



Shep-O-Gram

German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis/St Paul

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We need a volunteer!



As always, our club has a lot coming up. There are the monthly workshops with Ron Halling, the GSD Fun Day and Temperament Test, the Futurity and Specialty shows along with Obedience and Rally trials. We have the opportunity to host a GSD-only one or two day tracking seminar presented by club members, Karlyn Berg, and Nancy Kehoe. I will include more information on this in the next issue.

The club web site is progressing nicely and I have included some screen shots and information on how to access the calendars and Shep-O-Gram Archives. The calendars are kept up-to-date now and are easy to navigate. So please take a look.

It is that time of year for Trophy Fund collections. We normally have a great response to this at the March match but this year there isn't a match in March and the Specialties are coming up so please contact Laurie Schray LSchray@hotmail.com, to get your donations in. Remember that you can be listed in the specialty program for your Silver, Gold, Diamond, or Platinum Level donations.

Julie Swinland

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Membership Survey

1. Would you be interested in a one or two day seminar on tracking?

2. What would you like to see at the upcoming GSD Fun Day?

3. Do you have anything you would like to sell at the Fun Day?

Please respond to Julie Swinland, New Event and GSD Fun Day Chair.

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To see the Club training schedule, events and meetings go to [Club Calendar](#).

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Let's take a look at some of the items on the club's new web site. You can start at the new Index page www.gsdcmsp.org.

The arrow is pointing at the 'Club Calendar'. Click there to see what's new.

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German Shepherd Club Meetings, Events and Class Schedule

Posted on 27 september 2018 by [Admin](#)

German Shepherd Dog Club of Mpls & St. Paul

Today
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March 2019
▼
Print
Week
Month
Agenda
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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 Triangle Spel	25	26	27	28	Mar 1 Training - An TRNG-Sched	2
3	4	5	6	7 Spm Board Me	8 NO TRAINING	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Training - An TRNG-Sched Spm Members	
17	18	19	20	21	22 Graduation Training - An TRNG-Sched	23 Ron Halling's
24	25	26	27	28	29 Spring Agility Session Start Training - An TRNG-Sched	30 Spring Agility
31 Spring Agility	Apr 1	2	3	4	5 Training - An TRNG-Sched	6 Indianapolis

Events shown in time zone: Central Time - Chicago

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Here is our new calendar showing the month view of March. If you click on 'Training' you can see the details

<h2>Training - Animal Inn</h2>	
When	Friday, Mar 15, 2019
Where	Animal Inn Training Center, Lake Elmo (map)
Description	Conformation, Socialization, Obedience & Rally
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6:00 - 7:30 - Rally • 8:00 - 8:45 - Puppy 1 & 2 • 7:00 - 8:00 - Beg Obed • 8:00 - 9:00 - Int/Nov Obed • 7:30 - 9:00 - Conformation 	
more details go to my calendar	

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Today April 2019

Print Week Month Agenda

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 Spring Agility	Apr 1	2	3	4	5 Training - Ani TRNG-Sched	6 Indianapolis
7 Indianapolis	8	9	10	11	12 NO TRAINING TRNG-Sched	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Membership Training - Ani TRNG-Sched	20
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If you click on 'Membership Meeting' the details for the meeting will pop up.

Membership Meeting

When: Friday, Apr 19, 2019
Where: Animal Inn Training Center ([map](#))
Description: Meeting Time 8:00pm
All Members and Non-Members Welcome

[more details»](#) [copy to my calendar»](#)

Membership | Ron Halling's

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Today Monday, February 18

Print Week Month Agenda

- Friday, February 22
Training - Animal Inn
- Saturday, February 23
Triangle Specialty Shows - Chicago
- Sunday, February 24
Triangle Specialty Shows - Chicago
- Friday, March 1
Training - Animal Inn
TRNG-Schedule
- Thursday, March 7
6:00pm Board Meeting
- Friday, March 9
NO TRAINING
- Friday, March 15
Training - Animal Inn
TRNG-Schedule
- 8:00pm Membership Meeting
- Friday, March 22
Graduation
- Training - Animal Inn
TRNG-Schedule
- Saturday, March 23

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GSDC Mpls & St. Paul Upcoming Events

The German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis and Saint Paul is committed to promoting the German Shepherd Dog and the future of the breed. The club does so in a variety of ways, beginning with socialization classes for young puppies, and training to all levels of obedience, rally, herding, conformation showing and therapy and service work.

