sel Ex CH. 2x Can Sel CH. Keylis Purple Rain, TC, HT.PT Barbara Duncan & Haines Clausen

Agility

Monday

Excellent Fast B 24 "

Q Luka, Jeanne Sutich

Novice Fast B

1st Hanna Jeanne Sutich

Excellent Standard 24 "

Q Jack, Janet Sinner

Excellent B Standard Preferred 20"

1st Katja Rhonda Meath

Excellent Jumper 20"

1st Hannah, Jeanne Sutich

Tuesday

Novice Fast 20"

1st Hannah Jeanne Sutich

Excellent Standard 24"

2nd Smith, Rhonda Meath

Excellent Standard 20"

1st Hannah, Jeanne Sutich

Excellent Standard B 24"

2nd Luka, Jeanne Sutich

Excellent Standard B Preferred 20"

1st Katja, Rhonda Meath

3rd Xena, Julie Swinland

Excellent Jumpers With Weaves 24"

1st Smtih, Rhonda Meath

Excellent Jumpers With Weaves 20"

2nd Hannah, Jeanne Sutich

Ex B Jumpers With Weaves Preferred 20"

1st Katja, Rhonda Meath

Wednesday

Excellent Jumpers With Weaves 24"

1st Smith, Rhonda Meath

Excellent Jumpers With Weaves B 20"

3rd Hannah, Jeanne Sutich

Excellent Jumpers with Weaves A Preferred 20"

2nd Xena, Julie Swinland

Excellent Jumpers with Weaves B Preferred 20"

1st Katja, Rhonda Meath

Excellent B Standard Preferred 20 "

1st Katja, Rhonda Meath

Obedience

Open B

2nd Hallingfal's Man on Fire, Ron & Melissa Halling

Veteran

Rivaden's Erda Nibelung CDX,PT,Re, HSAS,CD,
Eileen Varhalla

Brace

1st Zephyr's AdelaidePrincess & Hallingfal's Man on Fire, Ron & Melissa Halling

Team

3rd Zephyr's AdelaidePrincess, Ron & Melissa Halling
Hallingfal's Man on Fire, Ron & Melissa Halling
Rivaden's Erda Nibelung CDX,PT,Re, HSAS,CD,
Eileen Varhalla

Gustaf Von Hagberg, UD Jim Hagberg

Herding

Preliminary Tested Sheep

Q River Rock Kala V Kenlyn, Zoa Rockenstein

Photos from the 2011 Nationals



Regional Club Parade

At first I was the only one holding the banner for our club and Nancy Frodge. from Ohio offered to help carry the banner in. Her daughter Jan garner, from Iowa was also helping but then Jinny Bailey arrived and took her place and Jan went up in the stands to take the picture. Clint Heiman came along to round out our little group.

Our obedience team took 3rd place!

Hallingfal's Man on Fire, Ron Halling
Rivaden's Erda Nibelung CDX,PT,RE,
HSAS,CD, Eileen Varhalla
Zephyr's AdelaidePrincess, Melissa Halling
Gustaf Von Hagberg, UD Jim Hagberg

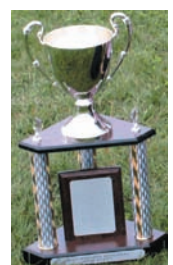


Club members did well in agility.

Right to left:
Janet Sinner and Jack,
Julie Swinland and Xena,
Rhonda Meath and Katja and Smith,
Jeanne Sutich and Hannah and
Luka.

