



# Shep-O-Gram

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Following the Specialty show the next activity was the June Ron Halling Workshop which moved outside for the summer. It is held at the Veteran's Park in Apple Valley next to the VFW. The purpose of the workshop is "to strengthen trust, your bond and communication, increase focus motivation and confidence with your dog...all while having fun socializing with your pointy-eared (and human) friends." I borrowed that statement from the e-mail sent out this month. I attended the morning session and took pictures which you will find on pages 2 and 3. The afternoon session included more advanced work on stopping chasing and working with tunnels. This is an opportunity for great training tips. The next training session is July 16 at the same location. Prices are as follows: \$30.00 (cash) for either the morning or afternoon session. In order to attend the afternoon session, you must have attended a morning session at some time prior (that morning counts). You may have heard of the group walks. If you attend one of these trainings, you and your dog will be eligible to participate in the group walks.

Other events coming up are the tending clinics. You will find information on the July clinic on page 4.

Ron Hallings Lucie, was ranked 3rd German Shepherd in Utility A in 2021.

SOGGY has another adventure in barn hunt also on page 4. If you have any ideas on what he could pursue next let me know.

There is a correction on how to submit your information for the Regional Challenge on page 5. This information and a link to the form was also sent out by our secretary.

We have some health tips and information on new videos on youtube under the Minnesota Purebred Dog Breeders selection. There is information on page 8.

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July 15 Membership Meeting at the Animal Inn or by phone

# RON HALLING WORKSHOP WITH GSDCMSP



The mini session will began at 9:15 and went too 9:50 (prior to joining the group for the 10 am lecture). It is designed to help dogs who may not be quite ready to move into a class setting, and is for dogs super shy to super aggressive and everything in between.

Morning session offered how to raise a GSD” by GSD experts. We also do problem solving with any and all issues. It began with the lecture at 10:00 am, followed by the hands on session at 11:00 am where the training techniques talked about in the lecture were employed and participants practiced how to communicate with their dog through the “marker system” , using positive and negative feedback to mark desired and non desired behaviors.



Time for morning lecture



Eye exercises, focusing on the face or hand.



A nice sit.

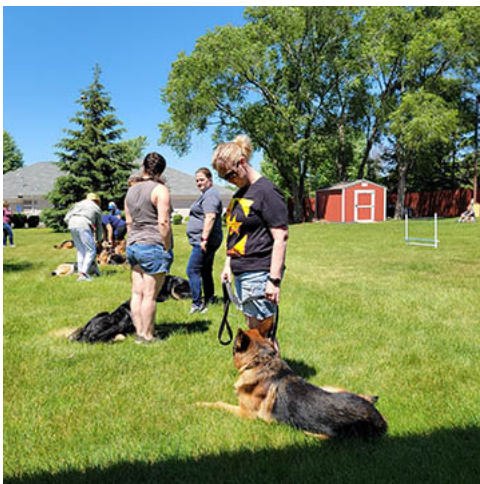




Working in a large circle which gradually tightened up, the dogs learned to concentrate while working around other dogs, healing, sitting, and going over low jumps.



The dogs formed two lines facing each other and then moved in toward a center line where they performed the sit, down, and eye exercises working on impulse control while gradually approaching the dogs in the opposite line



The afternoon session included what to do about chasing behavior and practice with tunnels.



The GSDC of Minneapolis & St. Paul  
is offering a Herding Tending Clinic  
Presented by *Susan Sullivan*