As a regional club we support the German Shepherd Dog Club of America, and encourage exhibiting and participating in events at AKC recognized shows and matches given by other dog clubs.

We encourage and hold programs that educate and support the German shepherd dog owner, as well as start newcomers into the sport of dog show exhibiting, and performance trials. In addition, we promote the German Shepherd Dog through promotions, such as benching at the Minnesota State Fair, and holding our own specialty shows and matches.

As a large club, we have tremendous experience and resources for the German shepherd enthusiast to draw upon. Lastly, we are committed to the German Shepherd Dog for what he was created to be; a loyal companion and friend.

Socialization / Obedience Workshop

by Ron Halling See Upcoming Events list for dates

Ron Halling is pleased to announce his upcoming Monthly Socialization and Obedience Workshop.

Got an issue you'd like to work on, or just want to practice your current skills, and learn some new ones? Ron can help!

At this workshop students will have fun training with ideas that they learn at the workshop and practice during the

Agility Trials - See Upcoming Events list for dates

Our next Agility Trial we be held at On The Run Canine Center in Ham Lake, MN. Please stop by, or enter if you run a GSD in agility to check it out. It is truly a fantastic event to see wonderful handlers and their athletic dogs.

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On the Shep-O-Gram Menu you will see a scroll bar. If you scroll, you can see all the older Shep-O-Grams listed in date order.

Keep scrolling and you will find all the issues going back to Oct 2007 when we first started publishing online.

Shep-O-Gram Archives December 2018 to October 2007



These are just a few of the items out on our new web. You can get club information, forms, rules, breeders and puppies, etc. Please take a look and thank our new webmaster Linda Koestler, and Mike Metz for working on the calendar.

Socialization and Obedience Work Shops

Presented by Ron Halling



You may have heard of the workshops and wondered what they are all about. We are fortunate to have Ron Halling in our club presenting monthly workshops where various issues can be addressed and skills can be honed.

Each workshop starts out with an hour approximately, (he isn't called Sir Talks-A-Lot for nothing) lecture. During this time the dogs adjust to each other and form a variety of a pack. Some dogs act up and voice their opinions and Ron shows people how to get them focused. It may be through the use of a small boat horn or throwing a bean bag down, or other means to get their attention. He also introduces the use of the calming spot to help nervous dogs relax.

After the lecture there is a short break followed by training in the ring.

After an hour or so there is a lunch break followed by a more advanced session.

You can find more idetailed information on the club web site.





**Upcoming Workshops
are on the following
dates:**

**March 23
April 20
May 18**

New Study Shows Link Between Ticks and Kidney Disease

Posts by:

Dr. Melissa Beall, DVM, PhD

Dog Checkups & Preventive Care

[Editor's note: Pet Health Network's parent company is IDEXX, which provides diagnostic services to veterinary practices, such as kidney disease screenings. Remember, the decision for what types of preventive care and screenings are best for your individual pet should always be made after a discussion between you and your veterinarian — your best partner in your pet's health.]

Tick encounters are increasingly hard to avoid. These adaptable parasites are responsible for spreading a variety of diseases throughout the United States, and their range is increasing. Unfortunately, due to issues, such as mice and deer overpopulation (they serve as hosts for ticks), reforestation, suburban sprawl, and patterns in bird migration, among others, ticks and other bugs are taking root in new regions. Add climate change on top of our boundary-less society, and it's clear that your dog—and your family—may be meeting more parasites.