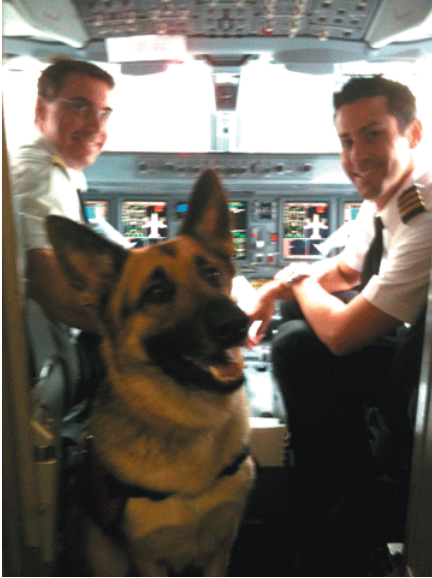


**2012 Specialty shows who wants to be
Chair or Secretary?**



Rin Tin Tin goes to American Humane Association Hero Awards

After a very successful showing at the GSDCA Natrional show, Rhonda Meath, her husband Joe and Rin Tin Tin XII left for the Kansas City airport on a trip that had to be akin to going over the rainbow to Oz. Rin Tin Tin has been named the spokesdog for the American Humane Association and was invited to the Hero Dog Awards which will be televised on the Hallmark channel on November 11.



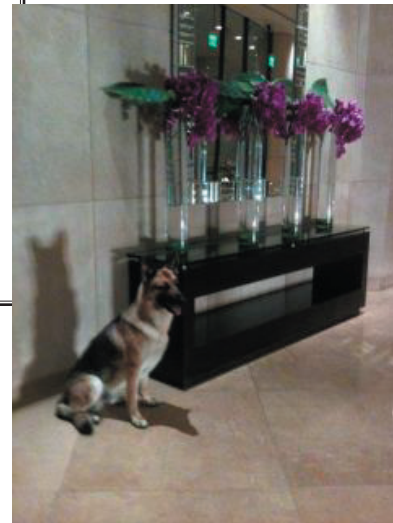
From an e-mail,
"Delta flight 5745
crew Captain Frank
McCarthy & first
officer David Arocni
treat RIN TIN TIN
smith with STAR
STATUS !!

(the captain wanted
him in the co pilot
seat , I told him that
SMITH was way too
BIG !!) "

3:34 wake up call to catch our 7 am flight
from Kansas City to La ...

Car service 11:30 pick up to the doggy salon
Charpeau Marmutt for his bath & blow out
(us humans grabbed a quick lunch while we
waited)

Back to the hotel , then to the tux rental
place to get measured for Joe's Tux



Flower
arrangement
at the Beverly
Hilton. Things
are BIG in
California!



A gift basket in the room



Inside Edition taped Rinty for a
special

The airing of the Rin
Tin Tin special was pre-
empted but you you see a
special on CBS Morning
news at

[http://xfinitytv.comcast.
net/tv/CBS-News-Sunday-
Morning/9280/2143571861/
The-legend-of-Rin-Tin-Tin/
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VIP party last night on a roof top of a cool place ~ made our appearance ~ it
was black tie cocktail , lots of people , lots of photos taken , then whisked
away in the car service that was waiting for us !!!



Hamming it up on the Red Carpet with Prince Lorenzo Borghese



RIN TIN TIN

Recipient of the American Humane Association 2011 Legacy Award

Daphne picked this award up in Fort Worth a few days ago.

Rhonda and Rin Tin Tin met Victoria Stilwell, Betty White, and Whoopi Goldberg, among others.



Dorothy (Daphne Hereford's daughter) Rin Tin Tin XII, and Rhonda on the Rin Tin Tin star at Hollywood and Vine..

There will always be a Rin Tin Tin

Holiday Pot Luck in December -

Who would like to organize this event?



Regional Challenge

for the year ended July 31, 2011

Our entry for the Regional Challenge was mailed on August 15 – all 268 pages. I want to thank everyone who provided me with information and answered my many questions. I am continually impressed – not only by how active our club members are –but with how successful everyone is in the show ring.

Although every point helps and is appreciated, I want to recognize those members and dogs who contributed the most points to our club's success. I am not disclosing our total as I am writing this on August 17 and the GSDCA wishes to make the announcement of each club's total points at the National.

I calculated the points several ways; I think it's interesting to look at it from several viewpoints. The various ways I made the calculations were the following: (1) individual dog with the most number of points, (2) individual member with dogs individually owned with the most number of points, (3) member with co-owned dogs and (4) dogs with only working titles.