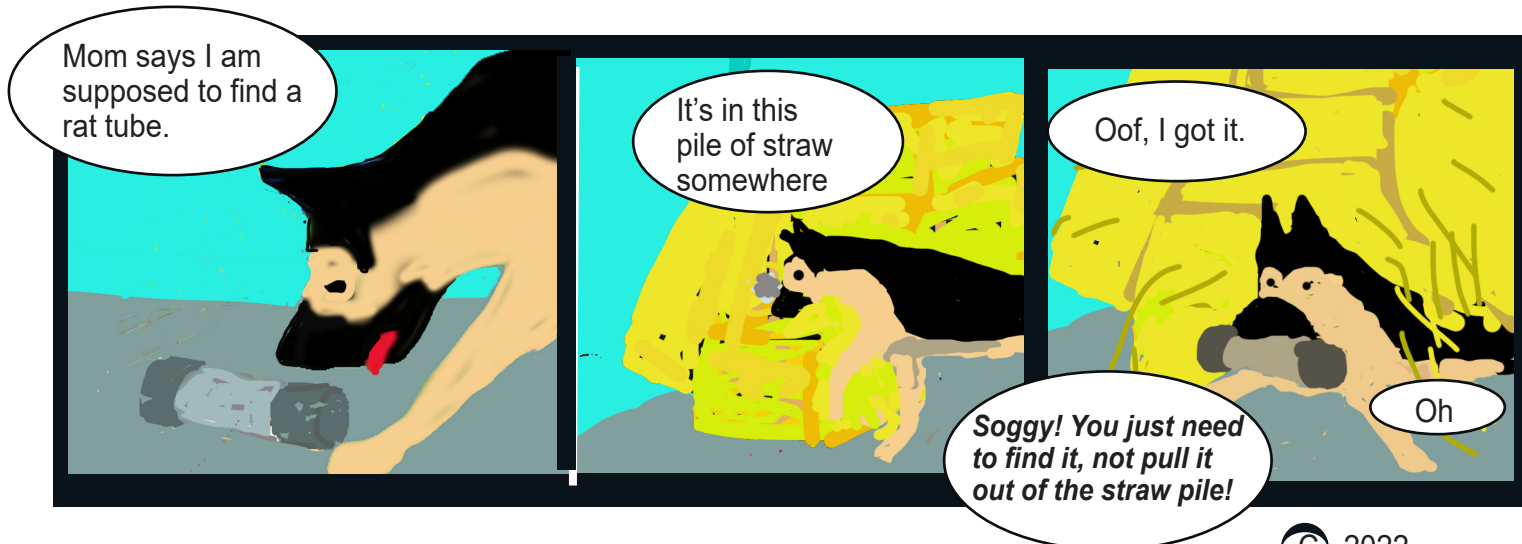


When: July 9<sup>th</sup> – July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
Where: Belles & Whistles Farm  
Center City MN  
Sign up online by June 30<sup>th</sup>



Working spots are full but auditing is available, \$25 for one day \$35 for both days. Auditors get the benefit of learning from Susan Sullivan, nationally known tending trainer. Auditors **CANNOT** bring dogs. The dates are July 9 and 10. Watch for the next Tending Clinic and sign up early for a working spot! Contact Cynthia Curran for information, and to register for auditing. [cyncurran@gmail.com](mailto:cyncurran@gmail.com)

**SOGGY** by Julie Swinland



# Regional Challenge Correction to Submission Process

There's a correction to the regional club submission process. Please email or mail form and proof to Amber Danielowski. She will compile everything and send in the packet. **Email at [rosieworkstoomuch@hotmail.com](mailto:rosieworkstoomuch@hotmail.com) or mail to 2166 190th Ave. Centuria WI 54824 . Please submit to Amber by July 15 so she has time to compile and send to the GSDCA.**

Thanks and sorry for any confusion.

Amber D.

Anyone becoming a member of a regional club between July 1 – June 30 of a Challenge year may have his/her awards and titles included in the regional club's point total once they become a member. Awards received between July 1 2021 and June 30 2022 are included.

## DOCUMENTATION OF AWARD/TITLE

Please include a scanned copy of one of the following along with the Regional Club Challenge Entry Form. All awards must be documented with a copy of the Issuance of Title / Title Certificate from the AKC, GSDCA, GSDCA-Working Dogs or / Face page of GSDCA publication and Copy of "Review" page listing said title or certification. If your dog has earned an AKC/AKC recognized title and/or your club has participated in an event/activity not listed above, please write in the title/event, provide proof, and if approved, points for that title or club participation will be awarded accordingly. [Note: The first page of this form MUST be completed for EACH dog. You need only print/submit those subsequent pages containing particular titles for your dog. A separate form must be included for each club's collective/group contributions with the name of your Regional Club Challenge Representative.]