A single tick can transmit multiple infectious agents that can cause serious illness. Because dogs can't tell you how they feel and may not always show clinical signs, it can be challenging to understand the true harm of any given infection to a pet's health. Therefore, it's so important for all dogs to be screened annually for exposure to tick-borne diseases.

An infection from a tick can lead to health issues, including chronic conditions affecting a variety of body systems—blood, joints, kidneys, and others. These complications can be hard to diagnose if we don't understand that a dog has been exposed to an infected tick.

A new study from IDEXX shows a connection between one of these conditions—chronic kidney disease (CKD)—and dogs exposed to infected ticks in areas where *Borrelia burgdorferi* (the agent that causes Lyme disease) and *E. canis* are endemic. This research shows that dogs exposed to Lyme disease are at a 43% higher risk of developing kidney disease. And for dogs exposed to Ehrlichia in *E. canis*-endemic areas, that number jumps to 300%. This research included both symptomatic and seemingly healthy dogs.

Why should I ask my veterinarian about screening for exposure to infected ticks?

All dogs should be screened annually because it's quite possible your pet could be fighting an infection and not showing any visible signs of illness. Your veterinarian can screen your dog using tests like the IDEXX SNAP® 4Dx® Plus Test, which is a comprehensive pet-side test for tick- and mosquito-transmitted infections. Running a comprehensive test once a year is important to monitor your pet's health, as recommended by the Companion Animal Parasite Council, an independent group of leading parasitologists.



What are the signs of Lyme disease or Ehrlichia?

This Pet Health Network article on Lyme disease outlines symptoms, as does this article on Ehrlichia. For both conditions, signs may include fever, fatigue, and enlarged lymph nodes. Lyme disease can also be accompanied by joint pain. However, many dogs with antibodies to Lyme disease or Ehrlichia may show no visible signs of their infection.

This new data suggests that certain dogs, regardless of visible signs, may be at increased risk of ensuing diseases, making annual health monitoring even more important in tick-exposed pets.

What if my veterinarian determines that my dog has been exposed to an infected tick?

If your veterinarian is using the IDEXX SNAP 4Dx Plus Test, a blue dot indicating exposure to an infected tick can be quickly and easily followed up with routine blood work and urinalysis to determine if there is hidden or underlying tick-borne disease. Your veterinarian can also monitor kidney function with the IDEXX SDMA® Test to help catch early signs of kidney function loss in at-risk pets. With this information, your veterinarian can determine what treatments are appropriate.

What happens if my dog's results are negative?

The good news is that negative results are our goal. A negative test result for exposure to infected ticks indicates preventive measures are working, which should be great news for you and your pet.

To protect our pets and ourselves, it's critical to stay alert to the risks. That means regularly screening your pet—whether symptomatic or seemingly healthy—to identify exposure to infected ticks. Make an appointment today with your veterinarian to get your pet screened for exposure to tick-borne disease.

If you have any questions or concerns, you should always visit or call your veterinarian – they are your best resource to ensure the health and well-being of your pets.

Related symptoms:

Fever

Reprinted from Pet Health Network

<http://www.pethealthnetwork.com/pet-health-network-brochures>

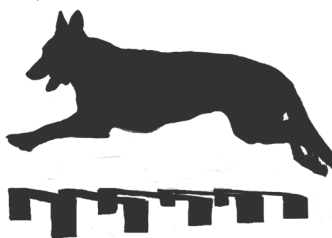


GSD Fun Day June 8 2019 Animal Inn

Get a chance to try:

Agility
Obedience
Rally
Nose Work
Geocaching

Testing for Trick Dog, CGC, CGCA
Temperament Test
Demos by the Noth Star Search and Rescue group
Canine Masseur
More to come.....



Trophy Fund Donation time!

It's that time of year again. Contact Laurie Schray or connect with her at training to get your donations in!

