



# Shep-O-Gram

German Shepherd Dog Club of Minneapolis/St Paul

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We held our annual Herding Trial last weekend and had approximately 50 dogs competing each day. This year we had the various tests, PT, HT and Herding Instinct, as well as the Sheep and Duck trials. There were 9 German Shepherds entered this year, mostly in the tests. Hopefully they will move on to Herding Started by next year.

As Chair of the Herding Committee I would like to thank all the Committee members, Pam Magadance, Virginia Bailey, Verna Kubik, David Mielke, and Eileen Varhalla. I would also like to thank all the volunteers who made this trial possible, members and non-members. They are listed on page 3.

Some people said they felt the presence of Pam Magadance at the trial. She was a major part of our trial for the last few years although she didn't want to be listed as Trial Chair. She kept the herding trial going even when she was very ill. We dedicated this year's trial to her memory and awarded a High Combined Memorial Trophy in her honor. The plaque was donated by Mike's Pro Shop when they heard that she had passed.

We have a vote coming up at our next membership meeting on October 25. We need to determine the practicality of keeping the obedience/Rally portion of our show with the specialty conformation show. There are pros and cons which our president Mike Metz plans to outline in a message to the membership. We also need to determine whether or not we would like some of our trials to be all breed or if they should remain confined to German Shepherds. Please voice your opinion either in attendance at the meeting or via phone during the meeting.

We had a presentation by Chris Otto last Friday on what he could offer us in a course on Cat and Dog first aid and CPR. See the flyer on page 10. You can sign up with Julie Swinland. Cost will be \$70/person if we can get 6 or more people.

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October 25 Membership Meeting Animal Inn 8:00 PM

# GSDCMSP Herding Trial 2019



David Mielke and Gaetho  
Highest Scoring Veteran &  
Highest Scoring German  
Shepherd on Saturday.



Eywa and Phyllis Clark in  
Pre Trial Tested.



Tiri, owned by Julie  
Swinland, with Phyllis Clark  
completing her second  
Herding Instinct Test run  
and Herding Instinct title



## Volunteers

### Members

Laurie and Volker Schray  
Laura Meyer  
David Mielke  
Virginia Bailey  
Sheryl Carlson  
Mike Metz  
Larry Sacevich  
Eileen Varhalla

### Non-members

Janna Cowen  
Nancy Groth  
Lisa Corrigan  
Cindy Maloney  
Phyllis Clark  
Joy Huntzinger  
And Polly Simpson



Janna Cowen-Scribe, Dorothy DeLisle-Judge, Laura Meyer-Timer



**Pamela Magadance Memorial Award was won by Sprite, a Border Collie, handled by Phyllis Clark. Awards and several High in trial and Reserve ribbons pictured also won by Phyllis.**



Polly Simpson and Mike talk things over

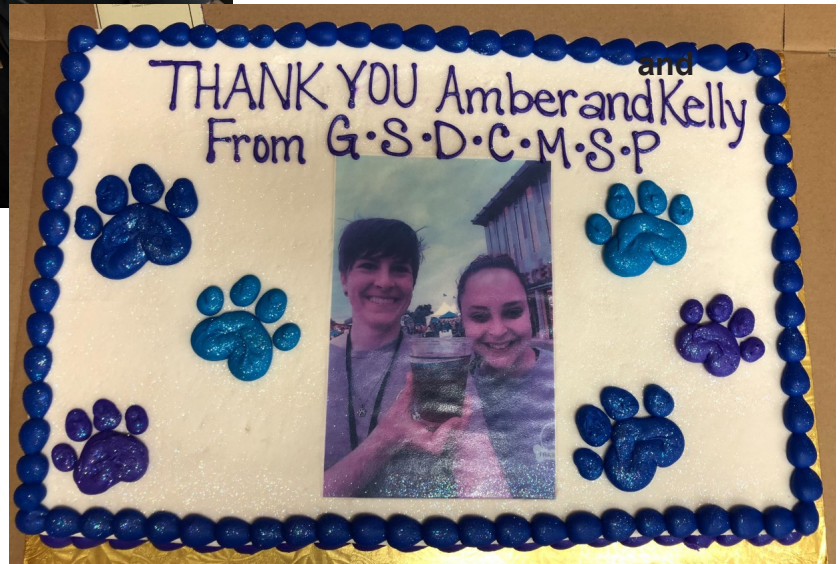
**Other German Shepherds shown were Packer, Polly, Chewy, and Vixen, Owned by Verna Kubik and Virginia Bailey. Polly completed her Herding Instinct title. \*RiverRock's Dream Weaver CGC HT (Greta) completed her HT at our trial. Owned by Julie Dunbar.**