(1) Dog with the most number of points

1. Hawthorne's Fate v. Arko owned by Carol Ouhl
earned 185 points
2. Mari's Miracle on 186th Street owned by Kathy DuVall
earned 180 points
3. Kleine Prinzessin Katja owned by Rhonda Meath
earned 105 points
4. Zachary von Hochsicht owned by Judy Morin
earned 70 points
5. Jerland's Grand Zenia owned by Mary Munger
earned 65 points
6. Oak Haven Xena of Black Forest owned by Julie Swinland
earned 50 points

(2) Member with a dog individually owned (husband and wife count as one member) and earning the most number of points:

1. Carol Ouhl earned 185 points
2. Kathy DuVall earned 180 points
3. Rhonda Meath earned 115 points
4. Judy Morin earned 70 points
5. Mary Munger earned 65 points
6. Julie Swinland earned 50 points

(3) Member with co-owned dogs and earning most number of points:

1. Verna Kubik earned 200 points
2. Virginia Bailey earned 140 points
3. Clint and Christy Heiman earned 100 points
4. Sharon Todoroff earned 75 points
5. Pamela Magadance earned 55 points
6. Liz Oster earned 40 points

(4) Dogs with working titles only (conformation and therapy points not included)

1. Kleine Prinzessin Katja owned by Rhonda Meath
earned 105 points

2. Oak Haven Xena of Black Forest owned Julie Swinland
earned 50 points
3. 3-way tied for 3rd place
Kubistraums BMW owned by Verna Kubik and Virginia Bailey
Kubistraus Quick Pick owned by Verna Kubik and Virginia Bailey
Kubistraums Othello owned by Pamela Magadance and Verna Kubik
each earned 40 points
6. Jumpin' Jack Von Noblehaus owned by Mary Bente
earned 35 points

These results were for the year ended July 31, 2011.

Thank you to everyone who helped me compile the points by telling me about awards won. I appreciate it.

Submitted by Pamela Magadance
August 17, 2011

**German Shepherd Dog Club of Mpls & St. Paul
Board Meeting Sept 9, 2011 8:30 PM
We need someone to take minutes since Chris Duffy is out of town**

- I. Call to Order Please sign the membership sheet going around
 - II. Reports of the Officers
 - a. President – Julie Swinland
 - b. Vice President – Eileen Varhalla
 - c. Secretary's Report – Chris Duffy
 - i. Minutes – The minutes of the board and last meeting were emailed and posted to the website and Shep O Gram
 - ii. Vote to dispense with reading minutes
 - iii. Correspondence
 - d. Treasurers Report – Roger Salava
 - e. Auditing Committee – Roger Salava, and Mike Metz
 - III. Committee Reports:
 - a. Membership Report – Linda Salava
 - b. Shep O Gram and Website – Julie Swinland
 - c. Training Director – Julie
 - d. 2011 Futurity & Specialty Show – Verna Kubik
 1. Summary?
 - e. Herding Trial – Zoa Rockenstein
 - f. All Breed Liason – Linn Klingel
 - g. Agility Trial and match Rhonda Meath
 - i. Approved dates March 30-April1
 - h. Program committee – Martha Simonett
Martha had hip replacement surgery
- Pam Magadance was in the hospital several times recently
Discussion of procedure to send cards etc. when people are in the hospital
- i. Budget and Finance Roger and Mike

Sept Board Minutes continued

j. Match- Nov? need chairperson Date selected Nov ____

IV. Old Business

- i. German Shepherd Fun Day
Very successful

V. New Business

Nov Match

Geocaching Nerstrand Big Woods State Park Oct 16

Suggested changes to banquet – Speaker instead of reviewing the blurbs in the program about dogs' accomplishments. Will discuss next membership meeting

Next membership meeting October 14, 8:30

German Shepherd Dog Club of Mpls & St. Paul

Membership Meeting Sept 9, 2011 8:30 PM

We need someone to take minutes since Chris Duffy is out of town

Officers present: President - Julie Swinland, Board members -Lisa Marie Fortier, Linda Salava