Silver, \$5-\$25
Gold, \$25-\$50
Diamond \$50-\$100
Platinum \$100 and up.



Laurie Schray
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SHEP-O-GRAM DEADLINES and ADVERTISING RATES

Deadline for inclusions/ads and articles.
20th day of previous month

Advertising rates*

Advertising available for members only and for dog related items.

Business card size\$10.00

¼ page (8 ½ in X 11 in page) 35.00

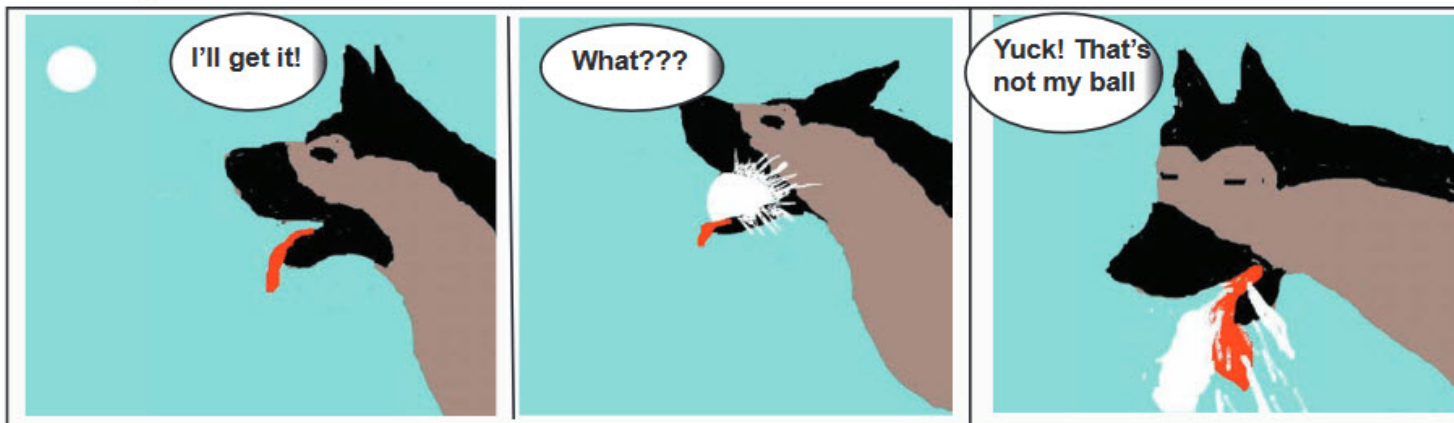
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*Call or email for special rates for multiple issues.

Make checks out to GSDCMSP

SOGGY by Julie Swinland





The German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis and St. Paul MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Applicant Name (Please Print) _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Please indicate the name(s) of any other dog clubs you belong to: _____

Number of German Shepherds you own: _____ Number of litters bred in the last two years: _____

PLEASE INDICATE (X) THE AREAS IN WHICH YOU MAY BE INTERESTED:

Obedience: ☐ Rally: ☐ Conformation: ☐ Agility: ☐ Herding: ☐ Breeding: ☐ Other (please specify): _____

I would be interested in helping with the following activities:

Specialty Shows & Trials: ☐ Fun Matches: ☐ Programs: ☐ Sheep-O-Gram: ☐ Training: ☐
Hospitality: ☐ Fundraising: ☐ Fun Day: ☐ State Fair: ☐

PLEASE INDICATE HOW YOU HEARD ABOUT THE CLUB:

Breeder: ☐ Club Member: ☐ Facebook: ☐ Training: ☐ Rescue: ☐ State Fair: ☐ Friend: ☐
Show/Trial: ☐ Fun Day: ☐ Socialization/Obedience Workshop: ☐ Vet: ☐

I HEREBY MAKE APPLICATION TO THE ABOVE CLUB AND AGREE TO BE GOVERNED BY ITS BY-LAWS.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