**RiverRock's Stormy Weather (Arnold). He completed his Herding Tested (HT), qualifying both days. Handled by Kim Schneider, owned by Zoa Rockenstein.**



## Good Bye to Amber and Kelly



After 5 years our intrepid trainers have decided to move on. We celebrated with a cake on their last day. We are still searching for trainers to round out our obedience program and may add some new classes too, such as Nose Work. If you know of any trainers please let Mike Metz or the Board know.



# Dog Diarrhea: When is It Serious and How Do I Stop It?

Posts by:

Dr. Mike Paul, DVM

One of the most common problems we see in veterinary medicine is gastrointestinal (GI) upset/diarrhea. Sometimes it surprises me how quickly some clients will rush their dog to the clinic because of a little soft stool. I'm sure part of it is because they don't want to be cleaning up messes all over the house, but it is also because they are genuinely concerned that the cause may be something serious. So what causes diarrhea in dogs? When should you worry and consult your veterinarian? What can you do at home before you see the doctor?

## Causes of diarrhea in dogs

This would be an extremely long list if we went into everything that can cause your dog to have loose stools, but here are some of the top causes:

**Parasites**— Intestinal worms can definitely irritate your dog's gastrointestinal tract, causing all kinds of diarrhea involving the small and/or large bowels. Significant numbers of diarrhea-causing parasites are more common in young puppies.

**Infections**— Viral or bacterial infections can also cause diarrhea and also occur more frequently in younger dogs.

**Dietary indiscretion or diet change**— A purposeful change in diet from one food to another as well as eating something new/inappropriate (from bacon to grass to rocks) can cause irritation or trauma, resulting in diarrhea.

**Stress**— Just like with people, stress/anxiety/excitement can result in GI upset (especially lower bowel irritation or colitis).

**Primary inflammatory disorders**— Like inflammatory bowel disease in people, inflammatory disorders can cause your dog to develop diarrhea.

**Metabolic diseases**— Metabolic diseases may include disorders of the pancreas, liver or thyroid. There are many other problems that upset the motility or environment in the GI tract resulting in diarrhea.

**Medications/toxins**— Most pet parents know that certain antibiotics can upset the GI tract, but other medications and certain toxins can also cause diarrhea.

## What can you do to help stop diarrhea in dogs?

Obviously some of these causes require specific therapy, but some of them may resolve on their own with simple supportive care. In those cases what might your veterinarian suggest that you do at home?

**Continue to feed**— Years ago it was thought that GI upsets required some brief period of fasting to 'rest' the bowels. That is true with vomiting, but nowadays we realize that your dog's intestines need nutrition in order to heal themselves. So don't withhold food unless your doctor prescribes a fast

**Choose the right diet**— Increasing fiber intake may be an option since it is considered a great 'equalizer' (good for constipation but also good for diarrhea). I think it is best to go with multiple smaller meals (say 4 a day) of something that's easily digestible. That means a low fat, mostly carbohydrate diet: potatoes, pasta, rice with a little bit of chicken, turkey, low fat cottage cheese or yogurt. [Editor's Note: Ask your veterinarian before making any changes to your dog's diet.]

**Ask your veterinarian about medications**— You should never assume human medications are safe for dogs. Ask your veterinarian what is safe and for specific dosage instructions.

## When is diarrhea in dogs an emergency?

First of all, you know your dog best. If you are concerned, do not hesitate to contact your veterinarian. That is what your vet's there for: to advise you. Be aware that there are some aspects of diarrhea that are more alarming, and some consequences that can be quite concerning.

To start with, one way to classify diarrhea is as either small bowel or large bowel diarrhea:



## Dog Diarrhea Continued

With small bowel diarrhea you are more likely to see large volumes or watery diarrhea which can quickly lead to significant dehydration and electrolyte imbalance.

Large bowel diarrheas involve the lower bowel or colon. You more typically will see a dog straining and uncomfortable, but passing only small amounts of soft, mucoid, sometimes-bloody stool.

Generally, if your dog had one somewhat soft stool but is still happy, playful and eating normally, you can probably safely wait to see what the next bowel movement looks like before taking any major steps.