Remember the first page of this form MUST be completed for EACH individual dog, and only one form may be submitted for each dog. (Entries submitted without this form properly completed will not be counted.) You need only print and submit those subsequent pages containing the particular titles for this dog, and all multiple titles for this dog should be indicated on this form. If requesting points for collective/group club awards or events, you may submit one Regional Club Challenge Award Form as a summary. In fact, a separate form should be

The form to report your titles may be found at : [https://gsdca.org/images/pdf\\_items/Regional-Club-Challenge-Points-Schedule.pdf](https://gsdca.org/images/pdf_items/Regional-Club-Challenge-Points-Schedule.pdf)

# Upcoming Socialization and Obedience Workshops

**Check out GSDCMSP's Socialization/Obedience Workshop on FaceBook for current information on the next Socialization/Obedience Workshop and training tips and videos.**

**Please watch announcements for dates and times.**

**Next Workshop is at the Animal Inn**



July 16 at Veterans Park in Apply Valley

August 20 at Veterans Park in Apply Valley

We've made some changes to our structure over the last year that seem to help a lot more people get enjoyment and results for what we do. The Mini-session is for dogs that may not be quite ready to move right into a class setting will be a staple as we move on. This class runs 9:30-9:50 and helps dogs that are super shy to super aggressive and everything in between. Then the lecture.

At 10 am is the Lecture. How to successfully navigate the imprinting stages of a GSD and problem solving. The most common comment after a workshop is "I never knew there were so many people having the same issues as me". If we don't get to spend enough time on your issue we work one on one with you between the morning session and afternoon sessions. Following the lecture we adjourn for a potty break and reconvene in the ring. It's recommended to have an extra 20.00 on hand in case you choose to purchase a training collar that really works. (Our cost)

The 11 am Hands-on training. Here, we employ the training techniques talked about in the lecture while teaching you to communicate with your dog. We teach you the "marker" system that through demonstrated performance has proven to be one of the best training techniques for our highly intelligent breed. You'll leave feeling confident you know how to raise your pup through it's imprinting stages and in doing so have a GSD that people admire.

12ish, lunch. Due to COVID we are not able to do our Potluck lunches. If staying for the day you can purchase lunch from the American Legion and enjoy your meal under the roof of the picnic area on one of the many tables.

The 12:30 Afternoon Activity Class is different each month and is well thought out to present owners with activities functional to our breed according to the seasons. this month we'll focus on: heeling techniques while out meeting and greeting strange dogs and humans. This includes dogs that lunge and carry on when seeing another dog as well as building your shy or nervous dog's confidence. We'll be teaching you how to utilize dominance over obedience to overcome territorial issues and meeting/living with other animals.

Group Walk-usually a week later we'll blind copy the attendees on our email list the time and location of our Group Walk. These fortify what you have learned and while walking you see your dog meld into that day's "pack". If you peek at our webpage you'll see FOX did a news story with 38 GSD's that showed up. We also had a special walk with 55 dogs. The walk however is restricted to those that have attended a morning session. This is so everyone is familiar with the techniques needed to have a trouble free walk. Prices remain the same, 30.00, (cash), for either the morning or afternoon session, (must have attended a morning session prior to the Afternoon Activity class). It's an extra 15.00 to bring a second dog from your household or to stay for the afternoon session after attending the morning session. The location is Veteran's Park, Veteran's Park is located on the South side of Apple Valley American Legion Post 177614521 Granada Drive, Apple Valley, MN 55124 All of our information can be viewed at either our website or our Facebook pages @Thanks and hope to see you!

**Our trainers, Andrea and Becca will be taking over the upcoming workshops ahead of time. There may be changes in the schedule coming up.**

## **Tips From Ron**

**There are How-To videos on topics such as Drop on Recall, stand for Exam, and dealing with an attacking dog, on Socialization/Obedience Workshop page on FaceBook at <https://www.facebook.com/GermanShepherdtrainers/>.**



# BRAGS



Ron Halling with Lindenhill-Gracelynes Peaky Blinders.  
AKA Lucie

Lucie was ranked third Utility A  
Dog in GSDs for 2001.



## Upcoming Events

**July 9-10 Tending Clinic Bells & Whistles Farm  
Center City MN, for information on tending  
contact Cynthia Curran [cyncurran@gmail.com](mailto:cyncurran@gmail.com)**

**July 15 Membership meeting**

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# Minnesota Purebred Dog Breeders Association has created a new promo video for the State Fair.

There are some scenes with our German Shepherds included copy this URL and then click on State Fair Pet Pavilion You Tube **(1387) State Fair Pet Pavilion Welcome - YouTube**



If you go to this link, you can also choose to review a video by Dr Modiano of the U of M on Canine Cancer.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4HA7bE7lo7Oc0SbNmNsoJw>

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## Other health news

### Get your pet meds cheaper with Good RX for Pets

From Sheila Metz :. Here is a tip. Meds for Maya are 200.00 a month. At costco it is 80.00. Mike learned they take good rx for pets and it cost 40.00 yesterday.