MEMBER PROPOSED BY: _____

This application must be accompanied by a check for one year's dues and signed by a current club member sponsor. Dues are \$25 for a single membership or \$30 for a couple. Please make checks payable to the GSDC of Mpls & St. Paul. Return this application at a training class or club meeting or mail with check to:

Please Note: At the next Membership Meeting following the date applied, the applicant will be announced in the Minutes, whereas any Club members that may object to membership have 30 days to raise their concern. If no concerns are raised, the applicant receives Membership status as stated in the Bylaws which are on the website at www.gsdcmpls.org. Dues shall be assessed on a yearly basis from October 1 through September 30. Membership dues for applicants that become members between July of a given year and the December Membership Meeting date of that year will be waived for the following year.

Please direct any questions to _____

To be completed by Membership Chair:

Date Dues Paid: _____ Check: ☐ Cash: ☐ Club cash box: ☐ Online: ☐ Mailed with Application: ☐

Applicant's name added to membership list: ☐



German Shepherd Dog Club of America, Inc. Application for Membership

There are two types of membership. **Regular Members:** Minimum age of 18 years. Must be in good standing with AKC. Applicant (and renewing members) agrees to abide by the GSDCA by-laws and the Rules and Regulations of the American Kennel Club. Two endorsements by current members must be provided by new applicants. Applicant's name will be published in the *German Shepherd Dog Review*. Provided no objections have been filed within 30 days of publication in the *Review*, applicant will be notified that he/she is eligible for all privileges including the right to vote. **Junior Members:** Must be 10 years of age and not more than 18 years of age and shall subscribe to the same criteria as Regular Membership with the exception of the requirement to pay dues. Junior members cannot vote, hold office, or serve on committees other than Junior committees.

To apply and pay **ONLINE** with a credit card, please go to gsdca.org/join-the-gsdcaapply-online.
You can **MAIL** this form to Laura Gilbert, 557 Dunning Lane, Chesapeake, VA 23322

Circle Your Desired Membership Type:

Membership Review Category	Delivery	One year	Three year	Five year
Single	Online only	\$45	\$130	\$215
Single	Print & online	\$75	\$215	\$355
Family	Online only	\$70	\$200	\$335
Family	Print & online	\$115	\$325	\$545
Additional delivery charges				
		Delivery in poly wrap: \$5.00		
		1st Class delivery: \$36.00		
		Outside United States: \$24.00		

Membership Information (please print)

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (Juniors Only)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP/Postal Code: _____

Country: _____ Telephone: _____ Email: _____

For **FAMILY** Memberships, provide **2nd member information**. (Family membership is defined as 2 people living in the same household -- principal & one other person).

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

What activities do you enjoy with your GSD? (Circle all that apply)

House Pet ☐ Obedience ☐ Rally ☐ Schutzhund/Working Dog Sport ☐ Tracking ☐ Other ☐

Endorser 1 Printed Name & Signature: _____

Endorser 2 Printed Name & Signature: _____

Applicant/Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Club Events

March 23 Ron Halling Socialization/
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March 29, 30, 31 Spring Agility Trial

March 29 Graduation and Start of new
training session

April 12 NO TRAINING

April 19 Membership meeting 8:00 PM

May 17 Membership Meeting 8:00 PM

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June 8 GSD Fun Day & Temperament
Test

June 21 Sanctioned Match

June 21 Midwest Futurity

GSDCMSP Specialty shows

June 22-23

GSDC MSP Class Schedule

Ring 1 and 2

Amber Eisfeld & Kelly McDuff

Puppy 1 & 26:00-6:45

Beginning Obedience7:00-8:00

Intermediate/Novice..... 8:00-9:00

Ring 3

Rally Julie Swinland 6:00-7:30

Conformation Ginny Altman 7:30-

Training Director:

We need a volunteer to take over the Training
Director duties. Talk to Mike Metz about the
duties.

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