I. Call to Order

- II. Vote to dispense with reading minutes Passed

II. Reports of the Officers

- a. President – Julie Swinland no report
- b. Vice President – Eileen Varhalla no report
- c. Secretary's Report – Chris Duffy -not present
- d. Treasurers Report – Roger Salava
- e. Auditing Committee – Roger Salava, and Mike Metz

III. Committee Reports:

- a. Membership Report – Linda Salava 185 members
- b. Shep O Gram and Website – Julie Swinland SOG will be late
- c. Training Director – Julie Beginning class started tonight, STAR puppy starts next week
- d. 2011 Futurity & Specialty Show – Verna Kubik
Parent club will meet soon and we may find out what we will get for the futurity
- e. Herding Trial – Zoa Rockenstein
- f. All Breed Liason – Linn Klingel
- g. Agility Trial Rhonda Meath
 - I. Approved dates March 30-April1
- h. Program committee – Martha Simonett
Martha had hip replacement surgery
Dr, Josee Gerard has offered to give a talk on canine chiropractic on a Friday night.
Julie will try to set up a night when this could be done. Dr Josee has given a talk for our club before and it was well attended.

Pam Magadance was in the hospital several times recently and was not sent a card.
Discussion of procedure to send cards etc. when people are in the hospital. Roger

can send cards and flowers as appropriate but he needs to know when people are ill or hospitalized. So please let him know when people are hospitalized.

i. Budget and Finance Roger and Mike - no report

IV. Old Business

1. German Shepherd Fun Day

Very successful! Probably 65 or more in attendance. We need more help with advertising next year and possibly more activities.

2. Annual banquet - It was suggested that we might have a speaker rather than having each person read their dog's accomplishments. We will vote on this at the next meeting.

V. New Business

Nov 18 Match. We have an Obedience and rally judge. We need a conformation judge and a match chair

Geocaching - Nerstrand Big Woods State Park Oct 16 Beth Hatfield is coordinator. There will be a picnic following the geocaching. We did this several years ago and it was a lot of fun.

Beth contacted the DNR and the closer parks to the Twin Cities are all booked until spring.

Nerstrand Big Woods is a little south of the twin cities and is fairly flat so it will be an easy hike. For those who do not remember what geocaching is I will attach a copy of an article that appeared in the Shep O Gram July 2008 to the electronic version of the minutes.

Next membership meeting October 14, 8:30

October Letter From The President

I hope you enjoyed this combined edition of the September and October newsletter. The club has been very busy. Everything from the GSD Fun Day to the glamour and glitz of the nationals and Rhonda's trip to the AHA Hero dog awards with Rin Tin Tin.

Now we are back to the real world and if our club is to continue on the path that we have been following, we do need participation. We need volunteers to take on the show secretary and chair positions for our spring specialties. The paperwork must go in soon to the AKC if we want to continue having our shows. We also need a match chair for the Nov 18 match. I imagine we need someone to take on the herding trials in the fall also and work should get started soon since the location will have to change. If these events are of importance to you, step forward and take a turn. There are experienced people who can help. It may be time to reconsider hiring a service to handle some of the jobs for our show. We have a chair and secretary for the spring agility trials so that is not a problem.

I was dismayed at the lack of club spirit when it came to the Regional Club Parade at the nationals. This is the club that consistently wins the Regional Club Challenge and Clint and Jinny and I were the only club members to hold our banner. How pathetic is that? I am sure that some of you were getting your dogs ready, but where were the others?

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS, remember? WE have a lot of members with a multitude of talents. WE can do anything. So let's get together and get the Show on the road. This can be the best specialty weekend yet. Who is willing to take up the challenge?

Julie

Club Events

October 15 Membership meeting
8:30 Oct 16 Geocaching day
October 22 Obedience Workshop with
Ron Halling , Flyer will be coming soon
November 11 Membership meeting
November 18 Match
No training Nov 25, Dec 23, and
Dec 30
Dec ? Pot Luck

We need volunteers to take charge
of the match and the pot luck or
we will not have them.



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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 651-457-5459