However, the following red flags are all reasons to take things more seriously:

- Loss of appetite or thirst
- Lethargy/depression
- Pain/discomfort
- Blood in the stool (either dark, blackish stool or visible, frank, red blood)
- Associated vomiting
- Reduced or absent urinations

Your dog is more likely to be quickly compromised by ongoing diarrhea if:

- Very small
- Very young
- Very old
- Already battling some other medical problem

In these cases, you should consult your veterinarian right away. Even if the ultimate cause of the diarrhea is not anything serious, getting that diagnosis and beginning therapy are important steps. If the diarrhea appears to be the large-volume, small-bowel-type, then your dog will likely benefit from at least some supplemental fluid and electrolyte administration, and probably other anti-diarrheal medications. With large bowel diarrhea, your dog may be supremely uncomfortable and the continued straining will only make the irritation worse. In that case, your veterinarian can administer medications to ease the discomfort and to make your dog feel better more quickly.

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:

- Lethargic
- Depression
- Dehydration
- Vomiting

Shared from <http://www.pethealthnetwork.com/dog-health/>

### SOGGY by Julie Swinland





# Obedience Steward Training

Following the September Socialization and Obedience Workshop, Ron Halling offered steward training for the upcoming Obedience/Rally trials. They went through all the aspects of Novice, Open, and Utility exercises with Lucie as the obedience dog.



Practicing being posts for the figure 8 exercise.



How to move a jump.



Setting up the broad jump.



**Fall Obedience/Rally Trials**  
**Hosted by GSDC of Mpls & St. Paul**  
**October 26-27<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

- Obedience/Rally Animal Inn (Indoors)
  - Friday(10/25):
    - Run Throughs
  - Saturday(10/26):
    - Ring 1 Obedience/Rally – Charles Kline
    - Ring 2 Rally/Obedience – JoAnna Yund
  - Sunday(10/27):
    - Ring 1 Obedience/Rally – Charles Kline
    - Ring 2 Rally/Obedience – JoAnna Yund
- Contacts:
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[schnichels.t@gmail.com](mailto:schnichels.t@gmail.com)
  - Show Secretary: Kim Morris  
[kmorris4369@hotmail.com](mailto:kmorris4369@hotmail.com)

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**Entries close Oct 9! Get your entries in!**



# Braggs



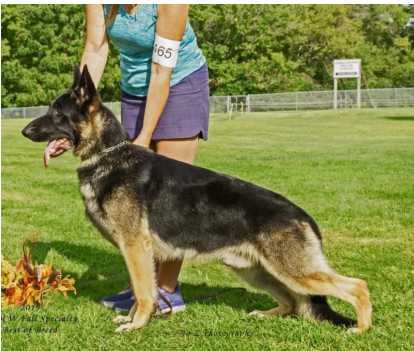
**PAM DAE CT-ATCH Ch. Lindenhill-Gracelyn Fat Nat RN, HT, PT, XFP, AJP, AXP, CTL2, CTL3, CTL4, TKI CGC, TC.**

Sire: SEL Ex CH Goodfella of Oh-My

Dam: Lindenhill Gracelyne's Lite Lite

Breeders: Shelia Metz, Michael Metz, Rick Seki

Owners: Cathy McKeon and Jeff Rapacz



**"Rowdy"**  
 Best of Breed  
 Kubistraums Free for All,  
 TC, HIT, HT  
 GSDC of Wisconsin  
 Reserve Maturity Dog,  
 2018-2019 GSDCA  
 NE Regional Futurity &  
 Maturity  
 GSDC WI-RWD Sat AM  
 & Sunday 13 Points-  
 -3 Futurity Weekend  
 Majors!



**"Rowdy"**  
 New Performance (Herding Tested-HT) Title- 9/13/19  
 Great River Stockdog Club



**Ch. Kubistraums Rough Rider of Rushmore, TC**

Best in 2018 GSDCA NE Regional Futurity  
 Best in 2019 GSDCA SW Regional Maturity  
 BOB-GSDC of WI-SatAM- (10 GCH points)-  
 Select Dog Sunday



**"Skittles" Kubistraums Big Rock CandyMountain, TC, HIT**

Best in 2019 GSDCA MW Regional Maturity  
 GSDC of WI 8 Points- Back to Back Majors  
 Best of Breed-Saturday AM Winners Bitch-Sunday



**Ch\* Kubistraums Bear Went Over the Mountain, CGC, RN**

CGC & RN Performance Titles  
 GSDC of WI--WD, BW Saturday AM & PM  
 --New Champion!  
 Finished with 4 Majors!