# Health Tips

## Hot asphalt



High temperatures can make the asphalt too hot for your dog's paws!

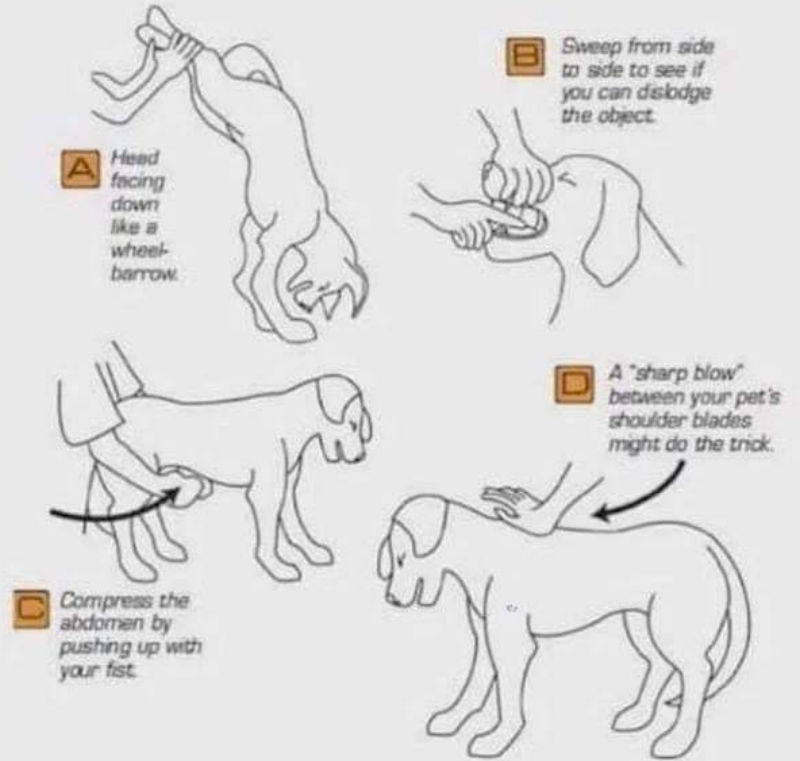
Air temperature	Asphalt temperature
25°C / 77°F	→ 52°C / 125°F
35°C / 95°F	→ 65°C / 149°F

### How to avoid burn

'Seven-second test': If the back of your hand can't stand the heat on the asphalt, it's too hot for a walk.



## Heimlich Maneuver for Dogs



Friends Don't  
Make Friends...  
**Wait in Hot Cars**





## 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:  Shep-O-Grass:  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.gsdcmplsstpaul.org](http://www.gsdcmplsstpaul.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 [membership@gsdcmplsstpaul.org](mailto:membership@gsdcmplsstpaul.org)

**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-gsdca/apply-online](http://gsdca.org/join-the-gsdca/apply-online).

You can MAIL this form to Laura Gilbert, 557 Dunning Lane, Chesapeake, VA 23322

**Circle Your Desired Membership Type:**

Membership 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
		<b>Additional delivery charges</b>		
		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) Agility  Conformation  Herding

House Pet  Obedience  Rally  Schutzhund/Working Dog Sport  Tracking  Other

Endorser 1 Printed Name & Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Endorser 2 Printed Name & Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant/ Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



### GSDCMSP Class Schedule

Register online. <http://gsdcmosp.org/training.html>

Ring 1

.....Various classes, starting at 6:00

Ring 2 Look at web site to get updated schedule

**Training Director:**

**Terry Berg**

**Check out the AKC.org website for articles on training.**

An old SOGGY from the archives. Soggy is around 30 years old! He is drawn on the computer using a mouse. He used to be black and white since the Shep-O-Gram was not in color and was only available in a print version. Soggy has a son, Soggy Jr, who appears in a few of his adventures. Although Soggy is rarely succesful in anything he attempts, he contributes to our winning the annual newsletter contest and he should be very proud of that. He tries very hard to please his mom. His mom has only appeared in a few strips and usually just appears as a voice off the panel. His friend Zoe, is based on Eileen Varhalla's Zoe who was an excellent obedience and herding dog.

SOGGY by Julie Swinland



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