# Braggs



Amaze  
\*CH  
RiverRock's  
Maybe I'm  
Amazed, Best  
Puppy in the  
US and Canada  
in 2018,  
completed his  
championship.



\*DAE CH RiverRock's Mandolin Wind HT  
RN TC (Mandy) completed her Dual Award  
of Excellence title.



RiverRock's Stormy  
Weather (Arnold ) Arnold  
also took a 4 point major  
reserve in Claremore, OK  
this spring.



AOE DAE Sel Ex GCHB CH Karizma's  
Raven of RiverRock CGC RN TC ROM  
Raven.

Raven completed requirements for her Register of Merit (ROM), Rally Novice (RN), Dual Award of Excellence (DAE), and Award of Excellence (AOE) titles this summer. She is the #9 Major Point Producing Dam. Raven will be awarded the AOE at the National this year.



Angus  
\*DAE CH RiverRock's Whistle Down the  
Wind RN CGC TDN TC CGCA (Angus)  
completed his championship and Dual  
Award of Excellence titles this year.  
Owned by Cynthia Curran.



# Dog and Cat First Aid and CPR training

We have the opportunity to bring in Christopher Otto of Red Cape CPR Training to give us a course with certification in first Aid and CPR for cats and dogs. If we can get 6 or more people to sign up we will get the reduced rate of \$70/person for a 3 1/2 hour course. We can have up to 12 participants. I am thinking we could hold this at the Animal Inn on a Friday. Since we have the nationals coming up I was thinking that we could shoot for the first Friday in November in place of training that night.

Please let me know if you are interested, Julie Swinland - Blackforestgsd@msn.com.



## Red Cape CPR Training LLC

Is bringing Pet First-aid and CPR to the Twin Cities and surrounding areas

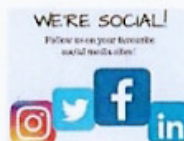
Wellness checks, wound care, insect bites, extreme weather, CPR and more skills will be covered. Full details and class schedule under events at [www.redcapecpr.com](http://www.redcapecpr.com)



Whether you're looking to **BOOST** your business or to be better prepared. While in your care, you can be their best defense in an emergency!

You will receive:

- Digital copy of Pro Pet Hero Student Manual
- 2-year Pet CPR & 1<sup>st</sup>-aid Certification plus 2 Continuing Education credits
- Checklists for Wellness, Disasters & more!
- 2 wallets & 1 8x10 printable certificates
- Jpeg of "Pet CPR Certified" for your use & more!





# 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 & Trails:  Fun Marches:  Programs:  Sheep-O-Gram:  Training:
- Hospitality:  Fundraising:  Fun Day:  State Fair:
- Breeder:  Club Member:  Facebook:  Trainer:  Rescuer:  State Fair:  Friend:
- Show/Trial:  Fun Day:  Socialization/Obedience Workshop:  Vet:

### PLEASE INDICATE HOW YOU HEARD ABOUT THE CLUB:

- Breeder:  Club Member:  Facebook:  Trainer:  Rescuer:  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.gsdca.org](http://www.gsdca.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-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 Review Category	One year	Three year	Five year
Single Delivery	\$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) 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: \_\_\_\_\_



## Club Events

Oct 12 Ron Halling's Socialization and Obedience Workshop Animal Inn

Oct 18 No Training

Oct 25 Membership Meeting

Oct 26-27 Obedience/Rally Trials

Nov 8 First Aid and CPR Course  
Tentative

Nov 15 Membership Meeting

Nov 17 Socialization and Obedience Workshop with Pictures with Santa 3:00-5:00

### Reminder:

Pam Magadance's Funeral will be Friday Oct 4, at the First Congregational Church of Eau Claire, 310 Broadway St., Eau Claire WI. 54703. Visitation at 10:00, 11:00 Brief Funeral, followed by cake. Memorials may be sent to GSDCMSP in lieu of flowers. Pam considered GSDCMSP to be her family!

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## GSDC MSP Class Schedule

### Ring 1 and 2

~~No Obedience and Puppy class until Further notice.~~

~~Puppy 1 & 2 .....6:00-6:45~~

~~Beginning Obedience .....7:00-8:00~~

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

### Ring 3

Rally Julie Swinland .....6:00-7:30

Conformation Ginny Altman...7:30-

Rally and Conformation continue and we will have some guest lecturers and a First Aid and CPR course coming soon.